

Matador Tribune

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

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Price 5c

Youths Admit Four Matador Burglaries

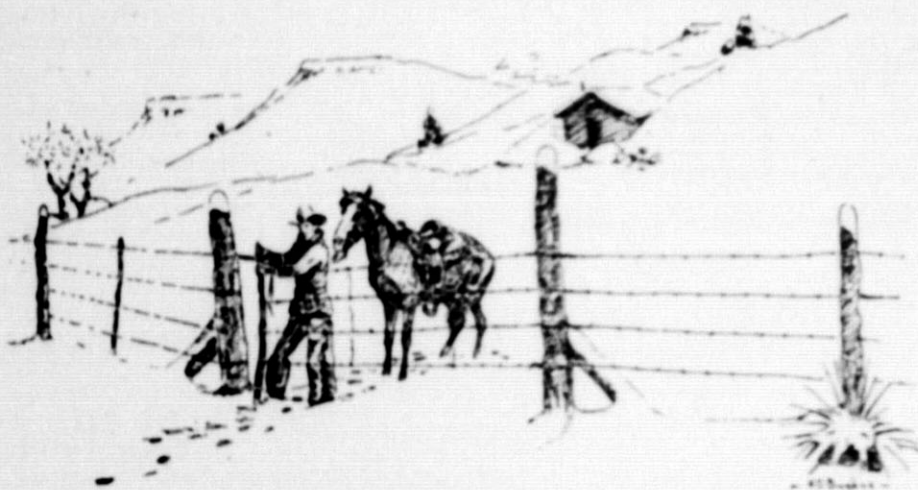
Two youths, Ray Walker, 18, and Dean Price, 17, were arrested in Clovis, N. M., Saturday and have signed sworn statements admitting that they burglarized four business houses in a raid on Matador the night of November 2, according to information received here by Sheriff H. H. Courtney from the New Mexico officials.

The boys told peace officers that they left Lubbock on the morning of November 2 in a stolen 1940 model coupe. They admitted taking merchandise from Skagg's Grocery, Mission Gas & Oil Co., J. C. Turner Grocery and Phillips 66 Service Station. After leaving Matador, they went to Crowell and thence to Vernon, where the stolen car was abandoned.

Both youths are being held at Clovis on charges there. They were arrested after the stolen car in which they were riding was turned over in an accident near Clovis. A third youth, also riding in the wrecked car, received a broken leg in the accident. He did not participate in the burglary of Matador business houses, however the other two boys stated.

Sheriff Courtney declared that the youths will be held in Clovis pending legal action there. Price is too young for conviction to the New Mexico State Penitentiary, according too laws of that state.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS and BEST WISHES



Much Damage from Freezing Rain In Panhandle Sunday

Bird Hunters May Be Penalized For Driving Abuses

Report of law-violations by quail hunters using automobiles or other vehicles bearing other than (A) mileage rationing stickers, are being investigated, according to C. A. Pitts, chairman of the Motley county War Price and Rationing Board.

"Any vehicle bearing a (B) or (C) sticker cannot be used for unessential driving," Mr. Pitts said, "and those who violate the law governing mileage rationing jeopardize future use of their vehicles. Only vehicles bearing 'A' stickers may be used for non-essential driving. Federal inspectors are checking the territory and it is beyond the power of this office to intercede further than warn local residents who unknowingly or willfully abuse their driving permits."

"The same law governs the use of commercial or War Necessity vehicles, which have been declared essential to conducting farming, stock raising and other industries."

Lubbock Area Is Isolated; Loss Is Slight In County

Panhandle weather used an "unusual" background for a wide front of damage when the temperature dropped slightly below the freezing point Sunday causing slow rain to form a heavy ice jacket over trees, telephone and power lines.

Area of Lubbock suffered most from the storm, according to reports. The "Hub" city was isolated from the rest of the world for approximately 24 hours. Telephone communication between Matador and Lubbock had not been restored late Tuesday. Large trees were broken under the weight of ice and telephone and power poles snapped in many instances.

Temperature here remained at 30° through the night, while the rain continued. Sleet covered the entire landscape early Monday, but melted away rapidly when a warm, west wind brought bright clear skies. All traces of the sleet had vanished within a few hours.

The sleet and rain totaled .88-inch according to the U. S. rain gauge maintained by Geo. Springer, which added to the .70-inch snow on December 6th, brought the month's precipitation to 1.58 inches. The moisture was welcomed by farmers and stockmen generally, however it delayed cotton pickers for several days.

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STUDENT NIGHT TO OBSERVED IN SOCIAL SERVICE

Special "Student Night" serenading the young people church and especially college students who are home for holidays, will be held Sunday, December 27, at the Church, the pastor, Rev. Carroll, has announced.

The program for the service include a people's choir with Miss Hunsucker as pianist, and following program, centered the theme, "Keep Christ in Us":

"Unto Us A Child Is Born" (Handel) Miss Marie Hunsucker; A Prayer of Praise and Praise, Norris Fulfer; "All Hail the Power"; Annual Scripture Reading by School students; Offertory; "Life In War Time", to be sung by a local boy now in the Armed Forces; A Psalm on College Life: "Prayer for the Christian College Student", James Rufus Fish; "From Christian Service Durdur College Days", Miss Frances; "My Prayermate and I", Alla Mae Fulfer; "My One to Reach My College Genes for Christ", Miss Frances; hymn, "Crown Him Many Crowns"; Message, "Keep Christ Pre-eminent in Our Lives", pastor; A Prayer for Courage and Strength, George Postlude, "The Hallelujah Chorus" (Handel), with congregational singing.

Following the service, a Christ Fellowship Hour for the young will be held in the pastor's study with Rev. and Mrs. Carroll.

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Final Rites Held For Mrs. Harmison

Tragedy struck at Christmas-time for the family of Mrs. Sadie Harmison, who passed away at 9 o'clock Saturday morning at the county home, following an attack of pneumonia. She had been ill for four months.

Funeral services were conducted at the Assembly of God church Sunday afternoon by Rev. Lee Locke, pastor. Burial was made at East Mound cemetery.

Mrs. Harmison, who was 44 years, eight months, and nine days old at the time of her death, was born in Collin county on April 10, 1898. She is survived by her husband, J. O. Harmison; three children, Charlie and Gladys Harmison of this city, and Mrs. Ruby Hall of Dougherty; her father, William Bradley of Texola, Okla.; two sisters, Mrs. Jessie Stone of Santo, and Mrs. Pearl Hays of Quail; and three brothers, Joe and Allen Bradley of Texola, Okla., and Harley Bradley of Silverton.

Local Grocery Store Is Closed

Turner's Grocery store, located on the south side of the court house square for several years, has suspended operation.

John Turner, owner, was not available this week for a statement regarding his future plans. He is reported to have accepted a position elsewhere.

Stock in the store is still intact, a sign on the door reading, "Store closed."

FORMER RESIDENT RETURNS

Lewis Patton and family of Ft. Worth, arrived in Matador early this morning to make this their future home. Mr. Patton said he was returning here to engage in farming during the next year. He is the son of Mrs. Bess Patton and has been away from Matador for the past ten years.

TOO MUCH "PROTECTION"

When arrested for carrying a pistol a 27-year-old Dallas negro told Detective L. M. McKinney that he wanted to protect his money.

"How much money do you carry?" asked McKinney. The negro examined his pockets and came up with seven pennies. He was placed in the county jail.

LEAVE TO VISIT HUSBANDS

Mrs. Melvin Meason left Friday for Camp Davis, N. C., to spend the Christmas holidays with her husband, Cpl. Melvin Meason, and Mrs. Billie Koon left Friday to join her husband, Lt. Billy Koon, who is stationed at Ft. Riley, Kan.

County Tire Inspectors Qualified

Eleven Motley county filling station operators have become agents of the Federal government, C. A. Pitts, chairman of the local War Price and Rationing Board, declared Tuesday. Mr. Pitts had just returned from a tour of the county to contact the operators who have been designated official OPA tire inspectors.

Mr. Pitts warned commercial vehicle owners that their first tire inspection under War Necessity certificates must be made within the next 30 days, and asked that operators not wait until the last minute rush on approved inspectors, but start inspections at once.

A commercial motor vehicle may not lawfully be operated after January 15 without a Certificate of War Necessity and an endorsement by an approved tire inspector on the Certificate. Mr. Wood said. After the first inspection, vehicles must be presented for inspection every 60 days or every 5,000 miles, whichever occurs first.

Tires Must Be Repaired

If an inspector finds that a tire needs repairing to insure maximum service, he will withhold endorsement of the Certificate of War Necessity or record from covering operations of the vehicle on which the tire is mounted, until the repairing has been done. If he finds any mechanical condition causing undue tire wear, he likewise will recommend the necessary repairs and will not sign the operator's Certificate until they have been made.

Without removing tires, the inspector will check for correct air pressure in tires, bent rims and out-of-true wheels, cuts or breaks in treads or sidewalls and evidences of wear from badly aligned wheels, faulty brakes, unbalanced wheels, camber malalignment.

College Students Here For Holidays

College students who have arrived home to spend the Christmas holidays include Misses Lela and Frances Carpenter of Hardin; Simmons University, Abilene; James Rufus Fish, State University, Austin; Miss Alla Mae Fulfer and Norris Fulfer, of Wayland College, Plainview, and Miss Chloey Fulfer, of Draughon's Business College, Lubbock; James Inness College, Lubbock; Borkley Russell Nebbett, Lowell Borkley and Frank Price of A&M College, and Keith Patton, Houston Schweitzer, Misses Myrnaevae Barkley, Kara and Marie Hunsucker, Tech students, Lubbock.

Tribune Christmas Issue To 214 Men In Armed Service

This issue of the Tribune goes without cost to 214 Motley county men in the armed service of our nation and located in every quarter of the globe.

The mailing list, brought up to date yesterday, is the largest number of subscriptions attained since the plan was started. Approximately 15 names are in the "hold" section of the mailing file, since the Tribune has been instructed to withhold further mailing until notified. The mailing list, including new addresses, is corrected each Wednesday afternoon.

Matador Lions Club has mailed, first class and air mail, a special Christmas greeting card to every Motley county man in the service, whose address is procurable. The cards were printed by the Tribune with special cuts and type. The front of the card bears a winter street scene looking north on Main street from Highway 70, with the lettering, "Greetings from Matador" superimposed on the sky. The inside of the folder bears an exact reproduction of the autograph of every Lion member, made from a zinc engraving.

Unsolicited contributions to the subscription fund during the past week, are gratefully acknowledged in the following amounts: Kim Wilkinson \$1, B. C. George (Flommet) \$1.50, Mrs. Hazel Dodson \$1, M. J. Reilly \$5, Charley Byars (Roaring Springs) \$1, Mrs. Tom Berryman \$1, Mrs. W. T. Patton, Sr. \$1, Mrs. Virginia Willie \$5, Cpl. Charlie Meador \$1, Mrs. Freeman Thacker \$2, Homer T. Jenkins \$1, G. W. Rateliff \$50, Bennie and Allie Cox \$2.50, V. Muse \$1, A. E. Westmoreland \$1 and J. C. McMahon \$1.

District and County Clerk R. A. Seay borrowed the Tribune mailing list to secure addresses for mailing Christmas greetings to all men in the service.

Lions Banquet Is Scheduled Dec. 31

Matador Lions Club will hold a Ladies' Night banquet at the Methodist church basement, Thursday evening, December 31st, 8 p. m. according to an announcement made Tuesday.

Lion Henry Pipkin will be in charge of preparing the food, while unconfirmed rumors spread rapidly that the "Axis" attendance group has conceded defeat before the might of the "Defenders", and was attempting a negotiated peace. Lion Pipkin, in a special interview to the Tribune, denied any connection.

"We will continue in the contest until the last hour," the culinary-gifted member declared, "and we are simply holding the meeting in honor of the ladies."

Matador To Close For Christmas

Matador will observe Christmas day tomorrow by closing most places of business that those engaged in merchandising and services may enjoy a deserved period of rest.

Two cafes have announced that they will be closed during the day and many places of business have posted their windows to the effect that they will observe the holiday.

Perhaps more residents of Matador will spend Christmas at home than at any time in recent history, due to the rationing of gasoline, tire scarcity, and restricted travel facilities.

No Restrictions On Travel By Bus

Despite rumors, no restriction has been placed on travel by bus, according to Marvin Vaughn, local agent for the Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma coaches, serving this territory.

"We have received no orders to restrict the sale of bus tickets," Mr. Vaughn said yesterday, "however we receive inquiries almost daily by people asking if they can purchase transportation by bus, who say they have heard that bus travel has been restricted."

The local bus depot is located in the Magnolia Cafe.

ROARING SPRINGS VISITOR

Ennis Moss Jr., medical student of the University of Tennessee, arrived Monday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Moss at Roaring Springs. He was accompanied by Miss Marjorie Crawford of Memphis, Tenn., who will be the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Moss, during the holidays.

Volunteer Santa Claus Is Needed For Children Of Soldiers At Hensley Field

The men and officers at Hensley Field are looking for a rotund soldier in their ranks to play Santa Claus on Christmas.

A Christmas tree party will be given Christmas eve for children of men at the field, but arrangements are lacking for a Santa, Col. B. S. Thompson, commanding officer said.

A Christmas dinner with turkey and trimmings will be served at noon Friday. Since leaves are limited to 10 per cent of the post personnel at one time, most of the men will be on hand Christmas Day.

A recreation room at the field was dedicated Thursday night by the Democratic Women of Dallas County, which donated curtains and other furnishings. Colonel Thompson said the entertainment furnished by the club was thoroughly enjoyed and materially helped the moral of the men. Mrs. Currie McCutcheon, club president, and Mrs. W. E. Kingsbury were in charge of the program.

Christmas Service Is Well Attended Despite Weather

Year's Day History Made

Year's day may not seem very old to us, but in the past it was a very important day.

January 1

The era of the Caesars

Edward III, king of England, defeated the French before Calais with his daughter.

India, captured by the British.

Union flag of 13 stripes adopted by George Washington.

Poland entered the Union.

Irish with British.

American dragoons attacked the British who had seized the city of New York.

Jackson repelled British when they attacked New Orleans.

Britain acknowledged independence of South American republics.

Emancipation of Negro slaves went into effect by proclamation of President Abraham Lincoln.

Food law put into effect.

Postal system inaugurated.

Year's day declared a legal holiday throughout the country except in Massachusetts and Washington, D. C.

Jerusalem Unchanged

Twenty Centuries

Jerusalem, "royal David's" is still a city set on a hill.

about six miles from Jerusalem.

is a city of flat-roof homes.

look cozy enough, and its streets have an air of peace.

Christians live in Bethlehem in any other town in Palestine. On its hillside you will see shepherds with their staffs, while blinking overhead the everlasting stars.

many cases the person who is trying for fear he may lose it, wouldn't miss it if he

Christmas Season Celebrated Before Christ Was Born

Strange as it seems, the Christmas season was celebrated long before Christ was born. Of course, it wasn't called Christmas then, but many religious and pagan ceremonies were held during the Christmas period.

This period is celebrated by the Jews as the Festival of Lights or Dedication. According to Jewish history, a large force of Maccabees defeated an army of Syrians in 165 B. C. The victors began the work of purifying the desolate Jerusalem, completing their task on December 25. The Jews have celebrated the eight days previous to December 25 ever since that time.

The proximity of Christmas to the winter solstice caused many pagan ceremonies to be held during that period. In Scandinavian countries, great fires were kindled in the middle of December to defy the Frost King.

Centuries before this, the ancient Druids of England observed this season in their roofless temples. Torches blazed as strange ceremonies were performed, dealing with the cutting of the mistletoe.

Several accepted Christmas customs of today originated with the old Roman celebration of Saturnalia. The higher class of free Romans exchanged presents with their friends. Inside houses, candles were lit and the rooms and halls adorned with laurel and green trees.

These festivals in honor of the god Saturnus were started before the earliest recorded history of that great empire. The pagans celebrated from December 17 to 24 in honor of their sun god. Among the slaves and lower classes, the celebration was transformed into unrestrained orgies.

Even the ancient Egyptians celebrated the Midwinter festival. Near the end of December they rejoiced over the birth of Horus, son of the god Isis.

The last religious celebration to be held on Christmas day appeared in the middle of the Fourth century, A. D. At this time various dates assigned to the birth of Christ were examined; and the Catholic church in Rome proclaimed December 25 to be Christmas.

Humility is an element of greatness because it is a sign of knowledge of greater things yet to be attained.

Santa Letters

Whiteflat, Texas December 16, 1942

Dear Santa: We have been a very good little girl and boy. I will like for you to bring me a big baby doll, blackboard, cut-out paper dolls, piano, typewriter, bathrobe, house shoes and paperdoll house.

My little brother wants a farm set, big hall, doughboy fighting tank, tractor, airplane, truck and a fort set, and we want some candy, fruit and nuts. Please remember my sister and bring granddad and grandmother Martin some chocolate candy.

Wilma Jean and Melvin Bunyan Price.

Roaring Springs, Texas December 16, 1942

Dear Santa: I want a Tommie gun, a soldier set, a leather belt and a baton set. R. C. Merrill.

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Dear Santa: Please bring me a big doll, a purse, some candy and a doll blanket. Thank you, Hazel Redding.

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Dear Santa: I would like to have a doll, a set of dishes, a little suit-case full of doll clothes. I have been a good girl. Bonnie Ruth Gwinn.

Route 1 Roaring Springs, Texas December 17, 1942

Dear Santa: Please bring me and Tootsie a big wagon, a gun, a soldier suit, (size 7-6) a pair of overshoes, a big animal farm, a real wrist watch, some socks, some ties, a little notebook, some candy, nuts, oranges, apples and chewing gum. We have been very good little boys, and hope you will bring all our gifts. We live in a little white

RANCHERS DONATE SCRAP



These iron wagon wheels were part of 34 tons of scrap donated by the Ferretto Brothers to the scrap campaign and shown being loaded into trucks at the Ferretto Ranch on the Carson River, east of Dayton, Nev., for trucking to a collection depot. Note the acetylene tank aboard the truck for cutting up the larger pieces into hunks small enough to drop down Hitler's throat.

house up by the school house.

Sincerely yours, Billy Gene and Darwin Roy Scott.

Roaring Springs, Texas Dear Santa Claus: Jimmie and I have been good boys. Jimmie wants a little car, a wagon, a story book. I want a foot ball, a knife, a gun and a color book. Santa, the blue stocking is mine. The red one is Jimmie's. Edward Earl and Jimmie Hall.

We are eagerly awaiting Hitler's promise to protect the United States from invasion by Great Britain.

The term Greenhorn has all kinds of applications; to a cowboy it is someone who has never been in a ranch.

A news report says that students of music never commit suicide—but some of their neighbors do.

SUPER HIGHWAY SYSTEM VISIONED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17—Construction after the war of a defense highway circling the country and linking the Alaskan highway with the inter-American highway at the Mexican border was visioned today by Representative Hare (D-SC).

He said he has drafted a bill for introduction at the opening of the next Congress, to authorize the secretary of war to construct soon a super-road.

"A highway of this type not only would have immense strategic value from a military standpoint but also would be effective in providing work after the war," Hare said.

He said he had in mind a toll road, with construction including emergency landing fields for airplanes.

Hare's bill calls for the east branch of the defense highway to begin at a point near Minot, N. D., and proceed thence in the vicinity of Chicago, Knoxville and Birmingham, before turning toward the lower border.

The western branch should start at a point near Glacier Park, Montana, and run west of the Rocky mountains, swinging southward and inward until it meets the east branch at the Mexican border. At no point would the western branch be less than 150 miles from the Pacific ocean.

He made no estimate of the cost of the highway.

Christmas Decorations Have Deep Meaning

Not many, probably, know of the deeper meaning associated with the three plants we ordinarily use for Christmas decorations, an authority writes. The holly has prickles and red berries. By the prickles we confess the bitter life of Jesus on earth. His watchings, His fastings, His weariness, His crown of thorns. By the berries we confess that He shed His blood for sinners.

The yew has little outside bark, but only a small rind, to teach us not to make a great outside show of religion; it is a lasting timber, suggesting the soundness of a Christian; it has many branches, meaning plentifulness in good works; and it is always green and prospering, even as the Christian should always grow and thrive in grace.

The laurel has the significance of victory. Jesus came into the world to loose the bands of sin and to ascend up into Heaven, leading captivity captive.

parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Cooper. He is stationed at Camp Maxey, Paris, Texas.

Mrs. Ed Smith spent the week-end visiting her son, Cadet Clyde E. Smith.

Mrs. D. A. Hinson received word this week that Pvt. Hinson has been transferred to Hobbs, N. Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Swim, Jr., visited in Plainview Tuesday.

Miss Marjorie Campbell is home from the University of Texas, Austin, to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Campbell.

If we'd give as much attention to our daily schedule as we do to preparing for a vacation, we might eliminate a lot of waste and worry.

The old narrow trails where two cars could barely pass without colliding are being replaced by splendid highways on which six or eight cars can collide at the same time.

Roaring Springs NEWS

By Mrs. J. D. Mitchell

Jack Nichols is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Nichols. He is a student at NTSTC, Denton.

Sgt. Jerry Cooper is visiting his



To All Our Boys In The Armed Service... To All Our Friends and Customers...

CHRISTMAS



Christmas comes and reawakens the appreciation of happy relationships . . . rekindles the warmth of friendships made during the time it has been our privilege to serve you

To those whose friendly support has contributed so greatly to our welfare, we extend our most cordial appreciation.

Best wishes for the Christmas Season and the New Year



THACKER SUPPLY CO.

ROARING SPRINGS, TEXAS



TO ALL OUR BOYS IN THE ARMED SERVICE



We wish you a Merry Christmas wherever you are . . . We appreciate your sacrifices that we may continue the American way of life.

Greetings to our customers and friends. We are grateful for your generous patronage and hope to continue serving you in the future.



Roaring Springs Gin

SAM NEWBERRY, Manager

Yuletide Theme Featured In Two Recitals Given During Past Week

Program Friday In School Auditorium Is Well Attended

Two recitals given during the past week featured the Christmas motif in selections by the pupils, and in background decorations.

A recital given Friday evening in the high school auditorium by pupils of Mrs. Homer Kingery, music, and expression pupils of Mrs. J. R. Whitworth, was well attended.

The curtain opened on a Manger scene, with Shirley Estes as Mary, while a chorus of voices behind a backdrop of white crepe paper streamers, sang "Silent Night". Other stage decorations included green boughs over the footlights, with bells and festoons above, and a decorated Christmas tree at one side of the stage, which was revealed when the curtain was opened the width of the stage at the conclusion of the first number.

Program Numbers

Included in the program were the following selections: "My Christmas Needs," Lucretia Edwards; "Daddy Says," Rose Carolyn Donovan; "Snow Bells," Billy Jo Archer and Betty Price; "My Letter," Ronnie Eudy; "Old Santa David Keith; "Fountains At Versailles," Frances Schweitzer; "Poor Father," Jimmie Levond Guest; "Little Brown Bear," Charles Robert Keith; "Santa's Little Boy," James Melvin Graham; "My First Waltz," Earlene and Gary Laughlin; "A Sleepy Dolly," Ruth Marie Stanley; "Twilight on the River," Doris Ann Doss; "Wise Santa Claus," Mary Ellen Darby; "Jingle Bells," Ruth Marie Stanley; "The Mouse's Christmas Gift," Glenda Flippin;

"The Star-Spangled Banner," Cora Ann Craven; "A Christmas Secret," LaNell Rattan; "Blue Bells of Scotland," Wanda Graham; "My Dream," Jody Graham; "Dance of the Cobblers," Billy Frank Skaggs; "Sleigh Bells," Ruth Marie Stanley, LaNell Rattan, Betty Ruth Smalley, Mary Ellen Darby; "Beautiful Dreamer," Faustena Fuller; "A Fine Secret," Betty Ruth Smalley; "Irish Air," Bobby J. Browning; "An Important Message," Gary Laughlin; "The Desert Patrol," Eldora Jameson; "KITTY'S Christmas Present," LaWayne Darby; "Silent Night," Avis Kimbell; "Is Santa Married?," Shirley Estes; "Father's Christmas Box," Wanda Graham; "Padre-wiki's Minuet," Ruth Evelyn Keith; "Beautiful Christmas Star," Imogene Archer; "The Christmas Spirit," Earlene Laughlin; "Clayton's Grand March," Billy Jo Archer; "A Christmas Stocking," William Curtis Graham; "Birth of the Savior," Dorothy Woodruff, with the Manger scene again in the foreground.

Recital At Methodist Church

Mrs. G. E. Hamilton, assisted by Mrs. M. B. Carroll, violinist, presented her music pupils in a Christmas recital Monday evening at the Methodist Church before a large crowd.

An orchestral arrangement of "Silent Night" by Mrs. Carroll, Jolene Bloodworth, Dorothy Woodruff, W. B. Swim and Mrs. Hamilton, opened the program.

Following in order, were these selections: "Narcissus," Dorothy Woodruff; "Twinkle Little Star" and "Jingle Bells," Frank Traweck and Dick Hamilton; "The

EMMA MAY TURNER BECOMES BRIDE OF EARNEST C. GEORGE

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Turner of Flomot, announce the marriage of their daughter, Emma May, to Earnest Clyde George, in a ceremony performed at 9:30 o'clock Wednesday evening, December 16, at the Baptist Temple Church of Corpus Christi, Texas. Rev. Rattliff, pastor, officiated.

The bride attended Flomot High School and graduated with the class of 1940. She attended Amarillo Business College this year, and for the past few months has been employed as stenographer and filing clerk with the Farm Security Administration at Pecos, Texas.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. George of Corpus Christi, formerly of Flomot. He graduated from Flomot High School in the '42 class.

The couple plan to make their home at Corpus Christi, where Mr. George is employed at the Naval Welding Base.

Friendship Class Has Holiday Party

The Friendship Sunday School Class of the Baptist church had its annual Christmas party Friday night in the church basement, with the Young Men's class as guests.

Table games, chinker checkers and dominoes, were played, and delicious refreshments of hot cocoa, coffee, sandwiches and cookies were served to 17 members and guests present.

An exchange of gifts was made after refreshments. The gifts, which were toys, provided a great deal of amusement, and were later donated to the church nursery.

Fairies Harp, Patti Pipkin; "Andantino," Ann Harp; "The River," Rosemary Bloodworth; "Little Indian Chief," Frank Traweck; "Angels Sang One Starry Night," Sarah Frances Springer; "March of Victory," Annette McWilliams; "White Christmas," Dorothy Woodruff; "Silver Spray," Ernestine McWilliams; "Little Lord Jesus," Ann Harp; "Moonlight Reverie," Dorothy Traweck; "Till The Dawn Breaks Through," Ernestine and Annette McWilliams; Selected reading, Tom Hamilton; "Morning Prayer," Milda Scribner; "Sleighing Song," Frances Traweck; "Dance of the Demon," Rosemary Bloodworth; "Merry Chiming Bells," Patti Pipkin; "Charge of the Uhlans," Ruth Swim; "The Penguin's Dance," Jolene Bloodworth and Dorothy Woodruff; "Distant Bells," Dorothy Traweck; "Gypsy Love Song," Dorothy Woodruff and Jolene Bloodworth; "Valse Bluetie," Sarah Frances Springer; "The Duke's Song from Rigoletto," Patti Pipkin and Ann Harp; "Christ Was Once A Little Baby," Dorothy Traweck; "Chapel in the Mountains," Ann Harp; "Fifth Nocturne," Jolene Bloodworth; "Carols of Christmas," by class, with Dorothy Woodruff, Rosemary and Jolene Bloodworth, as soloists.

Yuletide atmosphere was furnished by a lighted Christmas tree at each side of the stage.



TECHNICAL SERGEANT PAUL J. LEONARD, ENGINEER AND GUNNER ON GENL. JIMMY DOOLITTLE'S OWN SHIP ON THE TOKYO RAID.

SGT. LEONARD REPORTED JAPAN TO BE "A MASS OF TARGETS."

BOOKS? NAVY - I LEARNED MY ENGINEERING THE HARD WAY.

LEONARD GOT ALL HIS TRAINING THROUGH ARMY EXPERIENCE.

A NATIVE OF DENVER - HE WAS AWARDED THE D.C. AND MILITARY ORDER OF CHINA.

HEY A DOOLITTLE TAN ALL THE WAY!

Pied Pinions

BY MRS. J. M.

A woman launched the first sale of tuberculosis Christmas seals in this country. She was Miss Emily Bissell of Wilmington, Delaware, and she little knew what a great crusade for the benefit of humanity she started back in 1907.

The battle against tuberculosis in this country today is 80 per cent won. The war will give a setback to hopes for complete victory in the near future, but it will not be long deferred if staunch support of the Christmas Seal campaign is given now and in the future until it can be said, "The job is done; we have won."

With the curtailment in manufacture of materials which go to make up our wardrobes, a remark intended as complimentary, was made in a group of women lately, which in former years might have been taken (and possibly meant) as an insult. Mrs. Laurie Carlisle

of Floydada, who visited friends here recently told of the incident in which one woman exclaimed to another, "It is easy to tell that your suit isn't a new one"—and pointing out the reason for her observation being that the quality was so much nicer than anything that can be obtained now.

These lifted from a column headed "Reactions" by Effem: "Women in increasing numbers are taking up law, but, says Timothy Hay, they will never be able to take up as much of it as they have laid down."

"We understand a lot of gals are planning to hang up a nail this Christmas, hoping Santa will hang a stocking on it."

"Dumb Dora says boys and girls won't worry much about rationing until there are meatless days."

Newspaper stands for reading the paper at the table are o. k. for civilized folks, we suppose, but it would require one with the proportions of a certain stretcher to accommodate the whims of our other half. We have a choice of standing at the kitchen cabinet for

Class Members Are Luncheon Guests

Members of the Sovereign's Service class of the Baptist Sunday School, were luncheon guests of their teacher, Mrs. Ben Meador, Sunday, with an exchange of Christmas gifts, as the principal entertainment feature.

Table decorations and paper napkins featured the holiday motif, and favors were artificial holly leaf ornaments.

Members present were, Misses Glenda Nelson, Bernice Ruth Patton, Frances Seigler, Velda Mae Rattan, Leona Martin, and Dorothy Nelson, and two guests, Misses Charmaine Merrill and Nona Ruth Kingery of Roaring Springs, who were week-end guests of Miss Dorothy Nelson.

Mrs. Meador was assisted by her sister, Miss Mary Ola Tipton.

W. M. Lawrence transacted business in Floydada Tuesday.

Early Christmas Program Given By El Progreso Club

Dispensing with its second monthly meeting in annual adjournment for the holidays, El Progreso Study Club possibly held the first Yuletide meeting of the season in this community, when members met on December 10 in the home of Mrs. U. L. Wille. Mrs. Freeman Thacker was leader of the Christmas program.

Quotation for the occasion was, "Religion is not a way of looking at certain things, but a certain way of looking at all things."

Group singing of Christmas carols opened the program, after which, a Christmas story, "Father Comes Home", was given by Mrs. A. J. Daffern. This was followed by a Christmas reading, "Gold Franchinense and Myrr", by Mrs. J. R. Whitworth.

The Yuletide motif was used for room decorations, and gifts were exchanged by the members, from a brilliantly lighted tree in the living room. Refreshments of fruit cake and spiced tea were served.

Members present were: Mesdames Joe Bloodworth, A. J. Daffern, G. E. Hamilton, John Hamilton, L. C. Harp, Leonora Luckett, Mae McKenzie, Henry Solomon,

CHRISTMAS SOCIAL GIVEN BY W. S.

A Christmas social, in the day evening of last week, joyed by the members Women's Society of the Service of the Methodist

A northern snow scene and a decorated table centered the dining table, central attraction in the hour which followed a

led by Mrs. W. B. Swim. A reading by Mrs. J. R. worth, Christmas games, change of gifts from comprised the entertainment.

Delicious refreshments served to the following Mesdames Ethel Payne, Schweitzer, A. J. Daffern, Willett, U. L. Wille, W. B. J. R. Whitworth, Vance G. A. W. Ford, Frank Publ. E. Mack, L. R. Bishop, C. D. Henry Solomon, F. M. Jim. P. Moore, Homer Sheels, Tudor, Henry Ford, M. S. Ed Williams, Allie Smith, Jameson and the hostess.

Freeman Thacker, J. R. worth, J. L. Moore, Mas. Godfrey and Mrs. Wille.

Boys In Service, Try This "RECIPE FOR A CHRISTMAS DINNER"

Take one cold turkey and talk it, In lingo that Hitler can savvy; Draw a chalk line and make a Jap walk it, Then cook the Jap in the gravy.

Baste well with gun butts and bullets, And plasier all over with lead, (The Germans look best with their gullets, Slit open; be sure they are dead.)

Stuff well with P-40 dressing And heat to a delicate turn; It won't hurt—it's rather a blessing— If Hitler gets on a slow burn.

A Jap goose will cook in a hurry, So turn on the heat for the Nips; Let 'em sizzle enough, and don't worry; Then garnish with bayonet tips.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO EVERYONE

Magnolia Cafe

Will Be Closed Christmas Day Except For Busses

MARVIN VAUGHN, Manager

MERRY CHRISTMAS

To All Our Boys IN THE ARMED SERVICE

OUR THOUGHTS, OUR HOPES AND OUR PRAYERS FOLLOW YOU...

TO OUR CUSTOMERS....

To each and all of our many friends we wish to say, "Season's Greeting"... We gratefully acknowledge the many courtesies shown us and the many evidences of good will that have made our associations with you so enjoyable.

May you have a Season of great joy and a New Year of Happiness and Health.

SPEARS GIN

Matador, Texas

TO ALL OUR BOYS IN SERVICE AND TO OUR CUSTOMERS

MERRY CHRISTMAS

And may the Happiness of the Holiday Season be yours through all the coming—

NEW YEAR

City Drug Store

MATADOR, TEXAS

TO OUR BOYS IN THE ARMED SERVICE

to Everybody The Season's Cheer

We realize more than ever how much it means to have the friendship and good will of folks like you. Please accept our sincere thanks and our good wishes for a

VICTORIOUS NEW YEAR

HIGGINBOTHAM-BARTLETT COMPANY

JOHN MEASON, Manager

ROARING SPRINGS

WOMEN AT

Janey
closed the bedroom door
Alone at last! She
back her head and heaved
Then she peeked out
corner of her eye at the
to see whether she really
like Hedy LaMarr. Quite
she decided.

LOCAL ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hill returned
recently from Dallas where
they were called to the bedside
of their daughter, Helen, who has
been employed in that city. Helen
is now recovering from an operation
at 428 West 9th St. Dallas.

the hospital there.
Mr. and Mrs. Hubert West and
daughter have gone to Childress
to visit relatives.
Mrs. M. P. Fulkerson went to
Lockney Tuesday to visit her
daughter. Mr. Fulkerson will go
up Thursday to spend Christmas
with them.

In the good old days the man
who saved money was a miser.
Now he's a wonder.
Ignorance causes more blisters
than bliss.
There was a time when I could
gad around and catch up with my
work too. Now I scarcely find time
to gad around.

Today's couplet: Girls who gush
and baby-prattle haven't brains
enough to rattle.
If men had no faith in one an-
other, we'd all have to live on our
income.
One way to avoid the loss of
property in a flood is to move
out when it begins to rain.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

To All Our Boys In Uniform
OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS

TO THE FOLKS AT HOME -



As you enjoy the contentment and merriment of
the Yuletide, we want you to know that we will
be thinking of you and of the amicable associa-
tions that have been ours during the time we have
been serving this community
It is these friendships that bind our ambitions,
to be of the utmost service to all



BURTON-LINGO CO.

Charles Keith, Manager
LUMBER AND BUILDING MATERIAL

Brotherhood Is
Organized By Men
Of Baptist Church

A Brotherhood, organization,
composed of the men of the Bap-
tist church, was formed in a meet-
ing held Thursday evening, De-
cember 17, at the church.
Elbert Reeves was elected pres-
ident of the newly formed organ-
ization, which has as its purpose,
the enlistment of men more de-
finitely in church work and fel-
lowship.

What has become of all the dis-
aster that was to befall this coun-
try when the national debt got
three-quarters of its present size?
Income taxes may be unpleas-
ant, but we know of no other tax
that we hope to pay in larger
amounts.
The achievements that adorn
human progress are not the re-
wards of those who did not plan.
About the most discouraged per-
son we've seen was the one who
had written a long overdue letter,
and then lost it before getting it
mailed.



a Joyous Christmas
To All Our Boys In Service



And To All Our Friends and Customers

From a firm that has enjoyed serving you in the
past, and which is desirous of continuing the
pleasant associations of our friends in the future

The Red Ball Gin

Roaring Springs, Texas
ENNIS and JAMES MOSS, Managers



Lights Are Burning Here
So that Christmas Can Happen There!



"I'll be on the job Christmas Day
to make sure you have plenty of light!"

Christmas greetings this year are mingled with deep sorrow
for peoples in all parts of the world where the light of
Freedom has been snuffed out. Here at home we know
the joys of bright, cheerful light... and the joy of Freedom.
West Texas... and all American... children may get
fewer bikes, skates and trains. But the children of
Europe's "new order," covering in darkened doorways, will
get nothing. It is appropriate that on the birthday of the
Prince of Peace we rededicate the Nation to the purpose of
maintaining Freedom both here and abroad. OUR job is
to help turn out an ever-increasing torrent of electric power
with which to serve your home as well as to build the
weapons of war by which Freedom can be won. This, we
are doing!

West Texas Utilities
Company

INVEST IN AMERICA! Buy War Bonds and Stamps!

Church Calendars

METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. W. B. Swim, Pastor
10:15 a. m. Church School
11:15 a. m. Morning Worship
7:15 p. m. Young People's Meeting

BAPTIST CHURCH
M. B. Carroll, Pastor
10:15 a. m. Sunday School
11:00 a. m. Church Service
7:15 p. m. Training Unions
8:00 p. m. Evening Worship

CHURCH OF CHRIST
10:00 a. m. Sunday School
11:00 a. m. Church Service
8:00 p. m. Church Service

ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Lee Locke, Pastor
10:30 a. m. Sunday School
11:30 a. m. Church Service
8:00 p. m. Evening Worship

Farmers Praised For Good Crops

Congratulations to the farmers of America on their magnificent achievement in food production during 1942 were expressed recently by Dr. Edmund Ezra Day, president of Cornell University, and by President T. O. Walton of Texas A. & M. College, following a meeting in Chicago.

At the same time they voiced their concern over the difficult problems confronting agriculture for 1943 and pledged the full cooperation of the Land-Grant Colleges in meeting these problems.

Dr. Day and Dr. Walton pointed out that the production of food crops and livestock products in 1942 was the largest in the history of American farming and that agriculture had met its obligations to the war effort fully and completely, adding:

"For this success much credit must be given not only to men who often worked 70 or 80 hours per week but also to farm boys and girls and to the farm wives who labored long hours in the fields and barns in addition to caring for the homes and the families."

At the same time, both emphasized the difficulties in maintaining farm production in 1943 with a greatly increased shortage of labor, the threat of shortages in farm equipment, and the ever present possibility of droughts and other unfavorable weather.

Looking to the next crop year, they said, "It becomes the mission of land-grant colleges in

To Each of You

Christmas this year comes to a confused world. The false prophets who guide the destinies of dictator nations have brought untold suffering to a sorely tried humanity.

Despite the haunting shadows of war, the deep abiding joy of Christmas is felt throughout the world. The Star of Bethlehem shines as brightly as it did almost two thousand years ago, its rays reaching bravely through the dread darkness of ignorance and fear.

In our own community we have felt the hot breath of war. But Christmas, 1942, brings renewed hope to those who have suffered most. Since that greatest of all days, when the Virgin Mother brought forth a son in the manger at Bethlehem, men have found comfort and solace in the annual miracle of Christmas.

Those of us who live in small towns are able to see more clearly the suffering caused by war. We have a friendly, personal interest in each other. The spirit of neighborly love and devotion has eased many a saddened heart; the helping hand has been extended cheerfully when the road ahead seemed impassable.

This newspaper, which has recorded community tidings both happy and sad, wishes for each of you a Christmas of faith and hope—a Christmas rich with the loyalty of friends and graced with a full measure of happiness.



LABOR UNIONS MAKE AGREEMENT

Peace committees of the AFL and the CIO agreed Friday to establish a joint committee to resolve all differences between them with the provision that unsettled issues shall be referred to arbitration.

The conferees decided that discussions looking forward to complete organic unity of the two movements would be continued meanwhile.

The agreement reached is subject to approval by the AFL and CIO executive boards.

Members of the peace committee reached between the two organizations since the split in 1935.

AFTER THIS DISASTER THEY CAN PLAY DOMINOES

LOS ANGELES—The fire ladies may be short on reading matter this month. Fire destroyed the print shop where the monthly fire department magazine is printed.

their research and through their extension services to work more closely with practical farmers than ever before."

has continued to move in light volume. Shipments of winter vegetables, except spinach, are about double those of this date last year but at a sacrifice of yields for most crops.

Prospective yields from crops coming into production are low and a good general rain is badly needed in all areas for improvement of later crops.

Women Offered Better Positions

Latest offering of the University of Texas war training office to women interested in securing positions in war industry is a course which will train women college students so that they may qualify as junior engineers under civil service commission.

Only college graduates will be accepted for training, but women need not have had previous engineering training. Junior engineers receive a starting salary of \$2,000 a year, and may work in the Bureau of Ordnance, U. S. Engineers Office, U. S. Maritime Commission, or other federal agencies.

CHINESE AND DOG ENLIST

PITTSBURGH, Pa. — "Take me, take my dog," was the answer given by Yee Joe, Chinese laundryman, when presented with his army induction notice. Joe's pedigree chow, Bosco, will join Dogs for Defense at the same time his master reports for military service. Army officers believe this is the first time a man and his dog have joined the armed forces at the same time.

ALARM CLOCK SHORTAGE PUTS COUPLE IN CLOVER

SOUTH BEND, Ind.—It's an ill wind that blows nobody good and that's how Carl Young, 31, of Mishawaka feels about the war-born shortage of alarm clocks.

Young, nearly blind, and his wife, who has but one hand, have begun a business of telephoning residents so they won't be late for work because they have no alarms. The Youngs charge monthly fees for the service.

Our faith in straw polls will not be renewed until we are convinced that public opinion can stand still long enough to be counted accurately.

"WAR NECESSITY" APPEALS RECEIVE FASTER SERVICE

Procedure for handling appeals on Certificates of War Necessity has been streamlined for faster service to the commercial motor vehicle operator, Richard E. Wood, ODT Lubbock district manager for motor transport, said today. The thirty-day waiting period originally required before an appeal might be filed has been suspended. Operators may now send in their Certificates with a letter of

explanation and are promptly furnished with the appeal from on which they supply information to show their needs justify increased operations allowances. Farmers should appeal through the Farm Transportation Committees of their U. S. Department of Agriculture County War Boards. All other operators should write the district office at 613 Lubbock National Building, Lubbock, Texas.

More Rapidly By Mail

A large number of appeals could be handled each day if all were received by mail, Mr. Wood said. Personal interviews require more time for the staff as well as

for the operator. If appeals are filled out completely and also the tire mileage record to drive in to the office, greatest single cause for delay continues to be incomplete information from the applicant.

Applications are still reaching the office and on new applications a Certificate is mailed immediately. Any operator who has not yet received his Certificate may be assured his application has not yet reached the office and will be handled immediately when it arrives.

GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY

Merry Christmas



To Our Boys In Uniform... To Our Customers

Your patronage through the years past is evidence of the confidence you have in our organization, and we trust it may continue in the same amicable way for many years to come.

Western Dry Goods Co.

T. B. Edmondson

Miss Maggie Bryan

A MERRY CHRISTMAS



To Our Boys In Service

And Our Friends



TO THE BOYS IN SERVICE And Our Customers...

Merry Christmas



We are wishing you heaps of cheer and hoping these wishes will bring you joy every day of the year.

May your voyage through the days ahead carry you over pleasant ways to a new and full contentment.

Matador Auto Co.

Greetings: Glad Thoughts and a Hearty Wish for a Merry Christmas
H. H. (Cy) COURTNEY
Motley County, Sheriff, Tax Assessor and Collector

Christmas Greetings to all our Friends and Patrons
Muse's Blacksmith Shop
V. Muse, Owner

With Full Appreciation of the true Meaning of the words, we say to all: Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
Dr. J. G. Ketchersid and family

I want my friends to know my Appreciation for their kind deeds and favors and to one and all
A Very Merry Christmas
Vernon Lalimer & Sons
Phillips "66"

Best Wishes For A Merry Christmas and a Victorious New Year
HOMER SHEATS

Heartiest Greetings and Wishes For A Prosperous New Year
MISSION GAS & OIL CO.
J. C. McMAHAN, Manager

A Merry Christmas From Us To You
Rosa's Cafe
Rosa Stafford, Manager

For Favors of the Past I feel Deeply Grateful and wish one and all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year
Cammack Dairy
T. E. Cammack, Manager

Please Accept our Kindest Thoughts for you and yours at this glad time of Year.
City and Sanitary Barber Shops

We Wish You Happiness At This Joyous Season
Dr. J. S. Stanley

We Wish You and Yours A Merry Christmas
Molley County AAA Office
C. H. Butler, Secretary

Season's Greetings From One Friend To Another
W. R. Cammack
County Judge

A Hearty Thank You For All The Favors of The Past, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year
R. A. Seay
County Clerk

Best Wishes To All Our Boys In Service and Our Friends
DeLuxe Beauty Shop
Mrs. A. E. Westmoreland, Manager

Our Sincere Wishes To Our Boys In Service and Our Customers
Kifer Service Station
C. L. Kifer, Manager

Our Sincere Thanks for For your generous patronage
Tribune Publishing Co.
Publishers of Your Home Paper

May this be your most joyful holiday Season and with much gratitude For all past favors.
County Agent's Office
J. Rufus Emmons, County Agent

To Wish You Good Cheer at Christmas
LEON ICE COMPANY
Earl Laughlin, Manager

Do You Remember The Blizzard Of 1940?



Above are scenes of Matador following the blizzard and snow storm of February 16-17, 1940, when the town was isolated from the outside world. (1) Made in front of the Tribune

office looking east on Highway 28. (2) Snow-laden trees following the storm. (3) A Matador home during the blizzard. (4) Truck belonging to Curtis King with the Matley County courthouse in the background. (5) One of the many hundreds

of automobiles unable to combat the drifts. (6) A stalled automobile in front of the City Hall, looking east. (7) A snow scene near the city park. (8) Busy and team used to drive to town for medical aid during the storm.

Local Items

Lt. Roach Allen visited here last week as guest of Miss Claryce Whitten. He was enroute to Huntsville, Ala., after a furlough visit with his parents at Lockney.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Duncan this week, in addition to their son, H. D. of Camp Ord, California, were another son, Delmar, of Ft. Worth, and their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Martin and son Jimmie of Lubbock.

J. M. Dickson, field representative and assistant sec-treas. of the Memphis Production Credit Association was a visitor at the local field office Monday and Tuesday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Turner and children of Flomot were Matador visitors Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bowen, John K. Campbell and son, C. R. Brandon, Jr., Sam Hunter, T. E. and Chas. Long, and Clyde Whitaker all of Roaring Springs were trans-

18% OF HER PAY GOES INTO WAR BONDS

War Plant Worker Buys Bonds for Warrior Husband

Although she has two children to support on her wages as a power press operator at a war plant, Mrs. Mabel W. puts 18% of her pay every week into War Bonds through the Payroll Savings Plan.

Mrs. W. thinks of every bond she buys in terms of what it can do for her soldier husband out in Australia. "Already," she says, "I've bought Jim a Garand rifle and a gas mask in War Bonds. I feel I'm helping to bring him back safe and sound!"

You Can Spare 10%: Maybe you can't save as much as 18% of your salary in War



Bonds. But you can stretch yourself a bit more—make a few "sacrifices"—and reach Uncle Sam's goal of 10% for War Bonds every payday! Sign up today with the Payroll Savings Plan where you work!

acting business here Monday. Miss Wilara Leverett and Lavona Blegh, students of Abilene

Christian College at Abilene, visited Miss Ruth Rushing the first of the week.

MERRY CHRISTMAS. As you enjoy the contentment and merriment of the yuletide, we want you to know that we will be thinking of you and of the pleasant association we have had with you, our customers and friends, during the past year, and we hope we will be able to continue such pleasant association throughout the years to come. It is these friendships that bind our ambitions to be of the utmost service to you, and may we continue to serve you.

Freeman Thacker

Your Butane-Propane Dealer Phone 3 MR. and MRS. FREEMAN THACKER

W. M. U. Has Social Monday Afternoon

The Baptist W. M. U. met Monday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Clarence Kifer, for their annual Christmas party.

The program opened with singing of Christmas carols, followed by a prayer by Mrs. M. P. Fulker-son. A Christmas story was told by Mrs. Elbert Reeves. Gifts were exchanged from a tree, and refreshments were served to Mes- dames J. R. Moore, Elbert Reeves, Louis McDonough, R. E. Campbell, Sr., V. J. Skaggs, T. E. Cammack, Boshear, Bill McCaghren, A. A. Tipton, Earl Laughlin, Joe Campbell, Howe Hines, Willis Cooper, E. R. Henderson, Fred Clower, and the hostess.

Miss Swafford, R. C. Bradshaw Exchange Vows

The marriage of Miss Lera Mae Swafford to R. C. Bradshaw of Paducah Sunday, November 15, in Jourdan with the minister of the First Baptist church officiating at the single ring ceremony, was announced Tuesday.

The bride was attired in black street frock with black and red accessories. Attending the couple were Mrs. John Bradshaw of Paducah, mother of the bridegroom, and Miss Oma Sutton of Pleasanton.

Mrs. Bradshaw graduated from Childress high school in 1941. She

was formerly employed at the Modern cafe.

She is the daughter of Mrs. Mae Swafford.

Bradshaw is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Bradshaw of Paducah. He graduated from the Paducah schools in 1941. He is now employed in Paducah where the couple will make their home.—Childress Index.

The bridegroom will be remembered by many friends here, he having been reared in this community, before moving with his parents, to Paducah several years ago.

The fellow who used to walk a barbed wire bare-foot with a wildcat under each arm is now married to a red-haired woman who makes him do the dishes three times a day.

WOMEN AT WAR

Irene

Irene got home from the factory she was good and before dinner, that she looked forward to. The name for it was "My Irene". Into it, these days, she put all the lazy, luxurious things she loved—things that she took up a lot more than her peace-time days. You could tell quite a bit about Irene from that desk. The paper-weight of pink glass filled with the bouquet of flowers she bought on the way home. The paper-weight of pink glass filled with the bouquet of flowers she bought on the way home. The paper-weight of pink glass filled with the bouquet of flowers she bought on the way home.

War Bond to help Uncle Sam. This may help to get my boy friend home sooner than he can help me see my ring.

Bring final victory closer the money you put into War Bonds. Make certain your family gets 10 percent by New Year's.

Farmers Advised They Can Butcher Meat For Home Use

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Brannan, seeking to clear up confusion which he said had arisen, advised Friday they were free to butcher hogs and other meat for home use. He urged farmers to do their normal home butchering, but he said a radio talk. "I want to make one point clear. There are no special regulations on butchering for home use. I know that there is a widespread rumor that farmers will have to pay a fee for butchering permit. These rumors are false."

Wickard added that farmers had a patriotic duty not to use more than their share of meat so that military and other civilian requirements might be met.

TO THE BOYS IN SERVICE AND TO OUR CUSTOMERS. Merry Christmas AND Best Wishes FOR A VICTORIOUS NEW YEAR. It's Christmas, and with its coming we welcome the fine spirit of friendliness that goes with it, and are desirous of sending this Greeting to all those we serve and those whom we hope to serve. Skaggs' Grocery Mr. and Mrs. V. J. Skaggs

TO ALL Our Boys IN THE ARMED SERVICE. MERRY CHRISTMAS And A VICTORIOUS NEW YEAR. A SINCERE GREETING TO OUR MANY FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS. Many Thanks For Your Fine Patronage West Texas Gin JOE M. GAINES, Manager

Merry Christmas TO ALL OUR BOYS IN THE SERVICE... AND TO OUR CUSTOMERS... We cherish the thoughts of the fine friendships that have been ours in the past and we desire to take this means of expressing our genuine thanks for your courtesies. We wish you the best of good things for Christmas and A VICTORIOUS NEW YEAR. Higginbotham-Bartlett Co. MATADOR, TEXAS

NEW YEAR'S CELEBRATION



LUCILE PARKER was standing at the door of her apartment looking out at a gorgeous New Year's setting—the heavily packed snow, the crisp seasonal atmosphere and the moon shining down upon it all!

"What a night!" thought she. What fun it would be to join in the New Year's celebration for once. This she had not done for some time, as her husband had always attended the annual stag party and had never thought she minded.

Now when he kissed her good-by and happily rushed off, she somehow felt a stifling vacancy in her heart, and longed to go with him.

The stag party, ablaze with lights, was in full swing, the very air permeated with the rip-roaring.



In Rushed a Band of Masqueraders Waving Banners.

Chilliar spirit of New Year's! Streamers and decorations hung from walls and ceiling, also banners bearing all sorts of quotations such as "No Ladies," "Night of Nights," and so on.

At the very height of the celebration with the music raging in thunderous tones, the door opened, and in rushed a band of masqueraders waving banners, blowing horns and scattering confetti.

The orchestra started playing—"My Wife's Gone to the Country, Hurrah!"

That was too much! The masqueraders pulled the masks from their faces and the startled stags beheld their own wives.

Before they knew it each one had a partner and was dancing merrily, regardless of entangled streamers and confetti, regardless of the unexpected interruption, regardless of everything, only conscious of the New Year's Spirit.

(Released by Western Newspaper Union.)
Temper is one thing that can't be worked to death.

FARM SCRAP VITAL AS WAR ENTERS SECOND YEAR

WASHINGTON — The need for metal scrap remains unabated as the Nation's mighty steel industry, with production figures climbing to record proportions, enters the second year of the war.

The importance of iron and steel scrap in the war effort becomes increasingly apparent as the tempo of the United Nations' offensive against the Axis powers shifts into high gear. Ships, tanks, armored cars, planes, guns and all kinds of mechanized equipment are the backbone of our army's striking power. Farm scrap is making it possible for us to supply these weapons to our fighting forces in adequate quantities.

The demand for steel in this war far exceeds that of any previous war. In World War I, it required 90 pounds of steel for every American soldier. In this war every man in Uncle Sam's armed forces must be backed by 4,900 pounds of steel. To equip an army of ten million men, therefore, requires steel in quantities that are almost too great for the human mind to envision.

At the beginning of 1942, the annual capacity of our steel industry was approximately 88½ million tons. But by the middle of 1943, the yearly productive capacity will have been expanded by another ten million tons. This calls for an ever increasing supply of scrap, if we are to keep the steel mills operating at their stepped-up capacity.

Steel is normally made up by melting together pig iron and scrap, on approximately a fifty-fifty basis. So steel is practically half scrap, and that explains why so much scrap is needed.

Recent scrap drives, it is said, have brought forth an abundance of light household scrap, but not enough heavy scrap. Light scrap in its original state cannot be used economically in an open-hearth steel furnace, and

must be mixed with a certain amount of heavy scrap.

American Industry and American Farms are the Nation's most prolific sources of heavy scrap. War Production Board officials say, "Industry, of course, produces most of the heavy scrap, but not enough. So the farms of the country become an increasingly important source of this necessary war material."

The huge piles of scrap metal seen in various parts of the country have created an impression of over-abundance. But this is not the case, according to Lesing J. Rosenwald, Director of the Conservation Division in Washington.

"This scrap is where the Government wants it," said Mr. Rosenwald, "and we must add more to it. Large reserves of scrap must be built up and stored in accessible places, where we can get our hands on it during the winter and spring months ahead. It would be physically impossible to store all of this scrap at the steel mills, or in scrap dealers' yards," Mr. Rosenwald said. "Instead, it must be stored in many small piles, from which it can flow as needed, in an orderly manner, through the scrap dealers' yards to the steel mills."

Another Washington salvage official likened the scrap piles over the Nation to the corn in farmers' cribs and to baled cotton stored in warehouses against the day when they are needed. "It is a normal process, with which every farmer is familiar, and local scrap piles exist for the same reason," this official said.

War Production Board Chairman Donald Nelson and Secretary of Agriculture Claude Wickard have joined hands in an appeal to American farmers to dedicate the remaining weeks of 1942 to an intensified scrap hunt, as a result of which it is hoped additional scrap piles will be created, and that the old ones will be made larger.



By ROYCE HOUSE

As "Gone with the Wind" is making the third showing around over the land, this review, written by a "country editor," Jack Tarver of Lyons, Ga., becomes timely again:

There was a land of cotton fields and cavaliers called the Old South. A land of Lords and their Ladies, of Master and of Slave. Look not for them hereabouts for they are no longer to be found. Male and Female, Black and White, Youth and Age, they are all down to the picture show seeing "Gone With the Wind."

Katherine Scarlett O'Hara was our Shero. A winsome wench with

a figure like a marble statue and a head as hard.

Gerald O'Hara was her pa. By nature he was most animal-like. Proud as a peacock; he roared like a lion and rode like a dog and pony show. After Sherman came, he was crazy as a bedbug.

Anyhow, Scarlett was in love with Ashley Wilkes, who was in love with his cousin, Melanie, who was in love with Ashley, and so they were married. (Ashley and Melanie in case you're getting confused).

This irritated Scarlett no end and so, in quick succession she married, for spite and cash, respectively, a couple of fellers whose names we didn't get. But then, neither did Scarlett for long.

Cowboy Christmas Dances At Anson To Buy War Bonds

ANSON, Texas, Dec. 17—Those who attend the Cowboys' Christmas ball at Anson this year will not only enjoy four nights of honest-to-goodness pioneer dances but all admission fees will be used in the purchase of war bonds, said B. L. Jones, president of the organization.

The ball, for its 57th year will enable the people for miles 'round to enjoy the old-time dances for four nights, Dec. 21, 22, 23, 24.

Costumes will be in the fashions of the eighties and in the prevailing OD's.

The other major characters were Rhett Butler, Belle Watling, and a colored lady exactly like the one on the flapjack box.

Rhett, who was somehow strangely reminiscent of Clark Gable, was a cross between Jesse James and Little Boy Blue.

Uncle Lum considered playing Rhett, but turned it down when he found there wasn't anything but mint in the mint juleps.

If Rhett had joined the Lost Cause in the second reel instead of after the intermission, the Confederacy would have won the war.

And Belle, You'd have loved Belle. Everybody did.

During the siege of Atlanta only three things were running: Belle's Place, Prissy's nose and the laundry that kept Rhett's white suits snow white.

Melanie's baby arrived about the same time Sherman did. Both were equally welcome to Scarlett.

It was, so far as our painstaking research has revealed, the first baby ever born in technicolor.

Anyhow, the South lost the war again in the picture (What could you expect with a lot of yankee producers?) and Scarlett married Rhett to get even with him.

Their married life was just like sitting in hell's fire and listening to the heavenly choir.

Finally, after Melanie died, Scarlett realized that she didn't love Ashley but Rhett. Scarlett was as changeable as a baby's underwear.

However, Rhett had enough of her foolishness and, when she told him, he said, "Frankly, my dear, I don't give a d—."

Neither, by this time, did the audience. They were glad to see the end.



From the Hudson Dispatch, Union City, N. J.

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

truth, but up to now it is apparently the only substitute that has been discovered.

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

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

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

The first constitutional government in Texas was under Mexican constitution of 1824.

A lie is a poor substitute for the truth.



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Sincere Greetings

TO THE BOYS IN SERVICE

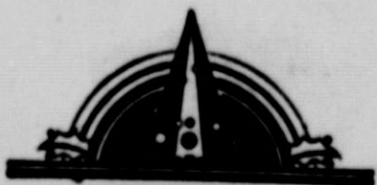
AND TO OUR CUSTOMERS . . .

Best Wishes for the Holiday Season



With the splendid remembrances of the harmonious associations we have had with our many good friends in this area during the past, we eagerly look forward to a continuance of them in the future.

We sincerely hope that these friendships have been as pleasant to you as they have been to us.



Harry Willett & Co.

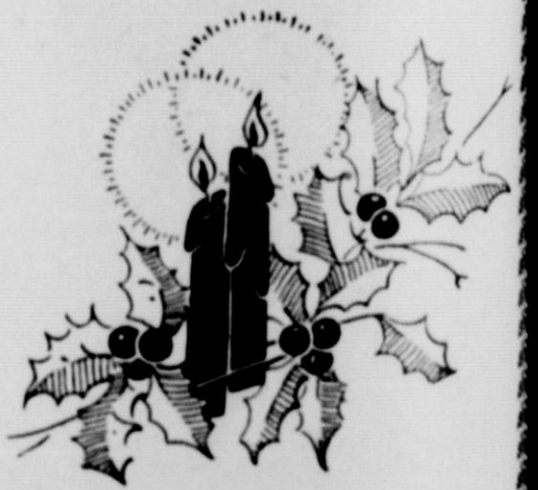
MATADOR, TEXAS

TO ALL OUR BOYS In The Service

And To Our Customers

Above all other things in our memory at this glad Yuletide is the thought of the splendid relations with friends of this organization who have made it possible for us to enjoy a very satisfactory year.

The warm spirit of the Holiday occasion reminds us that in our friends, not in our ledgers, do we find our real assets. There are many things that make us thankful this is our home, and for that reason we desire to extend Season's Greetings.



Please accept the kind wishes and sincere thanks of all of us. Best wishes for a Joyous Christmas and a New Year of much happiness, Good Health and Success for you and yours.

MATADOR HARDWARE & FURNITURE CO.

L. C. (Hack) HARP and PERSONNEL

TO THE BOYS IN SERVICE And Our Customers . . .

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

AMONG THE GOOD THINGS BESTOWED BY THE PASSING YEAR, OUR MOST VALUED ONE IS THE FRIENDSHIP AND GOOD WILL OF THOSE WE SERVE

IT IS A PRIVILEGE, AT THIS HAPPY SEASON, TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION AND TO WISH YOU ALL THE JOYS OF THE YULETIDE SEASON



City Tailor Shop

H. M. Solomon, Mgr.

In The Service

Wally Cloyd, son of Mr. A. B. Cloyd of Flomot, selected for training as Aviation Cadet and will be active duty shortly. He is on a special release from active duty at Dallas. He graduated from Flomot High School in 1941, was a member of football, basketball and tennis teams.

Lonnie L. Russell of the United States Marine Corps, left for New River, North Carolina, after a furlough visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell, Young "Chick" Russell, known by friends here, in active combat duty in several months. He has been in the service over a year.

D. Duncan of Camp Ord, visited here on furlough last week, with his parents, Mr. H. C. Duncan.

Howard Edmondson and Larry Latimer of the Lubbock Flying School, were week-end visitors here with their respective families.

Vance Gilbreath of Ft. Sill, is visiting here during his furlough with Mrs. Gilbreath, his mother, Mrs. A. W. Ford.

Jeffers, former Matador, is in the army now, and is stationed at Ft. Riley, Kansas. His following address: Pvt. Jeffers, Co. H, 27 Bn. M. C. Bldg. 2456-T. He is the son of Mrs. Claude Jeffers, long-time resident of Matador, who is making her home in Canyon.

Paul A. Nichols of the U. S. Air Force, was recently transferred from Buckley Field, Colorado, to Jefferson Barracks, St. Louis. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Nichols of Roaring Springs.

On the other side of the world Christmas Greetings from Bill Tilson. The greeting, sent V-Mail, was especially, with two illustrations of the globe, showing the American continent in one, the African and middle East in another, and this message, "A Christmas Greeting from the Middle East." Sgt. Tilson also included own greetings in these: "Hello Mr. Meador, just from you and all my friends in Motley County, a very Merry Christmas," and this postscript, "Meador, it is unbelievable how such a swell Thanksgiving we had on the desert, but we are best."

Other greetings received, which were received with gratitude, from Lt. Dick Groves, signed "Dick and Mary Groves"; "Hugh and Gladys Gray", at Panama, Florida, where Hugh of the United States Marine Corps, stationed; from Cpl. W. W. Brown, who has been transferred from Camp Rucker, Ala., to Benning, Ga.; from Pfc. D. Brown, stationed at Ft. Lewis, Washington; and from Pvt. Raymond Smallwood of Ft. Lawton, Washington.

After receiving the past week P.F.C. Richard Stegall, former employe of the Matador ranch, somewhere overseas, is as follows:

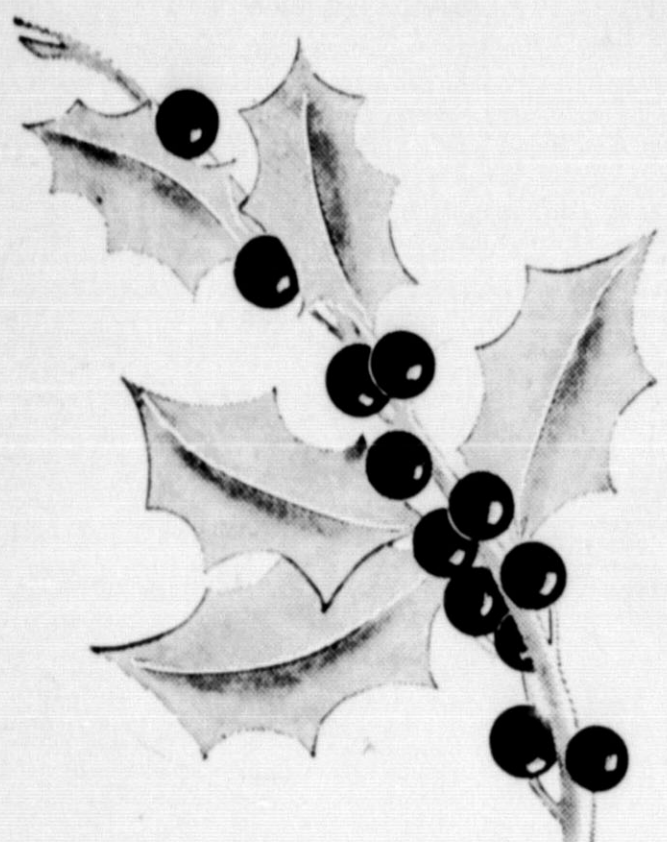
Ben: I want to thank you and all the boys for making it possible for me to get the home paper. It is worth its weight in gold to me. I enjoy reading Trail Dust, and it is the first thing I look at when getting along fine, but I love my horse most of all. There is a poem in Trail Dust that gave me the blues. It was about a sorrel horse that reminded me of the last horse I rode on my ranch. He was my pet horse and was a sorrel, named Boots. He had that old "50" on his hip; I loved him.

They can talk about this place they want to, but I will take my good old state of Texas. So I meet these little slant-eyed boys, I will make them as hard to get as some of those old Matadors.

Let the boys they had better get up, for when they cross the border, good things will change quite a bit.

There are only four of us from this Btry., and I am the only one from that part of the state. The other three boys are from the south part of the state. I must stop and go get my rice and beans—that is what they feed most of the time—so thanks for the paper.

Will see you some day—I hope. Yours truly, P.F.C. Richard T. Stegall A.S.N. 38069567 Btry. A-28, F. A. B. N. A.P.O. 961 cr. Postmaster San Francisco, California



Merry Christmas

To All OUR BOYS In The ARMED SERVICE

BACK home on the rolling prairies of Texas our greatest concern is the welfare of you boys in camps, on the seas, in the trackless skies, on distant battle fronts. When this greeting reaches your hands you will know we have wished you a Merry Christmas from the bottom of our hearts . . . You are sacrificing all that there will always be a Christmas . . . To our friends and customers we extend greetings, with our sincere appreciation for your friendship and patronage.



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In the Armed Service

Lowell Barkley, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Barkley, enlisted in the Naval Air Corps on December 8, and is at his home here, awaiting his call to report for service.

Vernon Chambliss left Sunday to report for duty in a port in Virginia, to receive basic training as carpenter in the Seabees, Naval Construction.

Pvt. Harold Casey Jones, who is in the Medical Corps, stationed at Ft. Sam Houston, visited here last week with Mrs. Jones. They left during the week-end for Fort Worth, where they visited her parents before he returned to San Antonio. Mrs. Jones will remain with her relatives over the holidays.

P.F.C. Tuit Garnett arrived home Sunday from Ogdon, Utah, where he is stationed at Hill Field, and is spending the holidays with his wife here, and with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Garnett of Roaring Springs.

Pvt. James E. Cook left Tuesday of last week to return to San Luis Obispo, California, where he is stationed, after a furlough visit here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Cook and other relatives.

Cpl. Robert Birchfield of Duncan Field, Texas, arrived home this week for a holiday visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Birchfield.

Pvt. Donald A. Groves sends Christmas greetings from Chanute Field, Illinois, where he is stationed, and again says, "Thanks

for the paper." Thanks for the greeting, Donald.

A welcome Christmas greeting wire was received this week by the family of Cpl. Burrell Tipton of the U. S. Marine Corps, from an undisclosed locality, with this message, "Love and best wishes for Christmas and the New Year, to all at Home. All Well."

Sgt. Leroy Nelson has been transferred from Las Vegas, Nev., to Lowry Field, Denver, Colo. He is stationed at 2-T, SSS, Bks. 915.

Holman Knoy, formerly of Whiteflat, is at 877th MP, Company Aviation, SAAD, Duncan Field, Texas.

Ensign Paul Eubank is now at Miami, Fla., with the Air Operational Tr., Flight C, 48-T, USNAS.

A new Tribune subscriber is Pvt. Don Doby, Medical Detachment, ACFC, Palm Springs, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Mitchell were notified Monday that their son, Judge Doyle Mitchell, A. S. 2c, has been graduated from the course prescribed in the U. S. Navy Hospital Corps in San Diego, Calif.

L. R. Smith, former Matador resident, is now stationed with Batt 45, Co. D, Pit. 8, at Camp Allen, Va.

P.F.C. Noble Dirickson arrived home Friday from Camp Rucker, Alabama, for a furlough visit with his family over the holidays.

Two local boys on the west coast recently enlisted in the Naval Reserves. They are Aviation Cadet Norman Harp, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Harp and Aviation Cadet Stanley Dan Level, grandson of Mrs. Joe Gaines, who are receiving training at Chaffey College of Aeronautics, Baker, California.

Lt. Dick Groves, who was recently transferred to Colorado, writes now to advise that he is located at Peterson Field, Colorado, where he is with the 10th Photo Rcn.

Pvt. Glen A. Clements of Flomot

Crack Yugoslav Guard



NOT ONLY ARE YUGOSLAVS inside their own country fighting the enemy, with the noted General Draja Mihailovitch leading their guerilla warfare from the hills, but men of this valiant and often-attacked land now outside her boundaries, are uniting to aid in the war against aggression. Somewhere in the Middle East, standing side by side with their Allies to halt Hitler in any drives in that area or to play their part in any offensive action called for, are over 800 crack Yugoslav soldiers, members of the 1st Battalion, Royal Yugoslav Guard. In the above picture a detachment is seen utilizing a 3-inch mortar in attack manoeuvres.

is now stationed at Camp Bark-eley, Texas, where he is in Co A 63-Med. Tgn. Bn.

Cpl. Levi R. Wilkinson, who is now serving with the allied forces overseas, has the following address: Hdq. & Hdq. Sqdn. 12th. A. F. A.P.O. No. 650, cr. Postmaster, New York City, N. Y.

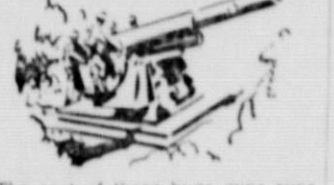
Wiley Fulfer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Foster Fulfer, enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, on December 1st, and receives his mail as follows: Pvt. M. W. Fulfer Pit. 1155, RD-M.C.B., San Diego, California.

Lt. Geo. D. Stapleton's latest address is: 345 North Grand, cr. California Hotel, Glendale, Calif.

Sgt. Raymond Harold Faulkner, has recently been transferred from

What You Buy With WAR BONDS

The biggest field gun in the Army. That's the 240-mm. howitzer. It's twenty-feet of barrel and must be pulled into position by tractors. After it is rolled into place, its own wheels are removed and the Big Bertha is set upon its emplacement ready to fire at its target some twenty miles away.



The cost of these huge guns runs into thousands of dollars but we can assure the Army of obtaining them by our purchases of War Bonds. Ten percent or more of your income is necessary. The easiest way is to join the Payroll Savings Plan at your office or factory. Let's "Top that ten percent."

U. S. Treasury Department

PUNCHES CLOCK AGAIN..FOR BOY IN JAP PRISON

Retired machinist back in harness puts 20% in War Bonds

Oscar used to be a first-class machinist. Five years ago he retired to live out the rest of his life on a pension. The other morning he showed up again at his old plant, which now makes war equipment, and asked for his old job back. When payday came, he signed up with the Payroll Savings Plan to put 20% of his pay in War Bonds. Seems Oscar's boy was on Bataan.

The Most You Can Save Is the Least You Can

With people like Oscar making real sacrifices to help win the war, is it too much for you to put aside as little as 10% of your pay for War Bonds? Sign up for at least 10% at your place of business today!

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to thank our friends and neighbors for the kindness and words of pathos in the recent death of our beloved mother, Mrs. Sadie C. ... also for the beautiful flowers. May God's richest rest upon each of you.

J. O. Harmon, Charlie Harmon, Gladys Harmon, Alice Harmon, Mrs. Ruby Hall.

1910 AUTO SCRAPPED

One of the first cars to enter Texas—a 1910 Stevens that was the property of J. Bryan, of Abilene, is into the scrap pile. The new \$3,350 and weighed 4,000 pounds.

DONATES CORSET STAY

Many oddities turn up drives. About the oddest bunch of steel corset stay made by an Austin woman.

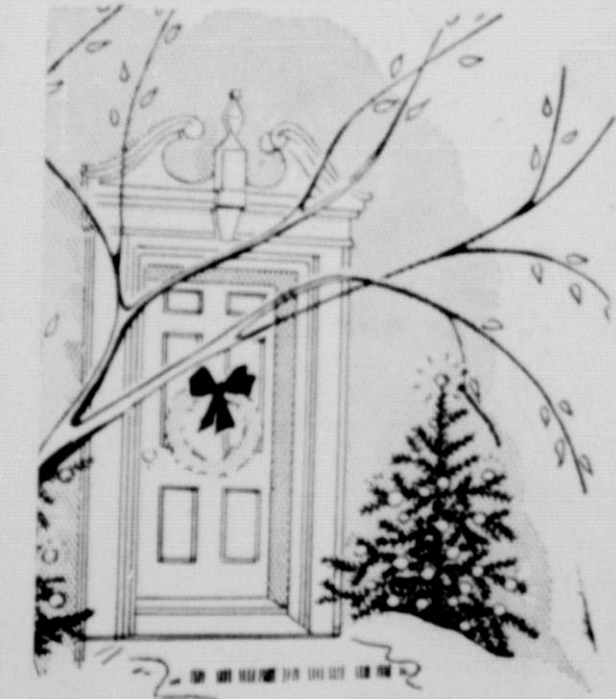
WANT ADS

FOR RENT: Fairview leacherage, good house, garage, outbuildings, water, \$10.00 per month. C. T. Jenkins, sec'y Board. 3t.

FOR SALE—Milk goat, fresh soon Mrs. C. E. Soadstom 2tp

FOR SALE—Good Hy-draulic dump bed. E. R. Henderson, Matador, Texas. 3tpd.

MERRY CHRISTMAS To Every Mother's Son in the Service



Just remember we're 'pretty proud' of every one of you and as the old American tradition goes, we say ...

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND BOYS HERE'S HOPING FOR YOUR NEW YEAR TO BE VICTORIOUS

Sincere Greetings to our Friends and Patrons MILLER and MILLER MOTOR FREIGHT FLOYD WEBB, Local Agent

CHRISTMAS BELLS

I heard the bells on Christmas Day Their old, familiar carols play, And wild and sweet The words repeat Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

And thought how, as the day had come, The belfries of all Christendom Had rolled along The unbroken song Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

Till, ringing, swinging on its way, The world revolved from night to day A voice, a chime, A chant sublime Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

Then from each black, accursed mouth The cannon thundered in the South And with the sound The carols drowned Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

It was as if an earthquake rent The hearth-stones of a continent, And made forlorn The households born Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

And in despair I bowed my head; "There is no peace on earth," I said; "For hate is strong— And mocks the song Of peace on earth, good-will to men!"

Then pealed the bells more loud and deep, "God is not dead; nor doth He sleep! The Wrong shall fail, The Right prevail, With peace on earth, good-will to men!"

—Henry Wadsworth Longfellow.

CARD OF THANKS

May we express our utmost gratitude to those who were so kind and thoughtful during the long illness and recent passing of our beloved mother, Mrs. C. L. Glenn. Your words of condolence and acts of kindness will always be remembered and appreciated. May God bless each of you.

The Family.

San Angelo, Texas, to Goodfellow Field, San Antonio, Texas, at the 56 Air Base.

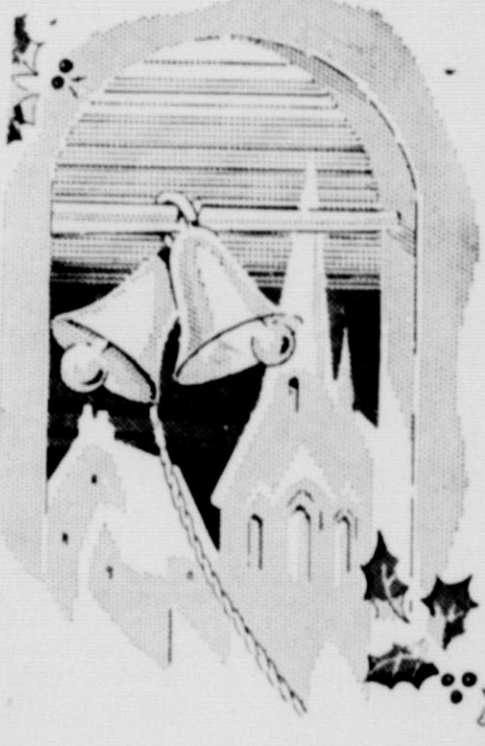
Pvt. Cecil D. Tanner, who has been stationed at Dover, Delaware has been transferred to the Municipal Airport, 394th Hdq. Air Base Sqdn. at Baltimore, Md. His home is Flomot.



FOR YOU, YOUR FAMILY, YOUR FRIENDS, OUR FRIENDS! ALL OUR BOYS IN THE ARMED SERVICE A. B. CLOYD SERVICE STATION FLOMOT



To All Our Boys IN THE Armed Service We Extend Sincere



SEASON'S GREETINGS

We appreciate your many sacrifices that there will always be a Christmas... we follow you, wherever you are, with our best wishes; our profound prayers.

Merry Christmas and a victorious New Year to our friends and customers at home. We are grateful for splendid patronage and cooperation.

CAMPBELL'S Food Markets Matador Roaring Springs

Christmas Gift From WLB

WASHINGTON—The fat old man in the red suit and white fur trim who turns up in the streets every year receiving gifts for the kiddies, Christmas present himself from the War Labor Board, stating that there is no Yuletide spirit, the board has a blanket wage consumption to all bona fide clauses on condition that they state a spirit of good will.

The board received a rush request from the National Retail Dry Goods Association, New York City, in behalf of a small store which it could pay its Santa Claus this year when last year it paid only \$20.

The resolution containing only "whereases," the board

promptly decided it had the power to grant exemptions "in the case of small total wage increases," and so resolved, provided:

"That the term bona fide Santa Clause shall be construed to include only such persons as wear a red robe, white whiskers and other well recognized accoutrements befitting their station in life and provided that they have a kindly and jovial disposition and use their high office of juvenile trust to spread the Christmas spirit of good will among all men, women and children; and,

"Provided further, that this exemption shall extend from the beginning of the Christmas season to the end thereof, and shall not be considered as a precedent, since the role of Santa Claus in a war-torn world is unique."

Army Families Receive Pay

\$150,000,000 GOES THIS MONTH TO DEPENDENTS

NEWARK, N. J.—Two million payments totalling more than \$150,000,000 will be sent this month to dependents of soldiers, Col. Harold N. Gilbert, director of the Office of Dependency Benefits, announced today.

This is the largest amount yet to be paid to soldiers' families, Colonel Gilbert said. The payments, which include nearly 250,000 first allowances on new claims.

Texas' first state institution of higher education is its Agricultural and Mechanical College, opened in 1883.

Perpetual Candle For U. S. Navy May Be Burning Yet In Brittany

LONDON, Dec. 11—A perpetual candle probably still burns in a little church on the coast of Brittany, honoring the United States Navy because of a gift that a young assistant secretary of the navy made to the church in 1918.

The story of this candle, told for the first time, now is being distributed among the people of France. How they receive the story is a war secret, but here it is:

Early in August, 1918, the assistant secretary was making an inspection of U. S. naval air stations on the Brittany coast. He was proceeding from one station to another when his pilot car knocked down an elderly priest, injuring him slightly. When the assistant secretary got there a few minutes later, he apologized on the

navy's behalf and offered compensation.

The priest replied that he most certainly did not want to accept any compensation from his friends of the American navy, which was doing so much in the cause of saving France.

Then he asked if there was something that the navy could do for his church—a venerable shrine dating back to the 14th century.

The priest's eyes filled with tears.

"Oh, if I could have a little contribution toward the fund I have been gathering all my life to have the stained glass windows replaced, it would mean more to me than anything else in the world," he said.

The panes, he explained, were among the most ancient in France, and had not been replaced since about 1750.

The American asked how much it would cost.

"One thousand francs—a sum far greater than we could possibly raise," was the reply.

The assistant secretary thereupon wrote out a navy requisition for \$200 and gave it to the aged priest.

Several months later, an officer reported that he had visited the church and that the work of re-leading the windows was nearly completed. In one of the bays, he said, a perpetual candle had been lighted by the priest in honor of the United States Navy.

Six or eight years later it was still burning. No doubt it is still burning now—unless the Germans have put it out.

The assistant secretary of the

navy in 1918, of course, is the President of the United States in 1942.

There are more than 160 public and college libraries in Texas.

In per capita state support of public schools, Texas is among the leading states of the nation.

You can figure this one out—"When a doctor gets sick and another doctor doctors him, does the doctor doing the doctoring have to doctor the way the doctor being doctoring wants to be doctoring, or does the doctor doing the doctoring of the doctor doctor in his own way?"

Ninety-eight Engineering Science and Management War Training courses are now in progress or in process of organization in 17 Texas cities under sponsorship of the University of Texas.

\$200,000 WAR NOTES

purchase of \$200,000 in war notes in one order was announced Thursday morning by the Fort Worth Victory Fund headquarters.

The Lingo Company, lumber dealer with headquarters in Fort Worth and yards in 32 West Texas cities and towns, made the purchase. The securities bought were of 1 per cent Certificates of Indebtedness, which run for one year.

Announcement of the purchase was made by Arthur Deffebach, president and treasurer, and Clyde Jones, vice-president.

Because of Government restrictions on buildings and inability to purchase supplies of some materials the company had accumulated a surplus fund which was used in the war effort.

At the time comes the company restock, the funds will be available, as the term certificates is relatively long.

Investment was not made until after consultation had been had with Willard Burton, president and director of the company; J. M. Lingo Sr., director; W. M. Lingo Sr., secretary, and they, as well as Deffebach and Jones, agreed

that no finer use could be made of the money and no safer "buy" could be made than war securities.

S. M. Milstead, manager of the Fort Worth yard of Burton-Lingo, made the sale. He is a member of Homer Covey's group of volunteer campaigners. Details of the transaction were handled by H. C. Burke Jr., of the Continental National Bank.

"This purchase is an example which we are sure that other corporations and concerns will follow," said Clarence Hendricks, manager of the Victory Fund campaign in the Fort Worth region. "Funds that have been accumulated for inventory and which can not be used for that purpose because of a shortage of materials and expansion funds that likewise can not be used because of priorities—these are illustrations of the surplus money of businesses that can be invested to help win the war and, at the same time, bring in revenue to the investor."—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

The local government of Texas is carried on through 7,796 local units of which 254 counties are the basic subdivisions.

Control of public education in Texas is vested primarily in local administrative units, consisting of approximately 998 independent and 5,581 common school districts.

Local support of public school property is estimated as nearly \$3,000,000,000.



WE SALUTE THE MEN IN SERVICE

AND EXTEND OUR SINCERE

MERRY CHRISTMAS

WITH BEST WISHES FOR A

Victorious New Year

We desire to bring a Christmas greeting to the men in service, in distant camps, on the dangerous seas, in the trackless skies. We want you to know that our thoughts are first of you. Wherever this message finds you, it will bring appreciation, Good Will and Best Wishes. Our obligation, our hopes and our prayers are for your safety. Merry Christmas to each of YOU.

A Merry Christmas and successful New Year to all of our friends and customers at home.



Hall-Scruggs & Co.

PADUCAH, TEXAS

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL Men In Service

Faith Must Never Perish...

Faith is the great power that has shown mankind the more sublime horizons. It is the substance of childhood dreams and the strength of great and humble men and women. It is the tide upon which nations rise and fall; the unfaltering voice when all else is darkness.

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War is Cause Of Increased Bible Reading

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 12—what effect has one year of warfare had upon the religious thinking of the American people? The answer to this question may be found in part by an examination of the Bible reading habits of people throughout the country. At the suggestion of the American Bible Society, which, with churches all over the country, will mark universal Bible Sunday tomorrow, the Institute had field reporters sound the American people on the use they have been making of the Bible in their homes.

The survey, taken from coast to coast, reveals that whereas 10 in every 100 persons interviewed say they read the Bible every day, 41 out of every 100 frankly admit that they have not looked in the Bible within the last year.

Translated into terms of the adult population, this means that about eight and one-half million people say they read their Bibles daily, that about 35,000,000 say they have not read it within a year.

Five in every one hundred or a little more than four million persons say they are reading the Bible more often today than they did before the war.

On the other hand a small percentage say they are not reading the Bible as much as they did before the war because of the pressure of extra work since Pearl Harbor.

Many of those who said they were not reading the Bible any more frequently than heretofore point out that they are reading it more seriously now, either because they have come to depend upon their religion more than before the war or because they hope to get a better understanding of the war and the future of the world from their reading.

More than twice as many women as men read the Bible daily. More men than women have not looked into the Bible within the past year.

Moreover, farmers and residents of small communities are more given to daily reading of the Bible than are those who live in large cities.

And more than three times as many persons who are 50 years of age or over read the Bible daily as men and women who are between the ages of 21 and 29. More than half of the younger people have not looked at the Bible within the past year, while this is true of only 29 per cent of those 50 or over.

In answer to a question concerning which of the books or

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FARM, RANCH PAYMENTS HAVE SMALL ADVANCE

COLLEGE STATION, Dec. 15—Efficient use of practices to conserve future productivity of grassland highlights the 1943 AAA range program in Texas.

Major changes in the program include additional production practices, increases in rates of payment and combination of all farmland and rangeland under one program, Howard T. Kingsbery, state AAA committeeman and rancher from Santa Anna, has announced.

Kingsbery pointed out that although payments for some practices would be increased over last year's rate that the total production allowance for individual ranches would remain approximately the same as under previous programs.

New rates on prickly pear eradication have been set at 75 cents, \$1, and \$1.50 per acre for light, medium and heavy infestation, respectively, while mesquite and huisache have been increased to \$1.50, \$3.00 and \$5.00 per acre, respectively, for the various types of infestations.

Payment for eradicating heavy cedar will be \$3.00 instead of \$1.50 under the 1943 program, the AAA committeeman said and added that light cedar has been advanced to \$1 per acre and medium cedar to \$2 per acre.

Only two supplemental practices, control of bitterweed, and elimination of other noxious plants can be carried out in connection with deferred grazing, he said. Other practices which formerly were incorporated under the deferred grazing practice now have been changed to a regular practice basis and may be paid for out of the regular production allowance.

Included are elimination of prairie dogs, gophers and kangaroo rats, and laying of pipe lines from wells, springs or storage tanks. Purpose of the latter practice is to provide adequate water for livestock on poorly watered range lands.

Sodding and seeding permanent grasses have been increased to \$4.50 and \$4 per acre, respectively. Under the 1942 program, established rates were \$3 for sodding and maximum of \$2 per acre for seeding.

According to Kingsbery, grasses parts of the Bible people find most interesting, 10 out of every 100 said "all of it," while among those who had special preferences more persons mentioned the New Testament than the Old Testament.

In the New Testament, one or more of the Gospels came as first choice among those questioned, and Revelations came second. Also frequently mentioned were Paul's Letters, Life of Christ, and Luke.

The Psalms were first choice of those who mentioned the Old Testament. Next came Genesis, then the Ten Commandments. Other books and parts of the Old Testament mentioned most frequently were the Proverbs, Ruth, Job, and the Prophets.



God Rest You—

God rest you, merry gentlemen,
Let nothing you dismay,
For Jesus Christ, our Saviour,
Was born upon this day.
To save us all from Satan's power
When we were gone astray,
O tidings of comfort and joy,
For Jesus Christ, our Saviour
Was born on Christmas Day!

—Old English Carol

MOVE TO AUSTIN

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Patton with their young son, left Monday of last week for Austin, where they will make their home, and where Mr. Patton is employed by the American Refining Company.

Mrs. Patton's sister, Mrs. Stafford Forbis accompanied them, and plans to remain there, since her husband's enlistment in the U. S. Navy. Mr. Forbis is stationed in San Diego, California.

IN BAYLOR HOSPITAL

Billy Pharis, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Pharis of Matador, is a patient in Baylor Hospital, Dallas, where he underwent an operation Monday of last week, for a bone infection.

Younge Pharis has suffered the malady for several years, and has undergone several operations. He had been improving satisfactorily until about a month ago when he again became afflicted and another operation was deemed necessary. His mother has been with him while in the hospital.

recommended for the permanent seeding practice include bermuda, Rhodes, carpet, bluestem, blue grama, buffalo, dallis and bermuda or carpet, side-oats grama and native mixtures.

Other production practices for which payments will be made are: contour listing, furrowing and chiseling, constructing drainage ditches, spreader terraces, dams and reservoirs, concrete or rubble masonry dams or drops, enlarging rubble-masonry dams, drilling wells, developing springs or seeps, planting forest trees, eliminating lechguilla and sagebrush, noxious underbrush, bushes and shrubs, and plowing fireguards.

Under the 1942 range program, approximately 68,455,583 acres of rangeland in Texas were covered by range worksheets.

ACCIDENTS HAD UNUSUAL YEAR DURING 1942

CHICAGO, Dec. 12—With the war and all, this was an unusual year—even in accidents.

Hundreds of folk hurt themselves and others in the simple, straightforward, old line ways, but many others became involved in mishaps as complicated and in orthodox as a blueprint for an amphibious threshing machine.

Consider for example, the case of Mrs. Julien Herbert of New Orleans. A cat scratched her. She grabbed a revolver, pursued the perfidious pet, but tripped over her small son. The gun went off wounding the child in the knee. Shocked and shaken, Mrs. Herbert hurled the weapon into the backyard. It discharged again, wounding her in the foot. The cat escaped unscathed.

That was one of a score of incidents cited Thursday by the National Safety Council in submitting a documented report that even accidents were odd in topsy turvy 1942.

Another concerned Joe Konecny of Great Bend, Kan. He stored his car in a Little Rock, Ark., garage, and set out on an auto trip with a friend. Their automobile collided with another near Mountain Home Ark. Konecny crawled from the wreckage and looked with understandable amazement at the other machine. It was his own car. It had been stolen from the Little Rock garage.

Then there was the comedown of Wallace D. Smith of Louisville, Ky. He was flying an airplane at a low altitude. He saw a girl, thought he recognized her and waved. She waved back. While distracted by his fancy-seeing-you here discovery, his aerial trip ended in a tree top. He clambered down, hurried to the girl friend to assure her he wasn't injured—and found that she was a total stranger.

Strict observance of the rules of the road proved painful to Mrs. Columbo Fanucci, of Stockton, Cal. While riding a bicycle, she thrust out her hand to signal a left turn. It went through the window of a passing auto.

Misfortune blew hot and cold on Carl Kaufman. He was treated for chills after being trapped in a Milford Center, Ohio packing house refrigerator for four hours.

And—only three hours later—his truck caught fire. He was treated for burns.

THEY'LL TAKE GROCERIES AND GET HOME COOKING

LONDON, Dec. 10—When American soldiers go out for Christmas dinner with British families they'll go well stocked.

So that the troops will not be a burden upon their hosts, the Army has arranged for each soldier to take along a food basket containing "more than any one man could eat." It will contain such delicacies as bacon, coffee, milk, fruit, tomato juice, butter, lard, tea and rice.

EMERGENCY OPERATION

Thurman Fulkerson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fulkerson, underwent an emergency appendicitis operation in Albany, California, Monday of last week, and is reported to be improving satisfactorily.

He has been employed on the west coast since early spring.

Mrs. Carlos Clower and children Don and Barbara, left Friday for Fort Worth, where she will be employed. Mr. Clower will join his family at the close of the ginning season here.



PROTECT Your Home!

Don't forget that fire strikes without warning! Be prepared. Practice safety methods—but be sure you are insured.

WE SELL ALL KINDS OF INSURANCE!

Motley County Insurance Co.

J. R. Whitworth—
—Elmer Stearns

Santa Letters

Whiteflat, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl 7 years old. Please bring me a doll and some candy and nuts, oranges and apples.
I am going to school at Whiteflat and in the third grade, and I like my teacher fine.
from Lola Fay Yynch.

Matador, Texas
Dec. 10, 1942
Dear Santa Claus:
I'm a little boy 3 years old, and I've been a good little boy so you would bring me a choo choo train, some nuts and candy, chewing gum and a ball.
And Santa, bring my little brother David, a choo choo train, candy, gum and a ball too.
Don Pitts

Whiteflat, Texas
Dec. 12, 1942
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a doll and buggy. I would like to have a robe and house slippers.
I have a baby brother that I didn't have last Christmas, so don't forget him. He would like a teddybear and blocks I think.

Santa, if you have a blue housecoat and slippers, I would like to have that color, because my hair is still red, you know.
Don't forget the candy, nuts and fruit.

Love to you,
from Joanne Darsey
P. S. I would like to have a doll that can say "papa" and "mama."

Matador, Texas
12-14-42

Dear Santa:
Please bring me the following for Christmas:
Krazy Ikes, 77c; Doctor Kit, \$1.10; Mechanical Tractor, \$1.69; Garage Parks (2 autos) \$1.00, also bring nuts, candy, oranges and apples please.

I have been a very good boy this year and haven't had a whipping at home or in school this year.

I love you Santa,
Neal Pipkin

Roaring Springs, Texas
December 14, 1942

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl ten years old. I have been a good girl this year and have helped mother and my older sister. I would like for you to bring me a doll that will cry and sleep. I would also like to have some nuts and fruits. I can not eat candy. Please don't forget my teacher and all my little school mates, and the little boys and girls that are over their where they are fighting. Thanks a lot. Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
Your Friend,
Ida Lois Farris

Matador, Texas
Dec. 14, 1942

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a doll with long curly hair and with a pretty blue dress on. I also want a doll buggy large enough for my baby doll Shirley to ride in, and a water color set, a pair of house shoes and some candy. Please bring my baby brother something too.
Love,
Betty Ruth Smalley

Matador, Texas
Dec. 9, 1942

Dear Santa Claus:
Some big boys told me there wasn't any real Santa, they said that your Dad was Santa Claus, but my daddy was in the Hospital blind last Christmas and he came to see me any way. So I know there is a Santa Claus.

Don't bring me much this Christmas, just a pair of boots so I can wear my spurs, but please be good to my big brothers Joe and Harris because they are in the Army. Just give them plenty of ammunition and planes so they can fight for us.

A true believer of Santa Claus.
Wayne Odell Muse.

Roaring Springs, Texas
December 14, 1942

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy six years old. I have been a good little boy and helped daddy in the field. Would you please bring me a little train and tracks. I would like to have some candy, nuts and fruit if you have plenty. Please don't forget my teacher and school-mates, and the little boys and girls that are so unhappy because of the War where they live. Hoping that you have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Your friend,
John Lewis Farris.

Matador, Texas
Dec. 14, 1942

Dear Santa:



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In Motley, Floyd, Cottle, and Dickens counties...
One year, in advance...
Elsewhere, One year...

Any erroneous reflection of the character of any person appearing in these columns will be gladly and promptly corrected upon being brought to the attention of the manager.

"THERE IS GLORY ENOUGH FOR ANY MAN TO LIVE AND DIE A TEXAN"

I have been a pretty good so please bring me an ad tool set and some nuts, and fruit. Please bring my little doll that cries and has dishes. Don't forget Daddy Mother.

Yours truly,
Leroy Henshaw

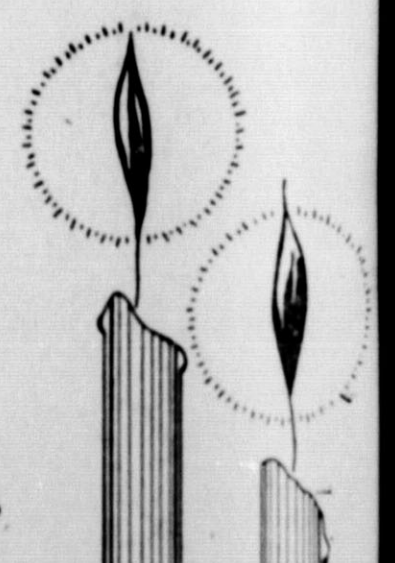
Roaring Springs, Texas
December 14, 1942

Dearest Ole Santa Claus:
How I wish I could see you! Would you please bring me a Doctor Kit and please forget my little cousin, Dugy Bird. So hurry on with our Thanks a lot,
Yvonne Brand



To All Men In Service

We Wish You A
Merry Christmas
AND A
VICTORIOUS NEW YEAR



Yuletide...

That magic season when we desire most to wish our friends greater happiness... to express our gratitude for their favors... when we rededicate our pledge of greater service to our friends and customers, to our country and our flag....

SOUTHWESTERN SEWER CO.
"GUARDIAN OF COMMUNITY HEALTH"

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A Victorious New Year TO ALL OUR BOYS In The Armed Service
We appreciate your sacrifices that we back home may continue to enjoy the blessings of democracy.
VOGUE BEAUTY SHOP
IRENE GROVES, Manager
BUNA HODGES, Operator

Glass' Is Important Industry

GA. Dec. 3—Thanks to the mica industry of Georgia, North Carolina and Vermont...

As an insulating material mica is used in the booster equipment of transoceanic radio tubes and condensers...

Carolina remained as the domestic producer, but it applied the needs of a nation...

Garland Peyton, Georgia's geologist, thinks the state is mica business to stay this year...

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY December, 1942 FARMERS OF AMERICA. More farm scrap is needed. Farm scrap is needed now in large amounts to blend with lighter scrap gathered in the recent city drive...

Claude B. Wickard Secretary of Agriculture

He was due at two o'clock that day, and after church Edith hurried home to get ready. At 1:30 she was seated restlessly awaiting the doorbell. She was still waiting at 2:30, for Ken did not arrive. And Edith was getting hungry.

"What? But I sent a special delivery message when the boss asked me to finish that laboratory experiment this afternoon. What happened to it?" The blundering old landlady answered him. "Please come in or go out, and close the door," she barked from the hall.



Students Chosen For Honor Society

LUBBOCK, Dec. 18—Keith Patton and Kara Hunsucker of Matador are among the 84 Texas Technological college students chosen this fall for membership in Alpha Chi, national honorary scholarship society.

Muleshoe, Texas, was named after an early day ranch which had only a muleshoe for branding stock. Buescher-Bastrop Park, Bastrop county, famous for "lost pines," is one of Texas' best developed state parks.

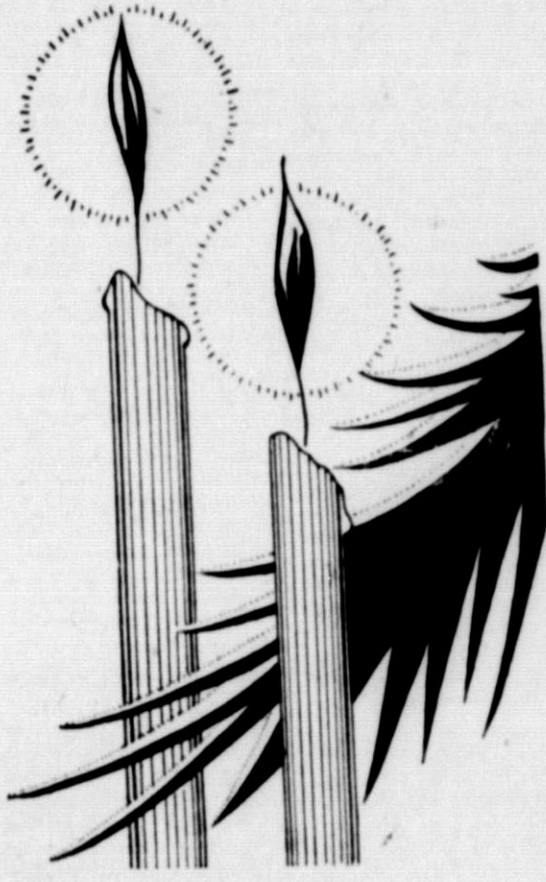
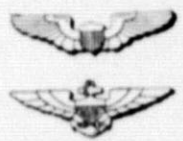
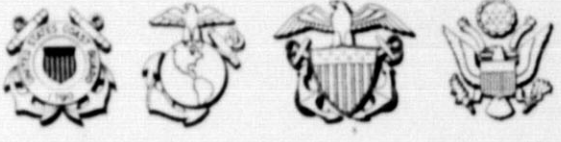
ing reports on prospects in 30 counties. Mica is taken from deep in the earth in "books" which may be from six inches to almost three feet thick.

SPECIAL DELIVERY (A CHRISTMAS STORY)

EDITH'S drab room overlooked a snow-covered roof. Not the clean, cheery snow like they had back home on the farm but a murky gray covering on which rested soot of a thousand city chimneys.



Yes, it was the mailman! And then came the shrill cry: "Miss Harris! Some mail for you!" Edith practically leaped downstairs, for there would be her package from home.



To All Our Boys In The Armed Service.... WE WISH YOU A Merry Christmas AND A Victorious New Year

Christmas Greetings...

We wish to thank our friends and customers for their patron and loyalty.

Merry Christmas To The Boys — Berryman's Laundry MRS. TOM BERRYMAN, Manager

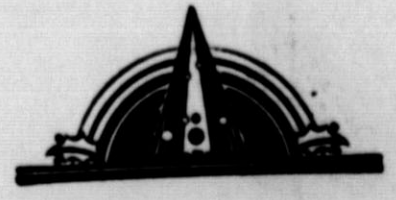
MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL Our Boys In The Service To everyone we offer our sincere thanks for your business and friendship... Our best wishes for a Merry Yuletide and a Victorious New Year.

CUNNINGHAM BAKERY MATADOR L. J. Cunningham, Manager



To our friends and patrons we extend our most sincere greetings and appreciation for the splendid business you have given us this season.

We hope to always justify your confidence and remain your friends.



Farmer's Co-op Gin H. C. DUNCAN, Manager MATADOR, TEXAS

"White Christmas" At Austin; Gifts Made Of Cotton

AUSTIN, Dec. 17—Santa Claus visited state officials and employees today at an annual Christmas tree program held in the House of Representatives under sponsorship of the state-wide cotton committee of Texas.

December being designated as "cotton gift month," all presents were made of cotton. Gifts were presented to Gov. Coke R. Stevenson by H. H. Williamson, director of the Texas extension service, and by T. H. Houston of McKinney, of the Texas Cotton Seed Crushers association.

Agriculture Commissioner J. E. McDonald acted as Santa Claus. He distributed presents to Lieut. Gov.-Elect John Lee Smith, Speaker Homer Leonard, President T. O. Walton of A&M college, President Homer P. Rainey of the University of Texas, Ernest Boyett, secretary to Gov. Stevenson, John Lee of the cotton research committee, Adj. Gen. J. Watt Page and Bob Barker, secretary of the senate.

Governor Gets Shirt, Tie

Two of Gov. Stevenson's gifts were a blue cotton shirt and a red and white polka dot tie to wear "when you go hunting to protect you from your friends," Williamson said in making the presentation.

L. T. Murray of Waco, vice chairman of the committee, was master of ceremonies. A message from Burris C. Jackson, chairman, who was not able to attend, was read by Charles E. Burris of New Braunfels. Dr. Rainey said the invocation. Gifts left on the tree will be given to inmates of state institutions. Cookies made from cotton flour by T. J. Harrel of Ft. Worth were passed to the audience.

ON HONOR ROLL

ABILENE—Gerene Bannister, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Bannister of Roaring Springs is listed on the honor roll at Abilene Christian College, which has been compiled by the registrar from the second six weeks' reports. This honor roll is composed of students who are in the upper ten percent of the class in one or more courses.

WICKARD PRAISES SCRAP ACTIVITY OF U. S. FARMERS

Present Scrap Piles Likened To Corn Cribs As Source of Supply To Steel Mills

The mounting dependence of Uncle Sam on the farmers of the Nation is seen in the eloquent message of Secretary of Agriculture Claude Wickard addressed to the farmers of America. Mr. Wickard calls attention to the continuing need for farm scrap; praises farmers for their patriotic past efforts in the national salvage program; and asks their further cooperation in the nation-wide scrap hunt, recently launched by War Production Board Chairman Donald Nelson, to round up as much of the remaining farm scrap as possible, during the last few weeks of 1942.

The Government's continuing appeal for scrap iron and steel, in the face of the huge piles of scrap seen on every hand is not hard to understand when the facts are known, said Leasing J. Rosenwald, Director of the Conservation Division in Washington. The steel industry Mr. Rosenwald pointed out, must have a reservoir of scrap materials on which to draw throughout the winter and spring months, when scrap collections are much smaller than they are at other seasons of the year.

As the need arises, the piles of scrap which are now being built up will be drawn into steel production through the regular channels, after being first sorted and processed by government regulated scrap dealers, who are the only agencies equipped to do this work," Mr. Rosenwald said. Scrap dealers, handicapped by labor shortages, report that they are handling more metal scrap than ever before. The importance of their work lies in the fact that there are 75 dif-

ferent grades of iron and steel scrap, each of which must be separated from the others and shipped separately in carload lots. The steel mills cannot use mixed scrap. An old tractor may contain 25 or 30 different grades of metal. This means that it must be completely dismantled (a job requiring considerable time and labor) and all parts must be separated and sorted according to grade.

Steel mills also require scrap dealers to prepare all scrap in accordance with certain specifications. This requires special equipment, such as electric cutting torches, shears, baling presses, cranes, etc. Storage facilities are also a necessary part of the scrap store each grade of metal separately until he has enough weight to make a full carload.

The Department of Agriculture stresses the importance of farmers salvaging all usable parts from worn-out machinery to be used in repairing other machines. All old equipment should be repaired if possible, and put to work on the owner's farm, or sold to someone who needs it.

If it can't be repaired, they say, scrap it now. Uncle Sam needs the metal for weapons of war. Farmers are urged not to hold on to worn-out machines because of certain usable parts they contain, but to remove the parts now and scrap the rest of the machine.

Secretary Wickard closes his message with a statement that could well be used as a slogan for the entire scrap effort—"If it can't be used on the farm front, turn it in for scrap and it will be used on the battle front."

Bethlehem Star Is Blackout Victim

BETHLEHEM, Pa., Dec. 16—The star of Bethlehem will not shine this Christmas Eve.

Nor will the Kaleidoscope of lights with which this Pennsylvania city, named for the birthplace of Jesus, annually has commemorated his coming. The pale light that shines will be that of beeswax candles, traditional among the Moravian residents whose ancestors founded this Bethlehem, and of steel mill furnaces, shielded from sky-borne dis-

turburs of the Christmas peace.

The streets will be dark, but as Mayor Robert Pfeifle says, "It wouldn't be right for them to be all lit up when our boys are out in the darkness fighting for us."

The 90-foot man-made Christmas star that shone 20 miles from South Mountain and the eight to ten miles of colored lights that drew crowds of shoppers to Bethlehem in the days before gasoline rationing—they will be missing.

"They'd make too good an air raid target," says the mayor of a city in which the steel mills guard every ray of light. "Besides, they'd cost the city \$4,000 to \$5,000. We've turned over \$3,000 of that money to buy equipment for the Civilian Defense Corps."

Old Santa Rides General Grant Tank To Take Goodies To English Children

AT A U. S. TANK BASE SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND, Dec. 17—Santa Claus came rumbling across the fields in a General Grant tank today, bringing more candy for each of the children of this village than they ordinarily get in months.

Some day the English children of the village may forget the war but it is doubtful if they will ever forget the Christmas party the American soldiers gave for them.

The beribboned tanks not only brought candy but toys far better than most children will see this toy-scarce Christmas, rare American soft drinks by the gallon and enough fudge, fruit and coke to satisfy stomachs all around.

"All Dolled Up"

Dolled up in their best party clothes, even though some of their careworn mothers had come in faded housedresses—the hundred squealing kids were mainly children of British soldiers' away at war.

In the three years since they had seen their daddies go away clothes had become scarcer, food and fun shorter. Bombers and strafers had roared down over their homes and villages. Every night was the same—black and dark.

Then the funny-talking Americans came with their big machines, their laughter and their jokes. And finally the party.

The colonel (who must be nameless) at this tank base suggested it. The officers sacrificed a month's candy ration to provide armloads of sweets and peanuts, and chipped in \$2 apiece for the toy fund.

Soapy Gets Winter Lodgings Without Breaking Windows

DALLAS, Dec. 20—Almost a plagiarism on O. Henry's story of Soapy was the story told to Justice of the Peace W. L. Sterrett Friday by a 73-year-old vagrant.

"Toothless," gray haired and shabbily dressed, the man was brought before Sterrett to explain why he had been begging on the streets. He had been in the County Jail a week.

"Yer honor," said the vag, "I have been happier this last week than I have been for many years. I have made some real friends among the boys in the jail—they're not such bad fellows after you get to know them. I would hate to lose their friendship.

"I am an old man. I have no home, no relatives, no prospect of work.

"Send me back to the jail until next spring—I'll starve or freeze to death if you do not."

Sterrett obligingly assessed a

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Records Must Be Kept Meat Animals Killed

The approach of cool, "hog" weather, the State OPA again cautions farmers, and others who slaughter animals for home consumption as well as for delivery to others, should acquaint themselves with the restrictions now in effect regarding such slaughtering. A person who slaughters and delivers to others even as much as a single animal of the sort listed in a meat restriction order of the OPA is subject to the restrictions of the order.

Animals covered by the restrictions are cattle, calves, sheep, and hogs.

Records of all slaughtering for delivery to others must be kept for inspection by the OPA by everyone from a country or farmer who slaughters for others to the largest slaughterhouses.

Records must be kept within the premises by the order for delivery

to civilians. These limits are in two classes. The larger slaughterers—those who kill more than 500,000 pounds during a calendar quarter—are limited in their civilian delivery to the following percentages of the kinds of meat that delivered to civilians in the corresponding quarter of 1941: beef, 70 per cent; pork, 75 per cent; lamb and mutton, 95 per cent, and veal, 100 per cent.

1941 Output Is Limit

All over slaughterers are limited to an amount not exceeding that of each kind of meat slaughtered and delivered to other civilians in the corresponding quarter of 1941. Canners and cutter grades of beef are defined as a special kind and in the handling of these also the smaller or "non-quota" slaughterers may not deliver more of this kind of meat than they did in the same quarter of 1941.

It was emphasized by the OPA that the main purpose of this meat restriction order is to insure that enough meat is made available for the fighting forces until meat rationing is started. Equitable distribution among civilians is in the hands of meat slaughterers themselves and the OPA appealed to them to live up to this responsibility.

SANTA VISITS CANYON MUSEUM

By Patricia Peck

The genial gentleman from the North came early this year to the Panhandle-Plains Museum at Canyon, Texas. The reindeer sleigh is a truck and the gifts are crates of fine paintings, silver, bronze, china and wood. St. Nicholas lives no farther from Canyon than Farwell, Texas, and his other name is Judge D. Farwell.

Judge Hamlin's presentation of his collection of art objects marks the biggest gift the museum has ever had and is one of the largest of its kind to be given to any southwestern museum.

The main floor of the museum has been rearranged by Curator F. Sheffy and Boone McClure, assistant curator, to show some of the paintings already. Only when the new addition to the building is finished can the collection be adequately housed.

Included in the gift is what is possibly the largest collection of canvases of the Nineteenth Century artist, F. P. Sauerwen. Sketches by Inness, Daubigny, Twathen, Imhof, Miles, Dupre, Keigh, Ranger, Thourlow, Martin, Moran, Homer and Blakelock will be exhibited as a group. Among landscapes by Royal Academy artists are two by Millais and Creswick, and typical examples of impressionistic art are included.

Poliomyelitis Is Cause Of Apprehension

AUSTIN—The appearance of scattered cases of poliomyelitis in one or two Texas communities has resulted in considerable apprehension and a request for the closing of certain schools.

According to the State Health Department, closing schools has very little effect on the control of this disease. In a community recently studied, there were 22 cases reported, only nine of which were of school age, and these nine represented several different schools. This record does not point in any way to the school as a source of infection.

To inform the public on the best procedure to follow when poliomyelitis is suspected, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, has issued the following statement.

"All suspected cases should be reported immediately to the county health officer and isolated for a minimum of 14 days. Concurrent and terminal disinfection should be employed as in typhoid. It might be well to hospitalize the patient and good medical care is imperative.

"Except for the attendant, members of the family should stay away from the patient. The wage earner, unless employed with food handling, should be free to continue his work. Preschool children in the family should be greatly restricted if not entirely excluded from community activity.

"School children should be observed daily for signs of upper respiratory infection or fever. Upon

the appearance of such symptoms, they should be excluded from school until a definite diagnosis is made. Children as well as adults should avoid overactivity to the point of fatigue. Maintain nutri- tion at the best possible level and be sure to get plenty of fresh air and sunshine."

Originally a trading post, Seymour, Texas, county seat of Baylor county, stands at the crossing of the old Dodge and California trails.

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Gene Receives Copy Of Newspaper "Down Under"

The copy of the "Sunday Telegraph" from Australia, dated Sunday, Dec. 2, 1942, was received by Gene Douglas Meador, editor of the "Down Under" newspaper. The copy of the "down under" newspaper was sent with compliments of Congressman Worley, who has returned from Washington after Navy combat duty in the South Pacific.

The attached note said, "Dear Gene: Picked this up 'down under' and thought you might be interested. Regards, Gene W."

The newspaper compares favorably with any modern "Tab" published in this country, printed in color and using the most modern type faces obtainable. The reporting is frank and unflinching. Reporters unmask black and white scandals with a full page of findings. Here is a typical paragraph:

East Sydney grocer charged yesterday morning for a 20 cent bottle of olive oil, Mrs. Madeleine Comino, of William street, was charged last night.

Mrs. Comino said that a chemist whom she showed the bottle for the list price was 3-4. "If the olive oil for a cripple," she added. "I took the oil price asked because I knew I would not be able to get it else-where."

Mrs. Comino said a friend was charged when she bought the oil, they were prepared to give evidence against the grocer."

Marjorie Campbell Club Member

The students initiated the Beta Beta Alpha, co-ed business administration society at the University of Texas, Austin, this year. Miss Marjorie Campbell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Campbell of Roaring Springs, is a member of the organization.

Members of the organization are juniors or seniors in business administration, and for inauguration ceremonies turn out in traditional navy blue dress with white collars—long recognized as the "office girl's" uniform. Blue and white are the colors of the non-military

LATE MAILING TO CAUSE DELAY OF PARCEL POST

Some of the public—but not enough—are heeding the warnings of the Post Office Department that Christmas gifts must be mailed this year earlier than ever before, if reports from seven of the largest post offices in the United States prove to be typical. Six of these offices, queried on Christmas mailings, reported that gift parcels had started moving through the mails from 10 to 12 days earlier than in previous years. The seventh reported some rise in parcel post but no broad gain in Christmas mailings. Christmas cards—one of the most difficult problems because of the public's habit of mailing them in a last-minute deluge—also have started to move, but in only small numbers.

But, postal officials warn, the early mailings are not yet in sufficient volume to prevent delay in deliveries of gifts until after Christmas unless mailings are increased sharply at once, and practically completed by December 15. Wartime burdens on transportation and on the postal service make it essential that the peak of mailings be far earlier than in normal times.


Postmaster General Frank C. Walker, who has held repeated conferences with high officials of his Department on the Christmas mail problem, again called attention to the absolute necessity of public cooperation.

"My Department is handling a variety of big wartime tasks, in addition to the distribution of civilian mail," he said. "We handle a vast amount of Army and Navy mail within this country until it reaches military and naval stations or embarkation ports, where it is taken over for delivery by the Army and Navy. We write many millions of dollars' worth of war bonds, sell immense numbers of war stamps, handle huge volume of official correspondence and printed matter. Our service is burdened with war work and so is the transportation system that carries the mails.

"There has never been a time in the history of the postal service when there was more necessity for the public to mail parcels and cards early if delivery is to be made by Christmas."

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Peace For China Based Upon Wisdom Of Sages

The Christian Science Monitor

CHUNGKING, China, Nov. 28.—One of the most important ideological developments in China during the last two or three years has been an effort to revive the application of the political wisdom of the ancient Chinese sages.

A recent article in the Government organ, the Central Daily News, on the "importance of establishing upright statesmanship" dealing with a speech of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek throws an interesting sidelight on this development.

The main question discussed in the recent meeting of the Political Science Association in Chungking concerned general problems that will arise at the return of peace, and especially the issue of post-war political reconstruction in China. The generalissimo's statements before the Association can be condensed into two points:

1. China's political philosophy must be clarified.

2. The purport and teachings of the famous sages and statesmen of Chinese history must be promoted.

The Generalissimo emphasized that in discussing politics in China it is necessary to take cognizance of China's ancient political philosophy and history. He recalled the teachings of Confucius, the basis on which modern Chinese philosophy must be developed.

Clarification Needed
Stating that "China's conception of politics has always been rather confused" and that political education is a prerequisite to "uprightness of statesmanship" the editorial continues:

"A nation must have an appropriate political philosophy. Some races must adopt a certain set of principles of political philosophy while others will find it necessary to change those principles for themselves. It is therefore scarcely possible for us to fulfill our duties at this most difficult time of our history unless we study deeply the spirit and teachings of our ancient sages."

The effort at reviving ancient political wisdom rather than following Western political theories links up with some of Dr. Sun Yat-sen's political thought. His teachings date back to a time when Chinese enthusiasm for modern western political theories and practices was at its height and when the young revolutionary generation considered it necessary for China to turn away from the traditions of a distant past.

Dr. Sun largely shared these convictions of his time but he warned against extremism. In his lectures on the "Three Principles of the People" which have come to be the foundation of China's still unenforced draft constitution he stressed the necessity for China to divert in many ways from the West in her endeavors to build up a modern democracy saying, "Europe and America have not gone to the bottom in their study of

the problems of democracy and consequently their peoples are in daily conflict with their governments.

"The force of democracy is young, but its machinery is old. If we want to solve the difficulties of democracy we must build another new machinery. The aims of our revolution are just the opposite of the aims of the former revolutions of the West. Europeans rebelled and fought for liberty because they had too little liberty, but we because we had too much liberty must break down individual liberty so the methods of Western democracy cannot be our model or guide. We naturally desire to see China excel the West and build up the newest and most progressive state in the world. We certainly possess the qualifications necessary to reach this ideal."

Solution Up To China
The failings of the democracies since the passing of Dr. Sun in 1925 have served to reinforce the opinion of Chinese Government leaders that China must find her own solution. The discussion of Western political theory has therefore gradually subsided and the revival of deliberations on ancient political morals has increased accordingly.

The retreat of the Government to the interior and the growing difficulties of practically everybody in Chungking in getting foreign newspapers, journals and books have further contributed to the increase of the popularity of the Chinese classics.

Many of the leading people who were so overwhelmed with the flood of modern, mainly Western, literature before the war and during its first years that they spent relatively little time on rereading the ancient philosophers and historians are now taking a greater interest in them than they did for a very long time.

It is the habit of many of China's leaders and high officials to devote a quiet early morning hour and some time at night to serious reading. The Bible plays a surprisingly large role in it with many, but the old sages seem to be getting their full share once more even with those who had given relatively little attention to them since they were young.

This trend is strongly reflected in public speeches which seem to quote the sages to a considerably larger extent than normally. The

Chinese tradition of basing criticisms of present-day affairs on quotations from the classics is again in greater evidence in the press, and Government officials in private conversations with Chinese as well as foreign affairs often tell of their latest discovery of interesting parallels to topics of the day in their readings on ancient philosophy and early Chinese history.

A Pleasing Contrast
Moreover the great aesthetic values of the traditional literature exerts a great influence on those who have spent much of their

lives on more prosaic Western studies and routine work.

The beauty of the language, the high ideals of the sages and their remoteness from the strain and stress of wartime life provide a pleasing contrast to the ways of the present and the uncertainties and grim problems of the future.

Even many of the younger generation are turning more and more to the classics of which they learned relatively little in the modernized school. They do so partly for the same reasons as their elders and partly because the new trend makes it necessary for them once more to be well versed in traditional learning.

They are thus laying the foundation in their own mind for some measure of success of the Government's effort to revive tradition and to direct political thought into the channels of ancient Chinese wisdom.

The masses of the people among

MEAT BOOKS LOOK PRETTY

NEW RATION COUPONS DUE EARLY NEXT YEAR

We'll all have a new ration book early next year, filled with prettily colored red and blue coupons by which OPA will guide and limit the kinds and quantities of meat that we eat.

There will be red coupons stamped A-1, A-2 and so on, and others marked B-1, B-2 and on up the scale. The whole alphabet will be used. This is to be repeated

whom modernism never really replaced the old ethics are more than ever exhorted in newspaper articles and pamphlets by speeches and orders and through the "New Life movement" to follow the precepts of the sages.

with a set of similarly lettered and numbered blue coupons.

The numbers represent "points." A point represents so much meat. The letters stand for the period in which it is bought.

It is all very indefinite as yet, but OPA officials say it would work out this way:

For February, by way of illustration, OPA would designate red coupons bearing the letter "A." It also would limit each individual to so many "points" of meat. Simultaneously, it would fix the equivalent of a "point" or "points" in various kinds and grades of meat.

The value of the points has not been established yet but (again by way of hypothetical example) a pound of hamburger might be made the equivalent of 1 point while a pound of bacon, a scarcity would be the equivalent of 5. A pound of porterhouse steak might

be set at 8 points, a pound of lamb chops at 3.

After that it's up to us to get just the equivalent of 48 points in meat and no more. We could get 48 pounds of hamburger or porterhouse steak in February, we can, by careful planning, the meat meant to make it out to some of everything. Points is the limit.

In addition to its state-owned educational institutions, the Government has 16 eleemosynary and educational institutions and hospitals.

Farming is the principal activity of the Prison System of cultivation. It also includes sawmills, brick plant, cannery, other foodstuff factories, shoe shop, shoe chop and a plant manufactures all auto plates distributed by the Highway Department.



FROM THE FOLKS BACK HOME

TO THE

Men In Service...

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS!



We, who tend the home fires, send our sincere Yuletide greetings to all the men in uniform. We appreciate your sacrifices that we may continue the American way of life. . . . We look forward to a Christmas when you will share the warmth, cheer and association of those who remain behind.

Until that day we can only give our best and send our wishes for a MERRY CHRISTMAS.

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A Burglar for Christmas

by Roland Fligel

IT WAS midnight on Christmas Eve. Seven-year-old Jack, having baffled the sandman since eight o'clock, tossed back the covers and crept downstairs.

Now, at long last, he would learn the truth about Santa Claus. Man or myth? Chimney sweeper or a lovable old red-nosed gentleman?

When the clock struck one Jack was still sitting patiently in the chair by the fireplace, watching the embers glow and wane. Tinsel on the nearby Christmas tree glistened. It was all very exciting, but where was Kris Kringle?

The noise Jack heard a moment later might have been Santa but it didn't come from the chimney.

Quickly the boy jumped back in the shadows while he heard the dining room window raise slowly. A gush of cold air, heavy footsteps, and then Jack heard the window close.

Frightened, he crept forward until he could see where blue moonlight filtered into the dining room. There Jack saw—not Santa Claus but a masked burglar, systematically looting the silverware!

Seconds later his softly slipped feet carried the lad upstairs into his parents' bedroom. The boy shook his father.

"Dad!" he whispered loudly, eyes blazing. "Dad! Wake up!"

"Grrrump!" came the sleepy answer.

"A burglar, Dad! Wake up! Call the police!"

Not waiting, Jack reached for the bedside telephone himself. His mother still slumbered.

"Operator?" he asked. "Send the police over to our house right away! There's a burglar downstairs!"

By that time it was out of Jack's hands. His parents were wide awake now, clinging to their hero



Jack reached for the telephone himself.

son and listening. During the next two minutes they heard a stark drama—downstairs the dining room window opened and closed. In the distance, growing ever nearer, was the hum of a motor which they knew would be the police car.

They heard it stop outside. Then came a shout, "Stop thief!" A brief scuffle, and they knew the burglar was captured.

Next morning Jack was awakened by his father.

"Son," he began, eyes twinkling, "I forgot to ask last night how you happened to hear that burglar."

WHILE WE WAIT FOR THE TOP OFFER



MACHINE GUN POST NUMBER FIVE RETIRING—OUT OF AMMUNITION!



Prepared by Minnesota Editorial Association

Jack blushed. "I was downstairs, Dad, waiting for Santa Claus. Wanted to see if he really does come on Christmas eve."

His father laughed heartily. "But Jack!" he protested. "Don't you know that Santa Claus never comes when little boys and girls are watching? I'll bet he's been here by this time, though. Let's go see!"

Downstairs Jack's surprise was divided between two equally fascinating subjects. Around the Christmas tree were more presents than he'd ever seen before, including a brand new bicycle!

But off to one side was a jolly looking, blue-uniformed policeman. "Sonny," the copper began. "That burglar you captured last night was 'Lightning Pete,' a most notorious house breaker."

Jack's jaw dropped.

"Best of all," the policeman continued, "there's a \$500 reward for his capture, and it all belongs to you. Here's the check."

Jack could barely say "Thank you," so amazed was he.

"I guess," he finally mumbled, "that Santa Claus is wearing a blue uniform this year."

(Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

Shepherd Village Plays Bethlehem
Les Baux in France, a village of shepherds, puts on one of the most dramatic Christmas celebrations in the world, and has done it yearly for over a thousand years. The peasants set out the whole Bethlehem story with real oxen. Thousands of visitors come every Christmas eve to see the event.

Christmas in Sweden
Sweden celebrates her Christmas December 24 with fish and rice porridge.

The 50th anniversary of the death of Tennyson was observed at the University of Texas this fall with a display of the Library's collection of original manuscript-proof copies, and first editions of the famous poet's works.

Flomot News

(By Mrs. L. B. Turner)

Mrs. Maudie Marler and Miss Alyce Speer were in charge of the Jones Cafe during the recent absence of the proprietor.

Rev. Joe Taylor of Wayland College, preached at the Baptist Church Sunday. Rev. Taylor, whose home is at Edgin, was accompanied by his wife.

Miss Juanell Morriss of Canyon is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Morris and her mother, Mrs. B. F. Turner were visitors in the L. B. Archer home at Matador, Friday.

Ralph Merritt, Cooper Crane and Floyd Bynum made a business trip to Amarillo Sunday, returning Monday.

Cpl. Delphia Jones returned to Camp Hood Friday, after a ten-day furlough here. He and his father, Sam Jones, returned Thursday after a few days visit at Plainview with their daughter and sister, Mrs. John Turner and family.

Mrs. Lillie Mae Johnson and children of Floydada, spent the week-end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Martin.

Miss Jimmie Lee Speer, who is attending school at Denton, came in Thursday to spend the Christmas holidays.

Miss Edna Ruth Bourland arrived home the last of the week from Plainview, to spend Christmas at her home here.

Pvt. Joe Fisher of Lubbock, spent the week-end at home here.



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FLOMOT, TEXAS

Hunters Warned Of Rabbit Infection

Mrs. A. S. Morris made a trip to Matador Thursday, and had the cast removed from her ankle.

Mrs. Dora Davidson, her daughter, Mrs. Allie Anderson and Misses Letha Faye Waters and Mary Yvonne Martin, were shopping in Plainview Saturday. From there they continued to Kress where they visited another daughter of Mrs. Davidson's, Mrs. Glenzie Roy Rogers. They returned home Sunday.

Mrs. Vera Hawkins, her son and mother, Mrs. Ballew, left Thursday for O'Donnell, after receiving a message from there that an uncle of Mrs. Hawkins had died suddenly.

Morris Stephens of Matador, spent the week-end here with his cousin, Dale Preston Moseley.

Miss Marue Williams of Matador, spent the week-end at her home here.

The "Stitch and Chatter Club" enjoyed a Christmas social Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. L. Clements. Twelve members and two visitors were present.

Weigh well any extra hard knocks you get. It might be opportunity.

AUSTIN, Dec. 24—During the winter months hunting rabbits is a popular sport and a wild rabbit makes a very fine food, but according to the State Health Department, extreme care should be used in the handling of wild rabbits to prevent a possible infection with tularemia.

"Those little cottontail rabbits are not always as harmless as they look," states Dr. G. W. Cox, State Health Officer, "for some of them are infected with tularemia. This serious disease which is also known as rabbit fever usually is acquired by human beings through contact with infected rabbits or through contact with the infected insect that spreads it from animal to animal."

Dr. Cox cautioned that hunters should shoot only the frisky rabbits that run away. A rabbit without the energy to scamper away from the hunter is likely to be a sick one that can transmit tularemia to those who handle him.

"It is necessary to have cooked rabbit meat carefully," Dr. Cox said. "The use of gloves will protect you since the germs may be on the body through any cut or however small if the meat is handled without gloves."

"As a further safeguard, rabbit meat should be cooked thoroughly so as to destroy disease producing germs that may be present. This means it should be cooked at a boiling temperature for at least 20 minutes before cooking it to your usual taste."

As an old paper hangs in the American public is things up with Defense and Bonds.

Many a romance which on a "bicycle built for two" ended in a gasoline jitters front seat big enough for well as mama-in-law and kids.

Most married men this would have been rich if it remained single.



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