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## Deputy State Supt. Jim Jernigan Visits Schools Last Week

Deputy State Superintendent, Jim Jernigan, spent two days last week visiting the schools of Dickens county. He was very complimentary of the excellent school program of the county.

The object of his visit was to ascertain the financial condition of each school and to make recommendations for transportation and salary aid. More than one thousand students living more than two and one-half miles from school will be transported by school buses. The schools of Dickens county will receive in the form of salary aid and transportation aid approximately \$26,000.

This type of aid is paid only to those schools that qualify for state aid. The money for paying this aid is derived from special taxes such as gasoline, tobacco, corporation, natural gas, crude oil, and liquor taxes. If this type of aid was not available to the schools of Dickens county, local taxes would have to be doubled in order to secure the same services.

No tax valuations for school purposes have been raised in Dickens county for the past three or four years. No warrants have been issued in payment of current school accounts or salaries. No teacher salaries have been increased except in keeping with the regulations that govern state aid schools. In such instances salary raises are based on experience and training in school.

## Farmers Assured Of Receiving Ample Transport Rations

Temporary transport rations are in store for owners of farm vehicles whose certificates of war necessity do not provide sufficient gasoline for 30 days essential operation.

Under an adjustment phase of the transportation program, the Texas USDA War board announced this week that farm vehicle operators should make requests for additional gasoline to local War Price and Rationing boards where obvious errors have been made in certificates.

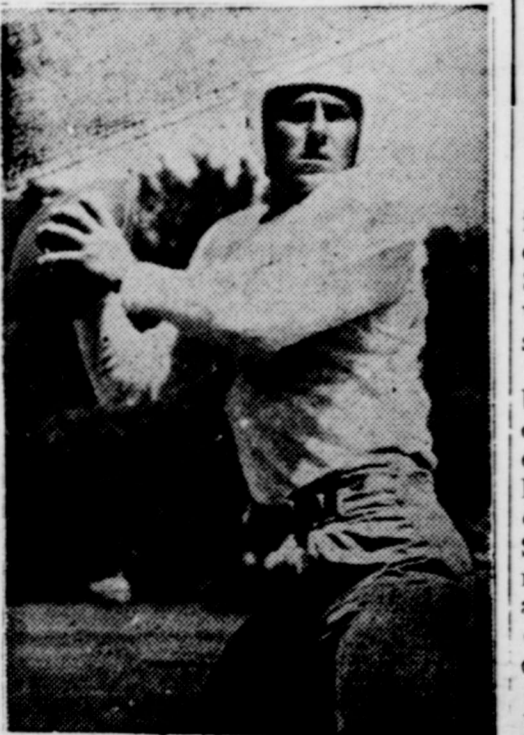
The procedure for handling emergency cases was agreed upon by the Department of Agriculture and the Office of Price Administration.

The War board explained that when allowances are corrected by the local War Price and Rationing boards, operators will receive motor fuel rations for operation to December 31 and the amount of gasoline used will be deducted later from the total gallons of motor fuel allowed on a corrected certificate of war necessity.

County Farm Transportation committees are scheduled to handle appeal cases from farmers for corrected certificates, the War board said in explaining that regular ODT appeal forms would be sent to committees as soon as possible.

Temporary rations will take care of emergency cases and give committees sufficient time to consider appeals and make proper recommendations to ODT under regular appeal procedure, the board pointed out.

Miss Mary Berta Harkley, who has been with the post office in Leasville, La., was here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Perry, and with friends the past week, before going to Abilene where she will be employed in the post office.



**ROY MCKAY**—University of Texas as fullback, who has received numerous All-American honors, wound up the regular season with being the champion "ball-toter" of the Southwest conference. On 132 tries, the Texas lad gained a total of 711 yards. He hopes to add to this yardage when the Texas team ties up with Georgia Tech in the Cotton Bowl classic in Dallas on New Year's day.

## Former Spur Boy, Dying, Helped Science In Study Of "Marble" Bone Flourine Cases

The case of a 22 year old former Spur man whose bones were turned to "marble" because of excessive flourine in drinking water—the first report in the United States and one of the few known cases in world medical history—held the attention of the Radiological society of North America at a recent meeting in Chicago.

The young man was Morris W. Denton, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Denton of 311 Avenue W, who died Sept. 18, of a malignant kidney ailment in an army hospital at El Paso. He was a private at Biggs Army Flying Field. He will be admitted to a dangerous operation which entailed the removal of a piece of the lower chest bone, and was undertaken solely in the interest of medical science. Mrs. Denton says her son was fully aware of his condition and realized he had only a short time to live, expressing a desire to go through with the operation in order that he might have a part in helping others with the same trouble, she said.

Morris was apparently successfully recovering for several

days after the operation when complications set in from his defective kidney, according to Mrs. Denton, which had been ruptured in a game of foot ball with some playmates.

Morris Denton was born in Spur where the family lived until he was six years of age. From here the Dentons moved to Post, thence to Lubbock in 1929. All these cities are supplied with water containing flourine.

Young Denton was admitted to the army hospital last June 16, for treatment of a sty. In previous tests, doctors discovered he had a rare type of blood. An X-ray was undertaken. A hardening of the bones was apparent. The chest bone appeared to be most effected in his body. His condition was diagnosed as fluorosis of the bone. Tissues around the bone were in a stage of deterioration. One sister to Morris, Miss Leta Fern Denton, 20, who was also born in Spur, and two brothers, were examined, but no trace or ill effects other than discolored teeth could be found.

The father is employed at the Lubbock post office.

## County HD Agent Gives Pointers On Meat Sharing Plan

With meat rationing obviously "just around the corner," the government has asked us to voluntarily ration ourselves on meat to help solve the shortage even before the mechanism of enforced rationing can be set up.

The Share-the-Meat plan includes beef, veal, lamb, mutton, and pork only; and leaves poultry, fish and variety meats such as kidney, liver, brains, sweetbreads, tongue, etc. to be used freely, according to Miss Fae Bass, county home demonstration agent. Your weekly share is 2 1/2 pounds over 12; 1 1/2-2 pounds per week for children 6 to 12; three-fourth pound per week for children under 6 years old, this weight taken with bone in and fat on.

Many families will find that they do not use over this amount, but if they do, Miss Bass suggests the following ways of cutting down: meatless days, meatless meals, using meat substitutes such as cheese, nuts, dry beans, peas, and soybeans, and eggs. All of these provide protein, the main food value found in meat. The flavor of meat may be stretched by using small quantities of meat with bulky or mild flavored foods in meat pies, stews, curried meats, etc.

In the past two weeks farm families have been given a chance to say they will cooperate with the Agricultural Victory council, Neighborhood leaders have contacted their neighbors explaining the plan to them, giving them some suggestions for following the plan, and asking them if they will agree to cooperate.

"We should determine what our family's total meat allowance is," Miss Bass said, "then keep a record of what meat we buy, what we use of the meat we have at home or in the freezer locker, and any that we eat outside the home. And let's be sure our weekly total is within our limit."

It's just another way of speeding the day of victory; so it's our privilege to help where we can.

## Proclamation Sets Dec. 13 Universal Bible Sunday

Governor Coke Stevenson has issued a proclamation urging the observance of Universal Bible Sunday, Dec. 13. Governor Stevenson, in this connection, has said:

WHEREAS, The American Bible Society is continuing its work of making the Bible available in every area of need in our own land and in about forty other countries. The American Bible Society is taking over more and more of the work of the British and foreign Bible Societies whose opportunities for service are increasingly hampered by war; and

WHEREAS, Sunday, December 13, 1942, is being dedicated as Universal Bible Sunday, and it is important that this treasured Book be made available to spread its messages of peace and love to all mankind;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Coke Stevenson, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim Sunday, December 13, 1942, as

**BIBLE SUNDAY**

in Texas and urge that it be fittingly observed by the citizens of this State.

## P. Brady, Snyder, Enters Race For Representative

To the Voters of the 118th Representative District: (Composed of Stonewall, Kent, Borden, Scurry, Garza and Dickens counties.)

Without any solicitation from any source I have decided to enter the race for Representative to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Pat Bullock, who was elected to the State Senate.

I have lived in the 118th Representative District of Texas for the past 46 years, having lived or resided in almost every county embraced in said District. In Dickens County, banking, Kent county as ranchman and county official; Stonewall county as banker and ranchman, and Garza and Scurry counties as stockfarming.

I have many friends and acquaintances in all of this district, especially among the early pioneers, of whom I would invite your inquiry of me as to my qualification to the position to which I aspire.

It is not my purpose to make further solicitation for your support, other than my formal announcement in your local paper. Gasoline rationing will not permit; time will not allow, and your patience would not indulge.

This time for action, not talk. Very respectfully, yours for service.

## No Cotton Loan In 1943 If Marketing Quotas Rejected

No government loan can be offered on cotton in 1943 if marketing quotas are rejected in the nation-wide referendum Saturday, Dec. 12, Frank Seale, state AAA committeeman, reminded cotton growers this week.

Seale, himself a Robertson county cotton farmer, pointed out that the law prohibits the Commodity Credit corporation from making loans on cotton in any year in which quotas are rejected.

The government loan has served as a floor under cotton prices ever since 1938, the first year quotas were in effect, the AAA committeeman declared. Currently, the basic cotton loan rate is 16.97 cents a pound, 90 per cent of parity, is supporting the price of cotton.

With our huge supply of cotton and with world prices equal to about half what we're getting for cotton, there is no telling what would happen to American cotton prices if the loan were removed," Seale declared.

Cotton growers will vote for the sixth time on marketing quotas Dec. 12. Each year for the past five years they have voted overwhelmingly to use cotton as a means of assuring each producer his fair share of the available cotton market.

## Letters To Santa

Spur, Texas, Dec. 5, 1942.

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good little girl. Please bring me a tri-cycle, stove, candy, fruits and nuts. Please bring my teacher something real nice. Bring my mother, daddy, grandmother, and my two brothers something. My brothers are nine and 13 years old. I hope you have a good Christmas, too. Yours truly, Ophelia Cherry.

## Farmers Urged To Increase Livestock Production In 1943

Increasing meat production not only is patriotic but it's good business, I. W. Duggan, director of the AAA's southern division, told Farm Bureau members at their convention in Waco.

"Regardless of shortages and the difficulties which face them, farmers in the South must increase the production of livestock and livestock products," Duggan said, pointing out that he referred not only to Texas ranches but to farms throughout the South.

Duggan pointed out that the mid-October price of hogs was 126 per cent of parity and the farm price of beef cattle was 136 per cent of parity, compared with the farmer 99 per cent of parity, corn 78 per cent, and wheat 76 per cent.

"With these relative prices, it is profitable for southern farmers to increase their livestock production, especially if it can be done with home-produced feed and pastures," he declared.

The 1943 AAA farm program is designed to assist farmers in their all-out production for the war effort, the AAA official said. Conservation practices, such as seeding permanent pasture grasses, establishing cover crops of winter legumes, and applying lime and phosphate, all contribute directly to the war effort, because it is through these practices that farmers can increase their production of vitally-needed war commodities, he explained.

Duggan congratulated Texas farmers for the big contribution they made to war-time agricultural production in 1942, especially in vegetable oils, but he warned that production will be even more difficult in 1943 because the farmers must face the same handicaps as last year, except they will be even greater.

## Victory Program At Afton Wednesday Night; To Sell Bonds

A Victory program will be given by the school for the benefit of all the people living in the Patton Springs school district. The program will be at the school building, Wednesday night at 8:15 o'clock and the admission will be to buy stamps or bonds sometime during the program.

W. F. Godfrey and Postmaster O. C. Arthur of Spur will attend to assist Leon Lawson, local postmaster, with the sale of stamps and bonds.

An excellent program is in store for those who attend and the local school authorities and citizens sponsoring the program expect a large turnout and also predict that stamp and bond sales will be greater at Afton than any other place in the county.



OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. — Pvt. Walter Vernon Ferguson, son of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Ferguson of Hereford, is now stationed at the Oklahoma City Air Depot. He is a member of a medical detachment attached to the station hospital at this newest establishment of the Air Service command for the maintenance and repair of aircraft and the training of air depot groups.

Private Ferguson worked at farming in McAdoe before he entered the Army. Transferred from Fort Sill, Okla., he has been on duty here since Nov. 30.

Cord. Luther Powell, who is being transferred from Omaha to Tulsa, was at his home in Spur last week end visiting relatives and friends.

E. J. Bilberry Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Elek J. Bilberry, has received a promotion to the rank of sergeant with the Ferrying division, Air Transport command, according to announcement by Col. Ralph E. Spake, commanding officer of the California group. Sergeant Bilberry enlisted in the service the first of this year, taking his preliminary training at Sheppard Field. Previously, he attended Dickens high school.

## LA VORIS LEE PLEDGED P.A.L.S. SOCIETY AT ACC

ABILENE, Dec. 9. — LaVoris Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Lee of Spur, has been presented as one of the fall pledges of P.A.L.S., girl's social club at Abilene Christian college. A sophomore, Miss Lee is a business administration major at Abilene Christian college.



Cotton farmers have a big question to decide on Saturday, December 12. They will vote on whether they want to keep cotton marketing quotas another year. If two-thirds of those voting say "yes," cotton loans will again be available. But if quotas are rejected, there can be no loans, according to the law. The loan rate has been raised from 85 to 90 percent of parity. Although there is almost a two-year supply of cotton on hand, cotton prices have been relatively high this year, mainly because of the loan.

## Why All Farmers Should Vote In The Cotton Referendum Saturday, Dec. 12th

Supplies of cotton for both military and civilian use are sufficient to last two years but there is not nearly that much food.

That's why Joe M. Rose, chairman, Dickens county AAA committee, is asking all cotton farmers again to vote in a cotton marketing quota referendum, Saturday, Dec. 12.

Production of food and other scarce war crops should be of primary concern to all farmers this year for the same reason that making war materials has become the chief concern of manufacturers, the chairman said in explaining that the companies which used to make automobiles and typewriters now are making airplanes and machine guns.

## Several "Frozen" Farm Machinery Items "Thawed"

Removal of a number of items from the list of "frozen" farm machinery has been announced by the Texas USDA War board.

Included on the list of "thawed-out" machinery were such implements as poultry feeders, cattle stanchions and fittings, butter molds, hand water pumps, hand feed grinders and crushers, hand transplanters, and hand sprayers. All but thirteen items in Schedule II of Temporary Rationing Order B were removed from the "frozen" list.

The thirteen items still remaining on Schedule II are: one row, one horse corn planters; one row, one horse corn and cotton planters; one row, two horse corn and cotton planters; one gate broadcast seeders; horse and tractor drawn garden planters; walking, one horse steel bottom moleboard plows; stalk cutters; one horse, cultivators (all-types); one row, walking, two horse cultivators; one row, riding, two horse cultivators; and two row and over, riding, cultivators.

The board declared that distributors and manufacturers may now make or accept transfers of the released items and dealers may replenish their stocks provided they are within any WPB or OPA regulations, or the manufacturing quotas of Conservation Order L-170.

## Afton Ladies Aid In Red Cross Work

The ladies of the Afton community are helping with Red Cross sewing even though they are busy with their home jobs. They met the first Wednesday of each month at the Homemaking cottage at the school. They have already met twice, making 101 articles to be shipped in the current shipment.

Contributing their efforts to this worthwhile cause were Mmes. J. N. Lawson, Jack Fite, Herman Kee, Edward White, Carl Randolph, Allie Barton, Byron Haney, Clark Forbis, Gus Martin, Leon Lawson, Tab Williams, Marion Burk, Curtis Goodwin and Miss Minnie Harvey.

Roy Stovall and Dr. Brannen were in Fort Worth this week attending a butter convention. It is rumored around town that the mayor is taking lessons in churning.

## Wellington Downs Spur To Capture Bi-District Title

By JOE ERICSON  
The Spur High School Bulldogs, undefeated until their bi-district clash with the Wellington Skyrockets, went down scraggly to the much larger team, 13-7. But the score does not tell the story of this ball game since the outcome was in doubt through the entire game.

Wellington won the toss and chose to kick and take the wind at their backs. The Bulldogs brought the ball back to the thirty-eight yard line to start the game. Ball and Elkins tried the ends and the line and made two first downs, but the 'Rockets' resistance stiffened there and Ball was forced to kick. The Skyrockets could do no better so the ball changed hands as it was to do many times in the first two quarters. Neither team could gain on the ground and Wellington did not try many passes at this stage of the game. Late in the second quarter the Bulldog forward wall broke through and Boothe, the defensive right tackle of the Spur team, blocked one of Melton's punts to give the Bulldogs the ball on the nineteen yard line, but the Skyrockets line held for four downs and Melton, Wellington captain and quarterback, kicked short to the thirty yard line. From there the Bulldogs passed and plunged to the eight and there in three attempts, Ball smashed the ball over. Carlisle immediately kicked the point to make it 7 and nothing. After the Bulldogs had kicked off the Skyrockets took the ball and marched sixty-five yards on three passes to score.

The passing combination of Melton to D. Scott was responsible for the larger part of this march and finally resulted in the score. During the third period the heavier line and backfield of the Wellington team pounded the lighter Bulldogs to shreds. The reserves, that Coach Duncan of Wellington could send in were as large and larger than the Spur starting men. The third quarter was an exhibition of power football with Wellington seemingly having the most power. Late in the third quarter the Skyrockets started a touchdown march that the Bulldogs could not seem to stop. Relying on their captain, Melton and their fullback and co-captain Tompson, the Skyrockets marched about fifty yards to the four where the Bulldogs held them for three downs but Melton crossed the double stripe standing up to place the Wellington team in the lead, 13-7.

The Bulldogs leading in every other department of the game but the score, tried desperately the entire fourth period to score. They penetrated once and got as far as the thirty yard line another time, but did not seem to have scoring punch that the situation demanded, and failed to score both times. The Bulldogs lost the services of Elkins, their fullback, in the first part of this quarter and he did not re-enter the game. The game ended with the Bulldogs trying to score by throwing passes all over the field.

This game finished the season for the NBulldogs who have shown that they had the spirit to play the game and win throughout the entire year. The line play of Stanley and Boothe, the defensive charging of Simmons and Smith, the fine job that Vernon has done at center, and ball carrying of Elkins and Ball were the highlights of the past season. I'm sure you join with me in extending the Spur High School Bulldogs our deepest appreciation for the fine job they have done this year.

## Urges Caution To Prevent Fires Thru Holiday Season

Marvin Hall, state fire insurance commissioner, suggests that plans for the coming holiday season include careful consideration of fire prevention.

"We must not allow destructive fires to burn our homes, or to cause injury or death to our families," Hall said. "This can be avoided by being careful in planning our decorations for Christmas. The decorations more commonly used are highly combustible, and therefore create additional fire hazards during the holiday season."

Several fire safety practices mentioned by the commissioner were:

See that decorations are kept a safe distance from stoves or other heating equipment; do not allow them to come in contact with electric light bulbs, or appliances, prevent the accumulation of trash, papers, boxes or rubbish; "black out" matches, cigars and cigarettes before discarding them; Keep matches beyond the reach of children; be careful to keep electric circuits from being overloaded.

If a tree is used, secure a fresh one, keep it dampened and outside the house until actually needed. When set up, place the tree in a room where it will be as cool and moist as possible.

## Knights of Pythias Name Officers For Year Monday Night

The Knights of Pythias, Spur lodge No 419 elected officers for the next term last Monday night. The following were elected:

Chancellor Commander, Clyde Walthall.

Vice Chancellor, Lloyd Hindman.

Prelate, L. D. Ratliff.

Keeper of Records and Seals, Bill R. Cathey.

Master of Finance, S. C. Reynolds. Master of Works, H. B. Wood. Master of Arms, C. F. Applegate. Inner Guard, C. C. Kimmell. Outer Guard, G. W. Blakeley.

All members are urged to be present next Monday night, December 14.



**HIRED BY MORGENTHAU**—Above is pictured L. D. Ratliff, local attorney, who was advised Tuesday of his appointment to practice before the Treasury department. The appointment also permits him to practice before the Internal Revenue department. Ratliff, who will retire Jan. 1 as county attorney of Dickens county, is the only one in this immediate territory in whom authority to practice before the Treasury department has been granted.

BUY WAR BONDS and STAMPS

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#### FREEDOM'S TEXTBOOK

The most important books in a nation's life are its textbooks. The nation of tomorrow is determined by what it is studying today, for textbooks do more than impart information. They mould the very spirit of the nation for the years to come. America's passion for freedom was born out of a century of colonial education centering in one book—the Bible. The simple social structure of those days was reared upon three institutions; the home, the school and the church, in all of which the Bible was supreme.

The political structure of the United States government designed by men trained in colonial concepts reflects the teachings of the teachings of the Bible. There it is in the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution and the Bill of Rights. The attitude of the United States toward her neighbor nations has always been more like that of the good Samaritan than it has like that of the robber. Today our nation faces not only her responsibility for ridding the world of international gangsters but the next task of rebuilding the world on the patterns of her own national structure. No day in any of these war years is therefore any more important than Universal Bible Sunday, which may serve to remind the American people of the source of their nation's strength.

### SHOEING FOR XMAS

Come in and let us do your shoe repair work before the Christmas holidays. We'll do the job to please you.

Love's Shoe Repair Shop

Spur Texas

### ANNUAL STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of Spur Security Bank of Spur, Texas, will be held at the office of said bank on the 12th day of January 1943 at 10:00 a. m for the election of directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

### SPUR SECURITY BANK

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The American Bible Society has suggested the slogan "Watch Your Scripture Reading" for this year's observance. We suggest that among the other wholesome habits of life to which we are now being summoned as contributing to the winning of the war, that every citizen and the regular reading and study of the Text Book of American freedom.

Calvin Coolidge once said "The foundations of our government rests so much on the teachings of the Bible, that it would be difficult to support them if faith in these teachings should cease to be practically universal in our country." How can we have faith in them unless we know them? Let every American turn to his Text Book of American Freedom.

#### FIRE CAN BE FINAL

Millions of people are now having to walk to their offices and their grocery stores because the United States is desperately short of rubber. And yet in a single fire we allowed one-tenth of our total crude rubber supply to go up in smoke! We allowed carelessness to do the work of an enemy bomber. We allow the same carelessness to destroy hundreds of millions of dollars in property and thousands of lives every year. The taxes we pay to support fire departments, cannot protect us against our own carelessness. Nothing can protect us except a final realization that uncontrolled fire is a deadly menace. Once we realize that, the problem of fire can be solved.

The National Board of Fire Underwriters has published a book entitled "Fire Prevention Education." It is written expressly for the use of teachers, community leaders, fire chiefs, public officials, Scouts and civilian defense aides. It applies to home and factory alike. For example, it points out that 40 fires a day in the United States are due to careless use of the electric iron; the bill for this particular piece of neglect is \$1,625,000 annually. Most of these fires could be eliminated merely by the use of an automatic temperature control switch which prevents the iron from attaining excessive temperatures.

And so it goes. The bulk of our annual fire loss could easily be averted. All that is necessary is a little individual effort, something that too many of us fail to exert until it is too late. And then we never get a second chance because fire is very often like death. It can be final.

#### FOUNDATION FOR FREEDOM

Most people think of war industries as those which actually turn out the finished products. But in reality, the plane, tank, ship and gun factories are the vital middle men in a production chain that starts deep in our coal and metal mines, our forests, and in our vast oil fields where the pumps and refining plants work night and day to furnish lubrication and fuel by the billions of gallons to keep the wheels of industry and war turning.

Natural resources are the key to victory. This country has those resources. Moreover, under efficient management, they are im-

### JUST HUMANS

By GENE CARR  
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"Make It Snap, Tony!"

parting raw materials in quantities that stagger the imagination. The genius of the men who operate the natural resource industries, is second only to the greatness of the resources themselves. Together, they are an unbeatable combination. In the peace to come, they will be the starting point of a new world, just as they are now the starting point of our entire war effort. When the last shot has been fired, our basic industries, like free enterprise in all other fields, will turn again to the sole task of creating a fuller, more comfortable life for all.

That is why we must preserve free enterprise. It is the key to a better civilization. It guarantees both political and economic freedom to the individual. And the natural resource industries are the foundation of free enterprise, just as our natural resources are the foundation of our existence as a sovereign nation.

There are approximately 15,000 separate parts in an automobile, we are told—and we really believe it as there have been occasions when we have heard from each of them.

Many a romance which began on a "bicycle built for two" has ended in a gasoline jitney with a front seat big enough for both, as well as mama-in-law and the two kids.

As an old paper hanger, Hitler should be interested in the way the American public is plastering things up with Defense Stamps and Bonds.

Cotton here are sure to be a success with women as long as there is a seam to be kept straight.

The trouble with the guy who knows it all is that he never wants to keep it to himself.

A lie is a poor substitute for the truth, but up to now it is apparently the only substitute that has been discovered.

A writer complains that nowadays popular tunes get on the wireless, on the gramophone, and on the talkies. And, he might have added, on the nerves.

The main difference between people in large towns and people in small towns is that the former live in large towns, and the latter live in small towns.

In many cases the person who is worrying for fear he may lose his mind, wouldn't miss it if he did.



President Harding College, Springfield, Missouri

Shortly after President Roosevelt returned from his secret trip around the country observing conditions, all his words were complimentary to America's plain people, everywhere cheerfully depriving themselves to win the war. Willingly they waive the trivial luxury of a second cup of coffee; stoically they part with their bearless boys. It is enough to make the chief executive of a great nation proud.

According to news dispatches at the time, only one dark spot marred the picture, namely, Washington, D. C. "War spirit and morale were good everywhere except in Washington," is how one of the daily papers in the capital summed up the president's remarks. That was early in October but my own recent trip to Washington by a roundabout way with several local stops in route, convinces me that the contrast is just as marked now as it was then.

Harry Hopkins' Warning  
Already we country people are beginning to feel unmistakably the pangs of wants such as Harry Hopkins (the President's closest friend) foretells, in the American Magazine for December. In Washington however, there appears to be a large number of people who don't have to worry about wants; or maybe they have not admitted that this is their war.

In small towns, service to customers is disappearing. Now-a-days when you enter a store you wait, and you don't grumble because we are at war and there is a large shortage. Hopkins says 2.3 million more men now working in stores, restaurants, garages, etc., will yet go into war work, also about 1.1 million mechanics leaving some 4,000 to answer civilian calls. "No man should be allowed more than five automobile tires," he writes, and "domestic servants will become a rare luxury."

It Has Happened  
The ink is barely dry on Hopkins' article and the farmer with five good tires is a distinguished citizen. Household servants have always been luxuries in the country, but today, a farmer with a sick wife may be obliged himself to assume the roles of nurse, cook and char-woman. Meanwhile in our government there are literally hundreds of chauffeur-driven automobiles in use by men in non-war bureaus, but Mr. Hopkins' article did not suggest that these cars will be put into the war effort.

The chauffeurs who whisk Washington bureaucrats back and forth get their work assignments and their pay checks from the government. Is it fair to ask if these sleek man-servants will be going into war work, and if so, when? Many bureaus in Washington are speeding up the war effort not at all. That wizard of humor, Howard Brubaker, said recently that some people are afraid the WPA may soon be unemployed through no fault of its own. His remark was funny and I am grateful for the laugh, but it was a bitter one.

Senator Harry F. Byrd has estimated approximately three million men in Federal war bureaus; two million more in state bureaus. Many of these are doing indis-

**SORE THROAT — TONSILLITIS.**  
Your doctor would recommend a good mop and Anesthesia-Mop is unexcelled for this trouble. Anesthesia-Mop relieves pain and discomfort instantly—stops infection without injury to throat membranes. Generous bottle with applicator only 50c at—

**CITY DRUG STORE**  
**AT FIRST SIGN OF A COLD USE 666**  
666 TABLETS, SALVE, NOSE DROPS

### Washington Snapshots

by JAMES PRESTON

THERE is an obvious rush on foot to jam three "must" bills through before the next Congress convenes in January. These bills are (1) unlimited extension of the Guffey Coal Act; (2) the bill to prohibit state poll taxes, and (3) the sweeping measure to give the Chief Executive blanket authority on tariffs, immigration, and information.

THE blanket authority measure would give the President authority to: (a) suspend any or all tariffs which in effect would permit the unhampered flow of goods into and out of the country; (b) suspend the immigration laws which would enable unrestricted entry of foreign labor and foreign immigrants, and (c) take general control of the transmission of all information both in and out of the United States.

IN certain quarters it is said that such sweeping powers will no longer be granted, that Congress will seek to spell out in legislation just what is and what is not to be done. Many members at the Capital are saying publicly that Congress was deceived on the \$25,000 salary limitation, that that body had been assured by administration spokesmen that no executive limitation would be fixed.

pensable work. Some of the others can never be dislodged from their comfortable berths. But one thing is certain: Uncle Sam does not need any more useless bureaus. Just the same, new boards are being formed endlessly and these are establishing branch offices and creating fat jobs for men whose work does not serve in the least to hasten victory.

And How They Grow  
The law governing the renegotiation of war contracts will (by itself) create four boards, many branch offices and possibly 200,000 jobs for auditors, investigators, etc. Congressman Wesley E. Disney wrote an amendment to the bill that would have turned thumbs-down on a high-paid army for the "Renegotiation Front" eliminating, he said, 95 per cent of the work, but it was never adopted. Nevertheless cutting down bureau overhead, pruning out unnecessary personnel, and even abolishing bureaus are matters still within the province of Congress.

THE new Congress already is shaping plans for a series of sweeping examinations of every phase of domestic war activity. Influential members of both parties are determined not only to investigate but to bring about a reorganization and change of policies of the OPA, ODT, WPB, and WMC.

CHIEF of these measures is the Tolan-Kilgore-Pepper bill to create the Office of War Mobilization, which would completely reorganize existing war agencies and set up an office under a dictator who would have charge of four-man divisions that would replace existing agencies. These divisions would be the Office of Manpower Supply, Office of Technological Mobilization, and Office of Economic Stabilization.

A REQUIREMENTS and Programs committee, comprising representatives of the armed services and heads of the four divisions, and a Board of War Mobilization composed of four representatives of industry, four of labor, and two each of public and agriculture, would assist the director. There would be no dollar-a-year men.

MANPOWER Chief McNamara says manufacturers will be increasing pressure put on them by various government procurement agencies to hire exclusively through the U. S. Employment Service. Plants that get war contracts will be asked to sign agreements to do all employing through these Federal offices.

More than \$50,000,000 is spent annually by the Texas government for the support of free schools and vocational training.



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SOME things are hard to understand—even when you're grown up. But Jimmy will understand why there may not be a 'lectric train under the Christmas tree this year. And grownups will understand why there isn't the usual supply of electric appliances which in the past have made such swell Christmas gifts. It dates back to a Sunday morning—December 7, 1941. Since then the wonderful electric train, with its light and whistle and all the bright shiny cars, has gone into guns, planes, tanks and ships. And the factories that used to make electric refrigerators, stoves, sweepers, radios, irons and the like all are doing war work. In our showrooms are a few small appliances that may be given as Christmas gifts. But, before buying, be reasonably sure they are needed.

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"I want war bonds and stamps this Christmas."

**Personal**

Miss Genell Clinkscale who is employed at Mark Halsey's in Lubbock, visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Clinkscale, over the week end.

Miss Lynn McGahey of Lubbock was visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam McGahey, last week end.

Miss Oleta Howe of Fort Worth was a visitor with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Howe, and friends here last week.

A/C Trion Cox of San Diego, Calif. is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cox of Girard, during his 11-day furlough.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hilton and son, Joe, of Lubbock, spent the week end with Mrs. Hilton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Adams, and sister, Maxine.

Pvt. Milton Harris of the South Plains Flying school, visited his mother, Mrs. Addie Harris of Jayton, last week end.

Mrs. Alice Murphy and children, Jimmy and Robby, were visitors in Spur Saturday. Mrs. Murphy has resigned from her office and will go to the state of Washington where she will be engaged in defense work.

Mrs. Schuyler Boothe and daughters, Ernestine and Lucy, were in Post Sunday, visiting Mrs. Booth's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Z. T. Lusk, and other relatives.

A. W. Van Leer Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Van Leer of McAdoo, who is in training at Kelly Field, was promoted last week to technical sergeant.

Pvt. W. C. Caplinger has received an honorable discharge from the Army Air Corps because of illness. Pvt. Caplinger, who was stationed at L.A.F.S., has been in the hospital at Fort Sill since he entered training.

Staff Sgt. Pilot Harold B. Jeffers of the Army Air Corps, who is stationed at Midland, was a visitor in Spur Saturday. Sgt. Jeffers' home is in the state of Maryland.

Pvt. Ralph Sherrill of the LAFS visited with Mrs. Sherrill and friends here over the week end.

First Class Seaman Pat Fletcher, who has been stationed at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, is here two weeks to visit his father, Jess Fletcher, and his grandfather and grandmother, Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Patton.

Miss Dorothy Young, who has been employed in the local office of the West Texas Utilities Co. for the past several years, left last Thursday for Liberal, Kan. where she has accepted a position.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Allison and daughter, Mary Ruth of East Afton, were in Spur Tuesday attending to business.

Mrs. Cecil Meadors of Dickens was in Spur Wednesday shopping and attending to business.

Mrs. Bob Speer of Brownfield was visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Slaton, the first of the week. Mrs. Speer, the former Tona Slaton, will join her husband who is a radio technician and a chief petty officer in the U. S. Navy in San Diego.

James Reed of Abilene has been employed by the local office of the West Texas Utilities Co. Mr. Reed expects to move his family here within the next few days. He replaces Perry Davis, who has entered the U. S. armed forces.

The chief source of revenue to the state government include: ad valorem tax; gross receipts tax; inheritance tax; franchise taxes; motor fuel tax; occupational taxes; wine, beer and liquor stamp taxes; and auto license fees

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**"Minute Sermon"**  
By Rev. Karl O. Bayer

**CONSEQUENCES**  
Text: "And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed is in itself..." Genesis 1:11.  
When Emerson said, "What is a farm but mute gospel," he may have been thinking of the mighty and mysterious power dwelling in the small confines of a seed. For in spite of our advanced scientific understanding of the nature of molecules and atoms and energy we still cannot understand the nature of a seed.  
Here, for example, is a beet seed. You have seen one. It is light brown in color, wrinkled and dead looking on the surface, light enough to be scattered by a slight puff of air, delicate enough to be ground to powder by a child. Turn it over, examine it from every

angle. Put it under the searching eye of the microscope. Divide it and sub-divide it into the smallest particles imaginable. Still its secret is hidden.  
Then, (do you realize how momentous your decision is?), the warmth of God's bright sunshine brood over it even as your faith trusts it. A miracle! The restraining earth is pushed aside. Slowly, persistently the blade seeks the light. The mute story. This—beyond anything man can do, (or fail to do sometimes), the seed brings forth, and after its own kind, because it has within itself its own kindling fire.  
Thus, too, the seed of the Word. The Word of Truth as it is found in Christ Jesus. Prudently He scattered in the soil of men's lives the living embodiment of the Truth. He was the Seed. At Calvary's place that Seed was buried, that it might bring forth more life. And the testimony of the ages is that the Seed must and will bring forth, after its own kind. Call the roll of history and let its long annals speak. Beginning as a grain of mustard seed the movement embodying the Spirit of Christ spread. Scattered abroad, it took new root. Not all the clever machinations of men could stop it. Persecution, ridicule, neglect failed to hold the mysterious power within itself, even as the restraining ground cannot withhold the beer seed.  
This is our large hope for today and tomorrow. A dismayed world trembles and asks "What chance has so delicate a thing as the Word in a world torn with mightily blasts of gun powder and hate?" Do you remember how the grass covered the naked wounds of the last world conflict? In that is a prophecy of tomorrow. The tender grass will clothe the awful scars on the body of the earth again. And it is not mere poetry nor fanciful dreaming to say that the seed of the Word will cover the heart of mankind again. Simply because it has within itself an indestructible power that must spring constantly into life, again and again.  
Every seed brings forth after its kind. That is in the eternal order of things. The seed of hate

The present constitution of the state of Texas was written by convention which convened at Austin, Sept. 6, 1875, and adjourned Nov. 4, 1875.  
Since the state constitution of Texas was ratified in 1876, approximately 100 amendments have been adopted.  
Texas' budget is handled by the State Board of Control, which submits to each session of the legislature an itemized statement of the various governmental departments' needs, as well as recommendations for appropriations to state educational and eleemosynary institutions  
Formerly one of the Texas state government's chief sources of revenue, the ad valorem tax, now contributes less than one-fifth of the state's total revenues.  
The total value of Texas' taxable property exceeds three and one-half billion dollars.  
Texas spends more than \$3,000,000 annually for the developments and conservation of natural resources.  
More than \$8,000,000 is spent annually by the Texas government bears the ultimate fruit of death. The seed of the Word bears the ultimate fruit of brotherly kindness, mutual forbearance, understanding, love, and healing. In that, we say, is our great hope for tomorrow. We need not fear.

Local support of public schools in Texas is derived primarily from an ad valorem tax on general property.  
ment in the maintenance of correctional and eleemosynary institutions.  
The first constitutional government in Texas was under the Mexican constitution of 1824.  
The 50th anniversary of the death of Tennyson was observed at the University of Texas this fall with a display of the Library's collection of original manuscripts, proof copies, and first editions of the famous poet's works.  
Ninety-eight engineering, science, and management war training courses are now in progress of organization in 17 Texas cities under sponsorship of the University of Texas.

**SANTA FE CARLOADINGS**  
Santa Fe system carloadings for the week ending Nov. 21, 1942, were 23,918 compared with 23,006 for the same week in 1941. Cars received from connections totaled 12,869 compared with 8,567 for the same week in 1941. Total cars moved were 36,787 compared with 31,873 for the same week in 1941. Santa Fe handled a total of 35,506 cars in the preceding week of this year.

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### 1943 Program Of WTCC Sent Out To Area Directors

ABILENE, Dec. 9.—The West Texas Chamber of Commerce organizational plan for 1943, with its wartime program of 40 major activities ordered by the recent executive and referendum session, has gone to 176 directors in 145 affiliated towns and members of committees. Directors have re-appointment.

The WTCC plan was drawn up at a meeting in Lubbock of the officers committee composed of M. C. Ulmer, president; Geo. A. Simmons and E. W. Hardin, vice presidents; Malcolm M. Meek, treasurer; and D. A. Bandeen, general manager. Transmitting it, the officers said two fundamental objectives had been kept in mind. The first was "to carry out the policies which by referendum and conventions have been

so democratically and comprehensively expressed by our constituency in the 132 counties"—referring to the 145 town meetings held during October. The second was "to provide administration and execution of the program in keeping and in tune with conditions necessitated by our all-out offensive global war."

**Commissions Created**  
The administrative program for the coming year calls for a greater centralization of responsibility and leadership. Ten commissions and five staff bureaus have been created. The commissions, with chairmen, are:

National Security and Defense, C. M. Caldwell, Abilene. Public Expenditure, Taxation and Debt, Jas. D. Hamlin, Farwell. Rationing, G. H. McKinney, Fort Worth. Agricultural and Livestock Parity, C. M. Francis, Stamford. Oil, Gas and Natural Resources, Joe A. Clarke, Albany. War and Post War Industries, H. Y. Overstreet, Texico. Transportation Parity, H. S. Hilburn, Plainview. Post War Economy, Houston Hart, San Angelo. West Texas

Charter, J. Thos. Davis, Stephenville. Cooperative Activities, J. S. Bridwell, Wichita Falls; The staff bureaus will do research and planning; handle organization and finance; edit West Texas Today and otherwise publicize the activities and work program; and do the detail work in the organization's campaigning for freight rate parity.

There are 81 members of the ten commissions and 35 on six committees grouped under the Cooperative Activities commission. These are Freight Rate Equality Federation, J. M. Willson of Floydada, president; the tri-state cotton allotment committee, G. A. Simmons, Lubbock, chairman; and the groups operating the West Texas Resource and Museum Institute, which was founded by and is affiliated with the WTCC. The institute is divided into West Texas resources, museum exhibits, area literature and art. Museum, literature and art chairmen are Dr. C. N. Ray, Abilene; Dr. R. N. Richardson of Hardin-Simmons university; and J. D. Hamlin.

**War Activities**  
The work program stresses West Texas' fullest participation in the war effort. The officers committee asserted that "although other items on our long range program will not be forgotten, we will, nevertheless, measure our major efforts by standards of West Texas' war contributions and welfare." Listed as work to be done through the commissions, among other activities, are:

Sponsoring the inter-community War and Preservation contest, recently continued for the war's duration, at the end of which \$1,000 in prize money will be awarded. More than 100 towns are competing.

Reporting to President Roosevelt the area's war contribution to date. This memorialization is being prepared, based on records submitted by contesting towns.

Fostering state fiscal reorganization, better local budgeting, equity in property taxation, and county government reform.

Appraising all rationing formulas and seeking parity in line with West Texas conditions. This includes cotton allotment formulas and the WTCC will work for increased production of the staple for war needs. Also to be sought will be a legislative appropriation for continued researches on new uses for cotton.

Working for protection and aid of small businesses; for increased oil prices and elimination of differentials on West Texas crude.

Seeking establishment in the territory of grain alcohol plants in the rubber production program. Continuing without pause the battle for parity in freight rates. Studying West Texas' post-war problem with the view of going after public works and production programs to take up unemployment slack. This activity calls for creation of local post-war economy committees throughout the territory.

Conducting an educational campaign on the meaning and significance of the Atlantic charter as the basis for world peace; and drafting a West Texas bill of rights or charter "to promulgate, advocate and assist in making effective the hopes, ambitions and welfare of West Texas."

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### THIS BUSINESS OF Living

BY SUSAN THAYER



### People Are Talking

Now and then this country of ours is united by some one great grief or hope or problem. It was so on that day a year ago when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor. For almost a week we felt and thought as one great family shocked by a sudden, unexpected tragedy. It seems to me it is true again now as more and more people are caught up in the discussion of postwar problems that is sweeping the country.

Postwar planning is the topic of lectures, club meetings, forums, and sermons. It's the theme of newspaper and magazine articles by the score. It crops up in dozens of radio programs and millions of thoughtful people are talking about it every day around their own firesides.

Some people insist that it's too early to talk about what will happen after the war is won; our job instead is to win it. But people ARE talking and nothing can stop them! They're asking our leaders for definite plans and well formulated policies and public opinion is rapidly being built.

It is a fateful hour because this great democratic force is still in the making. Public opinion is yet to be moulded into definite objectives and demands. And you

and I, with millions of other workers, are helping now to determine the shape it will eventually assume.

So let's talk and think and hope freely. Let's boldly envision a world of real plenty and opportunity, with milk enough for every child, good shoes for all feet, and a refrigerator for every home!

We must face the fact that our industrial system, expanded to build colossal supplies of war materials, will be able to give us more peace-time products than we ever dreamed would be possible—provided the government gives back to industry the freedom of enterprise and scope for personal initiative it has relinquished "for the duration."

Let's not be afraid of the abundance that will be ours if we use all our machines and all our workers. The whole world will be destitute. We ourselves will have a great list of pent-up needs. If we insist, a way WILL be found to distribute the goods our machines can produce under the profit system that is part of the American way of life, and our industrial output will contribute to the peace as well as the plenty of the world.



### Speaking of Health

By DR. VICTOR G. HEISER  
MEDICAL CONSULTANT  
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS

Is there a fast-growing war industry in your community that is causing temporary "overcrowding"?

If so, it may be that you and your neighbors can pitch in and do your bit for your country, until the situation can be cleared up. To wage the war successfully, the United States Army and Navy have had to make unprecedented demands upon American industry for the machines of war—planes, tanks, ships, guns, ammunition, and all the rest.

**Housing a Health Hazard**  
To produce this steady stream of arms, American industry has had to build many new factories and to enlarge many old ones, all over the country.

In many cases this has created temporary health hazards that industry, the government, and local health authorities are doing their best to solve.

Housing is one problem. In some cities like Mobile, Alabama, and Springfield, Vermont, for instance, there aren't enough beds to go around, and three workers on different shifts take turns sleeping in the same bed, which they call the "hot bed."

**Eating and Recreation**  
Often there are not yet facilities for proper eating or recreation in such wartime industrial areas.

Industry has undertaken to help improve the kind of food that war production workers eat and to help provide wholesome recreation facilities.

Nutrition courses are being sponsored locally by industry everywhere to help wives, mothers, and landladies prepare and serve nutritious meals to war workers, three times a day.

Proper foods to "pack a lunch a man can work on" have become a national byword.

Nutritious meals are provided at cost or less in plant cafeterias and from rolling kitchens that feed the 17,000,000 men and women of America's great industrial army, in much the same way as Uncle Sam's soldiers are fed in the field.

**How Can I Help?**  
Public-spirited members of local communities can sometimes render a real service by pitching in to help.

They can make available a room or two to stranded workers to relieve the housing situation. They can take nutrition courses. They can cooperate with the local plant management by encouraging local restaurant proprietors to remain open 24 hours a day and to serve only nutritious foods at prices all workers can afford to pay.

Local eating facilities such as high school cafeterias and even church facilities might be opened to war workers in need of good food around the clock.

Uncle Sam needs his warproduction workers rested, adequately fed, and therefore of stout heart.

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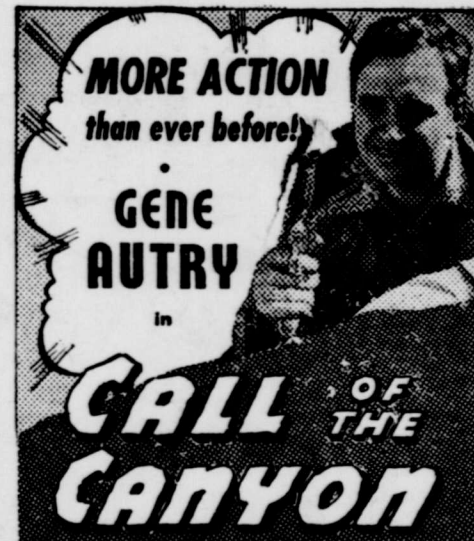
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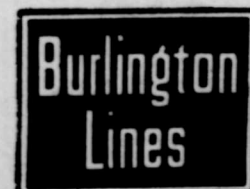
- 1 - A large part of our power and passenger equipment is assigned to the all-important job of transporting the armed forces.
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That little piggy bank is an indication of greater things to come. It doesn't matter if you put away a nickel or a dime in a piggy bank, or several dollars a week in a savings account—the idea is to have a regular savings program.

The Spur Security Bank will help you plan such a program; help you to budget your earnings so that you can put away a regular amount each week. There's no time like the present to start saving, so open an account today!

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#### Farms — Ranches — City Property

1. ● 320 acres, 275 acres in cultivation, 5 room house, well and mill, small barn, car shed, 54.2 wheat allotment, 65.8 cotton allotment with an average of 174 lbs. Wheat all ready up. Federal loan \$4,298.99. Price \$42. Near McAdoo.
2. ● 160 acres, 140 acres in cultivation. House, well, 10 miles southeast of Spur. Price \$30.
3. ● House and 20 acre block near Spur. Fenced for hogs and sheep. Price \$4,000. Terms.
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5. ● House and 40 acres, city water and lights. Price \$4,500.00.
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8. ● 320 acres near Mid-Way. Excellent stock farm place. Price \$15.00.
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