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Home and Farm in Wartime

Reminders
Meats—Fats—Red stamps Q5 through X5 good indefinitely. No new stamps until January 28.
Processed Foods—Blue stamps C5 through Z5, A2 through G2 good indefinitely. No new blue stamps until February 1.
Sugar—Sugar stamp 34 good for 5 pounds indefinitely. No new stamp until February 1.
Fuel Oil—East and far West, 1 and 2 period coupons good indefinitely. Period 3 coupons in East will be good January 15.
Period 3 in East become good January 8. Mid-west, south, period 1, 2 and 3 coupons good throughout heating year.
Shoes—Airplane stamps 1, 2, 3 good three good indefinitely.

Food

The over-all food rationing has been tightened. Point values to be used in application of rationing. The total meat ration remains a substantial amount. Fresh and dried fruits, vegetables, fruit spreads, canned beans and baby foods with fresh fruits and vegetables, eggs, poultry and unrationed. In the meat point value is attached to parts, sweet-breads and beef. Lamb is rationed on such as breast and flank, shanks, grades, patties, steaks, chops, roasts in utility grade, heart, sweet-breads and tongue; all grades of mutton are point-free; all is unrationed in such cuts as roast, flank meat, neck, shank and heel meat of all grades in the grade and lower for steaks, roasts, and hearts, also hearts, heads and tongue. No points attached to buy pork fat, knuckles, plates and bacon ends, liver and tongue. A number of sausage types are also on point list.

For Farm Draft

and of the selective service requesting draft boards to request and induct to the full extent by law, men in the age group 18 through 25 years agricultural deferments in a letter written to Lewis B. Hershey, selective service, by the war mobilization and James F. Byrnes. But that the Tydings to the Selective Service to give the agricultural, solve exemption, and intended to. Director Byrnes states: "The secretaries of war and navy have advised me jointly that the calls from the army and navy to be met in the war will exhaust the 18 and 25 year age group in an early date. The military believe it essential to prosecute the more men in this age group than the other than the 18 years of age group. The source in this in the 364,000 men because of agricultural occupation. You have advised me that if this is available, you must service occupationally dependent in the next age group, and older, most of whom are. The chairman of production board, Mr. Byrnes-me that the loss of men would make it extremely difficult, if not impossible, to meet the critical war demands. These older men would meet the expressed needs of my and navy."

Henry Kinkeade, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Wellington, was in McLean Wednesday.

LIBRARY NEWS

Mrs. Lady M. Bryant Ration Trouble? To stretch a point—or three? Get magazines your library on wartime. Lighten your household with helpful hints on buy and food preparation.

IN THE SERVICE

Pfc. Roy F. Stolle Dies in Germany

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stolle received a wire from the war department Friday that their son, Pfc. Roy F. Stolle, had died in Germany, Dec. 15, as a result of wounds received in action. Pfc. Stolle had been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received Sept. 30 in Belgium. He had recovered from these wounds and was back in action against the enemy. He had been in the service since July 10, 1942. Pfc. Stolle would have been 24 years of age on Jan. 9. He was the holder of several medals for gallantry, water stripes. Mr. and Mrs. Stolle have two other sons in the service.

Cunningham Writes

24 December, 1944.
Dear Mr. and Mrs. Landers:
This morning I sat in church and listened to a portable phonograph grind out Christmas songs. The records were worn and had many a scratch, but even when they hung and lazily repeated the same words until moved on by the sound of some brought synthetic. I did not think much that the grooved in the record was too early could not keep up the past, but how many times I remember fully missed the opportunity to church where the surroundings were a luxury and my mind was clear of want or worry. I have missed only two Sundays since leaving the states. I have been to church under many different conditions. On one island we were not rationed on water—it just wasn't to be had. For three or four times all the water that we had was a glassful at each meal. We could not shave, bathe, or wash our teeth, but still we went to church. The church was a wonderful sight to me. In the dust under an improvised church roof sat men of many different professions, races, creeds, past environment, rank and church affiliation, but Americans all. Our Christmas Eve service was unusually short, and as the chaplain came to the end, he shuffled nervously several words, trying hard to select the appropriate ones for the occasion. Finally he said, "Well, what I am trying to say is that I hope you can adjust yourselves so that you can be merry on Christmas and see some happiness in the new year." As I have mentioned, the sermon was short, but everything he said had a meaning. I looked around at faces that appeared stone hard because of three Christmases in the Pacific, and noticed that they, too, had an additional amount of moisture in their eyes. I find that all men get homesick out here, but their spirits are unusually high, for they are so glad to be Americans and are thinking of the day when they will get to come home. Contrary to many people's opinion, the most of them do not want additional consideration for their service in the armed forces, but only a chance to take up where they left off. Fortunately, they do not know the artificial prosperity that is at home, and they will, I think, find it easy to begin and live in the economic status that our nation will have to come back to. I received the McLean News at the last mail call. It was dated October 19, but as late as it was, it was still news to me and it seemed that I had gotten a letter from most everybody in town, for it told of so many of them and what they were doing. Thanks for the letter and the news it brought, and may I say, as did the chaplain, "I hope you and the people of McLean did adjust yourselves so that you could be merry on Christmas and see enough light appearing in this war to begin the new year with a bright and happy outlook." Sincerely,
ORVILLE CUNNINGHAM
Lt. (j. g.) U. S. Navy.

Fun-Fellowship At Lions Club

Fun and fellowship were the order at the weekly Lions luncheon Tuesday with 19 present. Tail Twister Little was the butt of good-natured joking, taking revenge with occasional fines. Lion Bogan reported progress in the reorganization of the boy scout troop, and Lion Carpenter reported work on the airplane landing strips. Lion Mercer was given his attendance on account of being unavoidably out of town.

Fun-Fellowship At Lions Club

Left Mrs. C. E. Cooke of McLean, arrived overseas and B-24 Liberator at a 15th AAF base as a pilot. He has been assigned to a veteran outfit commanded by Col. Thomas W. Steed of Etowah, Tenn. The group has flown more than 160 combat missions against major German targets in southern and central Europe.

S/Sgt. James M. Payne returned

from 10 months overseas in the European theatre of operations, on the U. S. hospital ship Dogwood. He is being temporarily treated at a hospital in Charleston, S. C., before being transferred to another army hospital for definite treatment. His wife, Mrs. Lee Ola Payne, is a teacher in McLean high school.

S/Sgt. Wilbur Lee Wilson has

been spending a 21-day furlough with his mother, Mrs. Ellen Wilson. Sgt. Wilson, a gunner on a B-24, has been stationed in Italy, from where he completed 38 combat missions over Germany and Nazi occupied territory.

Sgt. Finous A. Glenn, son of

Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Glenn of McLean, is now a technician with a medical clearing company in the Netherlands East Indies. His wife, Lt. Edith Custeson of the Army Nurse Corps, is with an evacuation hospital in Europe.

Born Jan. 5 to Cpl. and Mrs.

Harry Dunham, at a Shamrock hospital, a 7 pound 14 ounce boy named Jack William. Cpl. Dunham is stationed at the POW camp.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Osborn

visited their son, S/Sgt. R. W. Osborn, Jr., at San Antonio last week. Sgt. Osborn will leave for overseas duty soon.

J. W. Taylor, SP (P) 3/c,

from the Naval Repair Base at San Diego, Calif., is visiting home folks here.

T. R. Langham, S 1/c,

left for Portland, Ore., Wednesday after a 30 days visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Langham.

Mrs. Cohen Gallegly orders

the home paper sent to her husband, S/Sgt. Gallegly, who is overseas.

Cpl. and Mrs. George McGinn

and baby left Tuesday for New York City.

Cpl. Herman L. Petty, son of

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Petty, is now where in Germany.

2/Lt. William T. Cooke, son

of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cooke, is now where in Germany.

Planning for 1945



District Judge Raps Pool Halls

Judge W. R. Ewing charged the grand jury in session at Pampa Monday to investigate looting and idleness in pool halls, in view of the vital shortage of labor for the war industry. Judge Ewing said that "there is no way a pool hall or any kind of gambling house can be legally operated in this state. If the people do not want them, they have an effective remedy." The judge also said: "Because they have become such places of crime and vice, pool halls, for a number of years, have been illegal in the state of Texas." The judge insisted that any citizen may apply to the district court for an injunction against any pool hall operator and a temporary restraining order will be issued until it is proven that the operator was wilfully operating a pool hall, or was contemplating doing so. Gambling in connection, or otherwise, or gambling of any sort, carries a penalty of from two to four years in the penitentiary.

C. of C. to Meet Monday Night

A meeting of the chamber of commerce has been called for Monday night at the city hall to elect officers and reorganize. All who are interested in this work have a cordial invitation to be present.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

J. E. Perryman, Pastor
Sunday school 10:00 a. m.
Preaching 11:00 a. m. Subject, "A Supernatural Walk."
N. Y. P. S. 7:00 p. m.
Preaching 8:00 p. m. Subject, "Second Coming of Christ."
Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.
"A growing Sunday school in a friendly town" is our motto.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Floyd Grady, Pastor
Sunday school at 10:00 a. m.
Morning worship at 11:00 o'clock.
The sermon topic will be "Christ's Jewel."
The evening service is at 7:30. The topic will be "The Quest."
You are welcome to worship with us.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Henry A. Lynch, Jr., Minister
Don H. Morris, president of Abilene Christian College, will be with us next Sunday and will speak at the 11:00 o'clock hour. Mr. Morris is a well informed man, especially along the line of Christian education, and is a very popular speaker. We urge a good hearing for him.
Other regular services as usual.

BAPTIST W. M. S.

Members of all circles of the Baptist W. M. S. met at the home of Mrs. Arthur Rippy Tuesday for Bible study. The study was the Book of Deuteronomy. Those present were Mesdames Finley, Murray, Buxton, W. C. Boston, Holloway, Allen, Smith, Gibson, Abbott, McCarty, Bunia, Kunkel, Oba Kunkel, Wilson, H. Williams, Hunt, and Rippy. The next meeting will be Jan. 16 at the home of Mrs. Finley. The book to be studied is Joshua. All ladies of the church are invited to these Bible studies, for as Chrysostom said: "All our

troubles come from this—our not knowing the scriptures."

Rev. R. H. Nichols of Amarillo, who preached at both hours last Sunday as a supply, will be with the church again next Sunday as a prospective pastor. The pulpit committee urges every member of the church to be present, as well as all others who may come our way.

Buying bonds is a good investment. Contribute to the Red Cross. Yes, the Red Cross looks after our soldiers in foreign lands as well as at home. Contribute to the USO? Yes, a home for our soldiers away from home. But what of your time? Do you give of your precious time? No, you are too busy with your own affairs. Is your job or your pleasure more important than the morale of a soldier, whether in the South Pacific, in France, in training in the various camps, or stationed at the McLean prisoner of war camp? He is not here from choice, but is serving his country where his government thinks best. He is many miles from home, loved ones and friends. Maybe he doesn't think like you or I. Perhaps his religion or politics are different, but he is a soldier doing his job for you, although he is stationed at McLean. Have you asked him to have dinner with you? Your boy or your friend's boy away from home needs an invitation to dinner, or just an invitation into your home. The McLean USO is open with volunteer help and needs anything you are willing to do is appreciated. Come into the USO any afternoon or evening and let it be known what you will do to help out.

Precipitation High
Precipitation show high

ing to Pete Fulmer server. Some moisture fell on 51 of the year, beginning with Jan. 1 and closing with Dec. 27. The lowest record was .02 of an inch and the highest 1.85 inch. Monthly totals follow: January, 3 days, 2.39 inches; February, 1 day, .73; March, 2 days, .90; April, 5 days, 1.46; May, 6 days, 5.40; June, 7 days, 5.49; July, 5 days, 2.20; August, 6 days, 2.42; September, 6 days, 2.58; October, 3 days 1.06; November, 3 days, .97; December, 4 days, 2.28.

MR. KENNEDY WRITES
S. R. Kennedy, McLean resident, son, Calif., in renews paper, says health, climate, some and home.

Mr. and Mrs. and daughter Steward of McLean and Mrs. C. last week.

J. A. Meador and son, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Meador were in Amarillo Friday at the bedside of Mrs. J. A. Meador, who underwent a major operation.

Mrs. B. L. Anderson of Skellytown and Overton of Berger McLean Monday.

Mrs. Pat Lankford of Amarillo visited their and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hinton, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Williams of Stanford visited the former's mother, Mrs. Dewey L. Wood last week.

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SOMEBODY'S STENOG—What Turk Meets Turk



REG'LAR FELLERS—And What a Hand!



By GENE BYRNES

NEWS FROM LIBERTY

Sunday school and preaching each Sunday night. Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Cunningham and children of Amarillo visited their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Cunningham, last week end.

Mrs. Guy Guyton and daughter are visiting the daughter's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Warren in Garden City, Kansas, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Stone of Amarillo visited Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Dorsey one day last week. Mr. P. L. Ledgerwood and Mrs. Nina Mertel were in Shamrock Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Oleeta Matthews and Miss Irene Kersey, Ip, Okla., May I have the afternoon off to go shopping with my wife?

Kind Lady—Where is your son now? Neighbor—Oh, he's been away a long time at college taking medicine.

K. L.—That's too bad. And do you think he will get well?

Mrs. Myrtle Lewellyn of Burkburnett, Mrs. Pearl Sullivan of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Stokes of Groom, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Stokes and son of Shamrock, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Stokes and daughter of McLean visited their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Kate Stokes, Sunday.

Mrs. H. L. Dorsey visited Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Simpson in McLean Saturday afternoon. Dorothy Sue Davis visited Eulemae Lively Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Dorsey and children of Kellerville spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Hardin.

Mrs. Lillian Robinson and children of McLean visited their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Dorsey Tuesday.

Mrs. W. J. Little visited Mrs. Floyd Lively Saturday afternoon. Mrs. D. M. Davis of McLean visited her son, Olen, and family Saturday.

Mrs. B. L. Stokes visited her brother, Floyd Tate, at a Shamrock hospital several times last week.

Mrs. Wendell Love and daughter, Nancy, of Pampa, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Dorsey and children of Kellerville visited Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Dorsey Thursday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Cecil A. Myatt were in Shamrock Friday afternoon.



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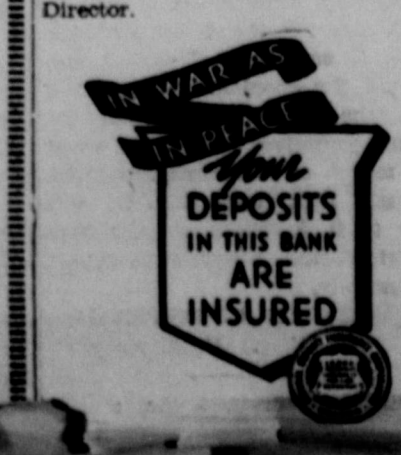
IN THE ARMY
Sergeant (on rifle range)—This new bullet will penetrate nearly two feet of solid wood, so remember to keep your heads down.
Lawyer—Well, if you want my honest opinion—
Client—No, No! I want your professional advice.



REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE American National Bank in McLean
of McLean, in the State of Texas, at the close of business on Dec. 30, 1944, published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under Section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes.

ASSETS	
Loans and discounts (including \$255.83 overdrafts)	\$ 208,811.7
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	395,600.0
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	35,875.8
Corporate stocks (including \$2,050.00 stock of Federal Reserve Bank)	2,050.0
Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	585,126.1
Bank premises owned \$5,000.00, furniture and fixtures	6,308.0
Other assets	500.0
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,234,280.7
LIABILITIES	
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations	\$ 963,277.46
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	3,891.42
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	164,186.04
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	26,375.00
Other deposits (certified and cashier's checks, etc.)	—
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$1,157,729.92
Other liabilities	40.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$1,157,769.92
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
Common stock, total par	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus	21,000.00
Undivided profits	3,889.00
Reserves (and retirement account for preferred stock)	1,200.00
TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	76,089.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$1,234,280.70
MEMORANDA	
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed, pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities	\$ 163,900.00
Deposits secured by pledged assets pursuant to requirements of law	162,662.22

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF GRAY, ss:
I, Clifford Allison, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
CLIFFORD ALLESON, Cashier.
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of January, 1945.
(SEAL) O. G. STOKELY, Notary Public.
CORRECT—Attest: J. M. CARPENTER, T. A. MASSAY, J. L. HESS, Director.



TO CHOP NUTS QUICKLY
To chop nuts more quickly—and neatly—put the shelled meat into a paper bag and roll with a rolling pin until as fine as desired.
Mrs. Milton Carpenter took her son to Amarillo last week for medical treatment.

Sane Philosophy
Let the drinkers drink, the smokers smoke, the cussers cuss and the gamblers and chasers go it;
Good wholesome food and an abstinent mood is the right way out and I know it.
A. T. WILSON
At the Hermitage

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AS A PATRIOTIC SERVICE

The CIO is pretty new in party annals to try to write anyone out of the Democratic party, but they are only living up to their practices. Mr. Daniel...
And now a bill has been introduced in Congress to set up a "Rural Telephone Administration" modeled after the "Rural Electrification Administration" to make telephone service available to the government.
While this is an "off" year politically, there are enough elections coming up to justify...
Really...
Clark of Amarillo...
Luther Petty left...
Canadian...

Bonds Over America



...demonstrates the old max- ed things are made slow- before the Pilgrims land- North, Spanish and Eng- plorers were battling to plant colonies on the East Coast stian and John Cabot sailed there in 1497 and in 1513 Ponce seon christened Florida. By St. Augustine had a population 00. In 1585 Sir Francis Drake yed the town and looted it- ry. Spain rebuilt it the next much more substantially. Re- ction must be done all over- when the guns are silent ar Bonds to speed the world can begin to re U. S. Treasury Department

and Personal

and Mrs. Luther Petty and Mrs. and grandson visited Petty's sister, Mrs. W. E. and family at Lefors Fri- and Saturday.

and Mrs. Bernie Thames of inview visited the lady's par- Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Appling. s first of last week.

Mrs. Bethel Christian has re- med to her home at Phoenix, after a visit with her par- Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bodine

Langham roy, visited R. remain-

Grace Bidwell has return- Amarillo after several days' with home folks here.

Clyfton Wilkerson has re- to Fort Worth after a visit relatives here.

Mrs. Wheeler Carter ight the Scott Johnston North Main Street.

Mrs. J. W. Burrows and essage spent the holidays latives at Electra.

ona Meter returned to Monday after a visit with here.

Elizabeth Miller and chil- ra. Murray Boston and ted in Pampa Sunday.

A Lynch, Jr., Church of minister, spent Christmas relatives in East Texas.

Miss Marilyn Bogan has to Borger after a visit grandparents here.

Nora Loveland visited Sayre, Okla., over the

Clark of Amarillo visited ents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O this week.

H. Kisner and daughter relatives in Amarillo last

made a business trip Falls and Fort Worth

and dand him, "Prn thy pocket

ldre- and Mrs. E. H. Kran family of Amarillo visited Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Gibs an made a business trip to last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Glose Canadian visited the lady's sis Mrs. H. C. Rippp, Friday.

SOMEBODY'S STENOG—What Did They Buy?



REG'LAR FELLERS—Cookstove Obligato



By GENE BYRNES

MISTAKEN IDENTITY

Visitor (in defense plant)—Look at that youngster, the one with the cropped hair, cigaret, and trousers. It's hard to tell whether it's a boy or a girl! War Worker—She's a girl, and she's my daughter. Visitor—Do forgive me. I would never have been so outspoken if I had known you were her father. War Worker—I'm not her father—I'm her mother.

NOW IS THE TIME

He was a business man who believed in efficiency, so he hurriedly put a sign in his office which read "DO IT NOW!" Whatever his intention, the sign had bolted with the safe, his clerk the cashier eloped with the contents of the safe. Several stenographers had been several of his eldest son, and of cow bells. How about it, had thrown the ink bottle into the fan.

CANDY COOKERY

Even a few sugar crystals may cause a whole batch of candy to granulate. As a precaution against that, home economists advise you not to stir the candy while it's boiling, and not to scrape what clings to the side of the pan down into the candy. To prevent fudge from boiling over, lightly butter the rim of the pan.

Darby—I had an awful time but I finally got a barometer. Joan—What on earth do you want a barometer for? Darby—It will tell me when it's going to rain. Joan—Such extravagance! What do you suppose the good Lord gave you rheumatism for?

Sammy (to kitten purring on hearth)—Well, kitty, if you are going to park here, you'd better turn off your engine. "Can I touch you for \$5?" "For \$5 you can sock me on the jaw!"

Judge and Mrs. Sherman White of Pampa visited relatives here over the week end.

George Preston is in Clarendon for an appendectomy.

MICKIE SAYS—

WERE YOU EVER FAR FROM HOME AMONG STRANGERS? YOUR SOLDIER BOY IS, AND HE'D ENJOY IT IF YOU'D SUBSCRIBE FOR THE OL' HOME NEWSPAPER FOR HIM—WE SEND IT WHERE EVER HE GOES

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RATES—One insertion, 2c per word. Two insertions, 3c per word, or 1c per word each week after first insertion. No advertisement accepted for less than 25c per week. Lines of white space will be charged for at same rate as reading matter. Black-face type at double rate. Initials and numerals count as words. All ads cash with order, unless you have a running account with The News.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—No. 4 ration book. Douglas Irene Kersey. 1p
LOST, Sunday—Lady's pigskin leather glove. Reward. Mrs. H. E. Franks. 1p
LOST—No. 4 ration book. Mrs. Howard C. Wright. 1p

LOST—Billfold, \$4.00 in money, valuable papers. Return billfold and papers, keep money. Elton Johnston, Jr., box 613, McLean, p

WANTED

WANTED—WAREHOUSE MANAGER in McLean Prisoner of War Camp Exchange. Apply in person. Exchange Officer, POW Camp, McLean, Texas. 51-3c

WANTED.—BRANCH MANAGER in McLean Prisoner of War Exchange Branch. Apply in person to Exchange Officer, POW Camp, McLean, Texas. 51-3c

USED TYPEWRITER DESK—wanted. Call or write Exchange Officer, POW Camp, McLean, Texas. 1c

NOW BUYING grain, both threshed and heads. W. L. Hinton.

BOOKKEEPER—Wanted in Post Exchange Office not under Civil Service. Apply in person or write, giving education, experience and



Weekly Program

Thursday "STEP LIVELY" George Murphy, Frank Sinatra Gloria DeHaven

Friday and Saturday "THE TEXAS KID" Johnny M. Brown, Raymond Hatton

"THE MARK OF THE WHISTLER" Richard Dix, Janis Carter

Sunday and Monday "THE IMPATIENT YEARS" Lee Bowman, Jean Arthur

Tuesday "SEVEN DAYS ASHORE" Wally Brown, Gordon Oliver

Wednesday and Thursday "LAURA" Gene Tierney, Dana Andrews

salary expected. Exchange Officer, POW Camp, McLean, Texas. 1c

Mrs. J. B. Pettit, Mrs. Wheeler Carter and children and Mrs. Hazel Pettit went to Pampa Saturday, the latter remaining.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Henry were in McLean last week enroute to Houston from New Mexico.

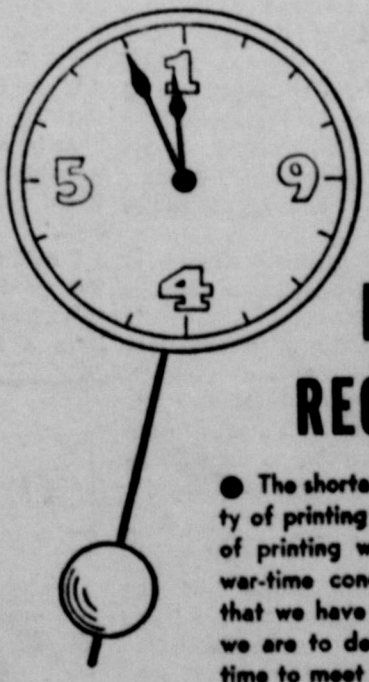
Kid McCoy, Jr., of College Station visited home folks here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Doolen and son visited in Mustang and Hobart, Okla., last week.

T. N. Holloway made a business trip to Pampa Monday.

Arlie Carpenter of Lefors was in McLean Wednesday.

SALE In order to make room for new spring merchandise, we are offering special sale prices on ladies' coats, suits, sweaters, blouses and hats. Buy now and save. THE ORCHID SHOP Mrs. S. M. Hodges



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NEWS FROM DENWORTH

Pvt. Felton Webb, USMC, his sister, Miss Betty, of Amarillo, and his buddy Pfc. Bill Sturgis, of Norman, Okla., visited the formers' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Webb, during the holidays. Pfc. Sturgis' father has been in service for 29 years.

Pfc. John Cochran, who has been stationed at Camp Lee, Va., visited Mrs. Cochran's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cort Meyers, during the holidays. Mrs. Cochran and daughters, Paula and Patty, of Oklahoma visited him here. He was enroute to Camp Cooke, Calif.

Miss Georgia Nell Browning of Pampa spent the holidays with home folks here. The Brownings had a soldier from the Pampa air base as guest for Christmas dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. McCandless spent Christmas day with the Spencers. Mrs. Spencer is sick at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Moot and daughter, Mary Ann, of Pampa ate New Year's dinner with the Ray McDonald family.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Clement, Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Smith and son, Wayne, of Lamea and Mrs. R. D. Durham of Phillips spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wiggins.

James Floyd Gatlin underwent a tonsil operation at Wheeler recently.

Mrs. Charles Ivey is in a Pampa hospital awaiting an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ripley spent Christmas Eve at the home of his parents at Briscoe, and Christmas day with Mrs. Ripley's sister, Mrs. Floyd Smith, of Borger.

Miss Alice Billy Cortis of Canyon visited her parents here during the holidays.

Pfc. Chuck Myers of the McLean camp was a dinner guest in the Corts home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Bourland and children, Eddy and Betty Sue, of Dimmitt; Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Bourland of McLean spent Christmas day in the Corts home.

Miss Jean Wade of Norman, Okla., visited home folks here during the Christmas holidays.

Darrell and Mrs. Ernest Dowell and son, Donald, of Pampa spent Christmas with their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. V. Dowell.

Calvin Spencer is visiting friends in Conroe.

Mr. and Mrs. George Rath and family are moving to Pampa.

NEWS FROM LIBERTY

Sunday school and preaching each Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stokes and son of Shamrock, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Stokes and daughter of McLean visited their mother and grandmother here Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Lively and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Morgan were Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Roth.

Mrs. B. L. Stokes and sons and Mrs. Kate Stokes were in Shamrock Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Johnston and children of Borger visited in the Lively home Thursday and Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Morgan were in Shamrock Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. McClain of Shamrock are moving to the R. L. Stokes farm.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Brock of Chillicothe are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Olen Davis, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Greer and children of Magic City visited in the Lively home Sunday afternoon.

Miss Alice Crockett and brother Winston, of Hollis, Okla., visited their aunt, Mrs. M. D. Curry, Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Twedder and son of Pampa visited their sister and aunt, Mrs. Olen Davis, Sunday.

LONG ON EYE APPEAL

If short on flowers for mid-winter table decorations, you'll find a pot of Ivy, a bowl of fruit, nuts or vegetables just as long on eye appeal. Let your imagination go, remembering only, as home economists point out, to keep decorations low enough so that everybody at the table can see and be seen.

Too many people itch for what they want, but they won't scratch for it.

Many things are opened by three? Lighten your house with helpful hints on buying and food preparation.



"PARDON ME— BUT IS YOUR TRIP ESSENTIAL?"

NEWS FROM HEALD

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Martin of Borger visited the lady's sister, Mrs. Lee Billingsley, and family over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bailey and children took their son and brother, Vestal Gene, to Dallas last week to enlist in the Marines. They were accompanied by the lady's mother, Mrs. Geo. Armstrong, who remained for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Gregg, at Bridgeport.

Rev. M. C. Mitchell, pastor of Heald church, preached Sunday at both services. There were two conversions at the evening service. Rev. Mitchell and family were in the home.

Creedy Rippy of Norman, Okla., visited his mother, Mrs. Lucy Rippy, and his cousin, Mrs. Nida Green, Thursday night of last week. Mrs. Rippy accompanied him to Wheeler, where she will visit the Ripley family for a few weeks.

Mrs. Ora Billingsley and son, Billy, and sister, Betty Jo Bee-singer, spent New Year's in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Billingsley.

Mr. and Mrs. Arble Lankford and son, Billy, visited in the K. S. Rippy home Sunday.

H. Pickett and O. O. Tate called at the Lee Billingsley home Sunday afternoon.

Miss Mary Alice Ledgerwood of Dumas visited home folks here over last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Winston Gideon of Fort Worth are visiting the lady's relatives, the Baileys.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bailey visited their daughter, Mrs. Billy D. Rice, and family, at Lefors Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Kramer of Amarillo visited relatives in this community Sunday.

Mrs. Bill Bailey's mother, Mrs. Harris, visited her last week. Mrs. Nina Mertel, Mrs. P. L. Ledgerwood and Marrelle went to Dumas Thursday to bring Tracy Mertel home from a visit there.

INHIBITED JOHNNY

Six year old Johnny had just started to school. After two hours on the first day he was home.

"What's the matter, dear?" asked his mother with concern. "Why are you home so early?"

"Well, I can't read, and I can't write," whimpered Johnny, "and they won't let me talk—so what's the use?"

Everybody reads newspapers.

The Eager Beaver



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INCONSISTENCY—RULE OF LIFE

Someone asked how I felt after the election. I feel as Noah did after he had been in the ark a long time. First there was sunshine; then it rained again. Noah closed the window and felt bad about it.

However, the majority is always wrong. If this were not so, we would soon have a perfect world, for the majority wins in every election. All elections depend on public opinion of the moment. In three days it may be different. Public opinion has caused more deaths and sorrow than anything else on this earth. Six years ago O'Daniel was our greatest Texan. Say anything against him then and some folk would be angry. That has changed now.

Trouble is most of us know too much that ain't so. Ninety per cent of the history taught in the schools is untrue. It has been said an almost true history is the story of a thing that never happened, written by someone that was not there.

Politicians, too, have a way of letting their tongues slip and they never tell when the slip is happening. Before the election a certain party promised sixty million jobs. Some of his spokesmen now say he let his tongue slip. His tongue must have slipped again when he told us how we are winning the war through his management and then after the election told the nation we didn't have enough ammunition.

When I took my little spree and ran for office, a friend, who has been in office almost since he was weaned, said, "Don't tell the truth. If you do you will get beat."

I didn't know at the time that was good advice.

It has been said the world loves a lover. I think it would

Bonds Over America



OKLAHOMA PIONEER

Only in America could a city arise from wild prairie in an afternoon, yet that is what happened September 16, 1893, in Oklahoma. That morning 8 million acres of Cherokee Outlet were raw, uninhabited land; at noon the United States opened it to white settlers and 3,000 camped where Ponca City stands now. The great oil center pays tribute to the early pioneers in the Bryant Parker statue of a woman and boy walking across the plains, pathfinders for those who have drawn from the earth fuel for ships, planes and land motor vehicles so necessary for victory in the war. Buy more War Bonds to keep fuel flowing to

be nearer a fact to say the world loves a liar. The biggest liars get the offices—and marry the fairest maidens.

Every war of trade is followed by a war of blood, but history doesn't tell that. They tell you now what caused the Spanish-American war. The United States wanted Cuba. The war was caused by the United States being to be loose from the United States could set up their own traffic walls. The politicians of America at the time of the revolution wanted to be separated from England so they could gather in the import duties and not send them to England. They always say we are fighting for liberty. What is liberty?

After a war is over we all want to come home. We all get to be isolationists for another generation. Then we again get to feeling our oats and go into another war to emerge with our tails mashed.—J. E. Fitzgerald in Fort Worth Press.

The first battle of the civil war was fought near Washington, D. C. Hundreds of sightseers, with picnic baskets, went out to watch the fun. It was not amusing!

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VANITY

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A. T. WILSON At the Hermitage



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SEMESTER TESTS!

Tiger Post news is short this week. Everyone is very busy studying for semester tests! Oh, for the mind of Dunninger—the master mind—to be able to read the minds of our teachers and know what the questions will be.

TIGERS IN TOURNAMENT

The Tigers traveled to Claude Friday to enter a tournament. Playing Price first, the Tigers lost 30-6. They also played Adrian, resulting in another defeat for the Tigers, 34-14.

A FLEET OF JEEPS FOR McLEAN HIGH!

Mrs. Mazzotti received a letter from Washington, D. C., last week McLean high school during the praising the effort put forth by bond drive.

McLean high school had set for her goal one jeep during the drive. We are very proud, therefore, of our bond sales, which not only paid for one jeep but a whole fleet of them, about 25, and we will have a McLean high placard on this fleet of 25 jeeps going out to do their bit in winning the war.

TIGER ROARS

Patsy Alexander and Tuffy Sargent were in the show together Wednesday night.

Bobby Beall's new heart-throb seems to be none other than Barbara Marshall. Claude Doolen, you had better start working.

Mrs. Mazzotti must not have been very good last year; she didn't get her bell for Christmas, but there have been several offers of cow bells. How about it, Santa?

Mary Sue Drum sure looks lonely since James McClellan left.

Boys home for Christmas: James McClellan, John Dwyer, Raymond Smith, Carl Dwyer and Jack Autry.

Will someone please tell me who Darwin Allen is? I've heard so much about him.

Everyone is getting married here in M. H. S. Girls, you had better start working, or you'll be an old maid.

Stocking caps seem to be the fad around here. You can get them in every color and size.

New Year's Eve brings a swell time for Billie Stewart-Harold Meador; Mary McMahan - Don Montgomery; Kathryn Brooks-Jim Carpenter ???

FASHIONS

Gloria Gunn really looked pretty school Monday in her two-piece brown checked suit. She wore tan socks, saddle oxfords and a white blouse.

Jan Black surely does look sleek in her brown jumper and yellow blouse. She wears brown oxfords and yellow anklets.

Vernelle Christie is seen wearing a white sheer blouse and a plaid taffeta full skirt. She wears brown moccasins.

SOME WORM!

A story, which is probably not true, is told on a young Brooklyn soldier who was on maneuvers in Texas. Having a few minutes after evening chow, he strolled out into the woods and soon came back with a handful of rattlesnake rattlers.

"Where in the world did you get them?" gasped the alarmed companion.

"Off'n a worm," replied the lad from Brooklyn.

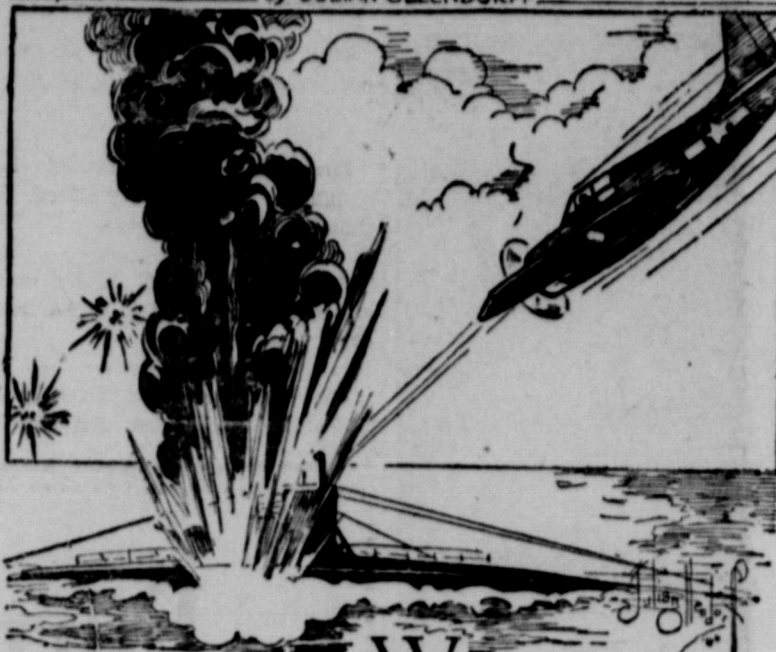
A Quaker, once hearing a person tell how much he felt for another person who was in distress and needed assistance, drily asked him, "Friend, hast thee felt in thy pocket for him?"

Here's a phrase that clicks: Eric Johnson says, "What Americans want is a chance to take a chance."

Mrs. Leo Gibson and son and Mrs. E. J. Windom were in Amarillo Wednesday.

AMERICAN HEROES

by JULIAN OLLENDORFF



Wing over the ocean on anti-submarine patrol, Lt. Comdr. (now Commander) Charles W. Brewer, U.S.N., 33, sighted a surfaced enemy. Pouring machine-gun fire, a thousand rounds, on the conning tower, he prevented the manning of anti-aircraft guns. Then came a violent explosion; flames filled the conning tower and enveloped the super-structure. Comdr. Brewer was awarded a Gold Star for the attack. Buy War Bonds to supply more planes to continue such action.

U. S. Treasury Department

THE CIGARETTE SHORTAGE

Half the civilized world is now upset on account of the cigarette shortage. It doesn't bother us and the savages. We don't smoke. We were taught in childhood that smoking is a useless habit and in that respect at least we never got over our raising. But it is an ill wind that blows nobody good. The smokers have made the tobacco raisers prosperous and cigarette manufacturers rich. They have also made business for the drug stores and the cafes and have provided jobs for countless thousands. Besides all that, the men smokers set such a splendid example for the ladies that many of them followed suit. But now both the male and the female smokers are viewing the situation with alarm. If they can't get cigarettes, what will happen? Will there be rationing or rioting? Whatever happens, a few of us here in America and all of the Hottentots in Africa can remain perfectly complacent. We don't smoke.—Lynn County News.

Had the Confederate army followed up its victory in the famous battle of Bull Run, the Confederates might have taken Washington without firing a single shot.

The man who knows how will always have a job... the man who knows why will be his boss.

DEFINITION

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Private Primp—Ha-ha-ha! I just heard my best friend slugged my top sergeant.

Private Prune—Who is your best friend?

Private Primp—I don't know. I never met the guy.

Mrs. Tom Waters and son of Lefors visited in the C. P. Callahan home last Sunday.

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NEWS FROM HEALD

Mrs. George Reneau and Miss May Ruth Stauffer left last Tuesday evening for Compton, Calif., for an extended visit with Mrs. Reneau's daughters and Miss Stauffer's brother, Mrs. Clara Blair, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stauffer.

This community was saddened to hear of the death of Mrs. Frank Jones on Dec. 22 at Bakersfield, Calif. The Jones family lived in this community for a number of years.

W. L. Hinton is sick at this writing.

Miss Virginia Hale spent the week end with Miss Iva Dell Rippey and attended Sunday school here.

Mrs. K. S. Rippey and Mrs. Nida Green were at the home of Mrs. Ladd Saturday.

Mr. Lester, who lives on the Walter Litchfield farm, has been very sick. He was in the Shamrock hospital, but has returned home much improved.

Mrs. Lee Billingsley and Mrs. Vineyard were in McLean Thursday of last week.

Pfc. Ed Scoggins, his mother and sister from Pampa, his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson, of Lela, visited Mr. and Mrs. Lee Billingsley and family Sunday. Pfc. Scoggins has been in Australia and the South Pacific for 35 months. He said he came through the Golden Gate on Christmas Eve, and it was the best he had ever had.

Mr. and Mrs. Glynn Pugh and children visited in the Lee Billingsley home Sunday afternoon.

Betty Jean Billingsley spent Saturday night and Sunday in the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Ora Billingsley, with Betty Jo Beesinger.

The W. S. C. S. of the Heald church met Monday afternoon at 2:30 with Mrs. J. W. Stauffer. There were five members and three visitors present.

President Andrew Jackson was a tailor by trade.

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Soldier's Afternoon

By SHIRLEY N. HARKINS
McClure Newspaper Syndicate
W.P.U. Feature

BIFF was hopping mad. And he was hopping up and down on the driver's seat of the bouncing jeep at the same time. He kept his foot pressed to the floor, and the tangled wood on either side flew past like telephone poles from a train window.

Even then only the faintest breeze fanned his tanned face. It was sure hot country out here. Hot and breathless. Just the way Julie made a guy feel. Gosh, she was cute. Cute as the cocky little nurse's cap perched on her blond curls. He marveled at the way she managed to look crisp as a lettuce leaf, even under this broiling sun. It sure had been pleasant recuperating from malaria under her watchful care.

She had bestowed her warm smile impartially on Biff and his C. O., Major Deston, convalescing down the hall. She liked the army and her nursing job near the front. And Biff was sure she liked him, too. After all, they were both from Brooklyn. That made them practically soul-mates.

And now Major Deston had to ruin Biff's chance for a date with Julie tonight. An opportunity to walk under a still, star-crusted sky, and perhaps hold Julie's cool little hand, and maybe not say a word. And then again, maybe say the word.

Biff gulped as the car careened madly down the narrow path. Cripes, he'd never cared much about girls before the war, but then he'd never known a girl could have honest, forthright eyes, a sweet but firm mouth, a soft but determined chin.

Julie was one in a million, and now just when he was on the verge of asking her to wait for him, Major Deston had cooked his goose. This was his last night at the post, for his special mission meant advancing ranks in the morning. The Lord only knew where the regiment would be stationed from now on. The very thought that he might never see Julie again made him a little sick. Fat chance he'd ever have of meeting her back in Brooklyn when this shooting match was over.

And yet someone had to lift the protective mines planted a few hours before so that the troops could go forward in an attempt to locate the unknown German base. He wondered why Deston had picked him for this detail. Could Deston be cutting any ice with Julie? He immediately dismissed the idea as unworthy, but a guy in love can't help being jealous. Even of a kindly middle-aged major. No, it was just his usual bad luck to be chosen for special duty.

He'd get the job over with and jump back to the post double-quick. He only needed a few minutes with Julie. He was so preoccupied with his problem that he failed to see the armored car until it was actually blocking the path ahead. He jammed on the brake and the jeep screeched to a stop.

When the two Germans jumped out of the bushes, leveling their pistols at him, Biff was startled. But more than that, he was definitely displeased. It looked as if Julie and the dream were separated for good.

"Your jeep, she make the big noise, nein?" The tall man's tones were rough. "We hear you coming far off, and we say 'Goot!' Now we get back to our base after all, even if our car break down." He kicked the useless tire savagely. "Our men will repair this later. You will drive us directly to Bhou Kherab, my friend, and no funny business. We are not patient men."

The two strangers climbed into the back, delighted with their strategy and the novelty of safe conduct to their headquarters with an American prisoner as chauffeur. Biff's thoughts chased around in his head like leaves in the wind. So Bhou Kherab was the German base! Deston would be glad to know that. If Biff lived to tell him.

He drove steadily for some minutes while his plan formulated. He'd drive these lugs straight over their own explosives and make a break for it. His sudden swerve in the road angered his German pals, but it was too late. The front wheels missed the mine, but the rears caught it squarely.

It seemed to Biff that a giant sky-rocket had burst in his head, and the detonation filled the quiet glade with deafening noise. He found himself lying flat in a wadi; but he could move, and he wriggled to a position where he could inspect the effect of his bull's-eye. The jeep was completely wrecked, and the two Germans lay dead.

Biff broke into a run. If he hurried, he might even yet salvage a few minutes with Julie. Competently, he lifted the remaining mines and then dogtrotted to the armored car.

"Here we go, Fraulein," he said prayerfully, as he started the ignition. "If the rim only holds, I'll make it back to camp."

Driving on the rim, his thoughts leaped excitedly. "Little man," he said to himself, "you've had a big, busy day." He'd wear his bars modestly, but his heart thumped loudly as he pictured Julie's pride in him. "Just a bum from Brooklyn," she would laugh softly, and her lips

Soaring Wings

By SHIRLEY N. HARKINS
McClure Newspaper Syndicate
W.P.U. Feature

JANICE pulled her sweater closer about her as she hurried across the dunes, the thermos jug cuddled under her arm. It had been a blistering hot day, but with night fall the wind shifted east, and ever now a spray rode in with the waves. It was tedious work spotting from the watchtower on the rocky ledge, and Barry would appreciate the coffee.

She smiled softly in the darkness, warm at the thought of Barry and how much he meant to her. She couldn't imagine what life would be like without him to tease her affectionately. They had grown up together in this tiny New England village, sharing experiences, perfectly content with their narrow little square of earth, but then war came, and its shadow blotted out the sun on the crags, the peaceful fishing dories, and the graceful flight of sea gulls across the harbor. Every thing suddenly assumed a stern and vital purpose, and a man became ambitious, restless.

"Golly, Jan, I'd give anything to enlist right now," Barry's serious mood touched the girl, and she shuddered slightly. She was thankful Mrs. Conroy depended solely on him. He worked with a new determination, a zeal that hinted he was under pressure.

The feeling swept through the village like wildfire and uniform-mushroomed overnight. Even Fred Willis with his warped, distorted mind and his crooked back seethed



"Why, Fred, how unkind; and untrue, too!"

with rage to think he could not fight. Jan worried about Fred. He had always been unreasonably jealous of Barry, so much so that it was becoming an obsession.

"He's just a slacker, Barry Conroy is," Jan overheard Fred's venomous attack. "Afraid. If I had his strong body, nothing would keep me out of this scrap."

"Why, Fred, how unkind; and untrue, too!" He faced her defiantly, and she didn't like the look in his eyes.

She sympathized with Barry's disappointment when he told her of his failure to make the grade with the Air Corps, but she couldn't still the happy thought: He'll stay a while longer. I won't lose him yet.

Janice thought now what a godsend the boom had been to the village. She remembered her first trip with Barry. With the slack tide they had ridden the ground swells off the coast in the little dory and detached the rock-moored moss with long rakes. Back on shore, their haul had to be spread out to dry. Every evening and when rain threatened, it was packed in large covered buckets for protection, as fresh water could ruin the whole lot.

"Somebody discovered that a powder made from the dried moss could be used in chocolate milk, ice cream soda and other soft drinks to keep the mixtures from separating. Golly, Jan, don't argue about it. Just be grateful that this summer's harvest will pay for painting the house."

Janice feared his reaction to an outer world, a wonderful, exciting new environment. Barry, she knew, would adapt himself easily. He deserved his chance, even if he did forget a snub-nosed little girl in denim slacks and sneakers. She sighed, thinking how delighted Barry had been earlier in the evening.

"Jan, it's almost enough!" he gloated exultantly. "A few more collections like this, and I'll practically have my wings." Her heart contracted. She hurried now, for it began to sprinkle. She stopped short as she saw Fred skulking by the packed tubs. Fred, wanting to keep Barry out of uniform even as she did. Fred, who had silently removed all the covers and stolen away in the darkness.

It was a futile effort at revenge, she knew, and yet it would keep Barry close and safe beside her for a few more weeks. She began to feel a conspiratorial kinship with Fred. It was sheer accident she had stumbled on the scene at all. Barry wasn't expecting her.

When Janice reached the watchtower, Barry held her close. "Good girl!" he whispered. "I saw the whole thing." Janice stared at the binoculars on the table. She was glad she had covered the tubs that would send her eagle soaring. In giving Barry his chance she had made a place for herself beside him forever.

AMERICAN HEROES

by JULIAN CLENDORFF



When a tanker ramméd the SS Uruguay with 4700 troops aboard, Chief Officer Pardoe dropped into the pitch black flooded depths of his vessel and yanked trapped and injured men from certain death. Disregarding all danger, he directed the construction of a temporary bulkhead that enabled the ship to make port. Chief Officer Pardoe wears a Merchant Marine Distinguished Service Medal for his bravery. Buy War Bonds to back the men who ferry our troops to battlefronts. U. S. Treasury Department

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WANTED

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FOR RENT

FOR RENT—160 A farm 3/4 miles east of McLean. E. N. Dougherty. 1p

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

C. C. Cash has returned from a trip to California.

C. P. Callahan and son were in Shamrock Friday.



Weekly Program

Thursday
"LAURA"

Gene Tierney, Dana Andrews

Friday and Saturday
"ALLERGIC TO LOVE"

Martha O'Driscoll, Noah Beery, Jr.

"TRIGGER TRAIL"

Rod Cameron, Fuzzy Knight

Sunday and Monday
"CASANOVA BROWN"

Gary Cooper, Teresa Wright

Tuesday

"THE RECKLESS AGE"

Gloria Jean, Jack Gilford

Wednesday and Thursday
"THE CONSPIRATORS"

Hedy Lamarr, Paul Henreid for victory in the war. Buy more War Bonds to keep fuel flowing to the front.

Mrs. C. B. Lee has returned from a visit with relatives in Louisiana.

Mrs. T. A. Landers is visiting her daughters in Amarillo.

Miss A. L. McCormick of Amarillo visited in the Wm. Stolle home this week.

Mrs. Etta Mann visited her daughter, Mrs. Chaney Hood, at Claude last week end.

Dr. and Mrs. H. W. Finley made a business trip to Oklahoma Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Glass were in Pampa on business Saturday.

Treat the Family to a Meal Here

—They'll enjoy it! Mother, especially, will enjoy a break in the monotony of meal planning. Choose from a large variety of tempting dishes.

CHICKEN DINNER SUNDAY

MEADOR CAFE

Faye Campbell, Prop.

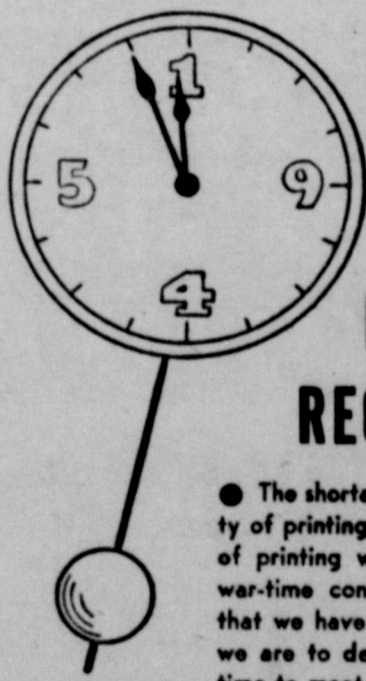
Furniture Upholstering

We have a nice stock of upholstery material on hand, but when it is gone we do not know where any more can be obtained. This stock includes some red, white and brown leatherette suitable for furniture, cars, etc., as well as the regular goods for living room suites and chairs.

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