

Army Picked by Sports Writers As No. 1 Sports Group of 1944

NEW YORK, Dec. 19—(AP)—Army's explosive unbeaten and untied football team that rolled up 504 points in gaining the mythical national championship today was picked the 1944 team-of-the-year in the annual Associated Press year-end poll.

Breaking a 12-year monopoly by major league baseball teams, the T-minded West Point Cadets polled a total of 266 points to finish ranked ahead of the 194 garnered by the second place world champion St. Louis Cardinals.

Billy Frazier Is First Down Maker

MERKEL, Tex., Dec. 19—(AP)—When Billy Wayne Frazier, the Merklean blinks runs with the ball you can figure on a first down.

U. of Tulsa Takes Excellent Record Into Orange Bowl Jan. 1

(U. of Tulsa News Service) TULSA, Okla., Dec. 23—The University of Tulsa Golden Hurricane, which meets the Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets in the Orange Bowl at Miami, Fla., New Year's day, finished fourth in the nation in the won-and-lost percentages over a five-year span, with 37 wins and seven losses for a .841 percentage.

Sports Shots

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF Associated Press Sports Editor DALLAS, Dec. 19—(AP)—A movement is on foot to organize a southwest chapter of the football writers association of America.

Sports Roundup

By HUGH FULLETON, JR. NEW YORK, Dec. 19—(AP)—A new basketball conference is in the making involving the Universities of Havana, Puerto Rico and Mexico.



Housing No Problem for Ducks



Humans may have to scurry around in Washington looking for sleeping quarters, but there's no shortage of housing for ducks in the district, as is shown by this plentiful flock, vacationing briefly in the capital before journeying farther south.

Dutch Meyer Not Giving Up

FORT WORTH, Dec. 19—(AP)—That eternal optimist, Leo (Dutch) Meyer, headman of Texas Christian University's fighting Frogs, scoffs at this 10-point talk they're putting out regarding his team's chances in the Cotton Bowl against Oklahoma A & M.

Jim Lookabaugh Will Be Excited As Any of Aggies

STILLWATER, Okla., Dec. 19—(AP)—When Coach Jim Lookabaugh herds his Oklahoma Aggies into the Cotton Bowl against Texas Christian on New Year's day, he'll probably be as wide-eyed as the greenest 17-year-old on his all-civilian squad.

Sitton's Sports Sentiments

By EB SITTON A CHECKUP of local hardware stores which handle hunting licenses shows that an unusually large number of hunters are gunning for ducks and quail this fall.

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Some 1945 Football Dates Are Announced

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark., Dec. 19—(AP)—Texas University will return to Little Rock to play the University of Arkansas Razorbacks next fall and Arkansas will make its second straight appearance against SMU in Dallas.

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TCU's Green Quint Has Big Schedule

By J. W. RIDINGS TCU News Service FORT WORTH, Dec. 19—Coach Hub McQuillan will have a short (tallest player 6-3) but fast aggregation.

Border Conference Meeting Canceled

ABILENE, Texas, Dec. 19—(AP)—The winter meeting of the border conference, scheduled for Dec. 21 at El Paso, has been called off.

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Mexico U. Leaves Today by Rail

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 19—(AP)—The University of Mexico football squad of 35 players is expected to leave today by rail for El Paso to meet Southwestern University in the annual Sun Bowl game New Year's day.

Amarillo Field In Match With LAAF

AMARILLO, Texas, Dec. 19—(AP)—The Amarillo field 5k's Giants, who have won four games and lost one, take on the undefeated Lubbock army air field fliers tonight.

Pro and Con

BETTER THAN 500 NO WINNING WAYS BUT WE GET PAID FOR IT

PAAF Instructors Study at Randolph

Several physical training instructors at PAAF, both officers and enlisted men, have gone or will go to San Antonio for conference and training at Randolph field.

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Capt. Joe Routt, A. & M. Great, Missing

HOUSTON, Texas, Dec. 19—(AP)—Capt. Joe Routt, former all-American football guard at Texas A. and M. college, is missing in action in Europe.

Bob Sledge of Bears

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Mrs. Baxter Is Shower Honoree

Mrs. Lucile Baxter and baby daughter, Catherine Joe, were honored at a pink and blue shower held in the dining room of the K. C. Waffle house last week with Mrs. Edward Foran and Mrs. Wimpy Davis as co-hostesses.

The serving tables were decorated in keeping with the occasion. After an afternoon of entertainment sandwiches, salad, cake and coffee were served to the following guests:

Mrs. T. Denson, Mrs. Mae Pelder, Mrs. Lloyd Rinehart, Mrs. D. M. Coe, Mrs. Eddie Weiland, Mrs. Frank Barton, Mrs. Tom Hagard, Mrs. C. M. Whittle, Mrs. Rose Dill, Mrs. A. L. Anderson, Mrs. Davis Tracy, Mrs. Morris Goldfine, Mrs. Jet Brunley, the honoree and the hostesses.

Gifts were sent by Mrs. Ed Foran, Mrs. Eddie Williams, Mrs. George Wright, Mr. and Mrs. H. Johnson, Mrs. Nell West and Mrs. Gene Porter.

BUY MORE, AS BEFORE

Hopkins Children

Entertained With Christmas Party

Hopkins school had a Christmas party and Christmas tree Friday afternoon with Huelyn Laycock as guest visitor.

A short program was presented by pupils with the first, second and third grades singing a group of Christmas songs, after which the group sang "Silent Night," "O Come All Ye Faithful," and "Jingle Bells." Song selections were announced by Shirley Johnson.

Santa Claus presented gifts to children and each room was then entertained by room-mothers.

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The Social Calendar

WEDNESDAY Presbyterian Auxiliary members will meet at 2:30 to have their Christmas tea. Presbyterian auxiliary will meet at home of members. Women's Council of First Presbyterian church will meet. Harrison H.D. club will meet. Beth H.D. club will meet. W.M.S. of First Methodist church will meet in home of members. First council of Holy Souls will meet at 2:30. Queen of Clubs will meet. THURSDAY Rebekah Lodge will meet at 7:30. Wisconsin class of the First Baptist church will meet. La Rosa sorority will meet. Hopkins W.M.S. will meet. Grandview club will meet. FRIDAY O.E.S. Christmas party will be held. Colton H. D. club will meet. Wayside club will meet. V.F.W. Auxiliary will meet. Rainbow Girls will meet. BUY MORE, AS BEFORE

Announcement

There will be a meeting of the Hopkins Parents Teacher association tonight at 7:30 with the Rev. S. D. McLean of the Pampa First Christian church as guest speaker. His subject will be "Security in Spiritual Faith."

Germans Accused Of Hanging 35 Italians

ROME, Dec. 19—(AP)—The army newspaper "Stars and Stripes" Monday quoted a person who recently crossed the front line as saying the Germans hanged 35 Italian hostages in Bologna three weeks ago in reprisal for the blowing up of a Nazi ammunition truck by two patriots who escaped.

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Room Mothers Give Party at Hopkins

School children of Hopkins were entertained Thursday evening when room-mothers, room-mother representatives, executive board members of the school entertained them at a Christmas tree.

A sack of gifts was given to each child. Those attending and assisting with the gifts were Mrs. J. R. Young, Mrs. Dave Bowers, Mrs. L. L. Hutsell, Mrs. E. W. Orr, Mrs. Moore Jones, Mrs. C. O. Spalding, Mrs. W. B. Barton, Mrs. Jim Thurmond, Mrs. Al Jennings, Mrs. Paul Rice, Mrs. Clyde Chisum, Mrs. G. H. Courson, Mrs. S. R. Odell and Mrs. E. B. Morton.

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Miami Club Has Christmas Guests

Special To The NEWS.—Mrs. E. M. Balengue was hostess to special guests and members of the Nyners' Bridge club last week. The Yuletide motif was carried in the refreshments, the favors and the decorations.

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Man Returns To Find Picture in Gallery

Lt. Thomas A. Sigurdson, 25, beamed veteran of many bombing missions in Europe, who graduated with the first class of Pampa army air field Feb. 16, 1943, returned to the field to find his picture in its "Hall of Fame," it has been revealed.

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Susanna Wesleyan Class Entertained

Thursday night, Dec. 14, Mrs. Al Lawson and Mrs. M. M. Andrews entertained the Susanna Wesleyan class in the home of Mrs. A. K. Stewart. Meeting was opened by the president, Mrs. Harold Harrell. Christmas carols were sung after which a short business session followed. A social hour was spent in games and the exchange of gifts. Delicious refreshments were served to 16 members.

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Steward Home Is Scene for Party

A taffy party was given by Atha Belle and Mary Jo Steward in their home last Friday.

Games were played and after taffy was made and pulled Atha Belle played the piano and guests sang Christmas carols.

Those attending were Barbara Jean and Margaret Ann Cobb, Edylene, Gwendolyn and Edward Pryor, Etta Francis Haney, Marlene Swafford, Jo Dell and Billy Jean Bell, Doris Graham, Margaret Taff, Tommie Lee Biggen, Atha Belle, Mary Jo and Ruth Helen Steward, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Cobb, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Pryor and Kearn Allen Pryor, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Steward and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Byron.

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V.F.W. Auxiliary To Give Christmas Party December 22

V. F. W. Auxiliary members and V. F. W. Post members will have their annual Christmas party in the City club rooms Dec. 22. Each Auxiliary member is asked to bring a covered dish, as dinner will be served at 7:30. Gifts, not to exceed a cost of 50 cents will be brought and exchanged.

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Girl Scouts

Ten of our local girl scout troops have prepared Christmas boxes for distribution at the air base. This work is credited to their community service badges.

Mrs. George Roth's troop 18 were guests of Girl Scout troop 21, whose leader is Mrs. John Mobley, at a Christmas party held in the little Scout house recently. Games were played during the afternoon and gifts exchanged by the members and guests present, after which a delicious refreshment course was enjoyed by all.

The Senior Girl Scout troop '5 with Miss Dorothy Hoyle, assistant leader of the troop, and Miss Marie Siedle, local girl scout executive, held investiture services for six scouts recently. The Senior Scout members had charge of the candle lighting ceremony while the six new members were invested into the troop. Mrs. D. A. Caldwell, troop committee member, attended the meeting and furnished refreshments. A piano solo by Miss Zita Ann Kennedy was especially enjoyed by those present.

Mrs. Glenn Radcliff's girl scout troop met on Thursday for a very enjoyable party. Games were played and a big time was had by all 23 members attending.

Eleanor Ann McNamara, senior girl scout, is acting as program aide for this troop.

The two new second grade Brownie troops recently organized at Sam Houston school have reported very successful parties at their last meetings.

Mrs. Jake Osborne and Mrs. Wiley Reynolds, who have helped in the organization of one of the twelve girl groups, Troop 15, treated the members to a very enjoyable party last week.

The other new troop, No. 9, with Mrs. Abernathy and Mrs. Hanks as leaders, also met on Tuesday at their regular hour. Games were played and songs sung after which refreshments were enjoyed by the twelve members present.

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Christmas Party Entertains Group In Etheridge Home

Janette Etheridge entertained a group of friends with a Christmas party in her home Friday.

After a number of games were played popcorn balls were served. A Christmas tree lighted the entertainment room and for a special entertainment feature Mike Alloway sang "White Christmas" and "Till Be Home For Christmas."

Guests were Jimmy Parker, Jimmy Howard, Donna Robinson, Martha Parks, Clea Benton, Gerlie Lark, Betty Moore, Peggy Hukill, Patsy McWhorter, Leroy Duff, J. D. Compton, Mitchell Rowe, Phyllis Schleg, Pat Price, Bernice Priest, Mike Alloway, Ferris Smith, Norma Mansitt, Ray Carol Barks, Tommie Allison, Max Melton, Ann Kinsey and Jeanette Etheridge.

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LeFors P.T.A. To Meet Thursday

LeFors P. T. A. will meet Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the school for their Christmas program. The Rev. Dan Beltz will give the devotional and will speak on "American Dreams." The Rev. N. S. Daniel will speak on "The Important Place of Religion in the American Home." Clergymen of LeFors will be guests of honor.

Christmas carols will be given by students of the seventh and fourth grades and a Christmas story will be told. The benediction will be given by the Rev. Vaughn Shofner.

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Glee Club, WACs To Sing Season Carols

The Pampa army air field glee club, augmented by Wacs, will sing Christmas carols at the post chapel, Lt. E. L. Atkins singing director for the post, has announced.

The club has been practicing the carols each Wednesday and Saturday afternoon. Lt. Atkins said: "They will also sing at the USO on Christmas Eve, it is planned."

Christmas Dance To Be Held at Club

Plans have been made for a gala Christmas party and dance at the Pampa field non-commissioned officers club, it has been announced. Work of remodeling the club has been proceeding and will be completed in time for the party, it was indicated. Spokesmen for the club said that the bar was being rebuilt, the floor polished, and redecoration carried out.

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Kit Kat Klub Celebrates Yule With Festive Dance Saturday

In keeping with the season, the Kit Kat Klub entertained with a Yuletide dance Saturday night when the Pampa Country club was scene for the celebration.

A silver Christmas tree with blue lights was placed in front of large windows and reflected on cellophane hangings. Silver leaves were placed at various spots in the room and were centered with blue Christmas bells.

To present the pledges—Barbara Morrison, Pat O'Rourke, Helen Kiser and Joan Sawyer—big Christmas boxes which were placed under the tree were opened by Anna Barnett, club president. Wanda Jay and Shirley Sone were candle-lighters for the ceremony. During the presentation "Gene" Lively's orchestra played "Star Dust," the club song.

Sponsors were Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Broyles, Mrs. Raymond Harrah, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Sidwell, Mrs. Charles Paganis, Mrs. Helen Garner, Mrs. K. I. Dunn and H. B. Miller.

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Mrs. McNamara To Be Hostess To Council, Society

Parish Council and Altar Society of Holy Souls church will have a combined Christmas party and business meeting in the home of Mrs. A. D. McNamara, 1008 N. Somerville, with her mother, Mrs. A. B. Zahn as co-hostess.

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Mrs. West Gives Holiday Party For Girl Scout Troop

To celebrate the Christmas season Mrs. Lawrence West entertained Girl Scouts of troop four with a party in her home Monday night.

Various games were played by the group and Christmas gifts were exchanged between members. Mrs. West gave each girl a gift.

Cocoa, sandwiches, baked apples was served to the following guests: Danna Sue Sackett, Betty Jean Boswell, Laura Nell Berry, Joan Stroup, Mary Lou Gantz, Joyce Harrah, Barbara Ward and the hostess.

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Common Ground
By M. C. Sullivan
I speak the same word privately, I give the sign of democracy, by God I will not be a Communist. I will not be a Communist of any color.



Around Hollywood
By ERSKINE JOHNSON
Closeups and long shots of the best show of the month, 'The Battle of the Bulge'...

Finns Offer Is Snubbed by U. S.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 - (AP) - Finland's new offer of \$235,444 on its World War I debt got the cold shoulder from the United States.

WAR TODAY
By DEWITT MACKENZIE
Associated Press War Analyst
The great German drive out of the Rhineland leaves the eastern front in a state of being a colossal gamble in an effort to disrupt Allied plans for an offensive and so achieve an indefinite delay out of which Berlin hopes might grow a compromise peace.

Postwar Development Of Wood-Uses Seen
VALDOSTA, Ga., Dec. 19 - (AP) - A vast postwar development of wood uses in the United States is predicted by C. P. Kelly, acting president of the Forest Farmers association...

Mr. Churchill's Fight
Winston Churchill's character has not changed since the days of 1940 when he rallied and personalized Britain's lonely, magnificent stand against the victorious German armies.

Green or Misdirected Sympathy?
Most people lay the cause of our unemployment, our wars and our depressions to greed. Probably some of our trouble is due to greed. Most of our collective troubles, however, come not so much from greed as from misdirected sympathy.

NEWS BEHIND THE NEWS
The National Whirligig

By ALBERT LEMAN
FRONT-eyewitnesses of some of the real conditions abroad reveal that Hitler's arsenal is not yet empty. Six important factory owners arrived in New York from a front line inspection trip. Before they went overseas their minds—like those of their fellow businessmen—were crammed with reconversion dreams.

NAUGHTY WORDS
Censorship, even without Will Hays, slowed down a couple of scenes. Asked to repeat the language Tommy Dorsey used, Hall refused because ladies were present.

Your GI Rights
QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON SERVICEMEN'S PROBLEMS
By ANN STEVICK
NEA Staff Correspondent
WASHINGTON - Veterans won't have to have any in their hair to get in on the new GI Bill of Rights farm loans, but they will have to have some evidence of intimate contact with a farm, or agricultural training.

It's Wired for Color
The human eye can detect at best only 10,000 colors. The electronic spectrophotometer—or color analyzer—can detect and record more than 2,000,000 different colors.

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There was a similar lack of equitation in his handling of the Sforza. "We do not trust the man nor would we put the slightest confidence in any government of which he is a dominant member," said Mr. Churchill's secretary in not hard to fathom. He is intent upon preserving the British Empire, and maintaining its place between the two strongest powers of the world, the United States and Russia.

These misdirected sympathizers do not seem to see that there are certain social laws that are as immutable as the laws of physics. They do not realize that there is no way of permanently assisting the individual by giving him one and giving to another, which it seems is the only way misdirected sympathy is directed.

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her heart is wholly innocent of malice, when Jonathan told her from her promise that Malachi should go to Rome.

These people do not see that state education is a form of force. It is simply the use of force to compel people to be charitable to themselves. He tells how they dug trenches like men. Tens of thousands were mobilized including "women of all classes and professions, some over fifty, mothers and girls—many had never touched a spade before or slept in camps on hard beds. The emergency over for the moment, he is releasing "mothers of many children and school girls."

Such desperate efforts are not mere gestures in a few places. Prolonged work in every danger zone is adding row after row to the barriers which Allied ground forces must conquer before they reach the heart of Germany.

Clark Says Armies Will Strike Again
ADVANCE FIFTH ARMY HEADQUARTERS, Dec. 17 - (Delayed) - Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark, commander in chief of the U.S. Army in Italy, told the visiting House military affairs committee today that the Fifth and Eighth armies will not sit still, but will "strike and strike hard."

So They Say
It takes more tons, hauled more miles by far, to destroy a Nazi, we will only transfer our energies after Hitler's Germany falls—Lt. Gen. Breton B. Somervell, Army Service Corps chief.

Texan Says Radicals Opposing Poll Tax
DALLAS, Dec. 19 - (AP) - Rep. Wright Patman (D-Tex.) said here that Congressional radicals are opposing the poll tax for selfish reasons.

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WE VIEW WITH SERENITY
The Daily Oklahoman
We are neither depressed or elated by the published claim Secretary Ickes that the reelection of Mr. Roosevelt in the face of opposition of a majority deal. The press has lost all its influence every had. We have little interest in the admission of the Louisville Courier-Journal that the Ickes charge is true, and we have never been interested in the press. Editor & Publisher to show that the Ickes charge is not true.

Practically all federal laws passed in the last quarter of a century are a result of misdirected sympathy. They are laws that attempt to be benevolent to the people at individual individual sympathy. The labor laws, the tariff laws, the immigration restrictions, the banking laws attempting to give government credit, the discriminatory tax laws are all a result of misdirected sympathy, not a result of greed.

Billions. Production "Es" and "As" and "Ms" and probably Ah's and Oh's have been awarded by the convey load to management for the swell job it has done. Labor with a capital L has alternately been kicked on the backside and patted itself on the back for the job it has done.

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THEY ARE THE TOPS ALL AROUND!

Surprise Movie Success of the Year Outpulls Many Elaborate and Expensive Productions at Box Office



Half a dozen movie queens tied for top honors this year. Betty Grable, left, and Ginger Rogers were among box office leaders. Cary Grant, sketched above, was Hollywood's money-making king, with Bing Crosby running a close second.

By ERSKINE JOHNSON
NEA Hollywood Correspondent
HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 19.—Hollywood's show of shows in a year marked by stupendous box office receipts and spectacular, gigantic, colossal productions, was a simple story that cost little to produce and surprised everyone by grossing nearly \$12,000,000.



OUR MEN IN SERVICE

Yes, your first guess is right. The picture was "Going My Way" in which Bing Crosby and Barry Fitzgerald scored a superb hit. Paramount expected to be just another Bing Crosby picture. It cost only \$987,000, which is confetti in Bagdad on the Pacific.

The year was a scrappy one for the movie capital, with stars fighting each other and their bosses. But the battles which warmed Hollywood's heart took place at the box offices, where record crowds fought for seats. Receipts were the greatest in 50 years of the galling tin-types, an estimated billion dollars.

The year's No. 1 super-dooper, "Since You Went Away," cost \$2,000,000 but will be far down on the list of the 10 biggest money-makers. Others in the top 10 include: "A Guy Named Joe," "Two Girls and a Sailor," "Wilson," "Pin Up Girl," "This Is the Army," "Mr. Skeffington," "Destination Tokyo," "Gaslight," and "The White Cliffs of Dover."

But with everybody going to the movies without the lure of free dishes and automobiles, even bad pictures made money in 1944. There were no sensational flops and even ducks like the highly touted "Hitler Gang" and the Army's "Mr. Skiffington," "Destination Tokyo," "Gaslight," and "The White Cliffs of Dover."

Cary Grant didn't have to worry, though. He was Hollywood's 1944 money-making king, along with Headman Louis B. Mayer of MGM and Bing Crosby.

Working on a salary and percentage deal, Grant collected nearly a million dollars. His percentage of films released over a two-year period was \$180,000 in one month of 1944 alone. But when you have to pay a tax of \$97,000 on a million dollars, your net ain't millionaire.

Between radio, records and pictures, Crosby collected about the same. You could take your choice this year for queen of the movies. Half a dozen actresses shared box office and salary honors. Tops financially and with the fans were: Greer Garson, Ingrid Bergman, Rene Dunne, Ginger Rogers, Claudette Colbert, Bette Davis and Betty Grable. All averaged around \$250,000, which was small compared to Claudette's \$450,000 take in 1943. But Claudette, poor thing, had to struggle along on only \$100,000 this year, working in only one picture.

Oddly enough, America's highest paid entertainer of 1944, Frank Sinatra, earned only \$100,000 as a film actor. But with records, radio and personal appearances, this braggart's weekly take is around \$30,000 (catch me, I'm swooning), which ain't lousy socks.

Moviegoers liked just about everything Hollywood's camera's ground out—musicals, comedies, heavy dramas, the almost documentary "Wilson," films with war backgrounds, and psychological thrillers. They overran the theatre lobbies and gulped down 10 tons of popcorn and \$78,324 candy bars while watching Sinatra's tonsils and Betty Grable's hips.

The trend, though, was away from war pictures and back to comedy and drama. Despite record-breaking boxoffice receipts, it was a year for new faces in Hollywood. Outstanding discoveries of the year were Lauren Bacall, the sultry New York model who clicked big opposite Humphrey Bogart in "To Have and Have Not," 18-year-old Gloria de Haven, daughter of the famous Carter de Haven of Louisville fame, John Ford and Van Johnson.

BY MORE AS BEFORE
FIRST 50 THE HARDEST
KINGSTON, Ga.—(AP)—J. N. McKelvey has been re-elected for the 56th time as justice of the peace and is beginning his 52nd year in that job. Eighty-five years old, he's officiated at more than 1,500 marriages.

(The Pampa News encourages letters and cards on men and women in service. Identify subject and write plainly, so there will be no chance of mistake.)

MACHINIST'S MATE ARRIVES SAFELY
Word has been received by Mrs. Mildred Rochelle that her husband, R. R. Rochelle, MM 3/c, has reached his destination overseas safely. Machinist's Mate Rochelle has also met his brother, Cpl. Donald Rochelle, who is stationed at the same place. They had not seen each other in two years.

The brothers have contacted a cousin, Lt. Canthus Rochelle, who is serving aboard a destroyer operating in the South Pacific. Both Ross Rochelle and Don Rochelle were employed by the Cabot Co. prior to their induction into the service. They have eight cousins (all Rochelles) in the service.

EVACUATED FROM INDIA
Pfc. Herman Sisk has recently been evacuated from India where he spent 18 months with the China wing of the air transport command. His unit was awarded the Presidential Citation for outstanding performance in the face of unsurmountable odds. After three months in a hospital in Calcutta, Sisk convalesced in Ashburn general hospital at McKinney, Texas.

He is now visiting with his sister, Mrs. Frank Tabar, on a delay-rout to Santa Monica where he will be reassigned. Pfc. Sisk was formerly employed at Irving and Son grocery.

AWARDED GOOD CONDUCT RIBBON
Technician Fifth Grade Rufus W. Beck of Mobeetie has been awarded the Good Conduct Medal for "exemplary behavior, efficiency and fidelity" at a P-51 Mustang base in England.

The station to which he is assigned is a base for long range fighters engaged in escorting heavy bombers to their targets, ground strafing and bombing behind German lines. T/S Beck's wife, Mrs. Margaret Beck, and parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Beck, live in Mobeetie.

AT SAN ANTONIO CADET CENTER
Charles Edwin Pearce, Box 1993, is stationed at the San Antonio aviation cadet center, where potential pilots, bombardiers and navigators are receiving preflight training to prepare them for aerial instruction and duties as aircrew members in the air forces.

UNIT CITED
For outstanding achievement in the China-Burma-India theatre of operations the veteran troop carrier troop to which Sgt. Robert B. Ragsdale is assigned, has been cited by the 12th air force. Sgt. Ragsdale is now entitled to wear the Distinguished Unit Badge.

The commanding officer, Col. John Cerny, said the following about the organization's work in India and Burma: "Our outfit has been cited because of the proficiency and heroic self-sacrifice on the part of each member of the expedition—ground and air personnel alike—in accomplishing almost impossible tasks under the most hazardous conditions. Not only did our planes fly unprotected against Jap aircraft, but on the ground the crew members were often strafed as they unloaded their supplies.

"The men flew through the wrenching disjuncture of monsoon rains, landed on dangerous airstrips, even dispersed with parachutes in order to increase the cargo load of their planes. You bet I'm mighty proud of every member of our troop carrier group."

Sgt. Ragsdale is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Ragsdale and the husband of Audie L. Ragsdale, 710 W. Frances St. He attended Pampa high school.

BY MORE AS BEFORE
Special Instructions Given on GI Letters
Soldiers wishing to write to friends in prisoner-of-war camps will have to have civilians mail their letters for them, Sgt. Thomas Gullfoyle, PAAF postmaster, has announced.

Market Briefs

NEW YORK WALL STREET
NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—Stocks generally were hobbled by further light selling in today's market although scattered favorites managed to register modest progress and little real weakness was in evidence.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST
Am Air 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Am TWP 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Am Woolen 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Anacosta 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
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Aviat Corp 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Beth Steel 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Branch 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Chrysler 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Consolidation 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Curtiss Wright 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Fresport Sulph 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Gen Ed 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Gen G & El A 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Gen Mot 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Goodrich 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Greystone 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Gulf Oil 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Houston Oil 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
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Lockheed 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
M. K. T. 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
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Ohio Oil 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Packard 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Pan Am Air 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Pamhandle P&R 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Penney 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Phillips Pet 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Plym Pet 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Pure Oil 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Racalco 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Republic Steel 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Sears 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Steelair 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Soocony Vac 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
S O Cal 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
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Tex Pac C & O 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
Tide Water A Oil 1 1/2 1/2 1/2 1/2
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KANSAS CITY LIVESTOCK
KANSAS CITY, Dec. 18.—(WPA)—Cattle 24,000; calves 2700; light run slaughter steers strong; instances 10-15 higher; few heifers and light milker yearlings steady; liberal supply of cows, relatively few and steady; vealers strong; steady; stockers and feeders comprised about 75 per cent of receipts; medium choice grades steady; light ones on common kind, slaughter steers mainly medium and good grade selling 11.25-14.50; several loads good 14.00-16.00; short load medium weights 14.75; medium and good slaughter calves 11.00-12.50; few good and choice calves 13.00-14.00; large yearling stockers and feeders consisting of medium light to good steers 10.00-12.00; several loads good and choice 12.00-15.00; good and choice feeding heifers 10.00-11.00. Hogs 22,000; mostly steady; medium and choice 19.00-20.00; 14.25-16.00; 100-180 lb and 271 lb and up 14.00-25; sows 15-25 and piglets 13.00-15.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON FUTURES
NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 18.—(AP)—Trading was restricted in cotton futures here today and the market closed steady 20 cents a bale lower to 40 cents higher.

PORT WORTH LIVESTOCK
PORT WORTH, Dec. 18.—(AP)—Cattle 4,000; beef steers and yearlings slow, unchanged; calves and all classes of stockers active, fully steady; a few common to medium slaughter steers and yearlings 8.00-12.50 with two or three loads heavy 13.00; good beef sows 7.50-10.00; a few making 10.50 to 11.00; choice fat calves scarce, only rate sales made 14.00; most good calves 12.50-13.00; good stocker steer calves and yearlings 11.00-20.00.

CHICAGO GRAIN TABLE
CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—(AP)—Wheat: OPEN HIGH LOW CLOSE
May 1.63 1/2 1.63 1/2 1.63 1/2 1.63 1/2
Jul 1.54 1/2 1.54 1/2 1.54 1/2 1.54 1/2
Sep 1.53 1/2 1.53 1/2 1.53 1/2 1.53 1/2

CHICAGO GRAIN
CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—(AP)—A steeper undertone developed in grain markets in late trading today when wheat regained some of its losses and most of the remainder of the futures list turned fractionally higher.

PORT WORTH GRAIN
PORT WORTH, Dec. 18.—(AP)—Wheat No. 1 hard 1.70 1/2.
Barley No. 2 non 1.16-1.18.
Sorghum No. 2 yellow, milo per 100 1.50-1.52.
No. 2 white kafir per 100 1.71-1.74.
Corn No. 2 white 1.46-1.47. No. 2 yellow 1.28-29.
Oats No. 3 white non 83-84.

CHICAGO PRODUCE
CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—(AP)—Potatoes: Idaho Russet Burbanks US No. 1, 3.82; Nebraska and Wyoming Bliss Triumphs US No. 1, 3.30; Michigan Green Continentals US No. 1, 2.25; Northern Dakota Bliss Triumphs US No. 1, washed 33.06.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON
NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 18.—(AP)—Spot market closed steady and unchanged. Sales 1,484. Low middling 17.65, middling 21.40, good middling 21.80. Receipts 1,923, stock 32,220.

BY MORE AS BEFORE
'Hats Off' To Come To Field on Dec. 30
'Hats Off,' a USO-Camp show musical revue, will arrive at Pampa army field Dec. 30, according to word received by The Pampa Flyer, local newspaper.

Concerning the show, the publicity release says: "An eye-filling array of talent, added among the year's best packed audville shows, with slick comedy beginning with the clever M.C. and carried on by comedians who are masters in the art of nonsensical burlesques. Add pretty girls, singing and dancing, spectacular novelties, and you have 'Hats Off' with the compliments of USO-Camp Shows."

Santa Coming To PAAF Saturday

Santa Claus will have to come to Pampa army field even earlier than he had planned, word from the post informs.

Originally slated to visit the field Dec. 23, he will make it a day earlier, since graduation day has been moved from Dec. 28 to 23 for the current class of flying students.

It is now announced that St. Nick will visit the children of PAAF personnel at 2:30 Friday, Dec. 22, in the post theater, shortly after he lands his custom-built red-and-green plane.

Chaplains Murphy and Paskert of the field announce that plans have been made to give Santa what help he may need to insure the children a successful party; candy and gifts

Thirty Recruits Are Wanted Now

Interested applicants are requested to call or write U. S. Marine Corps, 217 P. O. Building, Lubbock, Texas. Application blanks and literature will be sent at once.

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NEW, SAFE WAY TO REDUCE FAT
RAY'S SHOE SHOP
Wagner Woodall, Owner
309 S. Cuyler

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For a Happier Christmas
Select a gift for everyone on your list—at Zale's
DIAMOND RING \$69.50 \$1.50 Weekly
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BRIDEGROOM SET \$14.95 \$1.25 Weekly
PEARL NECKLACE \$14.95 \$1.25 Weekly
WATERPROOF WATCH \$49.50 \$1.25 Weekly
SWANK MAN'S SET \$6.60 Pay Weekly
DRESSING KIT \$8.95 \$1.25 Weekly
3-PC. DRESSER SET \$4.95 Pay Weekly
GOLD EARRINGS \$6.50 Pay Weekly
LORD DAVENPORT Imported Briarwood Pipe \$5.00
ZALE'S Gift Guide
101 N. CUYLER

Christmas Gift Guide

Khiva Continues Hospital Drive

Khiva Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, has a strong possibility of leading the nation in the percentage of memberships in the Shrine's Hospitals for Crippled Children. Khiva Temple, aided by Masonic and non-Masonic friends, has risen from near the bottom to close to the top in standing in two years. Starting with 68 memberships two years ago, Khiva Temple now has 1121 on its Ladder of Baby Smiles. If the Temple can secure 284 purchas-

ers for the hospital memberships before January 1, it will have achieved 1415, or 100 per cent based on its membership of a year ago. The memberships cost \$61.50 and the amount is a deductible income tax item. The donor's name is printed on a red and gold ladder which is rapidly filling the walls of Khiva Temple's auditorium in Amarillo. Khiva Temple, which now has almost 2000 members, has jurisdiction in 41 counties. Each of these counties has been assigned a quota of eight memberships on the Ladder of Baby Smiles. Fred Radcliff, Potentate Aide for Gray county said this is one of the greatest humanitarian activities known to man and that more than

80,000 children, regardless of creed or color, have been treated in the Shrine's Hospitals for Crippled Children. You don't have to be a Shriner to buy rungs on the Ladder of Baby Smiles—any person, family, firm, or organization can purchase rungs and have their names on the Ladder, he said. Radcliff said to either send your checks for \$61.50 to him or mail them direct to Khiva Temple, Box 328, Amarillo. BUY MORE, AS BEFORE—Wyoming and South Dakota produce 60 per cent of the American supply of bentonite, a clay used as a bonding material for molding sand in steel foundries.

People Don't Want Liberty Bell Fixed

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 18—(AP)—Mayor Bernard Samuel turned down an offer of the Whitechapel Bell Foundry of London to recast the cracked Liberty Bell as a gesture of Anglo-American friendship. "The people don't want the Liberty Bell changed," he said. The foundry, which said it cast the bell in 1752, offered to do the work without charge so the bell might ring from Independence Hall at the end of the war.

FOR EVERYBODY

SEE US for handmade boots. We carry about 400 pairs at all times from \$9.50 to \$24.75 per pair. Also a complete line of handmade saddles, straps, spurs, bridles and breast harness. Fine purses, sterling silver and gold buckles, Roster belts, etc. We also carry a complete line of Lee work clothes. To save money, trade with us. P. Addington, Pampa Pawn Shop.

CHECK YOUR lighting for a "brighter" Christmas. Clean lamp shades and bulbs. Southwestern Public Service Co.

THROUGHOUT HOLIDAYS lunch at Cretney's, shop on your lunch hour and meet your friends here.

GIVE THEM practical gifts, stationary, powder, Cologne, shaving sets or fitted cases from Berry's.

WE HAVE 4 Hermes 15 Jewel Swiss movement wrist watches Special \$39.50 including tax. Harvester-Drug.

A GIFT certificate is so practical. Let him select his suit, Dobbs or Sletson hat or those Florsheim shoes we'll really appreciate from Friendly Men's Store.

WE HAVE a few dolls left, many toys, Indian jewelry, stuffed animals, pipes, tobaccos and toilet articles for everyone. City Drug.

HOME APPLIANCE STORE, 119 N. Frost. You'll find books for the whole family, a leather billfold for Uncle Ed, a picture for grandmother, electric appliances for the home and games for the children. Our stock is still good for these last gifts. We do sewing machine repair work.

FIRESTONE STORES carry home goods throughout the year for farmers and town folks. You'll like shopping here.

DELI'S LIQUOR STORE says buy your imported wines \$1.39 for 4/5 qt. Plenty of other wines and liquors, 400 S. Cuyler.

DO YOU have gin, rum, cognac, mix, whiskey and sodas in the home ready for guests. Get it at Cretney's.

OUR SUGGESTION is get a family group picture made while they are home for holidays. Curtis Studio.

BEHRMAN'S OFFER the gift supreme! A satin robe \$10.95 up. All gift wrapped for you. Every woman needs a robe.

MODERN PHARMACY, for those gifts you left until last. We remain open late evenings. Come in and look over our store.

RESOLVE NOW to have your photo made right after Christmas. Oil paintings a specialty. Mrs. Koen's Studio, 405 N. Wells.

CHOOSE THAT last minute gift from the Antique Shop, 406 S. Hedgecock, Borger, Tex.

CRETNEY'S LAST minute suggestions: poker chips, dominoes, games for children, baby rattlers in box sets etc.

FRIENDLY MEN'S STORE invites everyone in for the late selection of a gift. We have clothing for all the family, our men's dept. and our Junior shop.

CLOTHING CLEANED properly lasts long. Send all your wearing apparel and drapes to Voss, Ph. 660.

THROUGHOUT HOLIDAYS we will have our market well stocked with all the good fruits and vegetables you need. Ray's Market, 514 S. Cuyler.

THOMPSON HARDWARE still has plenty of lovely billfolds well made, also boxing gloves and other leather goods for Christmas gifts.

BICYCLES HAVE been popular for two centuries. They still or place your order for one at Roy and Bob Bike Shop, 414 W. Browning.

LA NORA THEATRE solves that party question at holiday time. Always a good show.

BUY A HOME in 1945. Start early. Be settled in your home next Christmas day. Watch listings every day by C. H. Mundy.

BUY THAT Krohler livingroom suite before Christmas eve. Save \$25 in merchandise of your selection at Pampa Furniture.

FOR HER

THIS CHRISTMAS Buy War Bonds. The best gift of all. Southwestern Public Service.

HOP PENNY'S for gifts mother or wife will like. Gifts that are practical and priced to suit your budget.

SMARTWEAR — Costume jewelry beautiful handkerchiefs and purses make the ideal gift for sweetheart, sister, wife or mother.

HOUSE SHOES for the entire family, fur, leather and satin. A gift everyone will appreciate from Levine's.

RUBY WYLIE invites you to call and see her line of cosmetics in gift packages. 621 S. Barnes.

GIFT SLIPS from \$2.98 to \$3.98 beautiful gowns in pastel white and black crepes and satins at Levine's.

FOR THE GIFT of lasting beauty buy a lovely diamond at Diamond Shop on terms.

USE THAT gift money for a lovely cold wave permanent after Christmas at Imperial Beauty Shop.

MURFEE'S SUGGEST a jaunty Junior suit for your daughter. The style is perfect. The price \$39.95. Just the suit for college or office.

BUNK DOLL beds with ladder, table and chair sets, doll houses, doll furniture and toys galore for late shoppers at Pampa Furniture.

GIVE A PLATE for wall decoration. We also have 3 beautiful electrified lamps at \$25. Antiques, 408 S. Hedgecock, Borger, Tex.

ATTRACTIVE SPECIALS on Avon cosmetics including hand creams. Order leaves Dec. 30. Call 715. 217 N. Gillipie, Mrs. Reber.

THAT LAST minute gift will be easy to choose for mother or baby at Barbara Jane Baby and Gift Shop, 214 N. Cuyler.

FOR BABY'S first Christmas buy creeper ball, rattlers, cradle gym, romper suits, robes dresses or sweaters from Simmons's Shop.

SHOP FRIENDLY MEN'S upstairs store for juniors. You'll find any article of clothing you need in excellent styles.

THAT FORMAL, made so gracefully, so exquisite in design that any girl will thrill with delight when she receives it. Behrman's have them.

FOR LAST minute gifts you can always depend on Berry's Pharmacy. Our gift department is full of excellent suggestions.

MOLLY'S GIFT SHOP at Borger has gifts for children to suit every age. Give them lasting gifts of jewelry.

HAVE AN appointment made for a new permanent as part of her Christmas. A lasting gift. Elite Beauty Shop, Call 788.

SELECT TOILET articles of exquisite beauty and quality from Berry's Pharmacy.

MAKE CRETNEY'S your headquarters for last minute gifts. You can shop on your lunch hour here.

FOR HOME

BE CAREFUL of Christmas tree lighting. Check wires, outlets, and bulbs. Southwestern Public Service Co.

STANLEY HOME Products practical Christmas gifts. Brushes, polishes, waxes. Mrs. Burl Graham, Ph. 1304, 213 N. Nelson.

GIVE YOUR child the gift of "better lighting." Protect his eyesight for Christmas to come. Southwestern Public Service Co.

ORDER YOUR turkey, goose, hen or other poultry from Suttle's Market. You can select your food needs easier from our store.

HAVE YOU plenty of oranges, apples, nuts and bananas ready for your children's Christmas feast? Shop Jackson's Market every day.

THOMPSON HARDWARE suggests Atlas world globes from \$2.95 to \$7.50. An ideal gift for all the family.

KEEP IN TOUCH with Gerlie Arnold if you are in the market to buy a home. She'll help you find what you want. Call 758 Duncan Bldg.

SHOP GOODRICH STORES for your home needs 12 months in the year. We still have a nice line of gifts for everyone.

VISIT OUR HOME needs department store for Pyrex, Firing cooking wear, and many gifts for home. Firestone Stores.

DAY'S MARKET promises to keep a fine line of fresh fruits and vegetables for you at all times. 414 S. Cuyler.

COFFEE MAKERS, glass fruit bowl sets and nut bowls with hammer make lovely family gifts. Is there someone you had forgotten? You'll find their gift at Cretney's.

THE HOME is the center of Christmas cheer. Buy a new chair or table to brighten it for the entire family. Home Furniture Store.

WHO WAS it you forgot to put on your list? Don't worry? You can still find exactly what you want at Pampa Hardware.

IF IT'S FOODS you need, visit Neel's Market, corner of Craven and Cuyler. You'll find there what you need.

A LOVELY PICTURE, rug, glass coffee table, smoking stand end table or a larger piece of furniture. Irwin's have it.

FOR A BETTER radio reception visit Johnson Electronic Repair and Sound System, 110 East Foster. Ph. 851.

FOR A BETTER gift than a fur coat, visit Ruby's Gift Shop. Lovely handkerchiefs and many beautiful articles for gifts. 513 S. Cuyler.

FURNITURE is an excellent investment. Our store is arranged to make shopping for furniture a pleasure. Visit Texas Furniture Store.

BEAUTIFUL GIFTS on payment plan. Buy now pay next year at Zales.

IRWIN'S SAY use that Christmas bonus check to buy a new bedroom suite livingroom suite or platform rocker.

SEE OUR Christmas toys. We have a complete line of washable and educational toys, dolls and books. Molly's Babyland, 525 N. Main, Borger, Texas.

BEHRMAN'S HAVE a lovely line of dresses in new spring crepe, Jersey and silk to please mother. Let her select one as your gift for her.

COSTUME JEWELRY, gloves, scarfs, garter sets, guest puffs, bon bon dishes, purses or hose make an ideal gift when they come from Murfee's.

MOTHER, YOUR teen ager will like a new coat, dress, jumper, slip, Simmons's Shop.

BEAUTIFUL DINNER dresses you'll enjoy wearing for holiday parties. Lovely suits and coats at Smart-wear.

SHOP TEXAS Furniture for last minute gifts of beauty. Furniture and home furnishings which make a home a home.

BEAUTIFUL POTTERY, buffet dishes, center piece, and silver make lovely gifts from the Diamond Shop.

IT WILL be easy to find those last minute gifts for adult or child if you shop Pampa Furniture Store.

FOR HIM

TEXAS FURNITURE employees are glad to help you select your gifts, beautiful pictures, lamps and bric-a-brac are gifts your family will love.

HOUSE SHOES and hose make an excellent gift. We have a wide selection of house shoes for everyone in Penny's downstairs store.

STILL UNDECIDED what to give her? Well you won't go wrong in selecting a bed jacket in soft, delicate pastel silks from Behrman's.

INSIST ON having his picture made while he's home on furlough or leave. Call Pampa Studio for appointment.

ALL LEATHERETTE covered hand storage space, for that boy or man's room they are ideal. Zanza Furniture.

LIVELY MEN'S WEAR invites you in to look over our suits and coats, you'll need one to start on the New Year.

WAGONS, TRUCKS, wheelbarrows and blackboards are gifts any little boy will appreciate. Simmons's still has a good supply.

ZALE'S FOR the enchanting gift of jewelry—Diamonds, the gift that lasts. Rings, ear screws and brooches. Shop Zale's.

FOR MOTHER

A FUR COAT from Levine's. Priced \$49.50 to \$98.50 will be a gift mother will enjoy for a long time.

TAKE A TIP from Santa Clause and visit Levine's for that gift you almost forgot. We can fill the bill for man, woman or child.

TINY TOT SHOP, complete layettes, six, first step shoes, lovely little dresses for the baby's first Christmas to size 6 years. 105 W. Foster St.

THE GIFT of money can be used to best advantage by getting yourself a lovely permanent at Miady's Poudre Box, 203 N. Frost.

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By LAURENE ROSE DIEHL



THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS



CAPTAIN YANK



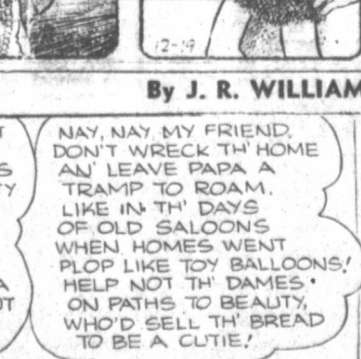
OUR BOARDING HOUSE



OUT OUR WAY



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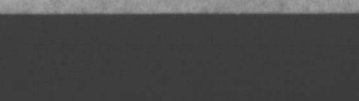
By V. T. HAMLIN



By J. R. WILLIAMS



By MAJOR HOOPLI



Parents Arriving For Graduation

Parents of the cadets of PAAF who will graduate Dec. 23 are beginning to arrive. Mrs. Clotilde Thompson, acting manager of the chamber of commerce, has been informed.

The following guests have definitely stated they will be here for the ceremonies:

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Daniel of Phoenix, Ariz.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Rhodes of Bristow, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Wheatley of Louisville, Ky.

Miss Helen Kreger, Ponca City, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe C. Evans, Sr., Britton, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Brinkman and Miss Jeanette Papp of Matlock, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. N. R. McLendon of Sandy, Texas.

Some of the parents are staying in homes of Pampa people. Mrs. Thompson announced.

Former PAAF Cadet Is Killed in Action

Notice that 1st Lt. Carl F. Klett was killed in Burma on his 65th bombing mission has reached Mrs. Sherman White, 610 N. Frost, from his wife in Chester, Ill., and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Klett, 2607 Gould, Fort Worth.

Lt. Klett, who had gone from Fort Worth to Chester before the war to work in a steel mill and had married there, received his flight training at Pampa field. While here he stayed with Judge and Mrs. White. He graduated from Pampa field in January, and was sent to Burma in July.

During his 64 successful missions he received the Air Medal and Oak Leaf Clusters. Mrs. White informed.

FIRST CRISIS

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Gellenkirchen.

On the central section, U. S. Third army troops drove to the east edge of Dillingen, fortified city above Sarrautern, and gained to the south.

U. S. Seventh army troops on a 14-mile front edged ahead into Siegfried line defenses in the German Palatinate, taking two German villages.

Russian troops poured across the Czechoslovak border from Northern Hungary on a widening front, which threatened early collapse of the entire German salient in Eastern Slovakia between Poland and Hungary.

A spearhead of the Second Ukrainian army reached within two miles of Kassa, major enemy stronghold in Eastern Slovakia. If this road were cut, the German garrison at Kassa could flee only through patriot garrisons in the Czechoslovak mountains. The Russians were swarming down from the Keckse mountains and into the broad Brodva and Hernald river valleys leading to Kassa.

Some 500 RAF heavy bombers hit the Baltic port of Gdynia last night, blasting at German warships sheltered there. Other RAF heavies struck Nurnberg and Munster in Germany. These blows followed a day attack in which 1,100 British-based American bombers hit Cologne, Coblenz and Mainz, Nazi supply hubs for the Western front.

In Italy heavy fighting continued on the Eighth army front near Baginacavallo, about 10 miles into the Po valley above the captured Rimini-Bologna highway toward Piacenza. Polish troops farther west pushed toward the Senio river, only five and a half miles from Imola.

Yugoslav partisan forces captured Podgorica, important center in Southern Montenegro 10 miles from the Albanian border, a broadcast communique reported.

REPAIR NOW!

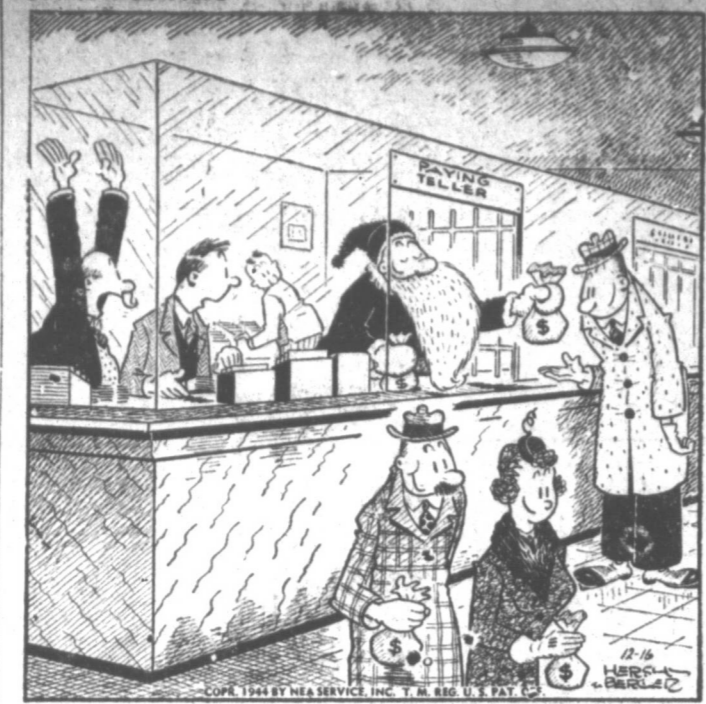
BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE

We have plenty of oak flooring, Bricktex roll siding, roll roofing, doors and windows, wallpaper, paint and other repair materials.

SMALL REPAIRS BECOME COSTLY REPAIRS IF NEGLECTED.

FOXWORTH-GALBRAITH LUMBER CO.

FUNNY BUSINESS



"Get him out of there or we'll never get any dividends!"

Ideal Employes Get \$3,000 Yule Bonuses

Santa Claus has made at least one stop in Pampa already—even if it still is six days until Christmas.

Employes of the Ideal Food Markets Nos. 1 and 2 in Pampa apparently have been good boys and girls through 1944. Old St. Nick left them an aggregate of \$3,000 in cash as Yule gifts.

Veil Hagaman, supervisor for the Ideal stores in Pampa at 22 N. Cuyler and 326 S. Cuyler, said today the annual Christmas bonus was distributed to Pampa employes, from store managers to package boys, last Friday.

Hagaman said the Christmas bonus plan is a custom of 22 Ideal markets in Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas.

Some of the money distributed in Pampa went for Christmas shopping. Hagaman said, "but I think most of it went into your bonds."

GREEK

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cupation to combat communism.

Meanwhile RAF headquarters at Kikissia, 12 miles northeast of Athens, subjected to a stiff test as stage with non-combatant RAF clerks and base officers thus far successfully holding out against 600 FLAS troops seeking to halt strafing by rocket-firing Beau-fighters and Spitfires.

The British communique said FLAS troops were being cleared from the main Athens-Piraeus highway and that Imperial troops were consolidating their positions astride the route.

Elsewhere in Greece, the communique said, "there is nothing to report."

VENUS

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ser of physics at Southern Methodist University, said such a coincidence was extremely infrequent. He said last night's phenomenon had been forecast by astronomers some years ago.

Dr. Boon said the moon and Venus would be far apart again by tonight.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Dec. 19—(AP)—In the Spanish-speaking villages of New Mexico last night sped some years ago.

Newspaper offices here were swamped with calls, some of them from distant points over the state, reporting observation of the sign as Venus shown like a jewel on the upper horn of the new moon.

Origin of the interpretation, professors at New Mexico University said, was in Spanish-American folk lore.

Man Sentenced On Check Charges

C. L. Walker was convicted of swindling with worthless checks and sentenced to 10 days and fined costs of court yesterday in county court.

Deputy Sheriff Bud Cottrell went to Lubbock yesterday to extradite F. F. Hathaway, charged with the same offense.

Need for Certain Shells Is 'Urgent'

DALLAS, Dec. 19—(AP)—Brig. Gen. Edwin H. Marks, war production board representative for a three-state region including Texas, yesterday said 60- and 81-mm mortar and 105-mm. artillery ammunition production "was urgent" and must be increased 65 per cent to meet war demands.

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Several Children Writing to Santa Via The News

For many little boys and girls, their first letter was written to Santa Claus, and, measured by anticipation, the most exciting thing that could happen to them in all their two or three years will be old St. Nick's visit on Christmas eve.

They are getting their letter off to the Pole and hope to see the old gentleman when he comes to Pampa. Their parents probably won't be having much trouble with them this week because anticipation will keep them almost quiet on shopping tours and anticipation will keep them from protesting when grown-up forms crowd in department stores and make them a few minutes late, getting to Santa. All during this week the kids are probably going over in their minds the things each has decided to ask for—boy's things for the boy and girl's things for the girl for they are big kids this year and know that boys don't play with dolls and girls don't ask for footballs.

Santa's received letters from Marjita Mitchell, Ronald Lee and Richard James, Jimmy Walker, Wendell Lloyd Callahan, Gayle Campbell, Sue Broxson, Jimmie Ayres, Milton, the four children, Rodney Van Davis, Bill Russell, Joann Smith, Virginia Rae Jones.

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Kokuki factory, set fire to a shipyard and perhaps knocked out Nagoya's power plant. Another Mitsubishi plant, the Hataudoki works also at Nagoya, was heavily hit about ten days previously.

More than half of the 742 Japanese planes knocked out last week by the Philippines were accounted for by fast carrier forces under command of Vice Adm. John S. McCain who declared "give me enough fighter planes and we can knock out the Japanese in the same" thing to Japan proper.

His planes, led by bomb-carrying, rocket-firing fighters, knocked out 46 enemy planes, sank 25 ships and damaged 65 in 60 unbroken hours of raiding Luzon island to cover MacArthur's invasion of Mindoro last Friday.

American planes will soon be taking off from newly built airbases on Mindoro, within half an hour's flying time of Manila, Associated Press War Correspondent Almont Waite reported. Only opposition to the invasion, he said, has been by Japanese aircraft.

MacArthur reported 48 were shot down attacking shipping off Mindoro yesterday, including the 40th bagged by Maj. Richard I. Bong of Poplar, Wis., America's ace of aces.

The Japanese made an unconfirmed claim that Nipponese planes sank two warships and two transports and damaged two others off Mindoro.

"The enemy is offering no ground opposition," MacArthur said. "We caught him completely off balance."

By contrast, 90 enemy dead were counted in a single day on Leyte, Chinese turning the tables on the invaders in central China drove to within six miles of Chin-Cheng-Kiang, "Golden City," the railway 81 miles west of the former U. S. airbase at Luchow in Kwangsi province.

The navy department announced yesterday U. S. submarines sank 33 more Japanese ships—12 warships, two tankers, two transports, 17 freighters—bringing their wartime bag to 997.

MacArthur reported his bombers sank three more small Japanese ships and damaged eight.

British troops pushed through southwestern Burma to within 30 miles of Akyab, Japanese-held port which has been a British goal for two years.

Only 80 miles of bomb-battered road separated Chinese armies in northern Burma and southwest China driving toward a junction which will signalize the reopening of the Burma road, China's lifeline. Little resistance was reported on either front.

The British war office declared that Japanese drove 24,000 white men to their deaths building a Thailand-Burma railway. The men were among 60,000 English, Australian and Dutch prisoners.

Unsettled political conditions in Tokyo were indicated in the resignation of one cabinet member and appointment of two new ministers.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Mosley of New Orleans have been visiting here in the home of Mrs. H. L. Atkinson and family. Mosley is employed with the Hunt Tool company and has recently been transferred to Casper, Wyo.

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naturally helped to do so." Then he added:

"The attitude of the British military authorities was regulated by instructions received from the supreme military command. Those instructions were in full accord with views of British government, and we should be glad to share his responsibility."

Churchill's declaration came after one member observed that newspapers were publishing stories from German sources and asked him "to see that the British press had the fullest information from British sources in regard to British provocation."

"The question of a temporary news blackout on the Western front," said the Prime Minister, "is one for the supreme commander to settle

on the spot and we, of course, support him."

Churchill said that for his part he had no intention of bringing up Britain's policy of intervention in Greece himself before Christmas. He served notice that he would not do so until after the New Year. If challenged, but said it had best come on another vote of censure. The last such vote he won 279 to 30.

Churchill said he would not make a statement on the war situation before Christmas recess, which begins after the session Thursday and lasts until mid-January.

BY MORE AS BEFORE

A fairly large beech tree used about 65 gallons of water on a hot, dry day. And so does any army cook making 70 gallons of soup.

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Always address one card to a husband and wife, and separate cards to individual members of the family. Never write "and family" on the envelope.

Do not use the word "City" as an address, nor abbreviate the names of streets, cities or states. Only Mr. and Mrs. are abbreviated. All names should be spelled in full. Even the name of a child should be prefaced with "Master" or "Miss."

If possible cards should be addressed to the home address rather than a business address. It is best to address cards to Mr. and Mrs. even though you know only one or the other. Business acquaintances, however, frequently send cards addressed only to one person if the

husband or wife hasn't been met.

The card of a widow should be addressed by the formal name she used when her husband was living, thus: Mrs. John Thomas. A divorcee is addressed as "Mrs. Reynolds Smith" since she uses her family surname in place of her husband's first name.

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Rock chucks, or "hillybilly good-chucks," eat fence posts treated with chemical preservatives. But Hitler has