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BLOOD DONORS ARE AVAILABLE TO USDA CLUB

The response to the call from the USDA Club Employee Welfare Committee, of which Miss Anna L. Tydings is chairman, for a list of available blood donors in case of need by the members has been good.

Over 100 volunteers are on the list, which should be adequate to meet the needs of the Department of Agriculture in Dallas.

Members in need of this service should contact their Personnel Directors.

Some of the smaller offices of the Department failed to have personnel meeting the requirements to be a blood donor and have no list filed with the Director.

In this case employees in need of blood should contact Miss Anna L. Tydings, R 6951, Sta. 564.

Miss Tydings has emphasized the fact that the service is for all and that everybody should feel free to use the privilege when necessary.

There are no charges for members or their immediate families. It is endeavored to have all types of blood available at all times.

U S D A CLUB H-LD ANNUAL PICNIC

Girls Win Baseball Game - Score 12 - 11

The USDA Club of Dallas held their annual picnic at Vickery Amusement Park beginning at 5:00 P. M. on May 29th.

The baseball game featuring the girls against the boys sponsored by Max W. Ulery was the outstanding feature of entertainment. As a clever and comical gesture Ulery who played on the boys team was attired in a woman's full skirt with feminine blouse and wig of flaming red hair long bob design with bright colors of "make up." The purpose of such attire was said to be defense against the strong team of girls. Score was 12 to 11 in favor of the girls. Lambert Bonelmans was umpire for the game.

Everything was fine - ball game exciting, food good greeting of friends, etc. but alas, just as dancing got started and Tulane Smith was on the stage to conduct the drawing for prizes, rain poured down in heavy torrents. The crowd had the protection of the enter-

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NEW LIST OF DISCOUNTS OFFERED CLUB MEMBERS

A new list of discounts from business establishments has been provided for USDA Club members and circulated recently.

This list is in addition to discounts published April 25, 1950 and is available to all members of the USDA Club.

Discounts will be allowed upon presentation of the USDA Club membership card.

Much interest has been shown in these discounts,
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GUARDIAN INT'L. LIFE INS. APPROVED FOR EMPLOYEES

The Board of Directors of the USDA Club at its meeting held on June 14, 1950 approved the Proposal and Franchise Policy of the Guardian International Life Insurance Company, Dallas, Texas to provide Hospitalization Insurance for employees of the Department of Agriculture.

Mr. Jacques Gallion, representative of the Company will visit the various offices for
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Secretary of Agriculture, Charles F. Brannan, has announced that there will be no wheat quotas on next season's crop. He said that although present wheat supplies are large, they are not sufficient to warrant rigid marketing controls.

Acreage planting allotments will be assigned wheat growers and may call for a smaller acreage than was planted for this year's crop. Growers may abide by or ignore planting allotments, but only those who comply are eligible for government supports.

Marketing quotas must be proposed by Brannan when supplies reach a legally defined "surplus" level. Supplies are now 2 per cent below that level but 18 per cent above the "normal" supply.

EMP. WELFARE COMMITTEE
CONTINUES THEIR WORK
ON POLIO INSURANCE

Due to the present epidemic of Polio, Miss Anna L. Tydings, Chairman of the USDA Club Employee Welfare Committee has announced that she may be able to continue to get the rate for Poliomyelitis (Infantile Paralysis) Protection offered employees until June 15, 1950.

If you desire this protection contact Miss Tydings, R 6951, Sta. 564, who in turn will take the matter up with the Pacific Mutual Life Insurance Company. Do not fill out the application blank before contacting Miss Tydings.

tainment hall but the curtains blew hitting the walls with force until they could be tied. Some were scared but it's always "Good weather when Jolly Fellows get together," so with the light of a lantern Mr. Smith conducted his drawing.

Among those receiving prizes were Harry Lord, Large \$5.00 Basket Miscellaneous Items; Sevan Magnuson, \$5.00 Merchandise; Overton Perry, \$3.00 Cash; James Forsythe, Pair Sun Glasses; Helen Black \$1.00 Cash. There were several other prizes of \$1.00 values.

Prizes were donated by Corner Pharmacy, 2000 McKinney Avenue; Bill Farrell, President USDA Club; Lee Pierson; Edith Libby; and the USDA CLUB.

Believed to be the youngest guest present at the picnic was Sarah Jane Phillips, age two months, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Phillips of PMA Personnel.

Attendance was good with 458 tickets having been sold and approximately the same number present.

PMA CREDIT UNION
RECEIVES PRAISE

The Credit Union of PMA has been complimented and pronounced as being in healthy condition.

Federal Examiner, Buford B. Lankford, made the following comment in a letter to Arving E. Morris, President of the Union:

"We note that the officials have been giving the Credit Union appropriate attention and sound guidance. You are to be commended for your very fine accomplishments."

Business has been very good for the Credit Union this year with the percentage of money loaned in relation to the amount of assets higher than the

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group meetings within the near future.

The Board has investigated the advantages of this policy very carefully. Mr. Gallion has met with the directors on several occasions explaining the merits and conducting open discussions. After careful consideration the Board of Directors placed their stamp of approval on the policy.

The Group Hospitalization move is sponsored by the Employee Welfare Committee of which Miss Anna L. Tydings is Chairman. Employees may feel free to either accept or reject the policy.

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds

BILLY BANKS ELECTED
PRESIDENT CCC CLUB

At a meeting of the Directors of the CCC Club held at 1:30 P. M. on Tuesday, June 13, Billy Banks of Fiscal Division PMA was unanimously elected President for the 1950-51 term. Banks succeeds Bill Wakefield.

Other officers elected were:

Jane Moschel, Vice-Pres.
Ava Seale, Secretary
Thelma Galloway, Treas.
Louise Rounsaville, Ass't.
Treasurer
Douglas Smith, Auditor

Ballots were distributed to the members for the election of directors for the 1950-51 term. The following were selected:

Directors

Jane Moschel
E. C. Miller
D. Inagene Kynard
Joan K. Reinhardt
Marjorie Forbes
Bernice Fricke
Wm. C. Wakefield
Peggy T. Jones
Wilma Gray
Jane Hodges
Billy Banks

Alternates

Billie R. Tyson
W. H. Wright
Frances T. Page
Charles D. Jarvis
Grace Williams
Bertie Dudley
H. L. Ganty
Mary O. Enright
Geneva McIntire
Elizabeth Safforrna
Billie W. Spurlock

Members having suggestions for the Club should consult their directors.

VETCH HARVEST OUTLOOK GOOD

Kaufman County's million-dollar vetch harvest has the best outlook in its history this year states residents of the County.

Conservative estimates run as high as 250 pounds of vetch seed per acre. The government price is \$13.95 per hundred pounds and the harvesting is expected to bring over \$1,000,000 to the country.

Several seed cleaning plants have been set up in the county and vetch growers find it easier and faster this year to get their seed cleaned.

An interesting by-product of the vetch crop is bees. There are 12,000 hives in the county. J. C. Wells, chairman of the board of supervisors for the Kaufman-Van Zandt-Rockwall County Soil Conservation District said there were more bees in Kaufman County during May and June than in any county in Texas.

Bees have become an important factor in vetch cultivation due to the fact that they increase plant pollination as much as 50 per cent with a greatly increased production and income to the planter.

FHA DALLAS CREDIT UNION
DOUBLES SIZE DURING YR.

The FHA Dallas Credit Union has more than doubled in size during the past year.

Through the facilities of this credit union, employees of the FHA and related agencies are offered the opportunity for systematic savings programs and the privilege of borrowing money at lower than bank interest rates.

Another benefit of membership is that some commercial firms offer special discounts to members of the credit union.

Last year a dividend of 5% was paid on all share accounts and so far this year business has been very good. If you are interested in

further details contact Thomas J. Wingo, Treasurer FHA Dallas Credit Union, at 2007 McKinney Avenue, or call him on R 6951, Sta. 2059.

PROSPECTIVE MEMBER

DON MURRAY:
(Discussing the table manners of a prospective member for his Club)

"Well, what do you think of him?"

GRADY HUFFMAN:

"Very remarkable. I have heard soup gargled and syphoned, but, upon my word, that's the first time I've ever known it to be yodded."

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USDA CLUB MEMBERS
SHOULD CHANGE CARDS
RE AMBULANCE SERVICE

Free ambulance service provided members of the USDA CLUB which is identified on the back of the membership cards should be changed to read:

DUDLEY M. HUGHES FUNERAL HOME
400 East Jefferson
Telephone: Madison 5136

Mr. Gould, formerly of the Weaver-Gould Funeral Home, is now associated with Mr. Hughes and will render ambulance service at no cost within the limits of greater Dallas to USDA Club members and their immediate families, with reduced rates to be given in the County and nearby locations.

Free ambulance service from the Weaver-Gould Funeral Home has been discontinued.--

Employee Welfare Committee

New Discounts, Cont'd.

sponsored by the USDA Club Employee Welfare Committee, of which Miss Anna L. Tydings is chairman.

Miss Tydings has had calls for extra copies and states that she appreciated the response of the employees. The lists are convenient.

RICE SUPPORT LOANS
HAVE BEEN ANNOUNCED

The United States Government has taken over approximately 2,750,000 bags of rice this year under the loan and purchase program for the 1949 crop according to an Agriculture spokesman. A bag of rice contains 100 pounds.

The government took over the rice on April 30. At that time farmers with government loans on their crops either paid off the loan or let the crop go to the Commodity Credit Corporation.

L. B. Ellis, rice expert with the Production and Marketing Administration's grain branch, has stated that the government took over approximately 1,800,000 bags in Southern rice states chief of which are Texas, Arkansas and Louisiana.

This he said was less than half the amount the government expected to take over earlier in the year.

FMA Credit Union, Cont'd.

average for the State of Texas according to Mr. Lankford. Loans have been made faster than money has been received and it is anticipated at the next meeting of the Union that the share deposit limits will likely be raised. At the present time the limit for a single account is \$750 and for a joint account \$1,000. Mrs. Neva Russell is secretary of the PMA Credit Union. Her office is now on 15th floor.

WANT ADS

AVAILABLE NOW until Sept. 1st--Cool Bed Room--Private Entrance--Two Girls--Share bath with one other girl--Good Bus Service--4318 Junius--Call evenings V 4-0691.

SHARE 2 bedroom brick home with young business woman, age 26. Completely furnished, including automatic washer and television. Located in Oak Cliff. Call Y 8-8733 after 5 P. M.--R 6951, Sta. 858, 8:00 A. M. to 4:30 P. M. --\$50.00 a month.-- Dorothy B. Dawson, Fiscal Division, Program Accounting Section, Document Control Unit.

FOR SALE; Pair Motorcycle goggles--Non-Shatterable. BRAND NEW, never been used-- goggles were gift for person who could not use them. Best quality, classy looking--Reduced Price \$2.00--Mildred Yeager, Editor USDA Club News, Room 319 A, 1114 Commerce Street.

DO YOU LIKE COASTERS?

I have a blue and white used American Flyer Bike to coast into the arms of the highest bidder. It will carry my 93 pounds; - it will carry yours -- Jodie Reinhardt, R 6951, Sta. 848, 1114 Commerce Street.