

# THE MCLEAN NEWS

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## Town and Farm In Wartime

### Ration Reminder

Meats, Fats—Red stamps A8 through Z8, and A5 through B5 good indefinitely. No new stamps until Dec. 31.

Processed Foods—Blue stamps A8 through Z8, A5 through Z5, A2 and B2 good indefinitely.

Sugar—Sugar stamps 30, 31, 32 33, and 34 good indefinitely. Sugar stamp No. 40 good for five pounds of canning sugar through Feb. 28, 1945.

Gasoline—A-13 coupons in new ration book good for four gallons through December 21.

Fuel Oil—Period 4 and 5 coupons from last heating season, and period 1 coupons from new heating season good throughout present heating year. Period 2 coupons good in the far west on Dec. 11.

Shoes—Airplane stamps 1, 2 and 3 good indefinitely.

### December Point Values Unchanged

Point values for rationed meats, butter, margarine, cheeses, canned milk, canned fish and processed foods will continue unchanged from November values during December, the Office of Price Administration points out. At the same time it was stated that December meat poundage is expected to be about 5.4% higher than last month, while the quantity of rationed meats is estimated at 11.8% above November levels. The increases, OPA cautioned, are small in relation to the country's ability to consume.

### 3,000 Cars in Month's Quota

A total of 3,000 automobiles makes up the national quota of new motor cars available for sale this month—the same amount as in November. December passenger car tire quotas, however, will be 150,000 units higher, or 2,000,000 tires, than in the preceding month. OPA states; a higher quota of truck tires spells little or no relief from shortages in this category.

### Face of War Tells Consumer Story

The intensified pace of fighting on all fronts tells consumers the story of home front supplies. Shortages must continue indefinitely. Our armies are shooting off munitions at such a rate that demands on the labor supply and raw materials are further increased. Thus the civilian story continues to be one of "patch, mend, conserve, make it do." Some examples: About 90,000 workers needed immediately to man work stations in plants producing "top-most" war items. Military demands for all types of gasoline up to 800,000 barrels a day in 1944 from 150,000 barrels a day in 1941. Scarcely half enough radio receiving tubes have been available in the past two years to replace those worn out, and shortages expected to last several months beyond defeat of Germany and Japan.

Mrs. J. A. Sparks visited her daughter, Mrs. R. A. Wood, in Amarillo Wednesday.

Paul Mertel of Dumas was in McLean Friday.

Mrs. Thelma Huff of Amarillo visited here over the week end.

## To the People of this Community

Five billion dollars of the 14 billion dollars our country needs to press the war against our enemies must come from individual investors.

That sounds like, and is, a lot of money. Actually success or failure of the Sixth War Loan is up to each individual American. Every war loan has been oversubscribed because Americans by the millions have shared its responsibility. Americans such as you have recognized the need of extra War Bond purchases over and above their normal payroll savings.

There is no such thing as a little fellow in a War Bond drive. Your War Bond purchases, multiplied by the War Bond purchases of your friends and neighbors, become fighting power which saves lives of Americans on the battlefronts and brings us nearer our common objective.

THE EDITOR

## IN THE SERVICE

### LT. CUNNINGHAM WRITES

Following are excerpts from a letter to the editor from Lt. (J. G.) Orville Cunningham, somewhere in the Pacific:

The islanders are the bushy-headed negro type, but are a little more stocky built than our negro with well developed legs with huge flat feet that spread out to resemble duck feet. They are divided into two distinct groups, the timber, or islanders; and the bay natives, called ducks. They both live in thatched houses which are unbelievably well constructed on the outside, but have no inside partitions.

The bay natives build their huts out in the water, where the water is 10 to 12 feet deep, and it is said (and from what I have seen I believe it) that children learn to swim three or four months before they learn to walk.

We often meet children that look four to seven years old, three or four miles from the coast in little long narrow canoes. They are very friendly and salute every American that they see. Some of the natives have large ever-running sores on them, and most of them are soaly. The women are very timid about how their hair looks, and about how their basket sets on their head, but they wear only a cloth called a lap lap around their waists; and by the way, their hair do is to make it stand as high on their head as possible. They are not too far behind the American women when it comes to bleaching their hair. They use roots made into tea and some are fortunate enough to get peroxide from the hospital corps to put on their hair. I think it becomes our American girls a little more than it does the natives to peroxide the hair.

I had a rare opportunity while hitch hiking across the ocean. I was left on an island that had not been in our hands long and there were several Japs on the island. I met an Australian officer who had a section of the island in charge. Even though we were not permitted to go to the native villages, by an order of the Australian government, he took me in a jeep and we went through one, looking into every house, and then ended the day by eating in the Australian Advance Headquarters where the food was prepared by native men and women. It looked tasty, but I didn't enjoy it and the more I chewed the bigger the food in my mouth grew. They served in courses, all with their right hand over your right shoulder, and if you stopped eating or slowed up, a long water moccasin-like arm shot out over your shoulder and got your dish, and in about the same shuttle movement they handed you another dish of something.

Cpl. Clyde Dwight, Jr., of McLean has been assigned to a 15th Air Force heavy bombardment group based in Italy. Cpl. Dwight is an engineer gunner on an AAF Flying Fortress.

The unit of which he is now a member is the oldest heavy bombardment group in the Mediterranean theatre of operations. It has flown over 350 combat missions against enemy installations in almost every country of Axis-dominated Europe from bases in England, North Africa, Russia and Italy.

Cpl. Dwight's parents and his wife, Mrs. Louise Dwight, live in McLean.

An 8th Air Force Bomber Station, England—Sgt. Bobby J. Corbin has been awarded a third oak leaf cluster to the Air Medal for "meritorious achievement, coolness, courage and skill" during Eighth Air Force bombing attacks on Nazi war-making installations.

Sgt. Corbin is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Corbin, former McLean residents.

Pvt. Hazel Dyer has finished her schooling at Norman, Okla., and is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Dyer. She is enroute to Cherry Point, N. C., where she will receive her promotion to corporal in the U. S. Marines.

Sgt. Erna J. Windom, Jr., has

## Mobilizing His Forces



## School Bond Program Tonight

A program will be given at the high school tonight (Thursday) beginning at 7:30 o'clock, in the interest of the sixth war loan.

A movie will be shown, favorite songs sung by "farmers," "cowboys," etc., and a good time is promised all who attend.

The program is free, and at the close a bond selling campaign will be staged to see which of the four classes can sell the most bonds in 30 minutes.

The seniors are ahead at the present time in the bond selling campaign, with freshmen, sophomores and juniors in the order named. Posters are displayed down town each day showing the standing of the classes.

### FIRST SNOW FALLS

Beginning with a fog Saturday night, turning to rain all day Monday and snow Monday night, the winter season is now officially open.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McLaughlin have bought the C. J. Cash home on West Third Street. Mr. and Mrs. Cash have bought the S. R. Kennedy farm west of town.

Mrs. Harry Overton and daughter of Borger visited relatives here over the week end. Miss Marjorie Golightly returned home with them for a visit.

Mrs. Peggy Hill of Amarillo visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Greer, and her daughter, Susie, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Bodine of Satanta, Kan., visited the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bodine, last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Allison Cash and little daughter of Dumas visited relatives here and at Alanreed over the week end.

O. G. Stokely, Dr. H. W. Finley and Bert Huggins made a business trip to Oklahoma City Friday.

been awarded the Good Conduct Medal for exemplary behavior, efficiency and fidelity, at an Air Service Command in England. His wife and parents live in McLean.

Av/S Vester Lee Smith is at Roswell, N. M., Army Air Field for pre-flight training. He is a son of Mrs. Vester Smith of McLean.

Pfc. Willie Hershel Smith is now stationed at Camp Pannin near Tyler. His wife and children live in McLean.

Truitt Stewart, S 1/c, who has been in the Hawaiian Islands, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Stewart.

Mrs. J. H. Wade orders the home paper sent to W. O. Ledbetter, S 1/c, and her son, T. J. Wade, S 1/c, as Christmas gifts.

Sgt. Thomas H. Plum of North Camp Hood visited his wife and little son here this week.

Pfc. Dennis Word, son-in-law of Mrs. Luta Smith, has arrived in England.

## Lions Sponsor Bond Prizes

The Lions Club has voted to donate \$10.00 from the general fund and \$1.00 each for a fund to buy bonds for the school classes as a reward for work during the bond drive. This action was taken by the directors following the regular luncheon Tuesday.

Lions Bogan, Mercer and Caldwell were appointed to the committee to dispense Christmas baskets.

The club voted to send a Christmas present to Lions in the service. Lion McLaughlin was elected representative to the Teentown directorate.

### W. H. PETERS DIES

W. H. Peters, 60, died at his home in Pampa Saturday morning. He was a former McLean resident, moving to Pampa some 20 years ago. For the past three years he had been manager of the Pampa Airport. He is survived by his widow, a son and two daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Appling and Mrs. S. A. Cobb had their Thanksgiving dinner Friday at the Appling home, with the following present: Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Cobb and children of Lockney, Mrs. John W. Cobb and children, Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Thames of Plainview, Miss Nita Gail Marshall of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Brown and Mrs. W. R. Brown, Jr., of Denworth; Mrs. Vada Kiser and daughter of McLean.

Mrs. Eula Morris of San Diego, Calif., is visiting her mother and brother, Mrs. W. L. Harris and W. E. Green.

Jim Green, circulation manager for the Pampa News, was a pleasant caller at the News office Wednesday.

Rev. Douglas Carver and family of Pampa visited his sister, Mrs. C. J. Montgomery, and family Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Mounce and family visited relatives at Pampa Tuesday evening.

Subscriptions this week: Huelyn Laycock, C. S. Doolen, Ford Bell, Oba Kunkel, C. E. Nicholson.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Langham visited relatives in Pampa the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Peb Everett and sons and Mrs. Kate Everett were visitors in Amarillo Sunday.

Miss Jewell Cousins of Borger visited home folks here last week end.

Mrs. H. P. Stotts and children visited in Pampa over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Wood and son were in Shamrock Friday in business.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Nicholson were in Pampa Friday.

Miss Marie Puckett of Sayre, Okla., visited here last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Doolen and son were in Amarillo Thursday.

## WITH THE CHURCHES

### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Floyd Eugene Grady, Pastor Sunday School at 10:00 a. m. welcomes you.

Morning worship is at 11:00. The sermon topic is "God's Pocket Guide for Life's Wilderness."

The hour for the evening service has been set for 7:00 o'clock until further notice. The sermon topic will be "The Small Town's Prince of Peace."

Don't be a "fair weather Christian." Come to church Sunday.

### CHURCH OF CHRIST

Henry A. Lynch, Jr., Minister Bible Study 10:00 a. m. Worship Service 11:00 a. m. Evening service 7:30. Ladies' Bible class Wednesday, 3:00 p. m. Mid-week Bible study Wednesday, 8:00 p. m. You are welcome to attend these services.

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. K. B. Echols, who has been extended a call as pastor, will preach at both hours Sunday. All other services as usual.

## USO Dinner for Camp Soldiers

Thanksgiving dinner was served to soldiers from the POW camp last Friday evening at the USO hall.

Plates were laid for 100, and the newly appointed chaplain for the camp was master of ceremonies.

Rev. Floyd E. Grady, who has been acting chaplain, expresses thanks for all who assisted in any way to make the affair a success.

## Bi-District Game At Wellington

Bi-district football honors will be decided at Wellington Friday afternoon, beginning at 2:30, when the Wellington Skyrocks meet the Spur aggregation.

### JUNIOR MUSIC CLUB MEETS

Members of the junior music club met Wednesday after school in Mrs. Boyett's studio for a program of piano and accordion numbers. Thirty-two pupils took part on the program.

Hostesses for the social hour were Mesdames June Woods, Emory Crockett and J. R. Glass.

The V list for October and November includes Jackie Bentley, Floella Cubine, Beth D'Spain, June Stubblefield, Donna Gail Stubblefield, Norma Chapman, Lynn Dell Mantooth, Bethie Mantooth, Nancy Wilson, Wynette Caldwell, Wayne Woods, Barbara Neil Williams, Melba Miller, LaWanda Shadd.

Others on the honor roll for November are Margaret D'Spain, Kenneth McDowell, Darlene Shadd, Betty Jean McClellan, Betty Jo Patterson, Olenka Switzer, Marjorie Windom, Patsy Lyndall.

Mrs. Don Alexander and daughter, Mrs. R. T. Dickinson and daughter were in Amarillo and Pampa Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Trimble visited their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Norman Trimble, in Amarillo last Thursday.

Mrs. A. B. Smith left Saturday for her home at Ysaco, Miss., after a visit with her aunt, Mrs. C. A. Watkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Cooke of Amarillo visited the former's sister, Mrs. Joe Hindman, last Wednesday night.

T. B. Windom was in Spearman on business last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Gibson were in Pampa on business Thursday.

Raymond Howard and family of Borger visited in McLean Sunday.

C. T. Culvert and T. J. Tedder were in Pampa Friday.

Mrs. Walter Bailey and daughter were in Amarillo Thursday.

## Teentown Program Organized Tuesday

By Rev. H. A. Longino

An adult council meeting was held in the city hall on Tuesday night, with a representative body from the youth council, consisting of four young people, looking to the completion of the Teen-age organization in McLean. An executive committee of four adults was selected, to be matched by four young people elected by the youth group, and the ninth member of the executive body to be selected by the eight persons as of above. This body will constitute the governing body, but closely supported by the councils composed as follows: The adult council composed by each "person-interested" organization of town electing one person who becomes a permanent member of the adult council until replaced by another person chosen by said organization. The youth council is composed of two persons from each high school class chosen by the class, and becoming permanent members of the youth council until replaced by said class. These councils shall advise with their own representatives in the executive body, when such advice is sought by the executive body, or otherwise seems necessary. "Adults counseling with adults and youth with youth."

The young people have their organization well toward its completion. The adults are lacking in representative persons from the various churches and civic organizations of the town. If you wish to cooperate in this movement, please submit the name of your representative person to H. A. Longino, temporary chairman of the adult council. We want to complete the organization and proceed with the undertaking in a business like manner.

"In unity there is strength." Thus far we have found the youth of our community ready to council with the older members of the town in a very sane way. They have shown themselves ready to go a long way with their elders toward making our community safe from delinquent conditions existing in many other towns and cities of the land. Shall we not sit down together and talk over differences, and arise with understanding to build America?

Mrs. C. A. Watkins visited her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Glass, at Alanreed Thursday. She was accompanied by her niece, Mrs. A. B. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Wood and son, Mrs. Allen Wilson and Mrs. Vera Beall visited Mrs. W. H. Peters at Pampa Sunday.

Mrs. R. H. Dennison and little daughter, Patsy, of San Francisco, Calif., are visiting their aunt, Mrs. Dewey Wood, this week.

Miss Gladys Smith of Amarillo visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Smith, over the week end.

Mrs. Wheeler Carter took her baby to Amarillo Tuesday for medical treatment. They were accompanied by Mrs. Bill Pettit.

Mrs. Chas. E. Cooke and Mrs. James E. Cooke were in Pampa on business Thursday.

Kenneth Gibson and James E. Cooke made a trip to Oklahoma City last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy D. Rice and baby of Lefors visited here Friday.

## BIRTHDAYS

Dec. 10—Mrs. Nida Green, Betty Davis, Dorothy Goodson.

Dec. 11—Mrs. E. J. Windom, Jr., Joe Hindman, Van Brawley, Mary Edna Tinnin.

Dec. 12—Mrs. S. M. Hodges, Marjalee Windom.

Dec. 13—Wilson Shaw, John Edward Regal, Reep Landers, Mrs. R. N. McOsbe.

Dec. 14—Mrs. Laura Byerly.

Dec. 15—W. W. Shadd, Mrs. Frank Moore, Mrs. Dee Johnson, Opal Thacker, Freddie Johnson.

Dec. 16—Betty Ruth Dickinson, Houston Butcher, Mrs. Ored Bogan.



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Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation, which may appear in the columns of this paper, will be gladly corrected upon due notice if same given to the editor personally, at the office at 210 Main Street.

Wonder why nature made prunes more plentiful than strawberries?

A sure way to get rid of the fellow who wants to borrow some money—lend it to him.

There are a lot of things originating in Washington that we do not like. But do you know of a better country?

The patriotic citizen should require no special urging to buy war bonds. The awful fact of total war is enough to influence any thoughtful person.

Rev. Echols spoke at the First Baptist Church Sunday of the trend to influence people to forsake their beliefs for something nobody believes in, in the interest of unity. It is pretty certain that this sort of unity would be worthless to everyone.

A booklet entitled "100 Cocktails" fell into our hands this week and we were impressed with some of the names given the different drinks: Satan's Whiskers, Damn the Weather, The Yaffinoff, The Rattlesnake Bite, The Great Neck, Ride 'em Cowboy, Old Man Trouble, The Thunderbolt, The Bar Sinister, The Mule's Hind Leg, The Carrousel, The Fatherless Child, The Butcher, etc. We are led to wonder how they acquired their names.

Under directions we found: "If you have any respect or affection for your stomach, you will not drink more than two cocktails without eating something to help offset them." The writer of the book claims to have pared down the recipes to the absolute minimum. He states that one can find non-alcoholic drinks of all flavors on the grocer's shelves, but "There are those who hope they will stay there." For all kinds of alcoholic drinks he gives recipes for "appetizers" to offset them.

Here is information that serves no useful purpose, yet valuable paper is consumed in printing the book.

**WRONG REACTION**

Editor—Well, John, I guess you'll have to defend the Gazette in another libel suit.

Lewyer—What is it this time?

Editor—We printed in old man Leary's obituary that he had gone to a happier home, so now Mrs. Leary is suing us.

**NOT SO GOOD**

"I can't get along with my wife. All she does is ignore me."

"Ignore you?"

"Yes, and if there's anything I dislike, it's ignorance."

Great minds discuss ideas, average minds discuss events, small minds discuss people.

**SOMEBODY'S STENOG—Place for Everything?**



**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
TO: Guy Edward Watson, greeting:

You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock a. m. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 1st day of January, A. D. 1945, at or before 10 o'clock a. m., before the Honorable District Court of Gray County, at the Court House in Pampa, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 15th day of November, 1944. The file number of said suit being No. 7721. The names of the parties in said suit are: Ada Simmons Watson as plaintiff, and Guy Edward Watson as defendant. The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to-wit: for a divorce, alleging that marriage took place Sept. 28, 1942, and separation without fault on the part of the defendant on March 3, 1944. That plaintiff has been a continuous, actual and bona fide resident and inhabitant of the state of Texas for more than twelve months and of Gray County for more than six months immediately next preceding the filing of this petition. That the residence of the defendant is unknown. That there are no children of this marriage and no community property. That the plaintiff was forced to leave the defendant on account of his cruelty in beating, striking and abusing her, which conduct is alleged to constitute excesses, cruel and inhuman treatment and outrages of such a nature as renders their further living together insupportable. Plaintiff prays that citation be issued for service by publication, and that upon final hearing she be granted a divorce and have the name of Ada Simmons restored to her and for costs.

Issued this the 15th day of November, 1944.  
Given under my hand and seal



of said Court, at office in Pampa, Texas, this the 15th day of November, A. D. 1944.

MIRIAM WILSON, Clerk,  
31st District Court, Gray County, Texas.  
(SEAL)  
47-4c-PAC

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**LEO GOT HUNGRY**

PO—Chief, there is an applicant here who said he used to make his living by sticking his right arm into a lion's mouth.

CPO—Interesting. What's his name?  
PO—Lefty.

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John Alden and Priscilla Mullins had eleven children. It is estimated that they now have three million descendants in the United States.

The nation's tallest monument is on the battlefield of San Jacinto in Texas. It is 567 feet high, or 12 feet higher than the Washington Monument.

**Ration Free Tires**

Third grade tires are now ration free.

We have just received a large shipment of these tires. When they are gone it may be quite some time before we can buy any more, as they are becoming scarce. We suggest early buying.

New shipment car floor, mats, in stock.

We still have quite a little supply of Christmas wrapping paper.

**Barr Automotive Service**

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Parts House Phone 222



**New Furniture**

New shipment—complete line magazine racks, Duncan Phyfe tables, other good table styles, throw rugs, 6-foot linoleum, platform rockers, bedroom suites, etc., etc.

High chairs from \$6.85 up.

Pay us a visit the last of the week and see these brand new items.

Our prices will please.

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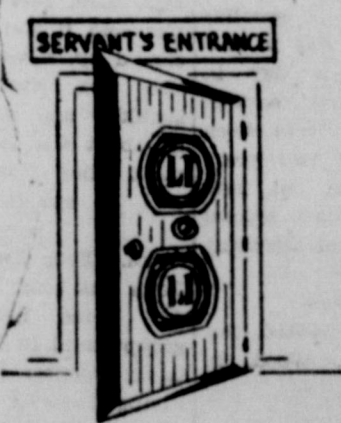
**Out of date ?**

not for **this fellow!**

Maybe you think that servants' entrances went out of fashion with the brownstone-fronted mansions of the gay twenties, or the overblown new-rich palaces of the roaring thirties. Don't you believe it! In fact, there are servants' entrances in your own home—not one but many.

Right in your walls, wherever there's an electric outlet, you'll find Reddy Kilowatt your electrical servant, waiting to come in and help do your work. He's fast, strong, always on the job, and works for only a few pennies per day.

While most other workers' wages have gone up, Reddy's have actually gone down. And even though he's been doing a lot of war work, he's always been right on hand when you wanted him to help with the housework. He still is. Whenever you need him, plug in—he's Reddy!



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**LIFE OF A COUNTRY EDITOR**

Every so often, when we get up to the "Big City," whether it is Chicago, Indianapolis or New York, some of our pals who are serving a life sentence on metropolitan newspapers, making from two to ten times as much money as a country editor and publisher takes out of his modest little business—some of these guys say to us confidentially, "Walter, in another year or two, I'm cutting loose from this treadmill, and am going to buy me a good country weekly newspaper in some little town of ten or fifteen thousand! That's where the money is and that will give me a chance to catch up on a lot of loadin', go fishin' when I like, and have an easy time, LIKE YOU DO."

The poor sap really believed this. He has mooned over the old, old story of easy life on a weekly paper. Well he is sure it's there waiting for him. To him, there is little to do on a weekly paper, for he writes his part of the daily each day, covers assignments large or small, interviews important people, sees a lot of his good stories "scrapped" for important news. He feels that he has a great idea that he can put into print if he can only buy that "country weekly" and run it to suit himself.

In the first place, the average city newspaper man has only a sketchy idea that manna falls from the heavens, that his few thousand dollars will buy most any good weekly he picks, and that all weekly papers are for sale.

His day of disillusionment is just around the corner.

What about this easy life, of which he talks so glibly? Not one in a hundred have ever really investigated, worked on or been a part of a country weekly, faced a payroll every Saturday night, met repair bills, paid for all the innumerable things that are needed to keep the paper going. Not a mother's son of them has any conception of the day's work that faces the editor as he reaches his office daily six, sometimes seven, days in the week.

Some are the city type who lean toward large "scare heads"—some who are more or less trained in journalism schools, feel they are giving the folks of the community a "treat," with their handling of the community news; a few go on a "reform the town" spree, some really make country editors.

The recompense of the country editor is not his small drawing account he weekly takes out of the bank or cash drawer—it lies in the amount of service he can render his community. He is at once a referee of news which the public wants to see "in print," he has to pass on the reliability of stories that are circulated by word of mouth, which may or may not hurt the character of someone in the community; he is the sole judge of what is fit to print.

The country editor has to rustle the ads, call on his merchants and advertisers to keep the paper solvent, see that the country itemizers get their copy in on time, take time out to talk to a dozen different committees or groups who want publicity for their programs—in fact he is lucky to have time to grab a sandwich at noon, and rush back to read the proofs stacked on his desk so the paper can go to press.

Not only these few duties, but there is also the responsibility that rests on his shoulders to present such editorials as in his opinion will be constructive, will help the community, will uphold right and defeat the things that might be harmful.

Criticism is a part of his daily diet—it is so easy for the public to criticize him for doing something or for NOT doing something. He is told every week to "leave this out of the paper," or to "put this piece in." His is the sole responsibility as to what to print. His shoulders have to be broad to carry all the criticism heaped upon him—all the thrusts, true or false, that are leveled at him. His skin has to be thick, and he must be able to "take it on the chin"—the only measure he must adopt is to be sure he is right.

No, Mr. City Editor, reporter, columnist, or whatever you are, don't look for a bed of roses on the lowly country weekly—the thorns are there, too. But we wouldn't trade paces with you, not even if your by-line is on the New York Times or the Chicago Tribune, or your name is in the masthead of any great metropolitan paper. To live with the lovable people in a country community, to help share their joys and sorrows, to lead a

word of encouragement where one is needed, to play down the shortcomings of some who are weak, and to play up the fine traits of those who help build the community—this is the real pay that comes to the country editor—something not measured in dollars, columns of advertising or the supposed leisurely life on a country weekly.

Better hang onto that desk job—for a while at least—or better still if you have the urge, just get a job on the weekly, for a year or two—it won't kill you—it may open your eyes.—Walter Crimm, in Salem Republican-Leader.

**CHANGES**

Smart people we have at Washington! They have changed the sun to come up an hour earlier than it did before. They have changed Thanksgiving—after we have observed it 323 years—to be observed one week earlier. They have changed the income tax to reach down into the pockets of

the man with a large family and take the bread and butter from his children's mouths, also the clothing from his family. The little shirt-tail girl, who draws down \$20 a week as table waiter, must dig down in her scanty pocket and give up 20% of all her salary over \$12 a week, money she really needs to dress decent on the streets, pay her lodging bills, and pretty up so she will look decent in public. Next thing we look for them to order the stork to side-track the nine months period and have babies delivered three months earlier, so anxious they are to conserve time. But change the name of Arkansas—never!—Claude News.

To each is given a bag of tools, A shapeless mass and a book of rules, And each must make, ere life is flown, A stumbling-block or a stepping-stone.—R. L. Sharpe.

Joe Gordon of Pampa was in McLean Thursday.

**THE TIGER POST**

Editor-in-Chief—Kenneth Gibson  
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News for the Tiger Post was handed in too late for publication this week.

Newspapers are schoolmasters of the common people—a greater treasure to them than uncounted millions of gold.—Henry Ward Beecher.

Black horses are affected by heat more than are horses of any other color.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF EDNA J. TINSLEY, DECEASED:**

Notice is hereby given that original letters of administration upon the estate of Edna J. Tinsley, deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 29th day of November, 1940, by the County Court of Gray County, Texas. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law. My residence and address are Pampa, Gray County, Texas.

s/ROY W. TINSLEY,  
 Administrator of the Estate of Edna J. Tinsley, Deceased.  
 46-4c-00

Teacher—Who can tell me what agriculture is?  
 Thomas—Well, it's just about the same as farming, only in farming you really do it.

He who would really benefit mankind must reach them through their work.—Henry Ford.

**GLORIOUS MOMENT**

I am 25 cents. I am not on speaking terms with the butcher. I am too small to buy a quart of ice cream. I am not large enough to purchase a box of candy. I am too small to buy a ticket to a movie. I am hardly fit for a tip—but, believe me, when I go to church on Sunday I am considered some money.

Mother—You naughty boy! How dare you use such a wicked word! Small Son—But Shakespeare used it.

Mother—Oh, he did? Well, don't play with him again!

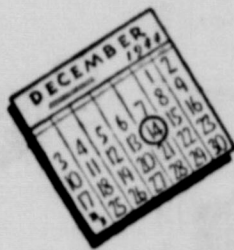
**TURNIPS**

In order that they won't be a total loss, I will give any human regardless of age, color or creed a generous mess, if they will go get them. Each day they are growing sweeter than they were the day before.

A. T. WILSON  
 AT THE HERMITAGE

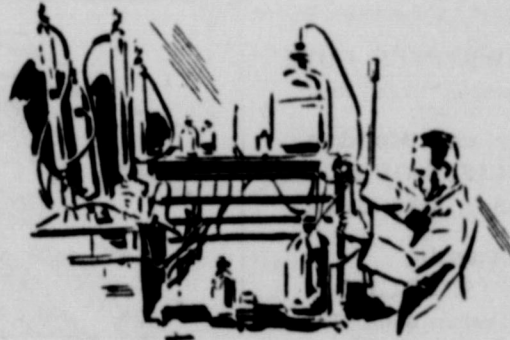
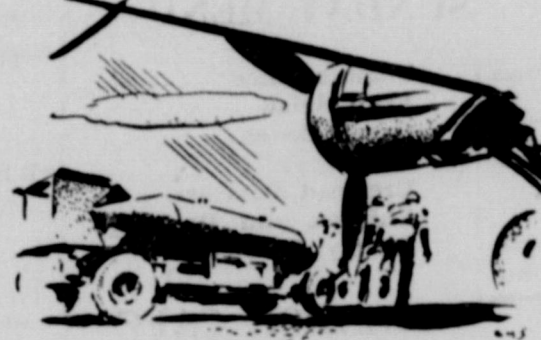
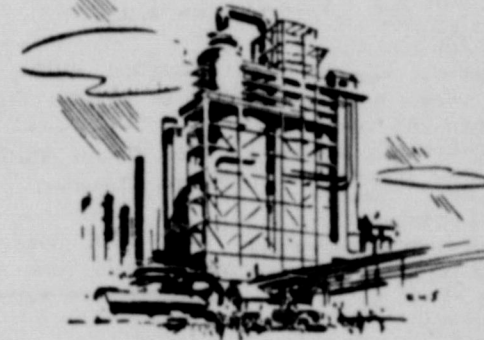



**A story that hasn't been told**

**AN AMERICAN WAR PRODUCTION RECORD THAT DESERVES TELLING . . .**



On December 14, at 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon, the men and women of Humble Oil & Refining Company will pause in their work to commemorate, in appropriate ceremony, a feat unparalleled in the petroleum industry: The production of ONE BILLION GALLONS of finished 100-octane aviation gasoline at the Baytown refinery.

This accomplishment merits special commendation, because it climaxes 25 years of development, planning, and teamwork of a great organization. The cooperative effort of Humble employees has brought about a uniform progress in all phases of the Company's operations which has enabled them to establish remarkable records in finding, producing, transporting and refining petroleum during a critical period in the history of our nation.

 <p>Humble research and development, in progress for many years before Pearl Harbor, made possible these accomplishments and contributed greatly to the total production of toluene, and the tremendous quantities of finished 100-octane aviation gasoline required by our Armed Forces.</p>	 <p>Baytown Ordnance Works, first synthetic toluene plant in the world, has supplied toluene for at least one out of every two bombs used by the United Nations since Pearl Harbor. For this production feat, Baytown Ordnance Works has five times been awarded the Army-Navy "E".</p>	 <p>Baytown Refinery has made one billion gallons of finished 100-octane aviation gasoline—more than has been produced by any other plant in the world. The world's first commercial alkylation plant was built at Baytown in 1938. The alkylation process is the very backbone of 100-octane aviation gasoline production by the entire petroleum industry.</p>
 <p>Humble Oil &amp; Refining Company is the nation's largest producer of crude oil, and is currently supplying about one-fourth of the increased production required for war, as measured by the gain since 1941.</p>	 <p>Through the facilities of Humble Pipe Line Company, there is being transported more oil than is being carried by any other system in the country. Nearly 700,000 barrels move daily through Humble pipe lines—one-seventh of all the oil production in the United States.</p>	 <p>United in a great singleness of purpose, 14,000 Humble men and women are devoting themselves to the task of providing vital petroleum products for war, looking to the day when their 3,000 fellow employees and all their comrades in arms will return.</p>

**OPEN HOUSE AT BAYTOWN REFINERY—DECEMBER 14-17**

So that one of America's great war plants may be seen in action, Baytown Refinery is holding open house from Thursday, December 14, through Sunday, December 17. The story of the refinery at war will be told by dramatic exhibits of petroleum war products and a great Army and Navy show of war machines and materials. Specially conducted tours will take Humble's friends and neighbors into the heart of the refinery itself.

**HUMBLE OIL & REFINING COMPANY**

HOUSTON, TEXAS





By GENE BYRNES



**GONE FOREVER!**

Jones—Thanks for the five. I'll send it back to you next week. By the way, what's your address now?  
Smith—Just send it to the Flower-vale cemetery!  
Jones—But that's not your address!  
Smith—No, but that's where I'll be by the time you send that five back!

**Say It Again!**

Pvt. Smith—You snored all night.  
Pvt. Jones—I wish you'd wakened me.  
Pvt. Smith—Why?  
Pvt. Jones—'Cause I can't sleep when I snore!

**Skip This**

Nit—Did you hear the joke about the chiropractor?  
Wit—No, what is it?  
Nit—Just one with a new twist!

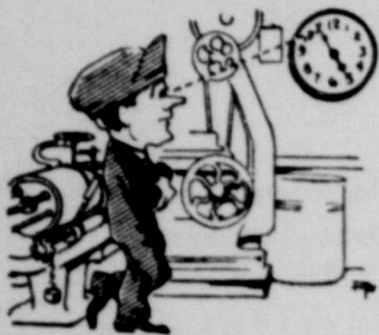
**Some Joke!**

Bill—A funny thing happened to my mother in New York.  
Joe—I thought you said that you were born in Chicago!

**Who's Crossed?**

He—Your eyes make me dizzy.  
She—Don't blame my eyes!

**NO SLOW POKE**



Jack—You're one of those guys who drops his work as soon as the whistle blows!

Mac—Not me! After I quit work, I usually wait about five or ten minutes for the whistle to blow!

**One-Dater**

Maisie—I never go out with the same man twice.  
Daisie—If I were you, I wouldn't brag so much about that!

**Almost the Same**

Jimmy—My uncle's a great man—he's a trustee at the university!  
Johnny—So what? My uncle's a trustee at the state penitentiary!

**Advice Taken!**

Wife—You mustn't get angry and say bad things. You should always give a soft answer.  
Hubby—Oh, mush!!

**Slight Exaggeration**

He—Darling, I always think of you.  
She—You do think of the nicest things.

**Fighting Words**

Joe—One more word out of you and I'll knock your block off!  
Bill—Scram!!  
Joe—That's not the word.

**Cheap Fun**

Harry—I never saw you chew gum before.  
Jerry—No, I just picked it up recently.

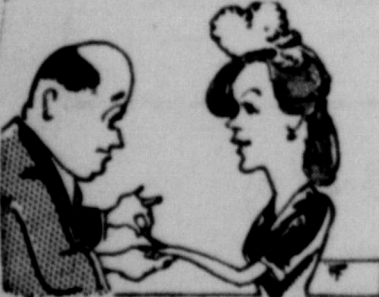
**No Communism**

Bill—That girl is one of our fellow workers.  
Harry—All girls are fellow workers!

**Oh!**

She—My mother was terribly disappointed when I was born.  
He—Did she want a boy?  
She—No, she wanted a divorce!

**GOOD PICKING**



Maisie—I got a pearl out of an old oyster.  
Daisie—That's nothing. I got a real diamond out of an old crab!

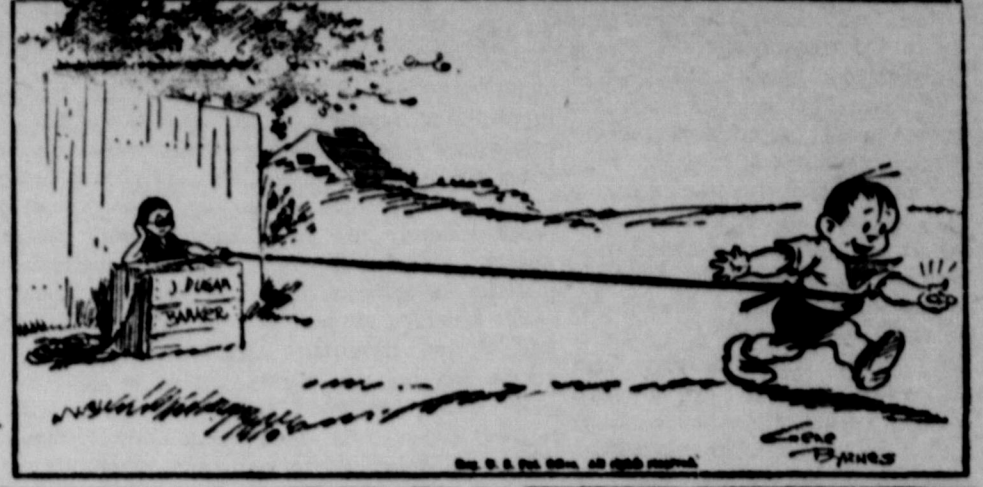
**Some Accomplishment**

Billy—Mom cured Dad of drinking by an operation.  
Jimmy—How?  
Billy—She removed a brass rail that had been pressing against his foot for years!

**No Trouble, Thanks!**

Doc—You'll be all right. Your collar bone is broken but I wouldn't worry about it.  
Patient—Thanks! If your collar bone was broken, I wouldn't worry about it, either!

**REG'LAR FELLERS—Gilt Edge Risk**



**HIS USUAL WAY**

Outside the storm raged. The deafening thunder rolled and the lightning flashed almost continuously. Presently a bolt struck Mr. Allen and knocked him completely out of bed. He rose, yawning, rubbed his eyes and said, "All right, dear, I'll get up."

Arta—Of course, you understand the point system of rationing?  
Xerves—Sure! You point to what you want, and the grocer says "We've been out of it for a month."

J. A. Haynes orders The News and Amarillo News at our bargain rate.

Mrs. S. W. Thomas of Fort Worth is visiting her niece, Mrs. J. H. Wade.

Mrs. T. B. Windom visited relatives at Wellington, Kan., last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stubblefield and children visited relatives at Groom Thursday.

Ten minutes of good luck will make you forget all the bad luck you ever had.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Windom and daughter were in Amarillo Thursday.

Carrol Loflin and family of Friona visited in the Eugene Woodrome home Thursday.

Gaylord Hodges of Dallas visited his father, S. M. Hodges, last week end.

Thurman Adkins of Shamrock was in McLean Friday.

Miss Colleen Burrows visited at Pampa Thursday.

Mrs. Ethel Howard of Amarillo visited here over the week end.

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**FOR SALE**

GOOD boy's bicycle for sale. Inquire at Nazarene parsonage.

FOR SLAE.—1941 International pickup, long wheel base, A-1 condition. Emory Crockett. 1c

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Tomato Juice  
Fruit Salad  
Green Beans  
Asparagus  
Creamed Potatoes  
Chicken and Dressing  
Cherry Cobbler

**MEADOR CAFE**  
Faye Campbell, Prop.  
Headquarters for Fine Food

FLOOR SWEEP—pre-war quality and pre-war price. News office.

NEW shipment boxed stationery at News office.

**LOST AND FOUND**

STRAYED — 2-year-old roan cow branded Circle W. Mrs. Orville Cunningham. 1c

**FOR RENT**

FOR LEASE.—1/2 section, 100 A cultivation, creek water. C. J. Cash. 49-2p

**WANTED**

WANTED to buy three-quarter bed and springs. Paul Ashby. 1p

WANTED—Newsboy for Pampa News. Apply at the McLean News office or write Pampa News.



**Weekly Program**

**Thursday**  
"THE GREAT MOMENT"  
Joel McCrea, Betty Field

**Friday and Saturday**  
"CYCLONE PRAIRIE RANGERS"  
Charles Starrett, Constance Worth

**"THE UNWRITTEN CODE"**  
Ann Savage, Tom Neal

**Sunday and Monday**  
"WHITE CLIFFS OF DOVER"  
Irene Dunne, Alan Marshal

**Tuesday**  
"PITTSBURGH"  
Marlene Dietrich, John Wayne

**Wednesday and Thursday**  
"GREENWICH VILLAGE"  
Carmen Miranda, Don Ameche

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- Business Reports
- Sales Progress Reports
- Daily or Weekly Summary
- Work Plan Reports
- Instruction Forms
- Salesman's Daily Reports
- Analysis of Customers Purchases
- Complaint Forms
- Salesman's Itinerary Forms
- Summary of Calls and Orders
- Want Slips
- Record Inquiry Forms
- Purchase Requisition Form
- Material Requisitions
- Printed Business Check
- Stock Record Cards
- Departmental Budget Forms
- Operating Statements
- Materials Budget Form
- Stock Orders
- Collection Reports
- Inspectors' Report
- Work Orders
- Daily Sales Report
- Inventory Record
- Business Statements
- Salesman's Call Report
- Sales Bulletins
- Sales Tickets
- Letterheads

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