

## THIS.... And THAT

By MRS. WALTER DIXON

There are thousands of overseas brides of American soldiers waiting for the day when they can sail for the U. S. While they wait those in Britain are getting some advise on how to act when they get to their new homes. In Great Britain 2,000 have applied for entry to the U. S., and it is estimated that some 20,000 will apply as soon as their husbands head for home.

The British GOOD HOUSEKEEPING cooked up, "A Bride's Guide to the U. S. A." and here are some excerpts from it:

"In America it is good manners to praise anything you like, whether it is the food, the furniture or the view from the window. Dress your smartest for the first interviews, and remember that except in the smallest villages lipstick is expected. (Wonder why they left out the smallest villages?)

Arm yourself with a few items of 'small talk'—and odd facts—to cover your thoughts while you look about.

There are some kinds of spoken humor that you must learn to take calmly, kidding is perhaps (hard) to get used to but you have to learn. It may consist of mimicking to see if you 'can take it.' This variety is a subtle form of flattery as it makes you the center of attention and assumes that you can laugh at yourself, a quality that is much admired.

The Americans do not say "Thank you" in as many situations as the British, and they often ask a question without begging pardon. It is good American when thanked for a real favor to say, "You are welcome," "Don't mention it," or not at all."

As to table manners, your knife and fork system will seem strange to most of Americans but not bad-mannered. You can make a joke of trying to learn the American cut and switch system.

You will have to get used to what they mean by settling down. It does not mean finding a secure job and a house and stopping there forever. It means first of all finding a line of work with prospects of higher pay and a 'future' rather than security. Love of home also is not necessarily connected with a house. Americans move often and may attach their home feeling almost entirely to their furniture and car.

Americans do not like to be pushed around any more than the British people do. Along with the feeling that everyone is 'born free and equal' and ought to have an equal chance in life is a spirit of hope with great expectations for the future. In spite of shortcomings America is a new country where past achievements are only a starting point for the future. You will be welcome in America, for you to have taken your chance and embarked on a great adventure. America admires courage. They will wish you good luck and happiness in your new life in the new world."

Well, do you think the British GOOD HOUSEKEEPING did a good job in explaining the U. S.? If an overseas bride were to move in as your next-door neighbor, what manners and comments of your own would you want to watch if we were writing an article on "Advice for Brides from Britain" what would you suggest we tell them?

Many of the boys are marrying Australian girls as well as British, and we may have one of them as our neighbor when the war is over. It will be up to us to help them become adjusted to our customs and method of living. It will be up to us to entertain them and keep them from getting so lonesome and homesick, or at least do our part. A former neighbor boy recently returned with his Portuguese bride. Very friendly, pretty and well-mannered. We might as well prepare ourselves to accept the foreign brides as one of us as soon as the war ends.

SINGING AT THE CHURCH OF GOD FRIDAY 8 P. M.

### Gorman Boy On NBC

Denman Stanfield, Y 1c, attended Art Baker's "Dutch Boy Paint" Broadcast in Hollywood Sunday night and was selected from the audience to participate in contests. He won the top honors, a crisp \$20.00 bill and a dinner date with Rose Mary LaBlanche, the Movie Star and Miss America of 1941. The dinner date was at the Swankey Garden Room in the Town House between Los Angeles and Hollywood. The dinner, drinks and everything were paid for by the Broadcasting Company. He stated that his being from Texas was the reason for getting on the program, as they asked for service men from Texas. He also stated that he was scared and nervous while before the microphone. We wonder if you were nervous while having dinner with Miss LaBlanche, Denman

A very interesting article, written by Quentin Reynolds, in the May fifth issue of Collier's Magazine gives us an insight as to the big job of moving our troops and supplies from European Theater of War to the East when V-E day comes.

The war department is being swamped with inquiries about the plans for returning service men, and many relatives expect their loved ones to be home in a few days after peace. Actually it will take months for things to get straightened out enough to know when and what to do. The theater commanders have been preparing Adjusted Service Rating Cards for all the men in the service and the cards bear evidence of total service, overseas service, combat service and number of dependents. On basis of these ratings some men will be released. But it is estimated that 5,000,000 men will be needed to defeat Japan, and that will take the able-bodied men, as well as those trained in special lines most needed. Top priority for releasing, however, has been allotted to the wounded, but the whole thing will be handled as humanely as possible.

For the men who have seen a lot of fighting, who will be combat weary, tired of mud, Army rations and open air Chic Sales, General Eisenhower has already picked several spots to send such men for rest. In fact whole divisions will be sent to these rest camps. The General has selected these rest camps in the loveliest part of the world, for instance, he selected the Riviera for one of the spots. Already baseball diamonds, basketball courts, tennis courts have been built, and beach houses erected. Shiploads of athletic equipment have left these shores with every bit of sport paraphernalia that relaxing GI's might wish for. The USO will send units to each of these recreation centers and there will be entertainment and new motion pictures every night. The men will have libraries and education facilities in the way of lectures. G. I.'s don't relax on lemonade and iced tea when they have just come out of combat so there will be plenty of beer.

The article goes on to tell in detail the large scale preparations that are being made to transport the military equipment from the European to the Pacific Theater of operations. There is a map showing the distance which is around fourteen thousand miles. We recommend that you get a copy of the May fifth issue of Collier's and read this article in its entirety.

### AAA Office Announces Final Date On Cover Crops

It is now time to report your winter cover crops. All cover crops seeded on your farm in the fall of 1944 must be reported before it is turned under and must be reported to the AAA Office in Eastland before the final date of May 15, 1945. . . in order to receive payment for the practice.

If you have Oats, Barley or Rye seeded in the Fall of 1945 and not harvested for grain, these must be measured and the acreage reported. If you seeded peas or vetch bring the sales receipts to show the pounds—unless the peas were secured through the Agricultural Adjustment Agency.

### Forrest-Sharp

Miss Zelma Lee Forrest, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Forrest of De Leon, and Pvt. L. E. Sharp, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Sharp of Desdemona, were married at Comanche Saturday, April 21 by Brother Walter Barrett, Baptist preacher. They were accompanied by the groom's father and his sister-in-law, Mrs. R. L. Sharp.

Pvt. Sharp has been in the Army at Camp Hood since February. Mrs. Sharp has been Dr. George lackwell's Office girl for several months and will continue with her work there.

### HOME AFTER FOUR YEARS SERVICE

Lt. Winston Harper, air transport pilot, was in Gorman the first of the week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Harper, after thirty-three months in the European Theater of Operations. He entered the Canadian Air Force in August, 1941, trained with them a year, then was with the Royal Air Force in England a year before transferring to the 8th Later he transferred to the 9th and served with them 18 months before coming to the States. He wears the Canadian Ribbon and the ETO ribbon with three stars. The stars are for Normandy, Northern France and Germany campaigns.

Before entering the Air Corps he worked for American Air Lines at Abilene and Big Springs. His wife, the former Bobba Edwards of Big Springs is visiting with him. Their three year old son, David, whom he had not seen until he came home, remained in Big Spring, due to measles.

After a three-weeks furlough he and his wife will go to Miami, Fla. for a stay.

Lt. Harper's two brothers are in the services also. Winfred, Electrician Mate 2/C is in the hospital at Corpus Christi since his return recently from New Guinea, and Pvt. Dan is in the Air Corps stationed at Sheppard Field.

### SERGEANT RECEIVES PROMOTION

With the 103rd Division of the 7th Army in Germany—Sgt. Harold E. Hill of Gorman has recently been promoted from Tech 5 to his present grade Tech 4. He is the friend of C. J. Thompson and has been in the Army since February 18, 1943. He sailed for overseas duty October 6, 1944 and is currently serving with 384th FA BN, of the 103rd Infantry Division.

### ATTENDS COUNTY COUNCIL MEET

Bass Lake Club had part in entertaining the Federated Clubs of the County Wednesday of last week when a barbecued dinner was served and a program was carried out at Eastland Park. The Home Demonstration Clubs forming the County Council were hostess to the Federated Clubs. Mrs. John Love of Alameda Community, president of County Council, presided. For the entertainment hour the book, "Papa was a Preacher", was reviewed.

Mrs. B. B. Brummett represented the Excelsior Club, and those from Bass Lake Club attending and having part were Meses. Henry Capers, D. J. Jobe, Ernie Todd, Eula Meador, E. Barron Home from Pacific . . . . .

Alva Cunningham, S 1/C, son of Mr and Mrs. Roy Cunningham, is home on leave after a year and one-half of service in the South Pacific. He wears the new Philippine campaign ribbon with two stars for major engagements in that section. After his 30 day leave he will report to Oan Francisco.

### Pvt. Hallmark Honored With Dinner

dinner honoring Pvt. T. J. Hallmark, who is home on furlough, was given at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Hallmark, Sunday, April 29th.

A delicious dinner was served to the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Eison, Mr and Mrs. Floyd Eison and children, Mrs. Arlin Aldredge and children, Mr. and Mrs. Burnett Eison, Horace, Ruth, Bob and Sue Hallmark, and the honoree Pvt. Hallmark, wife and daughter.

### IOOF And Rebekahs Have Meeting

IOOF and Rebekahs has district The Oil Belt and Rebekah Association was held in Ranger Thursday night of last week. H. R. Hicks of Ranger, President, presided. An enjoyable program made up of Ranger talent, was given, including a darky dance, accompanied by music from a string band. The Gorman team demonstrated their floor drill.

At the close of the business session Mrs. Wright of Stephenville was elected president, Mrs. A. O. Jones of DeLeon, First Vice-President, and Merle Simmons, second vice-president. The next meeting will be at Stephenville.

Deputy Grand Master Reed of Dallas was present, as well as representatives from Cisco, De Leon, Stephenville, and the following from Gorman: Misses Ozella Pulley, Merle Simmons, Louise Baker; Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Whitlock, and Meses. Clark, Boucher, Dixon, Hefner, Simmons, Clements, Treadway Mathis, Hefner, Broom and Love.

### SERGEANT'S SQUADRON RECEIVES MERIT PLAQUE

S/Sgt. William E. Bettis is a member of the 40th Mobile Communication Squadron of the Ninth Air Force which recently was awarded the Meritorious Service Plaque for superior performance of duty in connection with tactical operations of both the Air and Ground Forces prior to and during the invasion of the continent.

S/Sgt. Bettis, a radio operator, who is charged with transmitting weather information, works in a team with members of the 21st Weather Squadron, supplying weather reports to all the Armies.

The citation covered the period from January 1, 1944, to July 1, 1944, when the squadron—with Detachments working in England, France, Belgium, Holland, Luxembourg, and Germany—furnished weather communications to all commands of the Ninth Air Force, in addition to the U. S. First, Third, Seventh, and Ninth Armies, and the First Tactical Air Force and First Allied Airborne Army. Completely mobile and operating under combat conditions, often under fire, each of the squadron's detachments is capable of setting up and operating an hour after arriving at a new location.

S/Sgt. Bettis, son of Mrs. E. Harrell of Gorman has been overseas 16 months. He served in England before going to the continent.

### Malaria Considered Major Health Problem

AUSTIN—Declaring that malaria bids fair to be one of the country's major health problems under war conditions, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, has issued an urgent request for all Texans to cooperate in the destruction of possible mosquito breeding places.

"It is inevitable that malaria will continue to come into this country with the return of our veterans from tropical countries," Dr. Cox said. "Since malaria is spread from person to person by the Anopholes mosquito, it is a matter of grave importance that these mosquitoes be exterminated. The quickest way to do that is to provide them no place to breed and multiply.

Dr. Cox pointed out that while the State Health Department is carrying on an extensive malaria control program which is designed to fill in or drain swamps, ponds, and ditches, nevertheless every citizen is responsible for seeing that his own premises are free from stagnant water.

"Every bottle, can, or other rubbish which may be a possible water container in every container in every backyard should be either destroyed or buried," Dr. Cox said. "Otherwise, spring rains will fill them up, and the deadly Anopholes mosquito will find an excellent breeding ground."

Dr. Cox said that the suppression of the disease is of unusual importance since quinine, the specific treatment for malaria, is extremely scarce for civilian use.

Pvt. Hallmark formerly stationed at Camp Hood is to report to Ft. Meade, Maryland May 9th. Happy landings, Private Hallmark.

### COMPETITION FOR PEANUT GROWERS

Warning that Texas and other peanut growers face serious competition of other countries and other sections of the United States in the post-war period, E. D. David, Manager of the Southwestern Peanut Growers' Association, called upon the peanut industry to undertake a five-point program before the board of directors of the National Peanut Council which met in Ft. Worth.

Mr. David's recommendations were: 1. Better peanut seed of Southwestern soil, climate and farming methods. 2. Steps to eradicate prevalent peanut diseases. 3. Encouragement of machinery manufacturers in devising harvesting machinery more suitable to local conditions. 4. Soil conservation through rotation. 5. Building of more adequate and modern warehouse and marketing facilities.

"The peanut industry has grown to such proportions in the Southwest that a seed program needs development in order to increase the yield per acre and to improve the quality of our crop," said Mr. David. "We have certified cotton seed for planting and we have certified grain sorghums and these have greatly benefited farmers in this area. There is no recognized seed breeder of peanut seed in the southwest and we need such."

Of soil erosion, Mr. David said: "Many of our growers follow the line of least resistance and are rapidly depleting their soil. There is too little planting of cover crops and a wholly inadequate plan of crop rotation in this section."

Concluding Mr. David declared: "Not only will we in our section have the world as a competitor after the war, but we will have to compete with every other peanut growing section of our country. None of us have any competition now. Prices and markets are fully controlled. But the day will come when we must meet competition in quality and price and we cannot begin too soon to prepare for that day."

### Pfc. JOHN WARREN IS NAZI PRISONER

Pfc. John Warren, previously reported missing in action, is a prisoner of war in Germany. His wife, Mrs. Lora Faye Warren, Comanche, Route One, received a letter April 17th from her husband, in which he said he was "O. K." This was the first news received since he was reported missing in action last December 16.

Pfc. Warren was with the 106th Division, which suffered a great number of casualties in the Belgium breakthrough last December. Pfc. Warren spent two years in the Aleutian Islands and returned home last June. He went to Europe last October.

His wife, the former Lora Faye Beatty, lives on Route 1, Comanche. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Warren live in Gorman.

The letter received by Mrs. Warren is printed below:

Dearest Faye: Hello, honey, how are you? Fine I hope. Im fine so far. Wish I was home but that doesn't do any good now. I wrote you a card about a week ago. I think I can write four times a month, I believe it is. I'm allowed one ten pound package every 60 days. It can be clothes, cookies and chocolate bars and can receive six cartons of cigarettes a month. If you can't get the cigarettes, send PA tobacco. You use cigarettes for money here, that's why I want them so bad. We get Red Cross boxes. They have cigarettes in them but not enough. You contact the Red Cross and see what all you are allowed to send me, and send as much as you can of those chocolate bars. The Red Cross will know more about it than I do myself.

Well, dear, I hope you get the card and this letter all o. k. This is all for now.

Love, John

### BOX SUPPER And STYLE SHOW A BIG SUCCESS

A large crowd was present Friday night at the High School Gym for the Style Show and Box Supper, sponsored by the Homemaking Department with Miss Knowles as supervisor.

The judges, Meses. Weems, Brummett and Geo. Blackwell awarded ribbons to the following girls on their costumes: Homemaking I, First Place, Francis Claitor; second, Marjorie Nell Weaver; Third, Louise Moore; Homemaking II, First Place, Imolene Short; Second, Betty Bennett 3rd Mary Jo Wheeler; Homemaking III; First Place, Dorothy Lee Hollenback; Second, Evelyn Nerges; Third, Lila Underwood.

The attractive, filled boxes were auctioned by Eugene Baker and total sales were something over \$37.00.

The Homemaking Department wishes to thank the public for their splendid cooperation in helping to make the program and supper a success.

Following are the girls who participated in the Style Show.

Louise Moore  
Dorothy Platter  
Hazel Bennett  
Anna Jean Atchison  
Maxine Fuller  
Mary Jo Wheeler  
Mary Jean Hilliard  
Mildred Kirk  
Dorothy Lee Hollenbach

Jo Nell Gowan  
Geraldine Campbell  
Juanita Turner  
Winnie Ruth Warren  
Wanda Fae Mehaffey  
Zelda Mounce  
Jeanne Parks  
Marjorie Seay  
Viola Seay  
Imolene Short  
Serita Allen  
Pepper Bearden  
Betty Bennett  
Belva Blackwell  
Mildred Broom  
Alma Frances Daniels  
Lockey Bingham  
Wilma Ruth Hallmark  
Imogene May  
Evelyn Nerges  
Imogene May  
Ima Jean Mauney  
Frances Claitor  
Wanda Jean Duske  
Dorothy Jean Files  
Della Faye Hunter  
Ruby Hobson  
Betty Jean Love  
Peggy Joyce Poyner  
Billie Jo Reed  
Wanda Bailey  
Norma Jean Bowles  
Billie Jean Joiner  
Billie Smith  
Genese Warren  
Marjorie Nell Weaver  
Bettie White  
Doris Snell  
Alice Merie Snider  
Lila Underwood

### Methodist Church

ROY F. JOHNSON, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10 a. m.  
Morning Worship, 11 a. m.  
Youth Fellowship 7:15 P. M.  
Evening Worship -- 8:00 P. M.  
W S C S - Monday 4:00 P. M.

### QUOTES FROM AN AMATEUR PUBLISHER-EDITOR

The Locker plant is looking better and BETTER. Mr. E. A. Boaz, formerly of Gorman, now living in Ranger is sold on the idea of putting a locker plant here. However, he wants to make a thorough investigation of plants in other towns first to see just how they are operated. Then if the people of Gorman and its territory are interested he is going to install as fine a plant as you will be able to find in lots of towns larger than Gorman. He stated that he was also considering a vault where the farmers could bring their produce and store it for future use or sale.

The Gorman Business Mens Club is backing this project one hundred percent and at a meeting Monday night raised \$1800 to further encourage the installation of this plant. I have received several cards and letters in regards to this plant but a lot more would help. Let's have your opinion folks if you are interested.

Your A P-E was given quite a lecture last Saturday by a subscriber in regards to an article in last week's paper. I appreciated and hope he finds others that do not meet his approval. I do not mean to be contrary but I believe a newspaper should publish both sides of a question. By publishing something you do not agree with that will give you an opportunity to answer it. If it concerns our laws then you will have the opportunity of writing your representative, congressman or senator and let him know that you expect him to do something about it or if you think we are wrong then write us a letter and we will be glad to publish your side of the case. One case in particular justifies my saying that too few of us are thinking and taking an interest in our civic and governmental affairs. . . I was told there were only 24 votes cast in our last school board election and not many more in our other elections.

### Dear Mom

--Today I am a man. You said so when I spoke my first words, saying, "Me luv 'oo".

Dear Mom: Today I am a man. The teacher said so when I said may ABC's and then picked up the pencil she dropped.

Dear Mom: Today I must be a man. I'm thirteen and the girls in my class are all the time giggling.

Dear Mumy: I guess I'm a man now. Eighteen is getting up in years. Some how, here in camp, life has a different meaning than it did at home. The other fellows were a little hesitant at first but now we all tell each other of the grand mothers we left at home. Of course Mom your picture is right next to hers. Some of your hot cakes and jelly would sure hit the spot right now. Tell my ole dog hello.

Dear Mom: She's beautiful Mom and lovely too. Just like you. I know you will like each other. We're going to name our first little girl after you.

Dear Mother: Am I a man? Next month Mary graduates from high school and Jim from grade school. Both just average kids making fair grades. I've tried to instill into them Mother that which you taught me . . . Faith, honor, duty and love. How well I've succeeded time alone will tell. But today Mother I don't feel like a man -- today I want to lay my head on your shoulder and listen to the songs you sang to me -- hear again the words of comfort and encouragement that can only come from a Mother. No, Mother, today I am a little boy and wondering if I will ever be the man my Mom wanted me to be.

**BENEFITS AND LAWS FOR Servicemen**  
BY Lt. TED MILES  
ON SALE AT OFFICE THIS NEWSPAPER

# READING & WRITING

BY Edwin Seaver AND Robin McKoun

ONE of the first foreign observers permitted to visit the Chinese Communists in six years was the American correspondent, Harrison Forman. He went in the spring of 1944 and spent six months. His book, "Report From Red China" is a factual account of what he saw.



HARRISON FORMAN

The Eighth Route and New Fourth armies together represent something less than one-fifth the total Chinese forces facing the Japanese, but these armies, says Mr. Forman, engage nearly half the Japanese forces in China today, as well as about 90 per cent of the 800,000 Chinese puppet troops fighting under the Japanese. In seven years of war the Chinese Red Armies have fought over 92,000 battles and have killed and wounded well over a million Japanese. All of this without receiving any supplies from the Kuomintang government. Their arms, ammunition, their radio and telephone equipment have largely been won from the enemy.

In occupied Central Hopei villagers have devised a new kind of fighting—tunnel warfare. Caves under their homes are connected by tunnel from house to house, and even, in some instances, from village to village. They live there by day and come out to fight the Japanese by night. Once the Japs tried a Hollywood stunt to lay siege to the tunnels in one district. A squad brought a phonograph with a loud speaker playing sound effect records of trucks passing, to suggest to the villagers underground that a large force was above. After a few days the villagers noted a queerness in the sound of moving vehicles without the attendant vibrations. Surfacing, they discovered the trick, captured the Japs, and now use the phonograph for village entertainments.



The Book-of-the-Month Club selection for June is "Commodore Hornblower," a sequel to "Captain Horatio Hornblower" which was a Club selection six years ago.

General Clark had one narrow escape on his famous pre-invasion rendezvous in Algiers, relates Lt. N. L. A. Jewell in "Secret Mission Submarine." Vichy policemen came to search the house where the meeting was going on, and Clark and his men were shoved through a trap door into a dark cellar. The gendarmes were right overhead, when one of the Commandos started to choke at the dust. He was stopped—and all of them saved from discovery—when the General gave him a piece of gum. But afterwards, the Commando was ungrateful enough to complain, "That gum had no flavor." "What do you expect?" retorted Clark, "I'd been chewing on it myself for over an hour."



While representatives of almost 50 United Nations are meeting in San Francisco, the real peace is being made by the men fighting abroad. Spear-headed by the "Texas Army", the famed 36th Division, American troops are fast convincing the Nazis of the virtues of peace and the penalties of war. And on the other side of the world, where tens of thousands of Texans are fighting the Japs, our "peace" program also is being enforced to the tune of roaring guns.

And wherever there is fighting, Texans continue to be in the midst of it.

The Nazis learned something of Texas ingenuity recently when a group of 32 German soldiers, heavily armed, captured Corp. Worth Modesett of Thrall and two companions. Taken to a Nazi prison camp deep in Germany, the Texas trio dug out their German dictionaries and quickly learned a few phrases of the enemy tongue. Then they convinced their captors of the futility of continuing the fight against onrushing Allied troops... and ended up by capturing the town and 16 German soldiers, without firing a shot!

Even in the WAC, Texans lead. In one WAC platoon stationed at Advanced Allied Force Headquarters in Italy, more than half the unit's strength is made up of girls from the Lone Star State.

The girls are doing a full share of winning the war, handling telephone switch-boards, radio communications and general office work.

Deep in the heart of Germany, two fighting men from Llano staged a reunion last week. They were Granville Smith and Amos Underwood, Texas cousins.

In a letter to relatives, in which he told of the meeting, Underwood also told of the destruction heaped upon German cities by Allied airmen.

"I have seen Cologne," he wrote "and I have never seen such total destruction in all my eight months of battle through France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Holland."

And back home in Texas, one of the airmen who helped pound Germany into submission this week told one of the most remarkable stories of the war... the story of his escape from behind enemy lines after being shot down over Austria. The flyer, S/Sgt. Joe Prikrly of Taylor, walked and crawled for 48 days through enemy territory, after being injured when he parachuted from his flak-riddled plane. He is at home now for a rest, but soon will be back in the fight.

And on the home front, Texans are now organizing war chest units in all counties, in preparation for the annual drive "for our own and our allies" which will start on October 1. Field representatives of the State war chest are enrolling county chairmen, special gifts chairmen, treasurers and publicity chairmen, to direct the campaign in each county. If you are called on, accept! It is your chance to help win the war and serve our fighting men!



Probably no shorter speech was ever delivered than the one that President Lincoln made at a flag-raising before the Treasury Building—for he saw no reason to speak at length when he had nothing to say.

"The part assigned to me is to raise the flag, which, if there be no fault in the machinery, I will do, and when up, it will be for the people to keep it up."

Almost as brief but filled with touching sentiment was the speech that Lincoln delivered as he was leaving Springfield to take the oath of the Presidency. His lip quivered and there was a tear on his furrowed cheek as he said:

"My friends, no one, not in my situation, can appreciate my feeling of sadness at this parting. To this place and the kindness of these people, I owe everything. Here I have lived a quarter of a century and have passed from a young to an old man. Here my children have been born, and one is buried.

"I now leave, not knowing when or whether ever I may return, with a task before me greater than that which rested upon Washington. Without the assistance of that Divine Being who ever attended him, I can not succeed. With that assistance, I can not fail. Trusting in Him who can go with me and remain with you and be everywhere for good, let us confidently hope that all will yet be well. To His care commending you, as I hope in your prayers you will commend me, I bid you an affectionate farewell."

Central High School in Memphis, Tenn., has had many and diverse students. For the identity of one, see the name at the top of this "column". Congressman Clifford Davis is another. While Davis was first and police commissioner of Memphis some few years ago, "Machine Gun" Kelly was captured. If you've forgotten, he was the trigger man in the Urschel kidnaping. When Davis went back to take a look at the prisoner, Kelly broke into a laugh and said, "You and I went to school together; I remember hearing you make a speech."

Well, you have to hand it to the ex-students of dear old C. H. S. Whatever they go in for, they don't go at it in any halfway fashion for Kelly was one of the best—in his line.

Vivid description by Rihz Lardner. "He gave her a look that you could have poured on a waffle."

Acree's will help solve your point problems.

## KOKOMO NEWS

Mr and Mrs. Bob Pettijohn and Noland Lee Treadway of Ranger accompanied by Mrs. Buford Parker spent Friday in Ft. Worth.

Miss Bonnie and Connie Lewallen were Friday night guests of the Jewel Sniders.

Pvt. Glenn Jordan, Camp Hood is enjoying his furlough visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jordan.

Quite a few of this community attended the Senior Play, "Linda Lou" at Carbon Friday evening.

Mrs. Albert Hendricks spent part of the week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sims of Stamford and friends of Hamlin.

Mr. and Mrs. Theoran Gilmore and Mrs. Buford Parker visited Eastland Thursday.

Capt. Eulice Sessum of an Army Finance Office of Ft. Worth was a recent guest of his mother Mrs. Cora Sessum and Bobby. He is to be moved to Del Rio.

Clifton Wood of Carbon spent Thursday night with relatives here.

Mrs. W. A. O'Neal and Mrs. Albert Hendrick were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Watson of Eastland.

Each Second and fourth Sunday, Rev. Willie Skaggs conducts church services at Kokomo. Every one is invited to attend. There will be Sunday School on the other Sundays.

Mr. and Mrs. John Timmons and Mr. Jim Hendricks of Kokomo and Mr. and Mrs. Dub Brown of Hamlin were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Laminack of Grandview.

Miss Fanny Bell O'Neal spent Sunday with Lucille Joiner of Grandview.

Miss Romona Mangum spent Sunday with Miss Wynette Norris of near Carbon.

Mrs. Vernon Bennett of Gorman Mrs. John Wheeler and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George Bennett.

Miss Barbra Jewel Eaves of Gorman was a week-end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Eaves.

Pvt. Lewis Treadway of Camp Hood is home visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Treadway. He later reports to Ft. Mead, Md.

Several of the Community attended the Box Supper and Style Show Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Shirley and family of Big Springs spent Saturday night with her sister Mrs. Geo. Lewallen. They were accompanied by Mrs. Lula Shirley who will remain with her daughter until Sat.

Mrs. W. A. O'Neal was called to the bed-side of her sister, Mrs. D. D. Gray of Breckenridge; Tuesday. Miss Billie Jean Joiner of Grandview spent Sunday with Miss Betty Jean Bennett.

## LIFE'S Little TROUBLES



### -CAN'T SLEEP-

No need to lie in bed—toss—worry and fret because CONSTIPATION or GAS PRESSURE won't let you sleep. Be sensible—get up—take a dash of ADLER-I-KA to relieve the pressure of large intestines on nerves and organs of the digestive tract. Adlerika assists old food wastes and gas through a comfortable bowel movement so that bowels return to normal size and the discomforts of pressure stop. Before you know it, you are asleep. Morning finds you feeling clean—refreshed and ready for a good day's work or fun. Caution, use only as directed. Get Adlerika from your druggist today.

### FOSTER DRUG STORE

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In this cartoon is a PROMISE and a WARNING — a promise that cancer in America eventually can be brought under such strict control that it will be a minor rather a major cause of death — a warning that unless steps are taken now to fight cancer through education and research, the establishment of clinics and the early treatment of cancer victims, the frightful toll of life will actually increase. In Texas we are asking you to contribute \$500,000 to help conquer cancer. Half of this money goes into a national fund, primarily for research and education — half of it stays in Texas for a direct attack upon cancer. You can help in the fight against this disease that ranks first as a killer of women, second as a destroyer of men, that annually takes the lives of more children than polio, by sending your contribution to Edgar L. Flippen, Texas Cancer Campaign Treas., First National Bank, Dallas, Texas. Mr. Flippen is President of the First National Bank in Dallas. Your contribution will be recognized by a receipt. You may deduct the amount you give from your income tax.

# LOCAL NEWS

Pvt. Geo. Edward Eppler, now stationed at Camp Wolters, was home for the week-end visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Barton Eppler.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Thompson spent Sunday in Waco with his mother, Mrs. R. L. Murphey.

W. G. Schmick of Houston is visiting relatives here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Mosley spent Sunday in Comanche with their daughter, Mrs. Bob Burton.

Mrs. Nathan Mehaffey who has been visiting in Ft. Worth and Comanche returned Sunday to stay with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Mosley.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Mason spent Tuesday in Sidney with Frank and Homer Bryant.

Mr and Mrs. Walter Davis and sons, and Mrs. Ona Weems Sunday at Comanche with Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Pettit and son.

Miss Helen Knowles spent Sunday in De Leon with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hallmark and Miss Annie Hallmark of Eastland spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Clark.

Cpl. and Mrs. Damon Foster are visiting in Gorman this week enroute from Florida to Kansas.

M/Sgt. and Mrs. Bill Fite of Breckenridge are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Albert Butler. Mrs. Fite is the former Maxine Maxwell.

Mrs. R. W. McGaha has returned from Lake Arthur, New Mexico where she visited her daughter, Mrs. H. Campbell. Her daughter returned home with her.

Mrs. Barnard Brooks and two children have returned from Florida and are visiting her mother, Mrs. Stella Reynolds.

Mrs. Pearl Greenwood of Cross Plains visited her mother, Mrs. Newman Pounds who is ill.

Mrs. E. W. Hickey, Miss Lucile Smith and Miss Mary Ruth Yarbrough, all of San Antonio, Texas, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Yarbrough.

Mrs. A. S. Thurman and daughter, Mrs. Betty Sue Chandler of Compton, California visited Mr.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Hickman of Junction visited his sister, Mrs. E. E. Myers and family Tuesday.

Mrs. Elmer Todd and children of Ft. Worth are visiting relatives.

Mrs. Claytie Miller was in Eastland Monday.

Mrs. L. N. Koen is visiting her son and family at Ballinger.

Mrs. Hulon Pullig spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Willie Powers at Eastland.

Mrs. Bernice Jeff of Odessa is visiting her parents and son.

Mrs. W. R. Reese and baby of Ranger spent last week here with relatives.

Lt. and Mrs. Ben Pendarvis came from Marfa airfield Friday on their way to Palestine, and spent the week-end here with his parents Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Pendarvis. They left Sunday for Palestine and from there will go to Lincoln, Nebraska where Lt. Pendarvis will receive a few weeks advanced training.

Albert Stevens plm 1/C was here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Stevens of Gustine. He has a few days leave enroute from Great Lakes, Chicago, to Lido Beach, N. Y. where he will be for the next few weeks.

Mrs. Hardy Parker of Eastland visited Mrs. Bassett Hirst.

Mrs. Jack Reynolds of Ft. Worth spent the week-end here with her cousin, Mrs. Jess Atchison and family.

Mrs. Craig Smith had the following visitors in her home last week. Mary Lee Smith of Ft. Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Taylor of Winters, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Smith, and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Smith of Wichita Falls, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Murray of Ft. Worth.

Flight Officer and Mrs. Doyle Linder left last week for Reno, Nevada, where F/O Linder will receive two months training as a pilot for C-46 planes.

Mrs. Dona Moorman, her mother Mrs. S. A. Burkhart, and Mrs. Don Moorman visited relatives in Cisco

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Barker visited their daughter, Mrs. Jess Cuthbertson and family at Comanche.

Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Shelley, Jack Benny, and Ruby Wagner were in Shive Sunday to attend the birthday celebration of Mrs. John Kopp. Mrs. Shelly's mother.

Mrs. Eva Merle Buntin and daughter, Pamalee, spent last week in Cleburne with her sister, Mrs. J. P. Stinson.

Mrs. J. C. Patterson has returned from a six weeks visit with friends and relatives at San Angelo and other places in West Texas.

Doyle Jobe and Lane Dixon, 4-H club boys went with the County Agent to Rising Star Friday night to put on a "Soft-treatment" demonstration.

### Church of God

Church School ..... 10:30  
Morning Worship ..... 11  
Evening Worship ..... 7:30  
Prayer Meeting and Bible Study .....  
Wednesday ..... 7:30

### Baptist Church

O. M. Corley, Pastor  
Sunday School 10 A. M.  
Preaching 11 A. M.  
Training Union 7:30 P. M.  
Preaching 8:30 P. M.  
W. M. S. - Sunbeams, Mon. 3 P. M.  
Prayer Meeting Wednesday 8 P. M.  
Intermediate G. A. Thurs. 4 P. M.  
Junior G. A. Friday, 4:45 P. M.

### HANDBOOK OF TEXAS

AUSTIN—A new 101-page brochure, forerunner to the proposed Handbook of Texas, prepared by the Texas State Historical Association, is now off the press.  
Compiled by Drs. Walter P. Webb and H. B. Carroll, University of Texas Historians, the tentative list contains 12,605 subjects which have been suggested for inclusion in the proposed handbook. The Handbook will be an authoritative encyclopedia of Texas history, biography, and culture, and the tentative list has been published to invite all persons interested in any phase of Texas to contribute suggestions and material.  
Several samples of the type of material which will go into the completed book are included. Articles on Sam Bass, on the town of Brownfield, on the Chisholm Trail the Franklin Mountains, the Giddings-Clark Election contest, and the Battle of Neches.  
Persons interested in seeing the tentative list, or in contributing may do so by writing Dr. Webb or Dr. Carroll at the University.

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Preaching - Communion 11 A. M.  
Evening Bible Study -- 8 P. M.  
Preaching - Communion 8:30 P. M.  
Ladies Bible Class  
Tuesday, -- 3 P. M.  
Wed. Night Bible Study 8:30 P. M.

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### Business Club

Tuesday, April 24th, the Commercial Club had a character backward party at Eula Lee's house. Everyone came dressed as some character in the funny paper, and everyone was done backwards. Prizes were given to the ones dressed best representing the character they picked, and the ones who won the backward spelling bee was John Howard Claitor dressed as the "Hawk" and Lila Underwood as "Blondie" won for the best dressed characters; Jimmy Mehaffey and Dorothy Echols being best at spelling backwards. The prizes were Mounds and kisses, candy kisses I mean. Refreshments were served first and then the games were played. Everyone had a good time and as they left there many Hi's and Hellos.  
Those present were Leroy Denton, Dorothy Echols, Lowell Rawls, Mary Charles Hagood, Doyle Allen Eula Lee Mears, Jimmy Mehaffey John Howard Claitor, Lila Underwood, John Tom Harris, Miss Knowles, Jerry Clark, Jamie Boswell, Billie Joe Crawley, Rubez Gregg, Betty Sutton, Miss Darter, and Thelma Jo Meador.  
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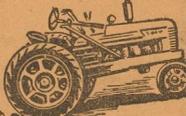
Saturday - Matinee & Night  
BOB CROSBY  
in  
"The Singing Sheriff"  
Also  
FRANK BUCK  
in  
"TIGER FANGS"  
Also  
"Tiger Woman" No. 9

Sunday and Monday  
Spencer Tracy - Ban Johnson  
in  
"30 SECONDS OVER TOKYO"  
Also  
Color Cartoon - Sports - News

Tuesday and Wednesday  
ELLA RAINES - GEORGE KORVIN  
in  
Ella Raines - George Korvin  
And  
"ENTER ARSENE LUPIN"  
Little Lulu Cartoon - Comedy

Thursday and Friday  
Ronald Colman - Marlene Dietrich  
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"KISMET"  
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Cartoon - Screen Snapshots - News

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LOST — Green colored Shaeffer fountain pen somewhere in town. Reward—Hulon Pullig

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FOR SERVICE—A good jack and horse 3 miles of Sipe Spring on De Leon and Sipe Springs road Dan Fraley 5-4

FOR SALE — Gasolene Motd See W. E. Clements, Gorman.

FOR SALE— One Row Farmall tractor-E. E. Wright, R. 3

FOR SALE OR TRADE— A disc harrow. J. O. Jackson

FOR SALE— 1 F-42 Farmall and 1 F-14 Farmall. See me for any kind. Bill Caraway. 1 mile west of Gorman.

FOR SALE— Small house. See J. D. Darr, Phone 139

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FOR SALE—Several varieties of tomato plants. Mrs. Fannie Hunt

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FOR SALE—One Shell hay-baler 3 miles south of Desdemona on De Leon-Desdemona road See C. H. Varner 5-3p

FOR SALE — 10 yards drapery material. Also six yards knitted rayon. Mrs. John Mathis 11p

LOST—Key ring with four keys at Methodist Church, \$1.00 reward O. T. Shell 11p

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**NEW HOPE NEWS**

As Sunday was a very pretty day we had Sunday school with a nice attendance.

Jimmie Don Dorsett spent Sunday with Shirley Rogers.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Campbell and Clara Sue of Brownwood spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Bennett and family.

Mrs. R. C. Smith had in her home Sunday the following children: Mr. and Mrs. Alton Smith and family; Mrs. William Smith of Wichita Falls; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Murray ad family, Marp Lee Smith of Ft. Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Emmitt

Taylor, Mrs. A. L. Mounce and Damon of Winters; Mr and Mrs. J. D. Files and girls of Gorman; and R. C. Smith Jr. of Camp Hood, Jr. reports to Ft. Meade, Maryland.

Mrs. Elmer Pirtle of Brownwood spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Bennett. Mrs. M. C. Dorsett and Mickey returned with her for a few days visit.

Miss Maxine Rogers spent Sunday with Miss Marjorie Nell Weaver.

Miss Zelda Mounce spent Sunday with Miss Geraldine Campbell.

Shop at Acrea's Grocery & Market

Mrs. Mitchell Campbell and boys and Mrs. J. N. Stovall spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Bennett.

Mr. and Mrs. Enoch Cook and family, Mrs. Ruth Creighhead, Mrs. T. D. Whitehorn and son spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Willie Mounce and Addie Faye.

Mrs. Thurber Laymon and Mrs. Aubrey Easter and little daughter, Shirlep Ann of Comanche visited Mr. and Mrs. V. W. Weaver Friday of last week.

Pvt. Clive Murray of Camp Hood was on furlough visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Murray.

Mrs. Newt Campbell of Lake Arthur, N. Mexico spent Monday night of last week with her sister,

Mrs. N. F. Bennett. The following families attended

the rodeo at Dublin: The Guys, Weavers, Rogers, Pvt. Jr. Smith.

Last week Ernestine Weaver and Mickey Charles Dorsett were on the sick list, but they are both doing fine now.

Singing to be Held The De Leon District Convention meets at the Rock Bluff church, on the first Sunday in May. Everyone is invited to attend and please bring four books.

E. E. Butler, Pres.

**Desdemona News**

**Husband Missing in Action**

The town was shocked when they heard that Mrs. J. P. Quinn had received word her husband was missing in action in Germany since April second.

Those from here who attended the Dublin Rodeo were: John and Paul Arnold, Francis Leizear, Nora Lane and daughter, Bobbie Gene, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Williams, Dorothy and Cpl. Calvin Williams, Louise Baker and Zella Mae Brightwell, Mr. and Mrs. Ora Fuqua, Mr. and Mrs. Hardie Tidwell.

Mary Alice Brown was home Saturday and Sunday visiting her parents, Mr and Mrs. R. A. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Guthrie drove out to Munday, Texas, Saturday to visit Mrs. Guthry's mother.

Grand mother Thurman, who has been in the Gorman hospital has returned to her daughter's, Mrs. Leo Huddleston where she has made her home for some time.

A M J C. T. Creigh who is now at San Diego, California is home on a 30 day leave with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Billy Creigh.

Grandfather Sparkman who has been in the Gorman Hospital for a few days returned home Saturday. Sunday was his 76th Birthday and several of his children, grand children and great-grand children were with him. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Sparkman and son Homer Joe; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Merrell; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Houser and family all of Desdemona. Mr. and Mrs. Lawson Kemp and family of old-twaite.

Cpl. Calvin Williams of Camp Smith was home on a three day pass visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Howard Williams.

Pfc. Buddie Sharp was home from Camp Hood the past week-end visiting his wife and parents Mr. and Mrs. Odis Sharp.

Pfc. Gerald Langdon from Camp Hood was home over the week-end visiting his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Dennie Moss and his brother Gene Langdon.

Wynon Alread, Dorothy Williams and Helen Abel were in Gorman Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Buck Reed and three daughters, Mrs. J. P. Quinn, La Freda and Regina were shopping in Eastland and Ranger Saturday.

Mr. and Leon Alread were in Eastland Monday on business.

Those from here who went to Austin Monday were W. B. May, L. E. Clark, C. S. Eldredge and H. H. Williams

Mr. Jimmy Heater who has been in the Ranger hospital is home after a two weeks illness.

**FRONTLINE STORIES OF TEXAS MEN WITH THE SEVENTH ARMY.—With the 36th Texas Division, 7th Army, Germany —**

"The 142nd Regimental Combat Team Presents A view of Germany", reads the sign high on the arch spanning the road leading from Alsace into Ober Otterbach. To those who follow, it is just another sign along the highway, but to the men of the "I'll Face You" Regiment it means more - it signifies the beginning of one of the hardest battles these veteran doughboys have ever encountered, for not far from the arch is the Siegfried line.

They were tired men as they hit the highly-vaunted defense line. For three days, from South of the Moder River, they had gone without rest or sleep to keep after the fast fleeing Boche. The 142nd had taken Wissembourg and then moved in on Ober Otterbach. Charlie Company of the first battalion spearheaded the attack.

As the doughboys closed in on the town, deadly cross-fire from the well camouflaged pill-boxes on the ridge to the west rained torrents of hot steel on the advancing infantrymen. And from behind the pillbox area came the unmistakable cranking that doughboys have heard many times before - screaming meemies. More than 100 nebelwerfers were used against the advancing troops. Round after round came crashing into the town but the 1st battalion stayed in town that night and all the next day until all was clear. They had been the first in the Regiment to feel the power of the Siegfried line, and in spite of the odds, had successfully won the first move.

In the meantime the 2nd Battalion which had been following the 1st swung out to the left to flank the town and destroy the pillboxes that were sending the deadly fire.

It was no ordinary job that the 2nd Battalion undertook. The pillboxes were constructed to take the best that the Americans had to offer. Bazooka shells merely dented the forts. But the 2nd Battalion had come prepared. While they kept the krauts bottled up inside, the engineers crawled and sneaked up to the pillboxes and placed "bee-hives" (a TNT charge that drives all of its force downward) on top of the defenses. On most occasions it required from 3 to 8 of these charges to force out the enemy. Only then did the Krauts, blackened and dazed, surrender. 65 of these strong points were accounted for.

The Third Battalion, swinging wide to the left, pulled a "sneak" play and came in behind the defenses. The move worked but it took skill and coordination on the part of the entire battalion.

With Item Company as spearhead, the Third Battalion pushed out across an opening to capture and secure the strategic hill known as Grass Berg. When the Germans realized what had happened, they fired everything they had on the hill, but Item Company was there to stay.

To silence the German fire, the 2nd Battalion smashed through strong defenses to take the neighboring summit of Hohenberg. The stage was now set for the final breakthrough of the Siegfried line.

The Anti-tank company took over the 1st Battalion's positions and the latter followed the Third Battalion's route of advance to pass through them.

Baker Company was the first unit of the 142nd to pass through the Siegfried line. Driving down the thickly wooded slopes, they took the town of Dorrenbach and cleared it in a few hours. Yet, much depended on the 3rd Battalion who opened and kept open the supply line leading into the town.

The 14nd doughs were tired. Casualties had been heavy although light in comparison to what had been accomplished. They had cracked one of the strongest parts of the Siegfried line. All that remained was to mop up a demoralized and highly disorganized enemy.

The following Eastern Star members attended an initiation at Desdemona Tuesday night: Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Boston, Mmes. Richardson, Rider, T. L. Acrea, Mack Underwood, A. A. Anderson, and Love.

Mrs. Walter Dixon was notified Tuesday of the death of her Uncle, Harris Lane, County Judge, Comanche. Mr. and Mrs. Dixon attended the funeral at Comanche Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Payton Powers of Lubbock visited Mr. and Mrs. Sam Powers.

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