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## AAA COMMITTEE ELECTIONS BEGIN DECEMBER 11TH

A second election, this one without parties, speeches and torchlight parades, and limited to the farmers of the nation, will be held between December 11 and 16. Sometime within these six days every farmer taking part in AAA programs will have an opportunity to vote for community committeemen.

The places and dates of community election meetings in Wheeler county are: Mobeetie and Union, Monday, Dec. 11, Mobeetie school house, 8:30 p. m.; Briscoe and Allison, Tuesday, Dec. 12, Briscoe school house, 8:30 p. m.; Bethel and Shamrock, Wednesday, Dec. 13, Chamber of Commerce, 8:30 p. m.; Center and Kelton, Thursday, Dec. 14, Kelton school house, 8:30 p. m.; Magic City and Heald, Friday, Dec. 15, Lela school house, 8:30 p. m.; Wheeler, Saturday, Dec. 16, Agricultural office, 3:30 p. m.; Twitty, Monday, Dec. 18, school house, 8:30 p. m.

"We have made many improvements in our farms, our homes, our educational facilities and our churches in this county within the past few years. We feel sure that this has been largely due to our working together through our committeemen under the direction of our State Committee, and in cooperation with other federal, state and local agencies. These improvements could not have been made with 5c cotton (or 10c tobacco, \$25 peanuts, 30c wheat, 3c hogs, or other appropriate cash enterprises) when none of us were conserving our soil and all of us were behind with our taxes," V. B. Hardcastle, administrative officer Wheeler County ACA, says.

The farmers elected at these meetings will be responsible for insuring maximum benefits to farmers of their communities for the many programs and activities of the Agricultural Adjustment Agency. The work of local committeemen includes explaining AAA practices, certifying applications for payment, assisting with storage and loan programs and working on the disposition of surplus war property.

More important than anything else, Mr. Hardcastle points out, the organized effort made possible by the elected farmer committeemen puts American agriculture in a position to act quickly and unitedly in the reconversion to peace, just as it made agriculture the first in effectively adjusting to the needs of war.

All farm operators—men or women—who will take part in the program in 1945 are eligible to vote in community elections. In addition to electing community committeemen, the meetings also will name delegates to a county convention to be held Friday, December 22, 8:30 p. m., at the Agricultural Office to elect county committeemen.

### LOCAL LEGION COLLECTS 33 GIFTS FOR SOLDIERS

Thirty-three Christmas gift packages have been turned over to the West Post Legion for delivery to hospitalized service men and women. Commander Fred Farmer says that any gifts turned in today and Friday will be delivered also.

Donors include Messers and Mesdames Andrew Goad, Geo. Porter, M. McIlhany, Jim Risner, Ernest Dyer, Lee Guthrie, Lloyd Davidson, Bill Dison, Jess Swink, Fred Farmer, Lee Little, Charlie Carter, L. C. Lafflin, Jesse Dyer, Floyd Pennington, Misses Blanche Grainger, Coene and Yreva Sue Carter, Mary and Virginia Marrs and Mrs. Luther Williams.

Archie L. Cole, SK2C, left Tuesday to return to his station in Oregon.

### To the People of this Community

The best way to observe the defeat of Hitler is to buy an extra War Bond. In thousands upon thousands of American homes today there is pride and sadness. From these homes have come fighting men who died to bring us this far on the road to decisive victory over all our enemies. It will take more sweat, more tears, more toll, more and greater individual War Bond buying before we see Japan in the ruins these barbarians of the Pacific planned for us. How much more blood and tears depends on every individual American war worker and Bond buyer.

The Sixth War Loan symbol—a bomb hurling down on the Rising Sun—can only come to reality with your individual help. Buy at least an extra \$100 War Bond above your normal payroll savings. That's the least you can do to back up your fighting men.

THE EDITOR.

## RAIN, SNOW BRING ABUNDANT MOISTURE

Skies have again cleared and residents yesterday and today are experiencing sunny moderating weather after a week of cold, wet weather during which approximately one and one-half inches of moisture fell in this vicinity. After the temperatures dropped to a season's low of 12 degrees on the morning of Nov. 30, thermometers showed a reading of slightly above freezing during Friday, Saturday, Sunday and until late Monday afternoon when drizzling rain turned into snow. Only a light snow fell here with most all the precipitation received being in the form of mist and slow rain. West and north the Panhandle area experienced a 2 to 8 inch fall of snow.

The general rain and snow will be of untold benefit to wheat and rye and, though causing cessation of cotton and grain harvest, is thought to have caused little material damage to these crops.

## Christmas Packages For Men On Seas Are Prepared By Red Cross

Clara Finsterwald, chairman of the Camp and Hospital committee of the local Red Cross Chapter, assisted by Verna Callan, has assembled and gift wrapped forty gifts for servicemen who will spend Christmas on the high seas. Each package contains pad and pencil, paper back novel, handkerchief, one package of cigarettes, bar of soap, wash cloth and tube of camphor ice. These packages were shipped to Red Cross headquarters in San Francisco in response to a plan whereby all men who are on a ship at Christmas time might receive a Christmas gift. Each county, through the Camp and Hospital committees, were asked to prepare the items for the gift packages that were required to reach San Francisco by December 10.

## Wheeler Mechanics And Welding Courses Close

The mechanics and welding courses taught by Otis Reid and Joe Tilley at the Agriculture shop at the Wheeler high school, will close Friday, December 8.

During the last 10 weeks that the mechanics course was in progress 38 different people have worked on their cars and trucks, Reid reports. Some complete overhaul jobs and other smaller jobs were done while the course was in session.

Tilley reports that there were 23 different people to receive welding training during the past 10 weeks that the course has been in progress.

Jack Spence, local supervisor, reports that applications have been sent to headquarters in hopes that both courses can be re-opened starting Jan. 2, 1945.

### LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

T/Sgt. Jack Pitcock of Perrin Field is visiting in the Homer Pitcock home.

Pfc. Max Wiley of McCook, Nebraska visited his wife and other relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. John Stilwell returned Tuesday from a visit in Ft. Worth.

S/Sgt. Hiram Whitener left Tuesday for Santa Monica, Calif., after a three week's visit with relatives.

S/Sgt. and Mrs. Dale Brown of Pampa spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Clarence Lee.

Cpl. Paul Luttrell of Fairfield, Calif., arrived Sunday afternoon for a visit with his wife and daughter, Linda Paulette.

Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Adkins and daughters, Lynda Carol and Noel Dayle, of Shamrock were Friday visitors in the A. B. Crump home.

Jimmie McGruder has purchased the W. H. White property in east Wheeler.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lamb moved to Happy, Texas, last week. Mr. Lamb and daughters, Mabel and Mrs. Dortha Wright returned Tuesday night, of this week, for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Moss and sons returned Saturday from a ten-day visit with her father in Houston and his parents in Frankton.

Mrs. D. E. Holt received word Monday of the death of her oldest brother, John H. Bowers, of Bronson, Kansas. Mrs. Holt was unable to attend the funeral services.

Mrs. Claude V. Rust, who is nursing in Amarillo spent the week end in the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Ollie V. Hubbard, and family.

Misses Sue Ward and Virginia Watt of Mobeetie spent the week end with Miss Lela Ruth Watt.

Mrs. Eli Sabee left Tuesday for San Diego, Calif., to join her husband.

Mrs. H. P. Black left Friday to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Black in Perryton.

## Old Fiddlers Contest To Benefit Boy Scouts

Lee Guthrie, Rogue Theatre manager is donating the use of his building and several fiddlers have already indicated their desire to take part in an old fiddlers contest which is to be sponsored here Tuesday evening, Dec. 19, by Wheeler Troop 72 of the Boy Scouts of America for the purpose of raising funds to carry on activities of the newly formed troop.

A prize of \$10 will be awarded first place winner, \$7.50 second place and \$5 for third place. The contest will be judged by three judges to be announced later, and awards given to contestants on fingering, bow movement, tone of fiddle and merit instead of sentiment. Harry Wofford will act as master of ceremonies.

All violin players wishing to enter the contest are asked to let it be known by notifying M. O. McKay, Scoutmaster, Box 331, Wheeler. No entrance fee will be charged those wishing to take part in the contest. Admission will be 30 cents, including tax, to everyone.

## 'Mother' Jones Passes Away

Mrs. Bertie Ann Jones, 75, mother of Mesdames Lee Barry and L. R. Barry of Briscoe passed away at five o'clock Saturday morning after a short illness.

Mother Jones, as she was lovingly called by those who knew her, had made her home with Mrs. Lee Barry since the passing of her husband in December 1933. At that time they were living in Amarillo, coming to Briscoe in Jan. 1936. Mother Jones joined the Missionary Baptist church many years ago; she was a devout christian, patient, loving, unselfish, and a blessing to all who knew her.

Funeral services were held at two o'clock Sunday afternoon in the Briscoe Baptist church with Rev. M. L. Porter and Rev. O. C. Evans officiating. Music was under the direction of Mrs. W. D. Doughit and Mrs. Sterley Price.

Pall bearers included Tom Helton, Luther Willis, J. H. Mason, Weaver Barnett, S. B. Davis and J. E. Steen.

Flower bearers were Mesdames King, Sam Standee, Roxie Medkief, Lawrence Aderholt, Luther Willis, and Miss Tamsey Riley.

Burial was at one o'clock Monday afternoon in Llano Cemetery, Amarillo, under the direction of Hunt Funeral Home of Wheeler.

Bertie Ann Rutherford was born July 29, 1869 in Austin County, Texas. She was married to William Andrew Jones Aug. 3, 1889. To this union were born three daughters, Mrs. Bernard White, who passed away at the age of 20 years; Mrs. Lee Barry and Mrs. L. R. Barry of Briscoe. She is also survived by three grandchildren, Neida Barry, L. R. Barry and C. E. Wilhelm of Briscoe; two great-grandchildren, Carol Gene and Sunny Ann Wilhelm of Briscoe; and one sister, Mrs. J. T. Hurst of Russell, Oklahoma.

Out of town relatives and friends attending the services were Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Rutherford and Mrs. Dorothy McDonald of Pampa; Mr. and Mrs. Pete Thompson and Rush Day of Hollis, Okla. Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hurst and son visited Mrs. Jones in the hospital last Thursday.

## Discount Rate On Taxes Is 1 Per Cent In Dec.

Starting last Friday the discount rate on state and county taxes dropped to 1 per cent. The rate during November was 2 per cent. There will be no discount during the month of January.

Terrell Gunter, state and county tax collector, states that \$108,660 in taxes were collected in October during the time that 3 per cent discount was offered. The total levy for 1944 is \$152,371.

### DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR-ASSESSOR IS EMPLOYED

Charles L. Garner has been employed as deputy tax assessor-collector for Wheeler county and is now working in the office of County tax assessor-collector Terrell Gunter. Garner replaces Bill Perrin who recently moved to Lefors to accept employment with a gasoline plant.

LaRue Cole is also assisting at the tax collector's office during the rush this month.

### PUBLIC SALES

Joe Stenbridge, who resides 3 miles east and 1/4 mile north of Wheeler, announces a farm auction close out sale to be held next Thursday, Dec. 14. Listed for sale are several head of Jersey milk cows, some work stock, farm implements and several miscellaneous items. The sale will get under way at 1:00 p. m. Green and Pettit will be auctioneers and Jake Tarter clerk.

## Seriously Wounded



SGT. DENZIL D. LEONARD

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Leonard of Mobeetie received word December 2nd that their son, Sgt. Denzil D. Leonard, had been seriously wounded in Germany on Nov. 17th.

Aug. 15th Denzil was slightly wounded in France, was awarded the Purple Heart and was sent back to England for treatment. He was dismissed from the hospital Sept. 25th and sent back on duty. His parents had received a letter from him that was written Nov. 13th telling he had been in the rain, cold and mud and was also under such nervous strain that he didn't think he could ever relax. He told them the weather here didn't get cold at all compared to what it does there and that the going from here on to the end was really going to be rough.

## Wins Bronze Star Medal

A Ninth Air Force Bomber Base, France — (Delayed) — The colonel pinned a medal on a Texas soldier at ceremonies held at this Ninth Air Force Marauder base in France.

For the Texan, Technical Sergeant William E. Simpson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Simpson, Gageby, it was a reward for the many hours he spent in his well worn, oil spotted coveralls to keep his plane flying.

The medal Colonel H. L. Mace, Marauder combat wing commander, pinned on Sergeant Simpson was the Bronze Star Medal, one of the army's newest awards and often called the Junior Legion of Merit. The citation read "for distinguished and meritorious service in direct support of military operations against the enemy."

Behind that citation were long hours, working in rain and mud, to keep a bomber always ready for battle; using ingenuity to keep a plane flying when personnel and equipment were scarce.

Not since Sergeant Simpson became crew chief of the Marauder "Kay Pea's Dream" has the medium bomber in Colonel Grober Brown's Tiger Stripe Marauder group failed mechanically to reach an enemy target on its 97 bombing missions.

Sergeant Simpson is a graduate of the Briscoe high school.

### LOCAL SCOUT TROOP OFF TO GOOD START

Of the 14 to 18 boys that have been attending the first meetings of the new Wheeler Troop 72 of the Boy Scouts of America, 12 are now fully registered and 6 more are expected to become scouts upon the completion of tenderfoot tests and the payment of the 55 cent dues which pays until January 1, 1946.

Of the group of boys 2 are first class scouts, 2 are second class and the remainder are of the tenderfoot rating. Both the second class scouts have passed several merit badge tests on their way to becoming first class. Several boys of the troop are expected to be presented with merit badges Feb. 8 in a Court of Honor to be staged jointly with the Shamrock troop there.

Investment services will be held locally for the Wheeler troop as soon as registration cards are returned from the national council.

Ansel McDowell, local druggist, has recently presented the troop with a large American flag.

J. A. Callan is recovering from a stroke, the third he has suffered in recent years.

Mrs. Melvin Bryant has returned from an extended visit with her husband in Grand Island, Nebraska.

Mrs. Agnes Hatfield, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Webb, has received her pilot's license at Frederick, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Odis Murphy and children of Clovis, New Mexico, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Murphy, last week end.

Mrs. J. P. Green has received word that her nephew, Lavoe Holt, is missing in action in France since Nov. 9. Young Holt's mother, Mrs. Laura Holt, of Springfield, Colorado, was a visitor in the Green home last week.

## LOCAL BAPTIST PLAN BUILDING PROGRAM

Plans are going forward by which local Baptists plan in the very near future to almost double the size of their church building. The extension is to be added on to the south side of the present building and will include an extension of the main auditorium, additional class rooms, tower and belfry.

At the present time the parsonage is being remodeled and painted. Hardwood floors are being laid in three rooms, a new kitchen cabinet is being built and an archway will connect the living and dining rooms. A room was recently added to the building.

## Pfc. Tommie Newman Is Slightly Wounded

Mrs. Nancy Newman of Mobeetie received a telegram Sunday stating that her son, Pfc. Tommie Newman, was slightly wounded in Germany Nov. 10. Mrs. Newman also received a letter from Tommie stating, "I'm sorry I haven't written the past few days but the Germans have kept us busy—a little rough with me. I got shot in the right arm with a machine gun bullet but it is nothing to worry about as it is a slight wound. A fellow in my ward is writing this for me."

Another son, Delmar, served 26 months in Alaska and is now at Camp Swift, Texas. He recently visited in Mobeetie on his first furlough since entering the armed services three years and two months ago.

## Final Date Set For Reporting Performance Under '44 AAA Program

Notice has just been received from B. F. Vance, State Administrative Officer in charge, advising that January 15, 1945 has been established as the closing date for filing performance reports under the 1944 Agricultural Conservation Program in states in the Southern Region. Hardcastle, administrative officer of the Wheeler County AAA, urges that all farmers in Wheeler county that have not filed their report do so immediately on all soil building practices carried out up to date and report other practices such as terraces, wells, dams and reservoirs as soon as construction is complete. Many farmers have carried out practices and will lose payments thereon if not reported on or before the above mentioned date. Hardcastle also states that the dirt working operation on above mentioned construction must be completed during the 1944 program year ending December 30.

## Emergency Crop Loans Are Now Available

Emergency Crop Loans, generally known as the "seed loans," are now available to farmers of the county who need assistance in financing the production of 1945 crops, according to announcement of W. E. Farwell, manager of the Dallas Emergency Crop Loan Office of the Farm Credit Administration.

An early installment of the loan may be advanced at this time for the purchase of feed or fuel oil for preparing the land, as well as fertilizer, seed and supplies, which may be needed now, and the remainder of the funds will be disbursed as needed. Mr. Farwell stated. The loan manager also called attention to the fact that the War Food Administration is urging farmers, who use fertilizer, to purchase it early and store it on the farm to relieve congestion in warehouses.

Applications for the loans in this county are being taken at the county agent's office under the direction of F. A. Peck, Field Supervisor.

These loans have been made here for many years and have proven of great benefit to farmers whose cash requirements are small. Security for the loans is a first mortgage on the crops to be financed. As in the past, borrowers will be required to plant a large garden for home use and a balanced farm program of food, feed and cash crops is encouraged. Applicants who can secure loans from banks or other sources are not eligible for the "seed loans." The maximum loan to an individual is \$400.00. In addition to general crop production loans this agency also makes loans to purchase feed or to produce feed for livestock.

Mrs. Minnie Dee Harris of Shamrock, formerly of Twitty, received a message from the war department Friday stating that her son, T/Sgt. Reaford D. Harris, had been wounded in action in Italy.

Word was received here this week of the death of Mr. Hodges, brother of Mrs. Albert Hayter, Lamesa, former Wheeler resident. Mrs. Hayter attended the funeral services held in Iowa Park Sunday, Nov. 26.

## BOND SALES ARE LAGGING IN 6TH WAR LOAN DRIVE

Wheeler county lacks \$155,000 of having met its quota of \$335,000 for the 6th War Loan Drive. The sales up until yesterday amounted to \$180,000. \$155,000 of the total quota is for bonds of the E, F and G series. Sales of these types of bonds through the month of December will count on the drive while the deadline of purchase of other types of bonds is December 16th.

War bond committeemen in the rural communities were urged to see the people of their communities, reminding them to buy bonds—or buy an extra bond—during the 6th War Loan Drive.

These community chairmen include: Mobeetie, Willard Godwin; Briscoe, Lee Barry; Wheeler, Dr. H. E. Nicholson; McBee, Tom Britt; Porter, D. H. Sherwood; Kellerville (Gracy), J. H. Thompson; Heald, George Reneau; Lela, J. D. Purcell; Center, J. W. Henderson; Shamrock, Seibert Worley and J. R. Brown; Benonine, R. A. Hill; Ramsdell, Temple Adkins; Locust Grove, S. E. Riley; Kelton, Albert Holcomb; Twitty, M. A. Pillers; Magic City, J. L. Pearson; Corn Valley, G. W. Lamb; Pakan, Paul Macina; Bethel, W. W. Bussey.

In speaking of the 6th War Loan, Robert Holt, county war finance chairman says, "Wheeler county will buy its bond quota, so let's get busy and do it at once and get the drive out of the way before we run too near Christmas."

## War Bond Rally Will Be Held At Kelton Gym

Residents of the Kelton and McBee voting precincts will gather at the Kelton School Gymnasium Thursday evening, Dec. 14, for the purpose of purchasing War Bonds in the 6th War Loan Drive and to be entertained by a free picture show and musical program. Dick Guynes and Albert Anderson are scheduled to be on hand to furnish several selections and a 16 mm film will be shown during the patriotic program.

## MR. AND MRS. J. J. AYRES RECEIVE LETTER FROM LATE SON'S COMMANDING OFFICER

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Ayres, whose son, Pfc. T. J. Ayres, died in New Guinea Nov. 8, are in receipt of a letter from Lt. Col. Lee J. Davis, Commanding Officer. In the letter the Commanding Officer stated that he had just learned of Pfc. T. J.'s death and he hastened to offer his sympathy. Continuing the officer stated, "I visited with your son only the day before yesterday and he was sitting up and was very cheerful. The following night he suffered a relapse and the end came quickly and mercifully. Let me assure you that everything was done for him that medical science could possibly do. Unfortunately, his ailment (Scrub Typhus) has no known cure. His passing is a deep personal loss for he was indeed a fine boy who lived honorably. Ceremonies befitting a brave American soldier will be performed. His entire battery will act as a Guard of Honor and volleys will be fired at the commitment. The flag he loved and served so well will be sent to you as an ever present reminder of his country's gratitude."

### CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

BAPTIST CHURCH  
P. D. Fullingim, Pastor  
Sunday School—10:00 a. m.  
Morning worship—11:00 a. m.  
"Christ Crucified."  
Training Union 6:45 p. m.  
Evening Worship—7:30 p. m.  
"How the Word Is A Blessing."

### Hospital News

Mr. and Mrs. Junior Futch, Pampa, are the parents of a son born Nov. 30.

Cpl. and Mrs. Paul Luttrell are the parents of a daughter born Dec. 1.

Mrs. W. L. Carver, Kelton, underwent an appendectomy Dec. 2.

J. L. Funston, Allison, entered the hospital for treatment Dec. 1.

Frank Shadden, Twitty, entered the hospital for treatment Nov. 29.

Kenneth Edwards, Gageby, entered the hospital for treatment Dec. 2.

W. A. Purnell, Kelton, entered the hospital for treatment Dec. 2.

Mrs. Dean Collins, Mobeetie, entered the hospital for treatment Dec. 3.

Mrs. Clarence Killingsworth, Kelton, entered the hospital for treatment Dec. 3.

Frank Simmons, McLean, entered the hospital for treatment Dec. 4.

Estelle Aderholt, Briscoe, underwent a tonsillectomy Dec. 6.

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**"Take It Kind Of Easy When  
 You Go By My House"**

The Editor of the Hartsville Messenger, a weekly newspaper published in Hartsville, South Carolina, received a letter the other day from William C. Law, a Hartsville boy now of the U. S. Marines on duty in the Pacific. Here's the letter:

"We're just a division of Marines. Compared to what our older divisions have done out here in the Pacific we're still a bunch of 'boots,' but we're out here, we fought on Roi and Namur Island, and we fought on Saipan and Tinian.

"When the war first flared up, the nation was roaring with anger at the Japanese for their attack on Pearl Harbor. They thought of how they would like to strangle the little race of yellow men with their hands. The nation's number one song hit was 'Remember Pearl Harbor.'

"The Marines landed on the Solomons and the nation cheered, clapped its hands and were proud.

"Soon the war in Europe dimmed the passion of the nation against these little yellow people. The nation was elated over the swarms of troops in England, the chase across Africa, the landings in Italy.

"This elated us Marines too. Still, the Marines landed on the little dots in the wide Pacific, on little islands unknown until a few wives lost their husbands there, and a few mothers lost their sons on that empty waste of the Pacific, garnished with just a few bloody dots.

"The war in Europe is nearly over. Germany is ready to collapse under the pressure of iron and blood; we Marines are aware of this, and are proud of our brothers in arms over there, on the other side of the world.

"The nation is eagerly awaiting the day when the fanatical Hitler and his brutal forces surrender. It is awaiting it with liquor stored away, confetti ready to throw, bells tense, ready to clang out victory.

"The newspapers report it will be a gala day, this 'D-Day' of yours. It will make the last victory celebration look like a side show, they say.

"The people must be very proud of themselves. Remember this: When you are out there, drinking your whiskey, slapping your neighbor on the back, bidding farewell to the 'duration,' and blowing horns, take it kind of easy when you go by my house.

"I'm still out here in the Pacific. You see, Japan hasn't given up yet.

"She's still out here, spitting out her ugly little death. She's still making us fight for every ditch, and die for every beachhead. We're still fighting a war.

"Sorry to have bothered you like this, but I would like to get home alive too."

—A Marine

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Fri. — Dec. 8-9 — Sat.

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—featuring—

**BENNY GOODMAN  
 LINDA DARNELL**

Pre.-Sun.-Mon. — Dec. 9-10-11

**GAIL RUSSELL  
 DIANA LYNN**

—in—

**"OUR HEARTS WERE  
 YOUNG AND GAY"**

Wed. — Dec. 13-14 — Thurs.

**Pertinent Paragraphs  
 from Panhandle Press**

Items of interest culled from newspapers on the Times' exchange list.

Civilian men should give up smoking cigarettes during the shortage and let the women and children have the smokes. It would be a gallant gesture and they could learn how those of us who never use the weed manage to survive. —McLean News

As the shadows of the evening lengthen into the total darkness of the night you come to the conclusion that you haven't been very successful in kidding yourself. All through the day you tried and you were sincere when you offered your thanks to the Master of the universe, but now you know that neither you nor your friends could be quite sincere about what a swell day it was. It wasn't a typical Thanksgiving and none of us can kid ourselves for more than a short interval. . . . But this we can sincerely be thankful for . . . We are one year closer to the time when the typical

American Thanksgiving will be observed again . . . one year closer to the time when the vacant chairs will be filled again . . . one year closer to peace, happiness and good will for all mankind. We can be thankful, knowing that through the leadership of our great men that most of our boys will return. And that makes it a real Thanksgiving. —Ed Bishop in The Dalhart Texan

The post office had planned to take last Thursday for their Thanksgiving, but decided to just wait and take the holiday with the rest of the "Republicans" in town. As they explain it, "after all, the poor Republicans haven't had much to make them happy the past twelve years, so maybe they ought to get their choice on the Thanksgiving deal." —Hereford Brand

The News has received two interesting letters during the past week. First comes a communication from Republican headquarters. You may read between the lines and see that the Republicans are going to make a hard fight to regain lost seats in Congress in 1946; and that Governor Dewey will not be the presidential candidate in 1948. Commander Harold Stassen, former Governor of

Minnesota, is being played up for Republican leadership. Second, Democratic national headquarters call upon all county committees to continue their work in order that Congress may be held in the Democratic ranks in 1946. The Democrats remember what happened during the Wilson administration when the party went to sleep and Congress was taken over by the Republicans just at the time that Wilson needed a majority in writing the peace. The same thing will not happen in 1946. However, the Democratic headquarters boys are silent regarding 1948. The President was asked about a fifth term, and laughed the question off, as he laughed off the question of a third and fourth term. From all indications we shall have plenty of politics in 1946. —Canyon News

Brown and gold autumn leaves litter the observation platform of a rapidly departing summer, and amid the empty cartons that once contained another season's dreams they are like soft pieces of excelsior packed about the brittle future. —Douglas Meador in The Matador Tribune

No wonder Hitler is sick. He should have been a long time ago.

**Humble Celebrates With  
 Production Of Billionth  
 Gallon Of Aviation Fuel**

Houston — In a fitting ceremony at Baytown, Texas, employees of Humble Oil & Refining Company on December 14 will commemorate a feat unparalleled in the petroleum industry — the production of one billion gallons of finished 100 octane aviation gasoline at the Company's Baytown refinery.

Attainment of the billion gallon record in the manufacture of finished 100 octane gasoline gives Baytown refinery the distinction of being the first and only individual refinery to have produced this much. The first plant in the nation to manufacture toluene from petroleum by chemical synthesis, it has supplied the toluene for at least one out of every two bombs used by the United Nations since Pearl Harbor. For this achievement it has been awarded the Army-Navy E five times.

Humble refineries have also supplied large quantities of other aviation and military gasolines, aviation engine and heavy duty lubricating oils, Navy special fuel oil, and other essential products. They are supplying about one-sixth of the materials

being manufactured from petroleum for the critical synthetic rubber program.

Humble is producing more crude oil than any other company in the U. S. One-fourth of the additional crude oil needed for war is being produced by Humble, making its current production amount to one barrel in every 12 of the domestic supply.

Humble Pipe Line Company is transporting more oil than any other system. Its daily load of approximately 700,000 barrels amounts to one in every seven barrels of the nation's supply.

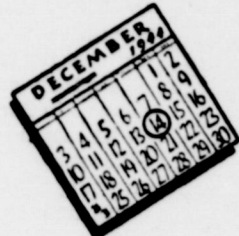
Highlight of the December 14 celebration will be the formal presentation of the one-billionth gallon of 100 octane aviation gasoline to a high ranking military official by H. C. Wiess, Humble president. In addition to military officials there will be in attendance also state and national government officials and leaders in industry.

A radio listener admits it is difficult to enjoy "Baby Snooks" as a baby, when you can't help remembering she is a grandmother!

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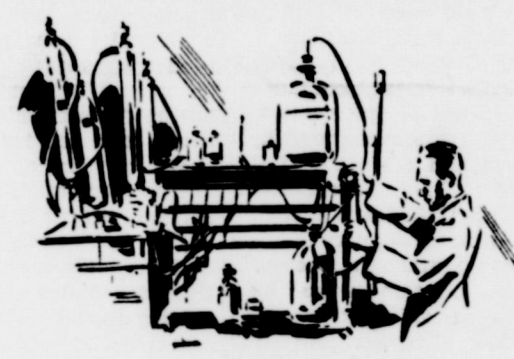
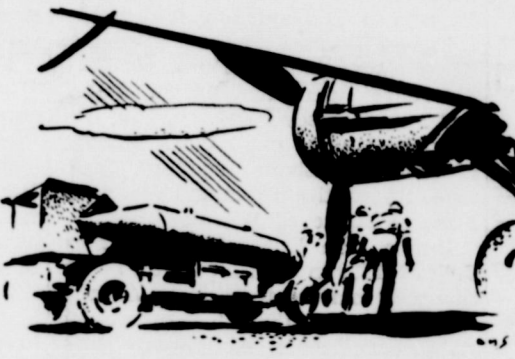
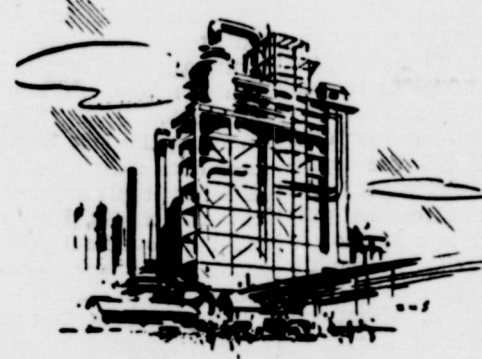



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|  <p>Humble research and development, in progress for many years before Pearl Harbor, made possible these accomplishments and contributed greatly to the total production of toluene, and the tremendous quantities of finished 100-octane aviation gasoline required by our Armed Forces.</p> |  <p>Baytown Ordnance Works, first synthetic toluene plant in the world, has supplied toluene for at least one out of every two bombs used by the United Nations since Pearl Harbor. For this production feat, Baytown Ordnance Works has five times been awarded the Army-Navy "E".</p> |  <p>Baytown Refinery has made one billion gallons of finished 100-octane aviation gasoline—more than has been produced by any other plant in the world. The world's first commercial alkylation plant was built at Baytown in 1938. The alkylation process is the very backbone of 100-octane aviation gasoline production by the entire petroleum industry.</p> |
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**MOUNTAIN VIEW NEWS**  
(By Times Correspondent)

(Intended for last week)  
Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Roberts of Briscoe, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Roberts of McLean and Arthur Roberts from Colorado visited in the W. H. Roberts home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Rhody visited in the Tom Hathaway home Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wisely and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Silas of Amarillo visited in the Jap Johnson home last week.

Henry Johnson was home Wednesday of last week.

Aline Walker spent Sunday with Miss Irene Ludley.

Waldon Haynes spent Saturday night with Jim Walker.

Mrs. Hattie Gaines of Pampa is visiting in the W. B. Thomas home.

Mr. and Mrs. Pierce Walker visited in the Boots Moore home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Doc Trimble visited in the A. C. Rhody home Saturday evening.

Miss Juanita Walker spent the week end in the Ransom Carter home.

Mrs. Faye Smith and Mrs. W. B. Thomas were in Pampa Tuesday.

Carl Carter spent Monday night with Harold Hanning.

Mr. and Mrs. Lafoy Collins and baby of Gorman are visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Seitz were in Wheeler Thursday.

21. No. 14 becomes valid December 22 and will remain valid until midnight March 21, 1945. In B4, B5 and C4 and C5 rations, the coupons nationally have a value of 5 gal. each. R1 and R2, 5 gal. (valid for bulk delivery only); T coupons designated "Fourth Quarter," 5 gal. valid until midnight December 31; D one and one-half gal; and E1 and E2 one gal. each.

Tire Inspection: T book holders every six months or every 5,000 miles, whichever comes first. New mileage rationing record required to obtain gasoline rations. Application for passenger care tire replacement must show condition of all tires in use.

Mr. and Mrs. White George of Magic City and Mrs. Joe Bidwell of McLean were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Herd.

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Meats and Fats — Book IV, red stamps A8 through Z8 and A5 through P5 valid indefinitely, good for 10 points each. Q5, R5, and S5 valid Dec. 3, 1944.

Processed Foods: Book IV, blue stamps A8 through Z8 and A5 through W5 good for 10 points each, valid indefinitely. X5, Y5, Z5, and B2 valid December 1, 1944.

Shoes: Book III, stamps one, two and three, with airplane pictures, each good for one pair indefinitely.

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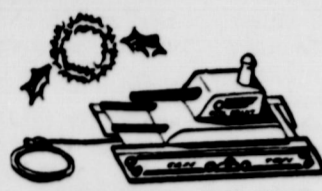
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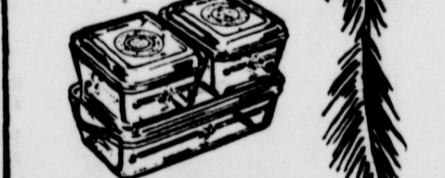
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**MOBEETIE HI-LIFE**  
Items of interest pertaining to the Mobeetie Schools

**Initiation**

There was a very attractive group of Freshman and some Sophomore girls at school Friday. Their hair was fixed very different with twenty-five pig tails each tied with a ribbon. Their dresses were worn backwards with a paper ruffle hanging below their dresses for the boys to sign. The students looked very comfortable wearing a dress shoe and an oxford with different colored anklets; a potato was tied around their neck. It was rather hard to get up and down the hall between classes because they carried their books in a toe sack and their lunch in a bucket. The scent of onion was very strong around school because every time they were caught talking to a boy they were required to take a bite of onion. The assembly program was presented by the group. They entertained with nursery rhymes, and songs such as "I Dropped My Dollie in the Dirt." Miss Duren was among the group and looked very nice.

**Picked Up Here and There**

The Juniors have selected their rings. They have an M in the center and under the M is the name of the school and the year. The Juniors can hardly wait until they get them.

The Mobeetie school was very proud to have two former students back with them last week. They were L. D. Smith and Bill Bailey, both of whom are in the armed forces.

The Juniors welcomed back one of their former classmates, John Tabor, Monday. He is now a student in school at Bovina, Texas.

**Future Homemakers Meet**

The Future Homemakers of Texas met Monday with about thirty-five present. Officers elected for the club were: president, Juanita Walker; vice-president, Maurita Lamon; secretary, Mignon Colwell; reporter, La Rue Flanagan; song leaders, Virginia Futch and Betty Ruth Brewer; refreshment committee, Wilma Prock, Florene Corcoran, Betty Jo Brewster, and Doris Barton; and program committee, Peggy Ware, Dorothy Goodnight, Dorothy Eubanks and Helen Trout. Plans were also made for the initiation of new members.

**Junior Class Is Entertained in Gym**

The Junior Class had a class party Thursday night in the gym with Miss Duren as sponsor. Those present were: Virginia Futch, Al Ferguson, La Rue Flanagan, Vera Mixon, Vernie Mixon, Louis Key, Quintis Godwin, Lorene Gabriel, Margie Green, Bennie Barton, Orver Brewer, Belva Abbott, Wallace Corse, Florene Corcoran and George B. Dunn.

Delicious refreshments were served by the refreshment committee.

Everyone reported a swell time although the party turned out to be a basketball game.

**Abber and Jabber**

Dorothy Eubanks is wearing a diamond ring. Did her mother really give it to her?

Wonder where Virginia Futch wants to move, and why would she want to live across the street from Fergusons?

Does Miss Duren really like company after junior parties or is she just polite?

Why wasn't Clea Fae Davis at school Monday? Could it be because LeRoy had gone to take his physical examination.

If the juniors have many parties and ball games combined, the gym won't have many window panes in it.

Does Wallace like angel food cake because it settles his nerves, or what?

Wonder how the Mixon and Barton case is coming along?

Who took Lorene home from the Junior party? Was that you Bennie?

Quintis Godwin seems to be taking good care of the ex-Seniors, isn't he Marjorie Greene?

**MOBEETIE 4-H GIRLS MEET**

The Mobeetie 4-H club girls elected the following officers during their November meeting: president, Sidney Lancaster; vice-president, Joyce Lowrey; secretary-treasurer, Betty Jean Lancaster; reporter, Doris Kuykendall; clothing demonstrators, Doris Kuykendall and Betty Lancaster; parliamentarian, Patsy Barker; song leader, Betty Kilcrease; garden demonstrators, Joyce Lowrey and Patsy Barker; game committee, Betty Kilcrease and Betty Cherry; party committee, Beverly Caldwell and Patsy Barker.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Kennedy were Altus, Oklahoma visitors Sunday.

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**FOUR GENERATIONS OF WARRENS CELEBRATE WITH HOMECOMING**

It was a very pleasant occasion, Thursday, when four generations of the Warren family, gathered at the Chas. Warren home in Wheeler to celebrate the seventy-first birthday anniversary of Charles Calvin Warren. Mrs. Chas. Warren and two grand-daughters, Mesdames Choice Bridges and Edd Brown were hostesses to the large number of guests during the homecoming.

All of the four living children were here for the homecoming and birthday celebration. Of the sixteen grandchildren, eight were here, and of the twelve great-grandchildren seven were present. There were a number of other relatives, by marriage, in attendance, also.

Elder E. P. McNeill of Canyon, came with Mr. and Mrs. Euel Warren of Amarillo to conduct the special services, honoring the Senior Mr. Warren.

It was a happy gathering when during the especially prepared dinner, all of the Warren family sat down together for the first time in several years. Elder McNeill offered thanks before the beginning of the birthday feast. The long table, moved to the living-room for this occasion was beautifully decorated, following out a Thanksgiving motif, with the patriotic red and white color scheme predominating, the center piece being a mirrored floral bowl with fresh flowers and an evergreen background.

The same color theme was used at four o'clock in the afternoon, when the huge birthday cake was cut. The massive snow white cake was decorated with the traditional candles—71 of them. It was fun to see Mr. Warren try to extinguish the two tiers of them with one breath. The cake and punch table was presided over by Mr. Warren's great grandchildren, who sang "Happy Birthday to Grand-dad," also served the guests.

The guest register was presided over by the only daughter of the House of Warren, Mrs. Carl L. Conner.

Those registered included: Charles Calvin Warren, the honoree; Mrs. Chas. Warren, W. J. Warren, Geo. Warren, and Mrs. Carl L. Conner, of Wheeler; Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Warren of Amarillo; granddaughters registered were Mesdames Loraine Brown, Lola Brown, Gladys Bridges, of Wheeler; Mrs. Coralene Cain and Marie Warren of Amarillo; Betty Warren, Georgia Warren and Nelda Conner of Wheeler. The great grandchildren present were Joyce, Betty Jo and Carmoleta Brown, Lois Bridges and Doyle Brown and Calvin Lloyd Bridges.

Others registered were Elder E. P. McNeill of Canyon; Choice L. Bridges, E. R. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Conner, Mrs. Arnold Jones and daughter, all of Wheeler. Those away, who sent birthday greetings, or gifts were: Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hayley of Snyder, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Durnell and Mrs. Geo. Horcher of Houston. A number of local friends, either called or sent birthday greetings during the afternoon.

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**MOBEETIE EASTERN STAR MEETS**

The Mobeetie Chapter of the Eastern Star held their regular meeting last Tuesday evening. It was decided the annual Christmas party would be held on Tuesday evening, Dec. 12, at seven-thirty o'clock.

Each lady is asked to bring a gift for another lady and each man bring a gift for a man. These gifts should not exceed one dollar in cost. All members are urged to attend.

**MR. AND MRS. BURGESS ARE HOSTS THURSDAY**

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burgess were hosts at a Thanksgiving dinner last Thursday. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Bowerman, O. L. Bowerman and family, Morris Burgess and family, Mr. and Mrs. Watson Burgess and son, Pvt. Joe C. Bowerman and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Rodgers and Peggy.

**W. S. C. S. TO HOLD OPEN HOUSE MONDAY**

The members of the Wheeler Woman's Society of Christian Service invite the women of the community to Open House at the Methodist parsonage Monday afternoon, Dec. 11, from three to five o'clock to meet their new parsonage family.

**WATTS-WAGNER**

Marriage vows were read Sunday, Nov. 19, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Watts of Earth uniting their daughter, Dorothy Wynona, and Bobby Ray Wagner, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Wagner of Earth, formerly of Wheeler. Rev. Sturgess, Church of Christ, officiated.

Wedding guests included Mrs. Ivy Anderson, Lowayne Watts, Wanda June Wagner, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Watts of Earth; Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Brealand of Amarillo and Mrs. Billie Wayne Wagner of Pampa.

The young couple will make their home at Earth.

**JACK FRYE IS BEST MAN AT ROOSEVELT WEDDING**

Jack Frye, president of Transcontinental and Western Air, Inc., and former Wheeler man, acted as best man when Col. Elliott Roosevelt, son of the President, and Faye Emerson, Hollywood actress, were married at 9 a. m. Dec. 3, at Yavapai Observation station on the rim of the Grand Canyon in Arizona.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Roger Sawyer of Williams, Ariz. A wedding breakfast was held at El Tovar Hotel following the ceremony.

Colonel Roosevelt is on leave from the Army Air Forces after commanding the Allied Photographic Service in Africa. He was divorced from Elizabeth Ronner Roosevelt and Ruth Gogins Roosevelt.

Miss Emerson was divorced from William Wallace Crawford, Jr.

**H. D. COUNCIL MEETS SATURDAY**

The home demonstration council met Saturday afternoon, Nov. 25, in the district court room with five clubs represented. Sixteen members and five visitors were present. Mrs. Hester Dodson of Twitty was elected vice-chairman. Mrs. Lee Barry gave

**MRS. HOLT IS CLUB HOSTESS**

Mrs. R. J. Holt was hostess to the Wednesday Study Club when it met this week for a study of China. Mrs. J. M. Porter, leader, was assisted by Mrs. M. L. Gunter, who gave a Historical Sketch of China; Mrs. Floyd

a book review. Miss Doris Leggett introduced Mrs. Mary Zeman, who will assume the home demonstration agent's duties January first. This was the last council meeting for this year.

Pennington gave the "Secret of China's Resistance." Mrs. T. S. Puckett discussed "Future Relations of China and U. S. A."

Delicious refreshments were served to two guests, Mrs. C. E. Vincent of Lefors and Mrs. Lowrey Johnson and to the following members: Mesdames Bronson Green, M. L. Gunter, Lee Guthrie, R. J. Holt, D. A. Hunt, Joe Hyatt, R. D. Holt, Jimmie Mitchener, Ansel McDowell, Floyd Pennington, J. M. Porter, Glen Porter, T. S. Puckett, W. L. Williams, Harold

Nash, R. William Brown and Geo. Porter.

Cpl. Roy Lee of Lawrenceville, Ill., is visiting his mother, Mrs. Clarence Lee, and his sisters while on furlough.

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- Trolley Car ..... \$1.39
- Junior Express Trucks ..... \$1.39
- Pull Toys with Elephants, Mules and Horses and Carts ..... 98c and \$1.19
- Dart Games ..... 69c and \$1.98
- Guns, all kinds ..... 29c to \$1.95
- Wheel Barrows ..... \$1.39

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**PICTURE SHOW AND MUSICAL PROGRAM**

The people in the Kelton and McBee voting precincts will again gather at the

**KELTON SCHOOL GYMNASIUM**

the night of

**DECEMBER 14TH**

for the purpose of purchasing War Bonds in the 6th War Loan Drive.

The sale will be preceded by a showing of war pictures and music during the evening will be furnished by Dick Guynes and Albert Anderson.

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No. 2 1/2 Can ..... **25c**
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TWO No. 2 Cans ..... **33c**
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Tall Can ..... **8c**
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- BRAN**  
100 Pound Sack ..... **\$2.25**
- MATCHES FINEST**  
6 Box Carton ..... **23c**
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Pint Bottle ..... **39c**
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Large Package ..... **23c**
- DUZ**  
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- BARBECUE** Per Pound ..... **30c**
- WIENERS** Per Pound ..... **29c**

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**NEWS OF OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN UNIFORM**

**S-Sgt. Whitener Entitled To Wear Merit Badge**

15th AAF in Italy — S-Sgt. Hiram A. Whitener of Route 1, Wheeler, a ball turret gunner who flew in combat with a heavy Bomb Group, is now entitled to wear the Distinguished Unit Badge.

At an impressive ceremony at its base somewhere in Italy, Maj. Gen. Nathan F. Twining, Commanding General of the 15th Army Air Force pinned the streamers of a Distinguished Unit on the standard of his Bombardment Group for its "outstanding performance of duty in armed conflict with the enemy."

The citation which accompanied the presentation of the streamers, read in part, "On July 25, this Bombardment Group was assigned the task of attacking and destroying the Zwolfaxing Airdrome installations at Vienna, Austria, which were being used for the assembly of ME-109's. Throughout the day and night prior to the attack, the ground crews worked untiringly and enthusiastically to have their aircraft at the peak of mechanical perfection to insure the success of this vital operation."

On July 26th, this Group of B-24 Liberator bombers took off as lead Group of a Wing formation and set course for the target. Attacked by thirty enemy fighters, the gunners threw up such a curtain of lead that the attack was broken off. Adverse weather conditions forced the bombers to bomb at a lower altitude than usual, subjecting them to intense and heavy anti-aircraft fire. Although three bombers were lost, two so badly crippled they had to leave the formation and others badly damaged, the gallant crews pressed the attack and inflicted grave damage to the objective, depriving the enemy of one of his most important fighter assembly and repair bases.

Continuing the citation read, "By their great determination, outstanding professional skill and gallantry... this Bombardment Group has reflected great credit upon themselves and the Armed Forces of the United States of America."

Now under the command of Col. John M. Price of Fort Dodge, Iowa, the Group was led on the Zwolfaxing mission by their previous commander, Col. Bertram C. Harrison of Leesburg, Va.

S-Sgt. Whitener has recently returned from Italy and has been visiting relatives of Wheeler.

Pfc. Jabez F. Cook has written his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Cook, that he is in the Philippines. Pfc. Cook graduated from the Mobeetie high school in 1936. He has been in the army four years, training at Ft. Bliss and Ft. Riley, Kansas and has been in the Southwest Pacific the past 18 months.

Nov. 19, 1944

Dear Mom:

At last I'm getting some of your letters, they are old but still news to me. Like the Admiralties the Philip-

pinas are jungles, swamps and mountains. There are lots of rice paddies in the valleys. It seems a little cooler here but I believe it rains more.

The natives have been hit hard, the Japs took everything they had. They are half naked, most are bare foot but some have wooden shoes. Nearly all of them need medical care — there are doctors and nurses here but they've had no medicine since the Japs came. They were given very little food; they raise plenty of rice and potatoes but the Japs took that. They killed most of their chickens, cows and pigs.

They farm with wooden plows pulled by caribou. The horses here are too small to pull a plow.

The worst thing we have to go through is air attacks. When they start strafing and bombing you sure hit for a hole. I've seen some good dog fights.

I am sending some money printed by the Japs. It is worthless here.

Pvt. Carl Denny Mathews, 18, son of William Pinkney Mathews of Mobeetie, has arrived at Camp Colters, infantry replacement training center, to begin his basic training as an infantryman. He has been assigned to a battalion stressing rifle training.

**PROMOTED TO ENSIGN**

Ensign Si Marchbanks has been promoted to that rank recently, according to word received by his wife, the former Armor Lee Greenfield.

Ensign Marchbanks has been in the C. B's. for 2 years and has been in the South Pacific for 21 months. He graduated from W. T. in 1937 and taught for some time before entering Texas A. & M. where he was a junior at the time of his enlistment.

Mrs. Marchbanks is principal of the Mobeetie high school and makes her home there while her husband is in the Service.

Pfc. Darville E. Atherton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Atherton of Briscoe wrote his brother the following description of the battle of Pelelieu: "I think I will soon be allowed to go back to my outfit. I'm anxious to know what was left of it — there wasn't much when I last saw it. I was in the first wave to get to the beach. I got hit about 50 yards out but went on in. I guess you know I'm a machine gunner. I got it plenty hot, too. I like being a gunner. We had plenty of air support so didn't get bombed. Not one Jap plane got off the ground — however 50 took off from the Philippines but our planes stopped them."

I lost all my things on the island, may get them back but I doubt it. Send me some more pictures. My amphibious tank got hung up on a coral and we had to leave it. Our second tank got a hole knocked in it and it sank so we had to take a little swim and ruined all my pictures."

Pfc. Arch Ware, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Ware of Mobeetie, is with the 2nd Armored division in Germany. He received a year's training at Ft. Benning, Georgia and has been overseas two years. He sent his parents an Associated Press bulletin telling of the part played by this well-trained armored division in sev-

**MOVIE CHATTER**

(By a Rogue)

**Henry Aldrich**

The many followers of The Aldrich family will be glad to know that Henry Aldrich Plays Cupid is coming to the local Rogue Theatre Friday-Saturday, December 8-9. If you have ever seen one of Henry's pictures, you will more than welcome this one. Then, too, if you listen to this program on the radio you will appreciate the characters more after having seen them on the screen. So make your plans now to see Henry Aldrich Plays Cupid.

**Tender Comrade**

The picture for Prevue - Sunday - Monday, December 9-10-11, has been changed from Sweet and Low Down to Tender Comrade due to the distributors being unable to furnish a print on that date. We regret to have to make a change on our calendar, but we feel sure that you will really appreciate Tender Comrade which stars Ginger Rogers and Ruth Hussey. The story for Tender Comrade concerns itself with the life, loves and exploitations of four service wives who follow their men from place to place, and finally arrive at the port of embarkation where the chase ends. Yes, this might be the story of one wife of a serviceman from Wheeler or any American town. We are sure that you will go for it in a big way.

**Our Hearts Were Young and Gay**

Wednesday - Thursday, December 13-14, brings Our Hearts Were Young and Gay to the Rogue Theatre. The stars are Gail Russell, Diana Lynn and Charles Ruggles. The story was published in condensed form in the Reader's Digest about two years ago. It is a travelogue comedy about two college girls who made London and Paris on their tour for happiness. We, therefore, believe that you will like it.

eral invasions. He writes: "I am well except for a cold. I am sending you a money order and a sample of the money they use in this country. Also a news memo sheet of this outfit. It's not news now but history."

The weather here is pretty bad — cold and snowing most of the time. Hope this finds you all well. Skeete.



Coca-Cola 5¢

**KELTON NEWS**

Rev. Vernon Willard filled his regular appointment at the Methodist church Sunday. Mrs. Willard and children accompanied him.

Pvt. George Henderson of the Amarillo Air Field spent three days here with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Davidson and Georgiana spent the week end in Borger and Pampa.

Rev. and Mrs. Bill Pond of Ft. Worth spent the week end here.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Baird of Amarillo spent a few days here last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Watson and children and Miss Bobbie Woodring of Dumas spent the week end here.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Henderson and Gloria of Borger spent the week end here with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Henderson.

Edward and June Washam of Pampa spent the week end here.

Miss Francis Davis of Shamrock spent Thursday here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Davis.

Miss Emily Ann "Sis" Price of Shamrock attended church here Sunday.

The Sweetwater boys basketball team defeated the Kelton team Friday night. The final score was 29-36.

Bailey Whiteley and Clive Splawn were business visitors in Shamrock Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Johnson were business visitors in Shamrock Friday afternoon.

**LOCAL NEWS ITEMS**

Joe Tilley and daughter, Bonnie Rae, were Amarillo callers Friday.

M. O. McKay was a Shamrock business visitor Sunday.

Carl Laffin is attending an electrical school, which is sponsored by the Frigidaire Company, in Ft. Worth this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Granberg of Amarillo were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ramon Holt.

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Now is the time to get rid of it!

Look at the diffusing bowls on your lamps and fixtures. Are they clean and bright? How about the lamp bulbs, and the shades, too? Dust and dirt can rob you of as much as 50 per cent of your light. That is light you are paying for, and need for easy seeing. So make sure your lamps and fixtures stay clean.

Home lighting equipment should always be at top efficiency. Reading, writing, drawing, sewing—all home tasks—involve intense eye work. Often more actual study is carried on at home than in school.

In cleaning up, you may find some empty sockets. There's no better time to fill them up. Most electric dealers now have light bulbs in all common home sizes, so you can secure what you need. Be sure you put the RIGHT SIZE bulb in each lamp or fixture!

It's a good time to study the arrangement of your lamps, too. Make sure they are placed for easy, comfortable seeing, so that you have neither glare in your eyes nor shadows on your work.

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In order to establish a priority list and also to help you save for that Servel you want, we present our Servel Priority Plan. Briefly, the plan is this:

Come to our store this week and sign up for the plan. Pay \$1 down, and agree to deposit \$5 a month thereafter. All applicants will be given an opportunity to buy the first Servel Refrigerators which become available to them in the order of their applications, subject of course, to government regulations as to prices, terms and sales.

Your monthly deposits may be applied on the purchase of your new Servel when available. Or you may discontinue your deposits at any time and everything you have deposited, except the original \$1, will be refunded to you.

You do not have to decide now as to model or price. You do not even obligate yourself to buy any refrigerator at all. The Priority Plan simply offers you the opportunity to be one of the first to buy one of the New Servels when they again become available for sale and a chance to save money toward its purchase.

Come in and let us explain the plan more fully. But don't wait. Remember: **FIRST COME—FIRST SERVEL!**

**Nash Appliance & Supply Company**



By BOYCE HOUSE

Returning to Cotulla recently, your columnist found the town much changed from the winter of 1920-21 which was spent there to build up my health.

The town, between San Antonio and Laredo, was pretty much at that time as it was some 35 years before when Will Porter arrived in LaSalle County to regain his health. (The world now knows him better as O. Henry).

The streets in 1920, when I landed there, were still unpared and there was an old building with a faded sign, "Saloon." The hotel where O. Henry occasionally spent a night is still there, even now, and is doing a thriving business.

Deputy Sheriff Ed Wildenthal is much too young to remember O. Henry but he remembers people who did know O. Henry. He tells the traditional story of the time that young Porter came to Cotulla, drank too much and then went into the hotel lobby. The motherly proprietress, whom he called "Aunt," made him promise not to drink any more. Then while he slumbered in the chair, a bottle of whiskey fell out of his pocket but he slept on. She hid the bottle and wouldn't let him have it when he awoke.

Then there was a deaf-and-dumb Mexican whom Wildenthal knew and who could tell what you said by watching your lips but he had to write out his part of the conversation, in Spanish. This Mexican and O. Henry often went riding together. O. Henry usually ahead and, legend says, talking to himself — perhaps, even then, planning the short stories that were destined to make his name immortal.

The youth had his money all in silver dollars, which he buried, and on these rides, if he needed money, he would dig up his horde and obtain a supply. The Mexican was the only other who knew where O. Henry's money was hidden.

Along in the '90's — which would be some years after O. Henry had left LaSalle County to make his home in Austin — he was on the train, en route from Laredo to San Antonio or Austin. During the stop in Cotulla, he saw his friend, the deaf-and-dumb Mexican, from the car window

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Henry Winkler of Gainesville, arrived Saturday for a week's visit with his sister, Mrs. S. D. Conwell, and Mr. Conwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Vevel H. Bowerman left here Friday afternoon for their home in San Antonio. Mrs. Jim Burgess accompanied them for a ten day visit.

Marcelle Farmer, Childress, spent from Thursday until Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Farmer.

and alighted and shook hands. That perhaps was the last time O. Henry was in Cotulla — though in memory he was there often, afterward, because some of his finest stories are about that country which, with its mesquite, prickly pear, road-runners and cattle hidden in the dense brush, is just about as it was 60-odd years ago when he went there to build up his strength on a ranch and would drive the wagon into Cotulla for supplies.



The Times War Time Reporter Says

Folks I'll tell you:

My Grandad was a man that demanded respect from man or dog. I never will forget one night he come home and the dogs failed to bark and he got down his gun to shoot 'em, but Grandma stopped him afore he did. She lowed she penned up them pilfering hounds to stop 'em sucking eggs. But Grandad was a shore 'nough fighting man. I remember one time he had been a fueding with a neighbor over a dog and he come five

bullets out'en his beard.

My little poem today will be:  
I like to park in town at night  
And watch the people pass,  
Or linger on the court house lawn  
And waller in the grass.

There is always something  
To make your trip worth while,  
Perhaps a bit of gossip,  
Or some gal—dolled out in style.

It sorter makes you one of them  
If you will stroll around,  
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And quiet shrouds the battle-rubbed West . . .

The enemy has laid away his arms, and Death and Pain are done in France.

But I go on . . . for I must fight and kill . . .

And work and sweat . . . and hide and run . . .

For here the enemy is very much alive . . .

His bullets still are made of lead . . .

Their angry whispers still foretell of sudden death

For me and others crouched in slime and mud . . .

The end for us is yet to come . . .

And so we pray to God to give us strength

To fight and win . . . without the waste of Time . . .

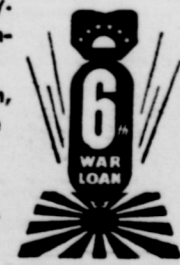
And with His Will . . . to see our homes again.

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Mrs. J. N. Tinkle and Family

**CARD OF THANKS**  
We wish to express to our friends and neighbors our sincere gratitude and appreciation for their many thoughtful deeds of kindness, words of understanding and sympathy during the illness and passing of our dear mother and grandmother. The floral offering was beautiful. May God's richest blessings rest upon each of you.  
Mr. and Mrs. Lee Barry  
Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Barry and Family  
Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Wilhelm and Family

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FOR SALE — Baby heifer calf. Albert Chapman. 52-1tc

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**FOR SALE** — Windcharger, tower and battery. W. O. Weatherly, 7 miles east of Wheeler. 52-1tp

**FOR SALE** — Butane cook stove, complete with drum and regulator. Nash Appliance & Supply. 51-tfc

**FOR SALE** — Five horsepower gasoline engine. J. P. Green Hardware. 52-1tp

**FOR SALE** — Boysenberry plants, 8 cents each. W. L. Murphy. 52-1tp

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**FOR SALE** — Four high grade Hereford bull calves; old enough for service in the spring, \$75 to \$100. George Porter. 52-2tc

**FOR SALE** — My home in east part of Wheeler. Mrs. John Stilwell. Phone 46. 52-1tp

**FOR SALE** — Stoves, new and used, cook stoves and heaters. Wheeler Gas Company. 52-tfc

**TRY OUR VITAWAY 3-day flock wormer.** Lawrence Hatchery and Feed, Wheeler. 43-tfc

**LARGE SHIPMENT**  
of truck and pickup tires just received, also a big selection of mud chains. Still have some pre-war innertubes of various sizes left. Tower Service Station, Shamrock. 42-2tc

**FOR SALE** — Shade trees, fruit trees, shrubbery and evergreens. Will Warren, Wheeler. 46-tfc

**MISCELLANEOUS**  
WANTED — Furs. Write me when you have furs for sale. I pay more for your furs than you can get by shipping. Alton Hendershot, Box 634, Canadian, Texas. 52-4tp

WANTED — A home for a little, old lady, semi-invalid. Able to pay. Call 26. 52-1tc

**STRAYED** — From Mobeetie, White face cow, branded rafter E on left side; also black bull with white face (right ear clipped.) Ernest Lee. 52-8tc

**NOTICE** — Will be ready to kill hogs for the public, Tuesday, Dec. 5. Tom Crossland. 51-3tp

WANTED — Members in the Wheeler County Rural Health Service. The new year begins Dec. 1, 1944. L. R. Barry, Mgr. 51-1tc

PUBLIC enemy No. 1 — **ALCOHOL**

**OLD FIDDLER'S CONTEST**  
TUESDAY, DEC. 19  
at the  
**ROGUE THEATRE**  
WHEELER, TEXAS  
SPONSORED BY  
Wheeler Troop No. 72  
Boy Scouts of America  
Fiddlers Desiring to Enter,  
Please Send Card to  
BOX 331, WHEELER  
TICKETS NOW ON SALE

## THE CORRAL

Items of interest pertaining to the Wheeler Schools

**Senior News**  
The Senior class had a meeting Friday and brought to a close their United War Chest Drive. The amount collected was \$10.50.

**Freshman News**  
The Freshmen are working with the bond drive. They are going to try to beat the other classes.

W. H. S. seems to be forgetting about the magazines that belong to the library. These magazines are only checked out to you for one period. So please remember from now on, students, let's keep the magazines in shape as well as the study hall.

**Football Banquet**  
The football banquet is to be held at the homemaking building Thursday night at 7:45. The pep squad girls have certainly been working hard for the banquet, and hope it will be a big success.

**English Notes**  
The Sophomores and Juniors have just about completed their unit of poetry study. Some of these hard-hearted, indifferent boys have even admitted that they are beginning to like poetry. Of course, some of them won't admit it even yet. Everyone in both classes seems to agree that they prefer the poetry of the twentieth century.

The Sophomores have been doing a little experimenting in choral speaking. The boys seemed to particularly enjoy reading in unison some of the old sea chanteys. This choral speaking has a tendency to make everyone enjoy the music and rhythm of poetry more.

**This And That**  
Have you noticed that June and Betty are not on speaking terms with Margie and Coene?

It seems that Margie and Roy are getting "that way" about each other. Has anyone noticed Margie's new ring?

Wonder why Edna was lonesome Monday and Tuesday? Could it be a certain Senior went to Oklahoma City?

Have you noticed Edna's new hair do? Who's the senior that Josephine talks about all the time?

We wonder who the Senior boy is that Iris and Edna fuss over? Have you seen some of the Juniors walking around in a daze? Could it be the coming football banquet?

We didn't know that Coene is a Senior, but she's wearing a Senior Ring. We wonder whose?

It seems that Mary Alice and Lloyd are still on the list of steadies. Jo Evelyn has sure been blue since Louene left. I believe all the girls have.

Florine Jackson is having a formal party Friday if the weather permits. We all hope it does!

Has anyone found the reason why



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We have — Toys for children — Unusual Gifts for Her Smart Gifts for Him — Practical Gifts for the Home

## McDowell Drug Co.

We Fill Any Doctor's Prescription  
ANSEL McDOWELL, Manager-Pharmacist Phone 11—Wheeler

Noi Lou quit as reporter? We wonder whose sweater Nell had on Tuesday? Helen, you've wanted your name in the paper every week, so now lay off and let someone else have a chance. H. M. Wiley was a business caller in Pampa and Borger Wednesday.



## IT HAS TO LAST A LONG TIME YOU KNOW

### USE TEXACO PRODUCTS for BETTER SERVICE

In spite of the fact that we had all hoped to soon be driving new cars, there are none in sight yet and the chances are that it will be quite awhile. In the mean time, be sure to get the most service out of your present car by using Texaco products, both in your gas tank and crank case besides having your car lubricated regularly with our efficient high pressure system.

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# PUBLIC SALE

THREE MILES EAST 1/2 MILE NORTH OF WHEELER

## Thursday, December 14, 1944

STARTING AT 1:00 O'CLOCK P. M. THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY:

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| <p><b>LIVESTOCK</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 Jersey Cow, 8 yrs. old</li> <li>4 Jersey Cows, 5 yrs. old</li> <li>4 Jersey Cows, 4 yrs. old</li> <li>1 Jersey Cow, 4 yrs. old, calf by side</li> <li>All good milkers and fresh soon</li> <li>3 Half Durham Half Jersey Heifers</li> <li>1 Jersey Heifer</li> <li>2 Half Angus Half Jersey Heifer Yearlings</li> <li>2 Half Angus Half Jersey Steer Yearlings</li> <li>2 Smooth Mouth Mares, good shape</li> <li>2 Spring Colts</li> <li>1 No. 2 International Separator, good one</li> <li>1 Maytag Washing Machine, a good one</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5 New 10-gallon Cream Cans</li> <li>1 New Whirl-flo Strainer</li> <li>1 Good 4-burner Oil Cook Stove</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FARM EQUIPMENT</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 International Tractor, regular, good shape, fully equipped lister and cultivator. Subject to private sale</li> <li>1 Single row, horse drawn, J. D. Cultivator</li> <li>1 Single row, horse drawn, J. D. Lister complete</li> <li>1 Good 4-wheel Trailer, with good tires</li> <li>1 Set good Double Trees</li> <li>All sizes Cultivator Sweeps</li> <li>Numerous Other Items</li> </ul> |
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**JOE STEMBRIDGE, Owner**

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