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TWENTY-THIRD WEEK

Last Rites Held Wednesday For Mrs. G. A. Barrow

Last rites were conducted Wednesday afternoon from the Methodist Church for Mrs. George A. Barrow, with the Reverend R. C. Brinkley of the Austin Baptist Church officiating. Burial was in the Sonora cemetery.

Mrs. Barrow died Monday night as the result of injuries received in an automobile accident which occurred about seven miles south of Christoval early Sunday morning. Mr. Barrow, the only other person in the automobile, was seriously injured and is still receiving treatment in a San Angelo hospital.

Born on April 6, 1911, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben F. Meckel, the former Miss Eva D. Meckel, she was a graduate of the Sonora schools and attended Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, where she became a member of the Baptist Church in 1929. She was married to George A. Barrow on March 17, 1933.

Survivors include the husband; the parents; one daughter, Darlene; one son, George A. and brother, Lavelle Meckel of Eldorado and two sisters, Mrs. Jimmie West of Eldorado and Miss Geraldine Meckel of Sonora.

Palbearers were Andrew Moore, Leo E. Brown, Dewitt Lancaster, George E. Smith, John Lee Nisbet, George H. Neill, G. H. Hall and F. J. Wood.

Scott Roberts Is Awarded Purple Heart

Cpl. Scott Roberts, home on a three-week furlough from Ashburn Hospital, McKinney, where he is receiving treatment for a leg wound received in the invasion of Sicily, was last week awarded the Purple Heart Medal.

Cpl. Roberts, a Paratrooper, was hit by enemy shellfire after making a successful parachute landing on the invasion beach. After his rescue by the British Eighth Army from a German field hospital, he was returned to the States for hospitalization.

20 FARM PLAN SHEETS REMAIN UNSIGNED

Local AAA Administrative Officer Dessie D. Parsons announced this week that the deadline is approaching on signing of the 1944 Farm Plan Sheets, and twenty sheets still remain unsigned. She urged that those who have not signed do so as quickly as possible, as the estimated production information is necessary for the War Food Administration's report to the Army on expected food and fibre production for 1944.

COUNTY FAILS TO MEET BOND QUOTA BY \$2,394

Sutton County was \$2,394 short of her war bond quota for March when final sales were reported to the Treasury Department Wednesday. Total sales were \$8,306.25, and the March quota was \$10,700.

This is the second time that the county has failed to meet a monthly quota, having nearly every month exceeded the quota, and having each time exceeded the big War Loan Drive quotas.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Thorp were the guests in Ozona last week-end of Mrs. Thorp's sister, Mrs. Pat Lee.

Mrs. J. W. Mayfield, Mr. and Mrs. Ed C. Mayfield and Mrs. Susie Blanton returned from Houston last week, where they had been visiting relatives.

NOTICE

The Soliciting Committee for the 4-H Club Wool Show and Lions Livestock Auction Sale, to be held in June, has asked that ranchers cut back the animals they intend to donate to the sale when they start spring shearing. Animals "in the wool" make the best showing and bring the best prices.

Prospective donations should be reported as soon as possible to the soliciting committee: W. H. Dameron, George D. Chalk, J. M. Vander Stucken, B. M. Halbert, Jr., H. V. Stokes, Jack Mann.

Scott Roberts, Bill Gilmore On Lions Program

TELL OF EXPERIENCES WHILE OVERSEAS

The Lions Club luncheon program Tuesday was furnished by two Sonorans who have returned from overseas duty. W. C. Gilmore, CPT, of the Seabees, who has recently returned from the Pacific, and Cpl. Scott Roberts, Paratrooper, who was wounded in the invasion of Sicily, told of their experiences while overseas.

Gilmore, who enlisted in October, 1942, and received eight weeks boot training in Rhode Island, served on Guadalcanal for nine months. He said, that since most of the action was over when he arrived there, their main activities were in building docks, hospitals, air fields and other installations. Later he was sent to a hospital in New Caledonia, then to a rest camp in New Zealand. He told nothing of the action seen on Guadalcanal, dismissing that phase of his experience by saying, "Of course we spent nights there that I had rather not tell you about. They are better forgotten." He concluded his talk by saying, "I guess I've travelled more since entering the service than ever before in my life, but I wouldn't trade one acre of Sutton County for all the land and water I've been over."

Roberts declined to talk, but answered the Lions' questions about his action in Africa and Sicily. It was in the invasion of Sicily that he was wounded, being taken by German soldiers to a field hospital, and thirteen days later being rescued by the British Eighth Army. He described his treatment, while in the German hospital, as very good, saying, "We got the best they had." Cpl. Roberts is now stationed at the Ashburn General Hospital, McKinney, and expects to remain there eight more months until treatment of his leg wound has healed.

Also a guest at the luncheon was Lt. (J. G.) Joe B. Logan, who is home on leave.

Announcement was made by B. W. Lovelace for the plans for the frozen food locker that is to be installed here by J. T. Penick, and President D. L. Locklin appointed the April program committee, George H. Neill, chairman, and Johnny Martin, Jr., and A. E. Prugel.

Blood Donors Given Final Diet Reminders

Mrs. M. G. Shurley, chairman of the county Red Cross Blood Donor Committee, this week urged all prospective donors who will go to Junction April 4, to make donations, to observe the following rules on diet carefully for at least four hours preceding the donation:

AVOID fats, cream, eggs, meat soups, oils, grease mayonnaise, cheese and all other fatty foods.

EAT fruits and their juices, bread, crackers, dry toast, raw vegetables or vegetables boiled in plain water, jam, jelly and honey, cereals with skimmed milk, black coffee or tea with sugar.

Mrs. Shurley also urged that all donors be sure to arrive for their donations at the appointed time. Cards are being mailed to inform donors when they are to be in Junction and with whom they are to make the trip.

Happy Birthday

Saturday, April 1—Rayford Lee Hull, Mrs. Bryan Hunt, Mrs. Frances Trainer
Sunday, April 2—Mary Lehn Prater, Pascal Allison, Richard W. Saunders
Monday, April 3—None
Tuesday, April 4—H. V. Stokes, Mrs. Henry Wyatt, Mrs. J. D. Lowrey, Mrs. M. F. Logan
Wednesday, April 5—Ray Wallis Stephenson, Wesley Poteet, Mrs. Joe Berger
Thursday, April 6—Mrs. R. Walter Davis, Ralph Jones
Friday, April 7—Eva Baker, L. M. Roueche, Jr., Tina Ann Taylor, James R. Caldwell, Mrs. O. G. Babcock, Mrs. R. C. Vicars

Local Boy Scouts To Participate In Silver Jubilee

Presaging a year of unusual activity, local Boy Scouts Troops and the Cub Pack are making plans to participate in the 1944 "Silver Jubilee" program, during which each unit may hope to qualify as a Silver Jubilee unit by meeting certain requirements. Details of the program were received by local Scout leaders from Joe O. Galbraith, Scout Executive of the Concho Valley Council, of which this community is a part.

The Jubilee program is honoring James R. Fitch, Regional Scout Executive for Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico. Fitch was a personal friend of the late Roy E. Aldwell of Sonora who pioneered the Boy Scout program in this section of West Texas.

District Chairman Wayne West of Ozona and District Commissioner J. L. Ball are already developing local plans to insure the participation of all Scouts and Cub units in the program, which will mark the beginning of the twenty-fifth year of Scouting on a Regional basis.

In order to qualify for the Silver Jubilee Troop award, the Scout troop must meet six basic requirements. They are as follows: (1.) At least one-half of the troop's membership must advance beyond the Tenderfoot rank. (2.) The troop must engage in at least six troop camps or hikes of 24 hours each, or the equivalent in camp-o-rees, long-term camps and like. (3.) Troop must participate in a troop "good turn" and give reasonable assistance in civic service and official war service projects. (4.) The troop must attain a membership of 25 boys, or this being impossible, gain 25 percent in membership since the first of the year. (5.) Use a sound finance plan through payment of weekly or monthly dues. (6.) The Scoutmaster or Assistant must complete the Scoutmasters Training Course, and he must then conduct a Patrol Leaders' training course for the boy officers.

Parallel requirements are offered to Cub Packs and Senior Scout units, and a suitable award will be made to all units which qualify.

City Elections To Be Held Tues.

Two city commissioners and mayor are to be elected at the City Elections, to be held at the Court House next Tuesday, April 4. The Reverend F. L. Meadow will preside as election judge.

Incumbents in the offices are Mayor H. V. Stokes, who has served one term, and Commissioners Vernon Hamilton and Alfred Schwiening, both of whom have served almost fourteen years.

No candidates have announced for the offices.

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION TO BE HELD SATURDAY

Superintendent E. D. Stringer has announced that an election to replace three members of the school board whose terms expire will be held tomorrow, March 31, at the Court House.

Fred Simmons will serve as election judge, and the three board members to be replaced are Mrs. W. H. Dameron, Bryan Hunt and B. H. Cusenbary.

Ranjel Gets 5-Yr. Sentence, To Be Suspended

SECOND MURDER OCCURS DURING COURT SESSION

Prajedez Ranjel, found guilty of murder without malice of Josemaria Leija on May 16, 1942, was given a five-year suspended sentence by the 112th District Court here Tuesday. The case against the same defendant for the murder of Jose Leija on the same date was continued to another term of court.

Tuesday night, while the court was still in session, another murder was committed in the rear of the cafe where the Leija brothers were murdered. The murdered man was Manuel Sanchez, 30-year-old discharged Army veteran who had returned to Sonora on Monday. Nightwatchman W. N. Poteet held all witnesses at the scene of the crime until the arrival of District Attorney Hart Johnson and Sheriff Leo E. Brown. Manuel Trevino was arrested later at his home by Sheriff Brown, who filed a murder charge against him.

The other case tried by the court was that of Erny Palderov, who was found guilty of statutory rape and released under a five-year suspended sentence.

Jurors in the Ranjel trial were Bryan Hunt, E. T. Smith, J. D. Cowser, Cliff Johnson, George D. Chalk, Jim Luckie, J. F. Hamby, Gomer Minnick, A. H. Adkins, Howard Espy, Frank Smith and Beal Freeman.

Major S. L. Sharp Awarded Cluster To Air Medal

Major Savell L. Sharp, son of Mrs. Annie Sharp, serving with the AAF in the South Pacific, was awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster, in lieu of an additional Air Medal, on March 4, according to an official news release to the News from the 13th AAF headquarters. The presentation, made by Lt. General Millard F. Harmon, Commanding U. S. A. F. in the South Pacific Area, was for Major Sharp's serving as operations officer and pilot from November, 18, 1943, to January 6, 1944.

DEATH OF FORMER SONORAN HEARD HERE

Friends of the late Arthur Burum, former Sonoran, learned this week of his death. He died two weeks ago at his home in Canroo, Burum, a native of Sonora, about thirty years ago, but had been here on various occasions since then. News of his death was received by G. G. Stephenson from the widow, but no particulars are known.

JAMIE TRAINER INITIATED IN CAMPUS CEREMONY

Miss Jamie Trainer, sophomore student at North Texas State Teachers' College, Denton, was initiated into the Phoreff Sorority, campus social group, in a ceremony held by the four social sororities on the campus last Saturday.

Mason residents attending funeral services for Mrs. George A. Barrow Wednesday were Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Kasper and two daughters and Eli Leifeste.

Lions To Hold Ranchmen's Day Tuesday, May 9

Directors of the Lions Club, planning for their Lions Club Ranchmen's Day, to be held at the R. A. Halbert ranch on May 9, hope to make this meeting of the county's ranchers an annual affair. Planning to engage experts in the different fields of agriculture as speakers on this one day each year, the Lions believe this program will prove beneficial to all ranchers in the county. A different rancher will be host to the group each year.

The program on May 9 will begin in the early afternoon and continue until evening, at which time a chuck wagon supper will be served. Halbert will have on exhibit some of his fine registered stock, and several livestock specialists will conduct the program.

According to Lions Club President D. L. Locklin, who originated the idea, this ranchers' day, to which all interested persons in the county are to be invited, will be held each year in May about a month before the June Wool Show and Livestock Auction Sale.

Sgt. R. W. Hill Missing In Action

Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Hill were notified last Saturday that their son, Sgt. R. W. Hill, stationed with the Air Corps in England, has been missing in action since March 2. It is believed that he was on a bombing mission, although no particulars have been received by the family.

Sgt. Hill has been in the service since June, 1942, beginning his overseas duty nine months ago. He is a 1940 graduate of the Sonora High School, and before enlisting was engaged in the ranching business with his father.

Board Announces Reclassifications

Latest reclassifications made by the local Selective Service Board include the following:

1-A: Harold F. Guest, Juan Gallegos, Victoriano Chavez Artiga, 1-A-h: George J. Trainer, Cecil Allen, Felipe Bernal, Forman Marvin, Salvador Torres de Leon, Zefirino Perez, Perry Orr, Rafael Berlanga, Julio Arrendondo, Jose Almandarez, Jacinto Gedeas, Miguel Ybarra, Adolph Fred Kasper, Frank Leslie Moore, Monroe Crowell, Pedro Chavez, Ben Ramon, Eugene W. Durham, Gilberto Medina, Luciano Sanchez, Earl E. Johnson, Frank Parias, Librado Garcia, John Lee Hearn, Candelario Gonzalez, Oscar Webb, Jose Antonio Arriaga, Francisco Perez, Harvey...

2-A: Antonio Barrios, Francis Collier, Pedro Garza.

2-A-h: Francisco Reyes, Francisco Hernandez, Isabel Flores, John H. Barnett, Pinkney J. Taylor, Atolino Sanchez, Alfred Bermea.

2-C: George Lechow, Lloyd McMullen, Carrie Wyatt, Estaban Armesto, Willie H. Barker, George S. Schwiening, H. C. Kiser.

2-C-h: Jack Mann, Felix Villarreal, Harry B. Kiser, William Mittel, Libb Wallace, Howard Espy, Clarence Valliant, Walter Anthony, Ben L. Wheat, Joe B. Ross, Miers Savell, Trinidad Valdez, Santos Duran.

4-A: Cruz Aguirre, Eddie R. Peel, Estaven Vasquez, Wenceslao Polanco, Hugo Cook Kiser, Guadalupe Numbres, Henry Wyatt.

4-F: Clint D. Jones.

Dr. Cox Cites Hazards Of Eye Diseases

Austin, March 27—Looking out on the world with clear vision is the birthright of each and every person, according to Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer. Texas has many hundred persons who are blind or have impaired vision. These figures would be more tragic if given for the period before the law was passed making it mandatory to use prophylactic drops in the eyes of all new-born babies. Since then blindness caused by birth infections has been greatly reduced.

In examination of school children, diseases of the eye are encountered quite frequently. Chief among these is trachoma. This disease is contagious and causes a destructive inflammation characterized by the formation of trachoma granulations. These gradually form scar tissue. Trachoma, if left untreated, will impair the

Sonora To Get Quick-Freezing Plant Here Soon

OVER 200 OF 300 LOCKERS ALREADY RENTED

Sonora will be assured of getting a large quick-freezing plant here just as soon as 200 Sutton Countians, the number required by War Production Board, subscribe to the proposed frozen food locker service. The plant, to be installed by J. T. Penick, will represent an approximate investment of \$20,000.

Sutton Countians, in subscribing to the locker service, pay their locker rents in advance, the entire amount to be held in escrow until work actually begins on the installation of the plant. The rent payments are \$15 for the small door-type lockers and \$18 for the large drawer-type, and there will be 300 lockers in all.

Penick, who has had 19 years of experience in the meat business, says that all equipment will be of the most modern, electrically-operated types available today. All kinds of meat butchering and curing services will be available to locker owners, including butchering and packaging of beef, pork and poultry for freezing. Also available will be pork-curing and sausage-making services.

In addition to the lockers, Penick will install a large cooling room, where whole carcasses may be kept.

Installation of the equipment should begin sometime this summer, as the obtaining of priorities from W. P. B. to buy the equipment depended upon the signing of 200 persons for the locker service.

50 Registrants Leave Thursday For Physicals

Fifty Sutton County registrants left yesterday morning for the Induction Center, Fort Sam Houston, to take their pre-induction physical examinations.

They are Francisco Gamez, Oscar Galindo, William A. Chancy, Mariano Artiga, Garland J. Arnaud, Franklin Berry, Richard Boughton, Truett Wilson, Baldemar Chavez, Primitivo Gonzales, Sid Lakey, Ruben Gomez, Dionicio Gamez, Jose Torres, Victor Castillo, Jr., Santiago Gomez, Santiago Lopez, William L. McArthur, Robert Lee Allison, Salvador Noreiga, Lewin Skains, Winfred Wright, Louis Brown, Manuel Guerra.

Also Elmer Reed, Preston Prater, John H. Phillips, Guadalupe Chavez, Serapio Cardenas, Jr., Nicolas Alago, R. E. Taylor, Tomas Hernandez, Seferino Garza, Felimon Perez, Louis Castro, Gilberto Yanez, Moises Rodriguez, Everett H. Cross, Juan Hernandez, Reynundo Ramos, Jesus Zepeda, Gregorio Barrera-Luera, Pablo Favilla, Felix Luna, Telesforo Martinez, Hilario Zepeda, Manuel Villarreal, Librado Guerra, Ricardo Zepeda, Sabino Mendez.

More than 200 men in the armed forces are taking courses by correspondence from the University of Texas, a recent survey shows. One-fifth of these are in overseas theaters of action.

Approximately 50 women are enrolled in a University of Texas war training short course to prepare them as engineering aides for the Aircraft Radio Laboratory at Wright Field.

Mrs. B. C. McGilvary has as her guests this week her daughter, Mrs. Word Sherrill of Uvalde, and two children, Word, Jr., and Lynda Joyce.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. King of Marfa arrived Wednesday for a visit with their daughter, Mrs. Clay Puckett.

vision and eventually cause blindness. This happens when the proper treatment is not given or is not begun until the latter stages of the disease.

Trachoma is most prevalent where insanitary conditions are worst. The prevention of this disease consists not only in avoiding the infection but maintaining good personal hygiene. Parents should watch closely for any indication of trachoma or anything wrong with the vision of their children. Many diseases of the eye readily respond to treatment in their early stages, but, if allowed to develop, may seriously affect the vision and in many cases cause blindness.

Smallest Red Cross Girl Overseas



SOMEWHERE IN NORTH AFRICA—Pint-sized Doris S. Walker of Dalton, Pa., 5'1", enjoys a G.I. kidding to get up off her knees. Known as "Pudgy" she is believed to be the smallest girl Red Cross has thus far sent into foreign service.

Announcements From The Churches



METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday Program—
Men's Bible Class 9:30
Sunday School 9:45
Morning Worship 10:50
Youth Fellowship 7:15
Evening Worship 8:00
Womans Society of Christian Service meets each Wednesday afternoon 3:00
Men's Brotherhood Social every second Thursday afternoon at the church.
Cordial welcome to all.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Evening Services, second Sunday, each month 7:30

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School 10:00
Morning Service 11:00
Evening Service 7:45
Mid-week Service and Choir rehearsal, Wednesday 7:45
W. M. U. each Wednesday 3:00
Ra's, Ga's and Sunbeams second and fourth Sunday afternoon 4:30

Party Honors R. Featherston On Birthday

Mrs. Ben Featherston honored her son, Riley, with a party on his fifth birthday anniversary Thursday afternoon, March 23.

Refreshments of cake and sandwiches were served to Mary Elaine Stringer, Cynthia Ann Hall, Barbara Chalk, Marsha Kerbow, Mary Jack Puckett, Ramona Smithwick, Dixie Ann Queen, Lynn Kirby, June Rose Lyles, Turney and Joe Thomas Friess, Joe Richard Lancaster, Billy Bob Ellington, Billy Smithwick and Carlos Loeffler.

Mrs. Harold Friess and Mrs. C. C. Ball assisted the hostess and directed playing of games.

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Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Saunders of DeKalb, Ill., have announced the birth of a daughter, Pamela Jo, born on Friday, March 24. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Saunders of Sonora, and maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Haught of Oklahoma City, Okla.

Just Us Club Meets With Mrs. Halbert

Mrs. R. A. Halbert was hostess when the Just Us Club met at her ranch home Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Libb Wallace won high score for members, Mrs. G. A. Wynn won the high guest prize, Mrs. J. A. Ward, Jr. won high cut and Mrs. Wallace also won the slam prize.

Present were Mmes. Wallace, Paul Turney, G. H. Davis, Earl Duncan, C. A. Tyler, Ward, G. H. Hall, S. M. Loeffler, Wynn, Jack Mann, Howard Kirby and Miss Libby Jo Wallace.

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PAT REILEY, Editor

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PAN-AMERICAN CLUB TO MEET THIS AFTERNOON

Mrs. A. E. Prugel will be the study leader, and her subject will be the "Caribbean Islands" when the Pan-American Study Club meets in the home of Mrs. O. G. Babcock at four o'clock this afternoon. All who are interested are urged to attend.

Officer Warns That Flies Are Disease Carriers

Austin, March 30—Thousands of children and adults die each year from fly-borne diseases. Typhoid fever, tuberculosis, summer complaint, cholera, and intestinal disease frequently resulting in death follow closely in the trail of the common housefly.

"The control of the fly menace comes at the top of the list of necessary public health measures which should be applied by every city and community in the State," said Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer. "The most effective measure for control is to prevent breeding, and eight days are required to complete a life cycle. During her lifetime of several months, one housefly lays from 600 to 1,000 eggs. Thus, it can easily be seen that in a season which usually begins in the spring of the year, the descendants from one fly number countless of thousands."

To eliminate flies, Dr. Cox said the breeding places must be destroyed. As flies breed in filth, manure piles, garbage, and other organic filth furnish the requirements of warmth, moisture, and food necessary for the propagation of the fly. Flies should be kept from contact with food or drink or utensils in which such food and drink are prepared and served. Likewise they should be kept from access to privy vaults where they pick up the infections, which they later spread to humans by contact with food and drink, and by unwashed hands and utensils.

"See that your windows, doors, and porches are screened so that the stray fly from some careless neighbor will not endanger your family. See that your grocer keeps meat, vegetables, and fruit screened from flies."

5 U. T. Co-eds In Round-Up Sweetheart Poll

Austin, March 28—It's "in the ballot" for one of the five nominees for Sweetheart of the University of Texas. But which of the five will reign will not be announced until the Round-Up Revue Ball on March 31, according to tradition.

Eleven co-eds entered the race and five came through in the primaries as campus favorites, in the run-off recently. The Sweetheart elected from this group will be Queen of the Texas Relays and Queen of The Navy Revue on April 1.

The five candidates are Anne Burkhart, Independent, of Archer City; Frances Ann Coleman, Alpha Delta Pi, of Mineola; Jackie Covo, Kappa Alpha Theta, of San Antonio; Rosemary Hemmingson, Pi Beta Phi, of Dallas; and Louise Hemphill, Kappa Kappa Gamma, of Dallas.

In addition to the 201 Bluebonnet Belle nominees, representatives of the six Southwest Conference Schools will be presented. They are: A. & M., Jolene Proctor of Wichita Falls, student at Texas State College for Women; University of Arkansas, Jane Adams of Fayetteville, Arkansas; Baylor, Carolyn Howe of Atlanta, Texas; Rice, Mary Clarke Jarvis of Houston; T. C. U., Shirley Glasscock of Pecos; and S. M. U., Virginia McLendon of Dallas.

Five musical groups have "signed up" to play at the Revue and Ball: the Longhorn Band with its first co-ed section in history and its Navy section; the University Orchestra and University Chorus; the Navy V-12 Band, and the San Marcos Navitones from San Marcos Navigation School.

There will be no parade this year in the "rationed" Round-Up schedule, but John McCurdy, Ex-Students Association secretary declares plans are already being made for the post-war Victory Round-Up—a genuine "homecoming" with all the traditional trimmings!!!

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Buddy Halbert Honored With Costume Party

A costume barn dance honoring B. M. Halbert, III, on his birthday was given Saturday night by his mother, Mrs. B. M. Halbert, Jr., at the John Field's residence.

Prizes were given to Katherine Ross and Frankie Bond as the

girl and boy dressed in the most outstanding costumes.

Attending were Ramye Jo McClelland, Kathleen Schwiening, Katherine Ross, Billie Jo Barker, Helen Martin, Frankie Bond, George D. Chalk, Jr., Frank Leslie Moore, Billy Jo Nance, Cleveland Nance, Robert Lovelace, Johnnie Smith, Jackie Sharp, David Shurley and Charles Lee Cusenbary and Miss Ura Mae Haggard and Mrs. Sam Karnes.

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To John Hersey, war correspondent for Time and Life magazines, goes the unique honor of having two of his books selected by the Council of Books in Wartime as "Imperative." His first Imperative was "Into the Valley," an account of one skirmish on Guadalcanal. His second is the current novel, "A Bell for Adano," an immediate best-seller.



JOHN HERSEY

A small town in Sicily under the A. M. G. is the setting for this story. In charge of the American occupation in Adano is Major Victor Joppolo, born in Brooklyn of Italian parentage. He is a good and wise man; he understands the wonderful simple people of the town and he knows how much they want and need a new freedom.

The town bell which the fascists had seized to be made into ammunition is symbolic of the spiritual bereavement the people have suffered under despotic rule. "The spirit is more important than the stomach. The bell was of our spirit. It was of our history," one Italian peasant tells the Major.

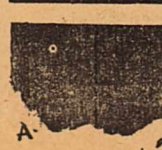
Getting a bell to replace the one that was lost was one of the American Major's problems. But he has plenty of others in setting up a democracy among people accustomed only to injustice.

"A Bell for Adano" has already been bought for the motion pictures. It should make a wonderful film.

The Book-of-the-Month Club selection for May is "Yankee From Olympia: The Story of Justice Holmes and His Family" by Catherine Drinker Bowen.

You know the standard gag about the novelist who doesn't recognize his own brain child when he sees it on the screen. Franz Werfel, famed author of "The Song of Bernadette," is the exception that proves the rule. Here's what he writes about the current motion picture version of his great novel. "I am delighted with the inspired motion picture production of my novel. While writing the book I always had a sense of supernatural help. This same supernatural help must have prevailed during the making of the picture. The film is a sort of miracle, because in it there's not one moment of compromise with those commonplace conceptions frequently associated with the motion picture medium. It is a triumph for honesty of artistic purpose and unswerving fidelity to a literary truth."

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Casanova? No... Don Juan? No... Barrymore? No... Sinatra? No, no... they're good, it's no denying. But they couldn't compare with that "darling" of the Ladies, Reddy Kilowatt. Now, there is a man for you. He is always there to lighten the toil or heighten the pleasure. The perfect servant—dependable, efficient, quiet, clean, and inexpensive—just flip a switch or plug in at the wall. Reddy will do the job in no time at all.

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We've all heard often enough that the telephone is woman's favorite invention, but if we didn't have the following story from reliable sources, we would never believe it. It seems that a local lady was so engrossed in a telephone conversation recently that, when she backed into the gas stove and caught her dress on fire, she continued her conversation while other members of the family extinguished the blaze.

—(*&\$½lb ?*½&)—

The first Sonora serviceman to talk on the radio from his post of duty overseas is Major J. W. Hull, who spoke on the Red Cross Army Hour from Africa last Sunday afternoon. His talk was on the functioning of the Red Cross in behalf of the servicemen in North Africa, according to Mr. and Mrs. Cy Ogden, who heard the talk—but they admit that they were so excited when Major Hull's name was announced that they couldn't concentrate on the rest of his talk.

Mrs. Hull and small son, John William, Jr., are making their home here for the duration.

—(*&\$½lb ?*½&)—

A super-saleman or the proverbial horsetrader must have had John Reiley under his spell Wednesday when he went with Johnny Hamby to Ozona to "look at" horses. Anyway he came back with a stallion—and a mare which he had to buy to get the horse.

—(*&\$½lb ?*½&)—

Peace officers, Border Patrolmen, Rangers and all other law enforcement officers in this area have been warned to watch for nine of the German prisoners of war, out of a group of eleven, that escaped from the P. W. Camp at Abilene Wednesday. Four of the men were apprehended, but one of them escaped again.

The escapees' names and descriptions are as follows:

Heinz Brauer, 5 ft. 10½ in., 190 lb., blue eyes and blond hair, 25 years old; Willi Lange, 5 ft. 8½ in., 180 lb., brown hair and eyes, 20 years old; Max Madile, 5 ft. 11½ in., 185 lb., blue eyes, scar on left arm, 21 years old; Gerhard Lange, 5 ft. 10½ in., 160 lb., blue eyes, mustache, 21 years old; Horft Nibolia, 5 ft. 7½ in., 159 lb., hazel eyes and blond hair, 23 years old; Heinz Rehmen, 5 ft. 10 in., 169 lb., brown eyes and hair, 23 years old; Peter Ritters, 5 ft. 6 in., 165 lb., blue eyes and brown hair, 24 years old; Herbert Stankewitz, 5 ft. 8 in., 166 lb., blue eyes and light brown hair, 20 years old; Josef Cerstegen, 5 ft. 9 in., 173 lb., blue eyes and blond hair, 29 years old, scar on right leg.

All were wearing blue regulation Army summer fatigue suits with P. W. stamped on the back of the coats, and one of the prisoners speaks English.

—(*&\$½lb ?*½&)—

Berry Duff, county agent, announced this week that cash premiums will be given winners in the June 4-H Club Wool Show, instead of the war stamp prizes given last year. Also, the amounts of each have been raised, so that the total amount of prizes will be around \$300. Two hundred and fifty dollars was the total last year.

—(½*?!&lb*½&)—

Although no definite arrangements have been made to date, it is understood that the Lions Club, sponsoring the June wool show and auction sale, will again ask Nelson Johnson of San Angelo to conduct the auction, and W. R. Nisbet and Stanley Davis will be asked back as wool show judges.

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RANCHING NEWS & INTERESTS

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49 Years Ago

D. B. Cusenbary was in town Thursday. He has 2,000 muttons on the road to San Angelo for shipment.

—49—

J. L. Quinn and Tom Lacey from N. T. Wilson ranch were in Sonora this week wanting to buy stock sheep.

—49—

D. B. Cusenbary of Sonora bought from Tom Wilson of Val Verde County 1,000 head of wethers with wool on at \$2.20 a head.

—49—

The following mutton buyers were in Sonora, the trading center of the Devil's River country, this week: G. S. Long, Sam Buttlar, Sidney Bremmer, Frank Large, John T. Cooper, O. T. Word, D. B. Cusenbary and H. McKenzie.

—49—

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Fields were in from the ranch Monday.

—49—

John Callan of Coleman City was in Sonora this week.

—49—

A. V. Lamar was in Sonora Monday for shearing supplies.

—49—

W. I. Brown sold 150 goats in the hair to Gus Kroschel at \$1.75 a head.

—49—

The cattle market was active to higher at Chicago at the close of the week, with fed Texas steers selling around \$4 to \$4.60.

—49—

John Young of Ozona was in Sonora Friday.

—49—

Mrs. Murphy and Mrs. John Doyle of Toronto, Canada, mother and sister of Steve and Mike Murphy of Sonora, leave for their home tomorrow.

—49—

Chris Hagelstein, of the young but already well-known hardware and windmill firm of Chris and George Hagelstein of San Angelo, was in Sonora on business Monday. Chris says it is no trouble to sell good goods.

—49—

Judge Standart has sold 1,400 fat muttons, wool on, to James McLymont at private figures.

—49—

Jim Stone sold 850 head of cows to E. Good of Ballinger at \$9, to be delivered April 10, at the McLymont pasture.

—49—

George Deaton sold 200 head of cattle at \$7.50 all around, calves and all to J. Taylor.

—49—

Peter McKinley sold 500 muttons to John Lovelady at \$2.50 per head.

Collector Gives 1944 Estimated Tax Information

W. A. Thomas, Collector of Internal Revenue, Dallas, Texas, announced today that copies of the forms for 1944 Declarations of Estimated Tax have been mailed out to approximately 150,000 taxpayers who filed 1943 Declarations in this district last fall.

Collector Thomas said any other taxpayers who are required to file declarations this year may obtain them by letter request to the Dallas office, or in person from any of the field offices located in Fort Worth, Amarillo, Abilene, Eastland, Lubbock, Odessa, Tyler, Wichita Falls, Texarkana, Sherman, Paris, Longview, Nacogdoches, San Angelo, Corsicana, and Oak Cliff.

The 1944 declarations are due not later than April 15. Originally scheduled to be filed on March 15 along with 1943 tax returns, the 1944 declarations were postponed until April 15 in order to include provisions of the recently-enacted Revenue Act of 1943.

The purpose of these declarations, Collector Thomas explained, is to keep everyone substantially paid up on his income taxes under the pay-as-you-go plan. Most taxpayers are kept approximately paid up by the tax that is withheld from their wages, and therefore do not have to file declarations.

However, some wage earners—particularly clergymen, domestic servants and farm laborers—do not pay any withholding tax, and are required to file declarations. Other wage earners pay withholding tax but not enough to meet their total tax bill and must therefore file declarations.

Also, declarations are required to provide a pay-as-you-go method of collecting taxes from business and professional persons and large numbers of others who get all or part of their income from sources where no tax is withheld, such as business profits, dividends, interest, rents, property or stock transactions, or annuities.

A declaration is required on or before April 15 from all citizens or residents of the United States who expect to have during 1944—either alone or together with a wife or husband—

1. Wages subject to withholding exceeding \$2,700 for a single person or \$3,500 for a married couple living together.

2. Or, more than \$100 income from all other sources if the total of such income plus wages subject to withholding is (a) \$500 or more for a single person, or (b) more than \$624 for a married person, or (c) \$1,200 or more for a married couple living together.

The first quarterly installment of estimated tax shown to be due on the declaration should be made at the time the declaration is filed and the remainder should be paid

on or before June 15, September 15, and December 15.

Farmers, who receive more than 80 percent of their income from

farming, may, if they desire, postpone the filing of declarations until December 15. However, if they SEE "TAX ESTIMATE", P. 6

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And you should see his attic! Stacks of paper, balls of string, empty bottles (Dan being a moderate man and sticking just to beer), old horseshoes—and goodness knows what-all.

We used to kid him a lot. But then comes the scrap drive, and

Dan sets a record for the metal and the paper he contributes. And the glassmakers owe him a medal for the empty bottles he turns in.

From where I sit, Dan's one up on us all. What's more, he's got us doing it too—collecting scrap, returning empty bottles—not because somebody makes us do it, but because it's the Democratic way of working together to win the war.

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Washington Letter

BY O. C. FISHER

MANUFACTURER FORESEES MORE FARM EQUIPMENT

He qualified his optimism a bit by pointing out that manpower shortages still are a real bottleneck in production, but the vice-president in charge of production for one of our largest farm implement manufacturers told me the other day that:

"I believe the average farmer who needs a tractor will be able to get one late this year."

This manufacturer had been a witness before the House Roads Committee, and I questioned him on the implement prospects, now even more important than roads, following the committee hearing.

OCCUPIED LANDS STILL FIGHT ON FROM HERE

In Washington, where there is so much activity by diplomats and economic and military missions, the embassies of the occupied countries offer to passers-by an impression of helplessness and dreariness coupled with cold determination. The attaches move quietly, living from day to day for news items and communiques which we perhaps overlook as trivial, and keeping silent watch for the surprisingly complete reports from their underground agents in the homeland.

Most of these occupied countries, through their embassies or missions, publish weekly or monthly releases of background and information on how their homelands are faring under the iron heel of the Gestapo. These reports from Norway, Czechoslovakia, Greece, Denmark, Poland and the other seized lands are informative and thought-provoking.

Before me is such a report from Norway which gives intimate details of what is happening to that country and its people; how a new hostage plan is being worked by the Gestapo; how the invaders have instituted a "Quisling Church Department", intended to convert

Norwegians to Nazi paganism and thus simplify final control by the conquerors.

THEY KEEP A RECORD

The information letter had this paragraph:

"Mystery Cargo. When the German ship Bromback docked recently at Oslo, all Norwegian harbor workers and crane operators were ordered to leave the quay while German soldiers, under command of Luftwaffe officers, took over the job of unloading which continued for two days. All possible precautions were taken to prevent Norwegian eyes from seeing whatever it was the vessel had brought from Germany to the Wehrmacht in Norway. It was known, however, that the secret cargo was transferred to Haveseter railway station, which is close by the German air field at Gardemoen. Occasionally Norwegian labor is used for the unloading of ammunition and weapons from German ships."

Still, although "on the outside" even in their own country, the Norwegians are keeping a record on the Nazis and their cohorts.

AID FOR DEPENDENTS

Many servicemen's organizations and other groups are rendering a real service in helping dependents of servicemen obtain their just family allotments. But sometimes there is a misunderstanding, lack of information, a misplaced number or uncrossed "T" or something, and the allotment is delayed. In some inquiries which I have investigated, the checks had been delayed for many months.

Under the new law passed by Congress, authorized allotments should start when a man is actually enlisted and be continued regularly thereafter. I would urge enlistees and their dependents to be careful and exact in applying at the start. Then if there is an unwarranted delay, I would be glad to check into the matter and perhaps help avert a continued hardship.

FOR RENT: Apartment with private bath. See Mrs. Maysie Brown.

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I GIVE YOU TEXAS by BOYCE HOUSE

The old frame schoolhouse stands, abandoned, beside the highway. The doors are gone, the window lights are broken out, the paint has peeled off and there are holes in the roof.

At sight of it, one thinks of the swarm of noisy boys who "stomped", in bygone days, across the worn threshold and the hum of young voices busy in study, of notes that were smuggled by lads to pretty girls, of the swish of a paper-ward sailing through the air and of the deeper swish of the switch in the hand of a stern-eyed teacher.

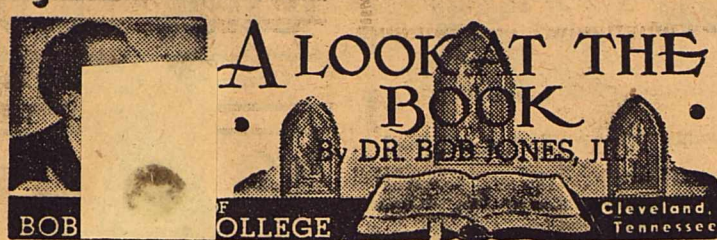
Gone are the spelling matches and the command, "Sing down to 'do' and call it 'fa'" and the Friday afternoons, with the recitation of "Life is real, life is earnest" and "Give me liberty or give me death" by barefooted orators and shy lasses in gingham.

Nevertheless, abandoned schoolhouses on the hill, you have served Texas well and so this wayfarer lifts his hat in salute.

Journeying over the highway between Cleburne and Glen Rose, one sees red-buds in bloom and distant hills veiled in a haze of blue. Glen Rose itself, with its setting of trees and winding river, is one of the most charming towns in Texas. A visitor might be lucky enough to see one of Jack Bridges' beautiful Palaminos on the courthouse square, and there is a dinosaur track preserved in the courthouse yard, and you might hear something about the legend that John Wilkes Booth escaped from the burning barn after the assassination of President Lincoln and lived out his life in Glen Rose.

What kind of candy were you fondest of when you were a boy? Personally, I never cared much for the long black strands known as licorice whips. It took much deliberation for a fellow to choose between a piece of lemon stick candy and peppermint. The peppermint was more pleasing to the eye, but the lemon stick lasted longer.

Seven generals, a rear-admiral and a vice-admiral, a colonel and two Marine lieutenant-colonels are counted among the University of Texas' contribution to the military "brass hat" section, a recent survey of University ex-students in the armed forces reveals. It is estimated that approximately 15,000 former students of the University are in the armed forces. The Ex-Students Association has actual records of more than 11,000 of them.



There are many people to whom the Bible refers whose names do not appear in the record. Often the casual reader fails to notice these minor actors in one of the great dramas of the Bible. Such are those individuals mentioned in connection with the procuring of the donkey upon which Christ rode into Jerusalem a few days before His crucifixion.

He sent the disciples into the village with the instructions that they would find "an ass tied, and a colt with her" (Matthew 21:2). They were to be loosed and brought to Him. Should any in-

quire what they were doing, the disciples were to answer, "The Lord hath need of them" (Matthew 21:3). The disciples went and found the animals at a corner where two roads met. As they took them some who stood by asked them, "What do ye loosing the colt?" Mark 11:5), and when the disciples replied as the Lord had instructed, they let them go.

Who these bystanders may have been we have no way of knowing. Possibly the owner of the animals himself was one of them or they may have been members of his family or his servants or friends.

They must have been acquainted with the disciples whom they had surely seen before with Christ. Evidently they at least knew who the disciples were. Certainly they were good men for all they needed was to be told the Lord needed the animals and they let them go willingly.

They were different from some folks I know, who refuse God the use of the very things which He has given to them. There are those who hold on to their money and refuse to support the work of the Lord. They deny God their time and their talents though every breath of their lives He supplies, and the power to make money He endowed them with and their talents He entrusted to them.

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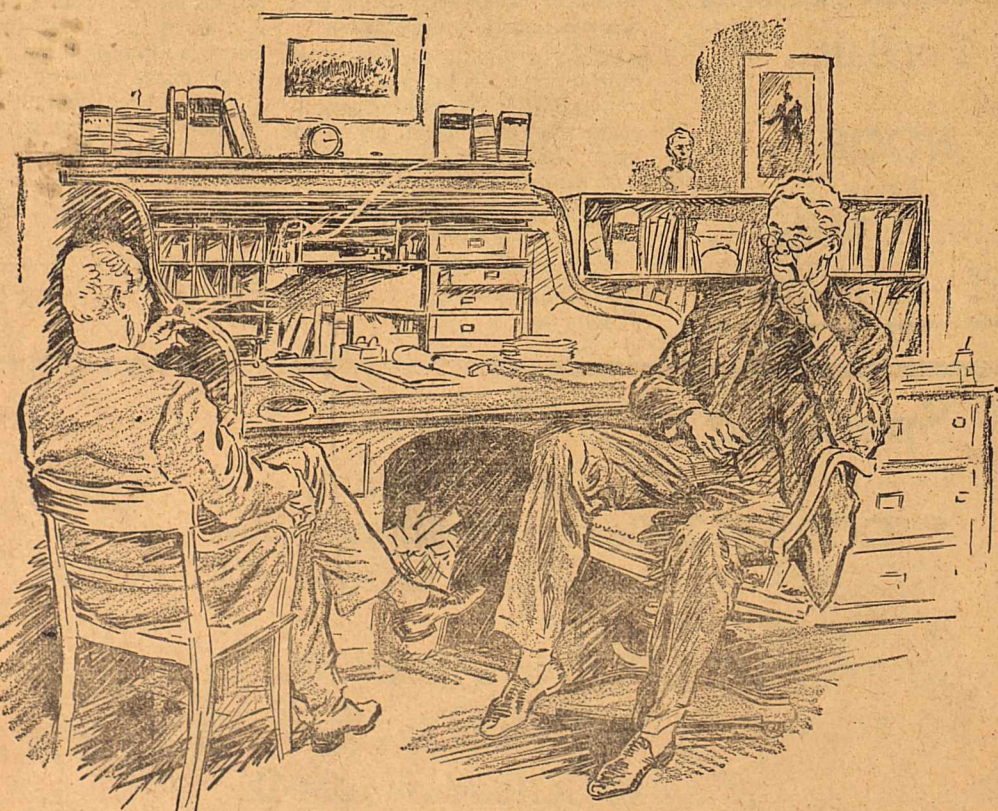
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"I was just tellin' my brother Fred this morning, Judge...there's never been a time in our lives when we got to live up to that old sayin' 'United we stand, divided we fall' more than we have to today."

"How true that is, Herb. And for the life of me, I can't figure out why, at a time like this, some folks insist on raising a question like prohibition. I can't imagine anything that would tickle our enemies more than to get us folks over here taking sides

against each other, arguing about an issue like that. We've got a he-man's job on our hands to win this war and we can't be wasting our minds, our money and our strength fighting about something we tried for nearly 14 years and found couldn't work.

"I say there's a time and a place for everything, and this is no time or place to be doing any fightin' except the kind that's going to win the war."

From Our Men

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When you know something of interest about a member of the armed force from the Sonora area, write or telephone us. We'll appreciate it and the men in uniform will be glad to hear about their friends and buddies in other parts of the world. This feature page will act as a clearing house for the activities of the service men, many of whom receive the News.

Cpl. A. W. Awalt, with the Army somewhere in Hawaii, writes:

"How are all of the folks at home getting along by now. I'm hoping that everyone is feeling fine.

"Well, I got a pass yesterday and went out to the air field where Bill Caraway is located, and luckily I found him right away. He was working, but got off at about eleven o'clock, and we went up to his quarters. He really has a nice place to stay, and I guess he deserves everything after what he has been through. After we got to his quarters, Bill cooked us some dinner. He fried some pork ham, made some flour gravy, opened a can of corn and a can of string beans. The food was really good, and we really had a feast.

"We stayed out there all afternoon and talked, and he told me quite a bit about his combat experiences. I really enjoyed yesterday more than any day since I have been on this rock. Bill really looks good and weighs about 210 pounds."

Pvt. Sam Odom writes the following from New Guinea:

"Just a few lines to let you know I am still o. k. and feeling fine.

"It certainly is nice being attached to the Fifth Air Force,

since they have a laundry to do our cleaning for us. The chow is only fairly good, but can't complain, since they are feeding quite a few men and it takes a lot of food to go around. We are unable to get fresh butter here as we did at our own company.

"We really have a nice set-up here. We have a radio generator for lights and a small library. I believe the rest of the boys are jealous of us, as their tents do not have electric lights.

"I started back on my old job again as truck driver and utility man. I went to a hospital company the other night and picked up a band so they could play at the Officers Club. They also had an opening night at the radio station, so the band went to broadcast over the air.

"Some of the gang is supposed to bring a base band up here for a show soon. I certainly hope they can make it and that they will also bring us some mail.

"I got to see a couple of Jap



208 ARMY



39 NAVY



12 MARINES

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Zeros the other day."

Captain Bill Carway, stationed in Hawaii, writes the following:

"After I received your letter yesterday afternoon, I decided I would try to call A. W. again. I finally got him on the phone this morning. He is coming over one day next week, so I'll write you all about it. I don't think you should worry too much about A. W., for I know he has had very interesting training lately in his army life, and he is going to be able to take care of himself.

"I am very sure of one thing now. While I was 'down below' I realized more than ever before that the One above can and will take care of me. I'm sure all our boys realize that, and I think the Lord will understand if we're inclined to become a bit rough. We have to do that for this is a heck of a war, and there's no place for sissies in it.

"Well, I guess you know that I have been in the hospital. I had my knee and leg operated on. I was in the hospital for two months but am o. k. now, except for being a bit weak."

Herbert Speece, stationed at Randolph Field, Texas, writes the following letter:

"I put your letter in my pocket when I started for the office about a week ago and, sure enough, when I got there I got busy and forgot to answer it. When I looked in my stationery box to see what I had to answer, yours wasn't there and I presumed that I had already answered it, but I hadn't. I have been pretty busy, and there isn't much to tell of what has been happening. It has settled down to a routine which, while

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Home From The War

W. C. Gilmore, Chief Ship Fitter in the Navy, who has just recently returned to the States from overseas duty, arrived home Monday for a three-weeks visit with Mrs. Gilmore and Miss Peggy Gilmore.

Cpl. Scott Roberts arrived here the first part of the week on leave from Ashburn General Hospital, McKinney, and is visiting his father, Volney Roberts, his grandmother, Mrs. Bessie Henderson, and other relatives.

A special petroleum coordinator has been added to the staff of the University of Texas Industrial Teacher-Training Bureau to help the petroleum industry with its worker-training program.

Task Force Head



Official U.S. Navy Photograph—OWI

Rear Admiral Arthur W. Radford, USN, commanded Pacific Fleet carrier task force at Tarawa. He is shown on the bridge of his flagship.



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there.

fairly interesting, is not terribly exciting.

"The handbooks which we are working on here are coming along pretty well, and for the last few days I have been helping to proof read, and that isn't much fun. I hadn't realized how much trouble it was to get a perfect copy of a manuscript of that length. It has been proof read three times already, and every time we go over it we find something else that should be changed. Each time someone else goes over it, and that way the same mistake usually won't be made again. Some things just get by you, though, in spite of your best efforts.

"Twice each week we are having classes in war orientation and in the proper behavior and conduct of a non-com. They are to last indefinitely, and I guess they will be with us a long time. Two of the officers in the squadron have been giving most of the material so far and, surprisingly enough, they have been pretty good. It's very difficult to present material of that sort so that anyone will listen to it.

"I think I told you about the 'Rocky Mountain Dude Ranch' here in San Antonio. It is a night club decorated in the atmosphere of a dude ranch (I think there is actually such a ranch in Bandera). I was down there again the other night and had quite a time. They have a floor show which is fairly respectable, as floor shows go. They have the fancy cokes that come in bottles and, of course, you have to pay for them accordingly. I had a lot of fun down

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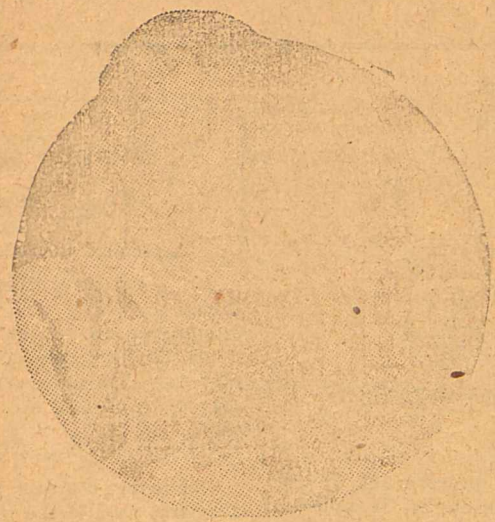
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Tax Estimate

do wait until December 15, the entire amount of the estimated tax must be paid at that time.

The forms mailed by Collector Thomas include the declaration form itself, which is a short slip 3 3/4 by 8 inches, and is the only

form that needs to be filled by the taxpayer. The form is accompanied, however, by two alternate worksheets for the convenience of taxpayers. The taxpayer needs to use only one of these worksheets and should retain it for his personal record.

Members of the armed forces and others who are outside of the

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continental United States on April 15 will have the usual extensions or postponements.

Collector Thomas announced that Deputy Collectors will be prevented by other pressing work, accumulated during the recent Income Tax filing period, from visiting various towns of the District expressly to render assistance in filing Declarations. The Declaration forms are simple and it is thought that most Declarants will have no trouble in preparing their own forms by following the accompanying instructions. Assistance can be had by taxpayers in need of it from the Field offices located in the cities mentioned above.

Rationing At a Glance

MEATS, FATS—Red stamps, A8, B8, C8, D8, E8 and F8 are good through May 20, G8, H8 and J8 become good March 26, and remain valid through June 18. Waste kitchen fats exchanged for two points and four cents per pound.

PROCESSED FRUITS, VEGETABLES—Green stamps A8, B8, C8, D8 and E8 good through May 20.

SUGAR—Sugar stamp 30 is good indefinitely for 5 pounds. Sugar stamp 40 good for 5 pounds of canning sugar through February 28, 1945.

GASOLINE—A-11 coupons good June 21.

TIRE INSPECTION DEADLINE—A coupon holders, March 31; C coupon holders, May 31; B coupon holders, June 30.

SHOES—Stamp 18 in Book 1 good through April 30. Airplane stamps 1 in Book III good indefinitely. Another shoe stamp, to be good beginning May 1, will be announced soon.

INCOME TAX—Declarations of estimated 1944 tax are due by April 15.

1944 Political Announcements

District	\$15.00
Congressional	\$20.00
Sheriff, Assessor and Collector	\$10.00
County	\$10.00
Precinct	\$7.50
Commissioner	\$7.50
Justice of the Peace	\$7.50
Constable	\$7.50
City	\$7.50

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The Devil's River News is authorized to make the following announcements, subject to the action of the Democratic primary:

COUNTY:
For Sheriff, Assessor and Collector—

LEO E. BROWN
(Re-election)

For County Clerk—

HOWARD C. KIRBY
JOHN D. LOWREY
(Re-election)

For County Judge—

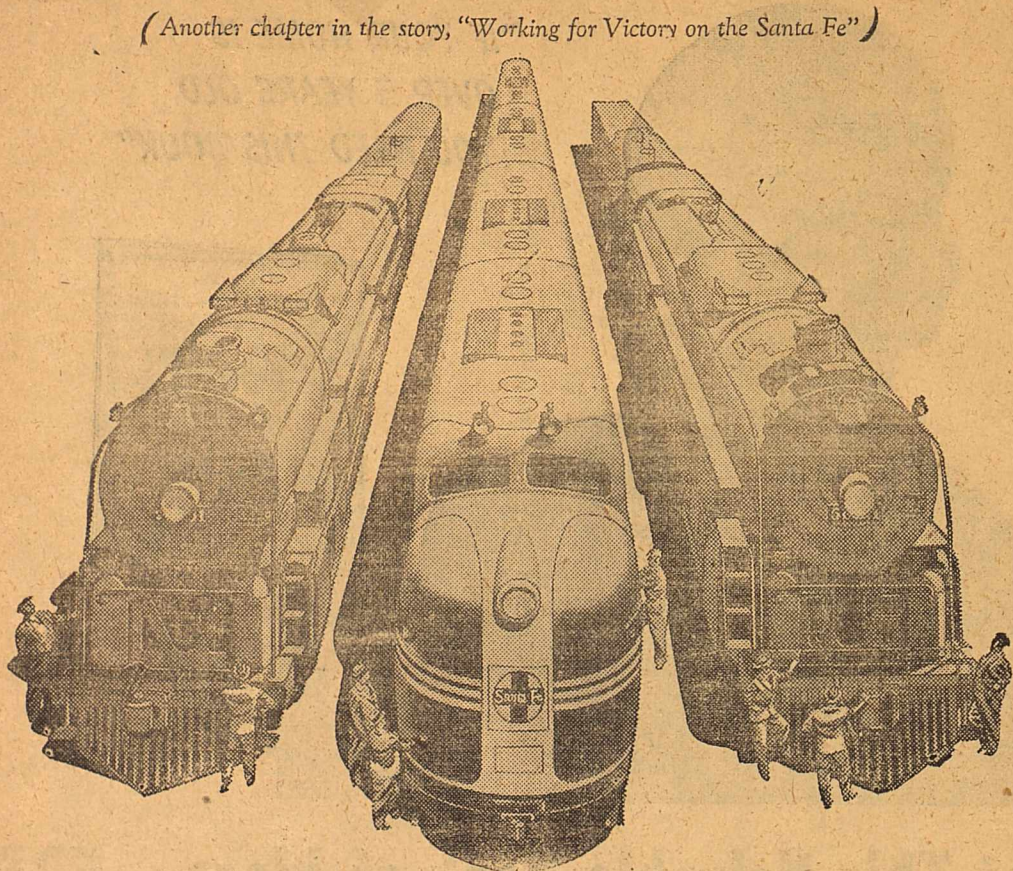
JOHN LEE NISBET
ALVIS JOHNSON
(Re-election)

For County Treasurer—

MRS. THELMA BRISCOE
(Re-election)



Wasted money is wasted lives. Don't waste precious lives. Every dollar you can spare should be used to buy War Bonds. Buy your ten percent every pay day.



New Steel Beauties on the Santa Fe

There isn't yet the ceremony in taking delivery of a new locomotive that there is in christening a ship.

But, just the same, it's a great occasion on the Santa Fe when we receive those super-powered, high-speed locomotives so badly needed today.

For every new one means "rolling" more and longer freight trains loaded with war matériel, and more trains operated for the increasing troop movements.

The three locomotives shown above are among the first delivered of the big fleet of powerful locomotives ordered by Santa Fe. And more are coming!

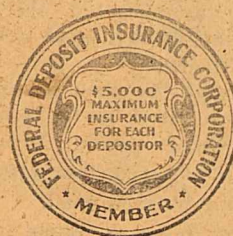
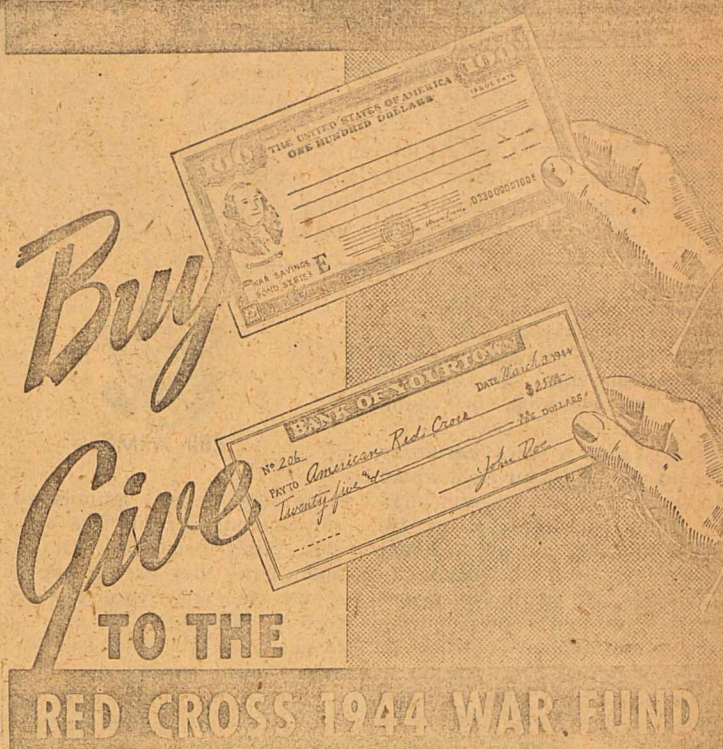
★ Locomotives illustrated above—new "4-8-4" steam locomotive, "2900 class", 5400-horsepower freight; Diesel; "2-10-4" steam locomotive, "5001 class." You can bet your driving wheels they'll pull a lot of freight cars fast!



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WE CAN'T PUT ON MORE LINES, BECAUSE MOST OF THE METAL HAS GONE TO THE WAR. SO PLEASE HELP US IN A VITAL JOB. MAKE AS FEW CALLS AS POSSIBLE TO WAR CENTERS OR CITIES FAR AWAY, AND PLEASE PLAN TO KEEP SUCH CALLS SHORT. IT WILL HELP CLEAR THE WAY FOR THE CALLS OF WAR.

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