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Turkey Denies Any Change In Policy

COURAGE: Marines Had It on Tarawa



RIGHT INTO WITHERING JAP FIRE, thousands of U. S. Marines charged on Tarawa Island in the Gilberts. They accomplished their objective, wiping out the enemy garrison. But 1,026 Americans paid the highest price for their victory in the bloodiest battle of Marine Corps history. The three excellent action pictures above, taken under heavy fire, show just how the leathernecks did their job. They await the signal to charge, top, and one Marine draws back his arm, center photo, to hurl a grenade at a Jap position. Then it's over the top, lower photo, as the leathernecks plunge forward in an attack. These pictures were taken at great risk by Marine photographers. (International Soundphotos)

CHARITY BALL TONIGHT AT LEGION HALL

Funds from the sale of tickets to the Charity Ball being given at the American Legion Hall tonight by the Eastland Civic League and Garden Club in co-operation with the Eastland American Legion Post, will go into the Eastland Annual Christmas Cheer fund and will be used to help the needy who otherwise would not have any Christmas.

If you know of any person or persons, especially children, who will not have anything for Christmas unless it is provided from Charity Funds, please advise H. J. (Herbert) Tanner at the Chamber of Commerce or some member of the Legion or Civic League.

Mrs. Art Johnson and H. J. Tanner compose the entertainment committee for the dance. The reception committee will be the executive boards of the two organizations sponsoring the dance.

Tickets to the ball may be obtained from Mrs. J. O. Earnest at the Clover Farm Store, Mrs. Joseph M. Perkins at the Red Cross office, or Mrs. T. E. Richardson at the Toombs-Richardson Drug store.

A splendid orchestra has been secured to furnish music for the dancing.

A. E. Lindquist Dies Suddenly At New York Home

Judge Geo. L. Davenport of the 91st district court was called to New York Sunday by the sudden death of his son-in-law, Albert E. Lindquist.

Mr. Lindquist has visited in Ranger and Eastland many times with his wife, the former Fay Davenport, and has made many friends here and other parts of Texas. He was the active vice-president of the Robbins Publishing Company of New York City and was a member of the firm with whom he had been associated for 20 years. For the past few years the Lindquists have made their home in the village of Chappaqua, Westchester county New York, where both were active in the civic, social and political life of the community.

Mr. Lindquist was a member of the Advertising Club of New York City; was commander of the Chappaqua American Legion Post; was district air raid warden and had recently been elected councilman for his district.

Funeral and burial services were at Chappaqua Tuesday.

Mr. Lindquist is survived by his wife.

Dr. J. H. Caton Is Speaker At The Lions Club

Dr. L. C. Brown, in charge of the program Tuesday at the Lions' club presented Dr. J. H. Caton, who gave a talk on the Wagner-Murray-Dingle bill now pending in congress as Senate Bill No. 1161, and the passage of which, the speaker declared, would tend to socialize the practice of medicine as well as possibly a number of other trades and professions.

A poll of sentiment by club members, taken after adjournment of the club, revealed that by far a majority of the members present was very much opposed to the measure.

Hollis Bennet will have charge of the program for next Tuesday's meeting while Victor Cornelius will be in charge of the program for the following week's meeting.

RAIN FALL

Rainfall for the week in Eastland and vicinity totaled slightly more than 1 inch up to Wednesday night and while it was of considerable help to crops and pasture lands was not sufficient to replenish reservoirs for stock water.

Forty-Eight From County Inducted During November

Following is the list of 48 registrants from Eastland county who were inducted into the armed forces in November. Some of the list have already reported for duty and others are still on furlough, but will report in the near future:

Alberto Jimenez, Cisco, Texas.
Truman Columbus, Powers, Eastland, Texas.
Pete Harst, 105, E. Sadosa, Eastland, Texas.
Olan Clifton Dennis, Gorman, Texas.
Lock Houston, Eastland, Texas.
Lomar Elton Phelps, Rt. 2 Carbon, Texas.
Charles Frances Brooks, Eastland, Texas.
Jack Allen Rawls, Ranger, Texas.
Roy Coleman Hollis, Eastland, Texas.
Willie Bess Wilcox, Cisco, Texas.
James Perry Hatten, Eastland, Texas.
Roy Clyde Poole, Eastland, Texas.
Estel Wood, Eastland, Texas.
Winborn Nelson Jenkins, Rising Star, Texas.
Johnnie Jones, Cisco, Texas.
Harold Naylor Walker, Rt. 3, Ranger, Texas.
William Howard Upchurch, Eastland, Texas.
Fred Brisendine, Rt. 2, Rising Star, Texas.
Raymond Sid McCord, Eastland, Texas.
Joseph Holt, Ranger, Texas.
Selton Hardy Smith, Dallas, Texas.
Alton Ray Burns, Rising Star, Texas.
Gregg Simpson, Cisco, Texas.
Clifford Loraine Richardson, Cisco, Texas.
Harold Weldon Ames, Ranger, Texas.
Isaac Franklin Reynolds, Rt. 1, Rising Star, Texas.
J. C. Sublett, Cisco, Texas.
James Otis Jones, Rt. 1, Ranger, Texas.
Walter James Arterburn, Ranger, Texas.
George Doyle Thompson, Rt. 4, Cisco, Texas.
Jack Randolph Jones, Rt. 1, Rising Star, Texas.
James Burnis Isbell, Rt. 2, Gorman, Texas.
Hershel Talmage Kent, Rt. 1, Nimrod, Texas.
Arlton Eugene Smith, Gorman, Texas.
Ernest Earl Hill, Ranger, Texas.
James Losson Brown, Cisco, Texas.
Jack Reid Roper, Eastland, Texas.
Donald Lewis Fyffe, Ranger, Texas.
Merle Wilson Kribbs, Ranger, Texas.
Billy Ray White, Rt. 1, Gorman, Texas.
Howard Melvin King, Rt. 3, Ranger, Texas.
Claude Hale Yeager, Rt. 1, Cisco, Texas.
Thomas Alvin Flippin, Rt. 2, Rising Star, Texas.
Jay Willie Young, Rt. 1, Ranger, Texas.
Perry Levi Threet, Rt. 4, Rising Star, Texas.
Lee Roy Laughlin, Rt. 1, Rising Star, Texas.
Virgil Loyd Graham, Rt. 2, Rising Star, Texas.
L. A. Bennett, Gorman, Texas.

RANGER LEADS IN PURCHASE OF WAR BONDS

County Quota For Month Of November Over Shot By \$10,088.90

Eastland County has again gone over the top in the purchase of War Bonds and Stamps in November with Ranger leading other towns in the amount purchased.

The following report has just been released by Cyrus B. Frost, county chairman for sales:

Eastland County's quota for November War finances was \$54,700.00 and the citizens of this county purchased \$62,662.00 of Series E, F, and G bonds and \$2126.90 of stamps, making a total purchase for the month of \$64,788.90 or \$10,088.90 more than our quota. Eastland County has not failed on a quota or on one of the War drives up until this time and I am sure we intend to keep up this good record.

Broken down the purchases are as follows:

Ranger	\$20,793.75
Cisco	\$20,584.95
Eastland	\$18,187.50
Gorman	\$6,445.70
Rising Star	\$3,034.50
Carbon	\$468.75
Olden	\$205.00
Pioneer	\$39.00
Nimrod	\$18.75
Okra	\$7.00
Scranton	\$2.00
Dothan	\$2.00

It will be noted that Ranger took the lead for November with Cisco very close and Eastland falling considerably below Ranger and Cisco. Of the smaller cities Gorman leads with Rising Star, Carbon and Olden in the order named. Dadenoma has not made report to date.

Our quota for December has been set at \$54,700.00 which will no doubt be oversubscribed by substantial amount. As Christmas approaches we begin to feel the Christmas spirit and certainly for this Christmas there is nothing we can do better than invest our money in War Bonds and Stamps. It is the patriotic thing to do, and certainly it is the sentimental thing to do.

The Fourth War Loan Drive will start January 18, 1944, and will be concluded on February 15, 1944. The National quota is fourteen billion dollars which is one billion less than the Third War Loan Drive that we had in September. In all probability Eastland County's quota will be about the same or perhaps a little less than the September quota and we should all begin to adjust our finances now to meet the Fourth War Loan Drive. It could be that the Fourth War Loan Drive will be the last. I am sure we all certainly hope so. However, I feel sure that we can expect our monthly quotas to continue through all the year 1944.

All of the workers on the quotas and War Finance Drives wish to express their appreciation to the people of Eastland County for the splendid co-operation manifested by all the people in putting over all our quotas and drives.

Very Kindly Yours,
Cyrus B. Frost,
Eastland County Chairman

Mrs. R. L. Smith Died Sunday At Home In Mangum

Funeral services were conducted at Mangum Monday afternoon for Mrs. Rebecca Smith, 84, wife of R. L. Smith, and who died Sunday morning at her Mangum home. Interment was in the Eastland cemetery.

Mrs. Smith was the former Miss Rebecca Huckaby. Her first husband was named Haak and was one of the pioneers of the Mangum community in Eastland county. The Erath county community of Huckaby was named for her father.

Survivors include two step-sons, Herschel and Roy Smith of Mangum.

Eastland Pastor Conducts Funeral Monday at Haskell

A. F. Thurman, pastor of the Eastland Church of Christ, went to Haskell Monday where he officiated at the funeral of Joe Maxwell who died there Sunday.

Maxwell, 70, formerly was a resident of Eastland county. He had resided at Haskell for many years, however. Thurman was his pastor for four years when he served the Haskell church.

Bill Holden, funeral director at Haskell, who had charge of the Maxwell funeral, is also a former Eastland county resident, having worked as an undertaker at Eastland.

RATION REMINDER

Gasoline—In states outside the east coast area A-9 coupons are good through January 21.

Sugar—Stamp No. 29 in book four is good for 5 pounds through January 15.

Shoes—Stamp No. 18 in book one, good for 1 pair. Stamp No. 1 on the "Tirplane" sheet in book three, good for one pair.

Meats, Fats.—Brown stamp L, M, and N good through January 1. Brown stamp P becomes good December 12 and remains good through January 1, 1944.

Processed Foods—Green stamps A, B, and C in book four, good through December 20. Green stamps D, E, and F in book four, good through January 20.

Miss Hearn Named Assist. H. D. Agent

Miss Loma Faye Hearn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Hearn of Eastland Route No. 2, has been appointed by the A. & M. College Extension Service as Assistant County Home Demonstration Agent for Eastland county, succeeding Miss Helen Childress recently made County Home Demonstration Agent for Mills county.

Miss Hearn is Home Economics teacher in Eastland schools and will resign to take up her new duties on December 20th.

SOIL MEN TO MEET

Plans have been completed for the third annual State-wide meeting of soil conservation district supervisors which will be held at Cisco Tuesday and Wednesday, December 14 and 15. The meeting will be at the Laguna Hotel.

CHILD DIES

Anna Lou Erwin, 11, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Erwin of Sabanno, died Tuesday morning in the an Eastland Hospital. She had undergone an appendectomy operation on November 25. Funeral and burial services were at Sabanno Wednesday.

WITH MEN'S SHOP

J. T. Shirley, recently with Burr's Eastland store, is now with the Men's Shop. Before going with Burr's he resigned a position with the Lone Star Gas Company which he had held a long time. He resigned at Burr's to go with the Men's Shop.

WASHINGTON, (UP)—Attorney General Francis Biddle today urged that Congress consider legislation revoking the citizenship of American born citizens of Japanese descent who have professed loyalty to Japan.

ASSERTS HER POSITION WITH ALLIES MERELY STRENGTHENED

By United Press

Speculation on an imminent Turkish war move in the Balkans, fanned by reports of warlike maneuvers along the Turko-Bulgarian frontier, was dampened today by a carefully worded official statement from Ankara reiterating that Turkey's position has not been altered fundamentally by the recent conference at Cairo among the presidents of the United States and Turkey and the Prime Minister of Great Britain.

Foreign Minister Numan Menemencioğlu told correspondents on his return from Cairo that Turkish relations with Britain, America and Russia had been strengthened considerably at that conference.

But he indicated that President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill had not altered Turkey's assistance to the Allied cause apparently ruling out the possibility of his country's entering the war soon.

Swedish reports, however, said all traffic across the Turko-Bulgarian border had been halted and the Turks had declared a state of military emergency in the frontier zone.

Those reports followed closely upon the disclosure that Turkey was mobilizing 1,000,000 reserves this month, more than doubling the size of the standing army, and indications that Germany was massing troops in Bulgaria and along the Black Sea coast.

Observers in Ankara and Cairo reported that tension was high in Turkey as a result of the recent Anglo-American-Turkish conference, although these informants believed it likely that Turkey would not make any war-like move within the next month or more.

The possibility remained, however, that Germany might touch off the explosion by a sudden move through the Balkans in an effort to forestall an Allied attack.

Late Bulletins

WASHINGTON, (UP)—Europe must be invaded and Japan's home fleet must be met face to face before the United States can feel the war is approaching a finish, but "we have every reason for encouragement and hope," Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson said today.

Eastland Youth Soon To Receive His Pilot's Wings

Pampa Army Air Field, Pampa, Texas, (Special)—Scheduled to receive his silver pilot's wings and officer's bars soon at this twin-engine advanced flying school is Aviation Cadet Francis J. Brock, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel H. Brock, 301 N. Ammerman, Eastland, Texas.

He is an alumnus of John Tarleton College, and Texas A. & M. Appointed to flight training in March 1943.

He received primary flight training at Garden City, Kans.

At the completion of his rigid training he will be assigned as an instructor or a combat pilot.

FIRE WARNING

Citizens are warned to be careful about burning leaves or trash on or near asphalt paved city streets as the asphalt readily ignites and much damage is done to the paving. The city fire department has many calls to extinguish fires of this nature.

MARRIED AT EASTLAND

Glen W. DeWitt and Estelle Jamar were united in marriage at the altar of the Methodist church Sunday morning, immediately following the morning church service. The ceremony was read by the pastor, Rev. J. Daniel Barron. The couple will make their home temporarily in Brownwood.

Eastland Must Conserve Water

As a precautionary measure City Manager K B. Tanner is appealing to users of water in Eastland to conserve water as much as possible. Not that the City does not have plenty of water at this time, but because, without sufficient rainfall by summer, water in the city lakes will be dangerously low.

The unusually long drouth has placed a strain on the City water reserves and unless water users co-operate fully with the City in conserving the remaining supply, city officials will certainly be forced to reduce the minimum and even conservation may not prevent this if sufficient rains do not come within a few months.

City Manager Tanner states that it was hoped that water minimums would not have to be cut, but that if necessity demanded it, it would be done. He added, however, that should it be necessary to reduce them, the original minimums would be restored as soon as conditions in the water supply warranted.

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NAZI RAILWAYS MAY BREAK IN SIX MONTHS

By Joseph A. Grigg, Jr., United Press Staff Correspondent, LONDON, (UP) — Germany's transportation system may suffer a near-breakdown in the next six months and prove a major factor in her defeat, British economic experts predicted today.

The railroads supplying the hard-pressed armies in Russia and Italy already are strained almost to breaking point according to reliable reports reaching here.

British and American air attacks on the Reich's main communications centers have created chaotic conditions on the railroads and knocked out or seriously damaged some 1,500,000 tons of shipping in the past two years, these reports added.

Persistent cannon and machine-gun attacks by RAF fighters on German trains in occupied France and the low Countries were estimated to be smashing up some 150 locomotives a month. Reliable reports reaching here indicated the German railroads now are short of 8,000 locomotives and 200,000 freight cars.

Many of the Reich's major railroad marshaling yards and repair shops were devastated by British and American air raids this summer.

Three-fourth of the big Waggonfabrik Talbot rolling stock plant at Aachen was destroyed in a raid on July 13. Three major attacks on Cologne in July and August did vast damage to the railroad work shops at Nippes and the marshaling yards at Muelheim-Kalk and Deutz. The Allied air forces have systematically attacked rolling stock works at Munich, Essen, Augsburg, Berlin, Liege, and other important centers in Germany and occupied Europe.

Even conservative experts here believe if these attacks continue on the present scale the whole Axis transportation network could be brought to something like a standstill in the measurable future.

Ever since 1933 the Nazis have neglected Germany's railroads. It was estimated she entered the war with a 20 per cent rolling stock deficit.

The Nazi authorities sought to remedy this situation by denuding each occupied country of the greater part of its locomotives and rolling stock. Experts reported about 4,000 French locomotives and tens of thousands of French freight cars now are in Germany itself, working solely for the German State Railways. This reserve, however, probably has been exhausted by now.

A year ago, in view of the increasing shortage of rolling stock, the German State Railways ordered every freight car to be loaded two tons above the normal maximum. Damage caused as a result of this regulation was so extensive that it was rescinded in June this year, but recently a new order was issued for overloading by one ton for each freight car.

Passenger train services throughout Germany and the occupied countries were slashed retroactively this year and "rationed travel" introduced for the first time. It now is impossible even to climb aboard a long-distance train in Germany without special permit.

At the outbreak of war the Germans had two locomotives for every 1.3 miles of track. Today, according to reliable estimates, they have less than one for every 1.6 miles.

A year ago the Nazis attempted to meet the increasingly dangerous shortage by boosting locomotive construction to an A-1 priority. Plans were drafted for building up so-called "utility" or simplified locomotives.

This year the building program

Missing Airman Of Breckenridge Gets Decoration

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS in Southwest Pacific, Dec. 5 (UP) — Lt. Gen. George C. Kenney, Allied air force commander in this area, has awarded the Silver Star

was stopped further to provide for building 6,000 to 7,000 locomotives, but the program was thrown completely out of gear by intensive bombing of Ruhr factories. Latest reports indicated the program would come nowhere near being met.



It gets cold on cutter patrol



FIGHTING subs on the North Atlantic, Coast Guardsmen often stand watches in sub-zero weather. So they wear a special deck uniform, one-piece from head to foot, and fleeced-lined inside. Goggles guard their eyes.

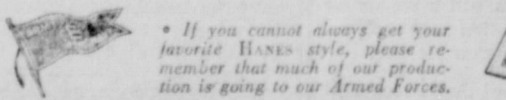
The U. S. Coast Guard designs its uniforms for comfort and wear. Even to the underwear—with correct weights and styles for any waters.

You also can have comfort and good styling in underwear. For, during the past 40 years, the makers of HANES Underwear have developed the art of turning fluffy cotton into fine underwear that fits properly and gives you real wear.

Take HANES Union-Suits, for instance (shown at right). They're fleecy and warm. And they're tailored to your exact chest width and trunk length—won't pinch or pull. Ankle-length legs. Long or short sleeves. You'll find them especially comfortable. P. H. Hanes Knitting Company, Winston-Salem, N. C.

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SGT. LASTER IS KILLED FRIDAY IN ACCIDENT

Ranger, Friday, Dec. 3.—Word was received late Friday of the death of Staff Sgt. M. C. Laster, 23, son of Mrs. Clyde Bond. Sgt. Laster who was stationed with the Air Corps at Pease Field, El Paso, was killed in an accident while on a training mission. Full details of the accident were not given, but it is known that the deceased became entangled with some of the machinery while operating as a tail gunner on a B-24 bomber.

It was stated Saturday that the body will be shipped to Memphis, Tenn., for burial. Mrs. Bond and family will accompany the body. Full military burial will be given the young flier.

Sgt. Bond who had made his home in Ranger until about two years ago, was a member of the First Baptist church in Ranger.

to four missing American airmen who, despite damage to their Mitchell bomber, sank an enemy vessel with a direct hit with a 2,000 pound bomb before crashing off Wewak Point, Sept. 2.

As the pilot, flight officer John D. Blain, of Breckenridge, Texas, leveled off for the bombing run, an explosive anti-aircraft shell hit the right engine, setting it afire. Despite this, Blain maneuvered the plane directly over the ship in the harbor. Other planes confirmed the sinking.



The Methodist Broadcaster Weekly News Of First Methodist Church J. Daniel Barron Pastor

ADVOCATES

Last Sunday we gave emphasis to the matter of Christian literature in the homes of Christian and church people. We received 31 subscriptions to our Advocates. Others will be coming in, for many of our good people were not present. One or both of these papers ought to be in every Methodist home. They will enrich your spiritual life. They will keep you informed about the life of the church. Your support of them is essential to their existence and effectiveness. The price of subscription is within the reach of most every one—one dollar for The Southwestern and one dollar and a half for the Christian Advocate.

METHODIST HOME

The Methodist Home committee—Grady Pipkin, John W. Turner, W. B. Pickens and Mrs. George E. Cross—is making full preparations for the annual Christmas offering to the Methodist Home at Waco. Every class and department in the church school will collect its own offering and the amounts will be announced in the morning service of the 19th, at which time those not in the church school will make their offering. The committee is distributing informational and inspirational literature. Our offering last year was but \$150 and the committee has set \$250 as our goal this year. You are invited to have a share in the care of these 400 boys and girls to whom your church is both father and mother.

POLICY COMMITTEE

The policy committee of the church—Virgil T. Seaberry, Earl Bender, Cyrus P. Frost, Bert McGlamery, Raymond A. McDaniel, John W. Jackson, Grady Pipkin, Mrs. Ed Willman, Mrs. Joseph M. Perkins, Neil A. Moore—met two hours Sunday evening outlining policies of the church for the current year. It will report to the first quarterly conference on the 13th.

BIG AFFAIR

The regular meeting of the Board of Stewards will be held

from 6:30 to 7:00 Monday evening, half hour preceding the church wide covered dish supper. After the supper we shall enjoy a program of entertainment, including a number by the Harmony Girls directed by Miss Wilda Drago. Following this phase of the evening's activities the first quarterly conference will be held. You will be interested in and benefited by attending the kind of quarterly conference we now hold. It is brief and vital. We want you to be in on all the things that take place that evening. Bring enough supper for your family and do not leave any of them home to eat alone.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

It is customary to have a Christmas musical program in our church each year. This time Miss Drago's Harmony girls will present it at five o'clock on the 19. The mere announcement of the event is sufficient to fill the house for it. You will not let anything cause you to miss it.

MONTH ENDING

Sunday will bring to an end the first month of the new church year. You will want to have in your first month's contribution to the operating expenses of your church. We want to be able to report to the Board of Stewards and the quarterly conference on Monday evening: "All is paid up on date." That is the way you made it work the past two years and we think you will continue in that commendable path.

PIEDGES

Pledges to the local operating budget keep coming in. It would be good of you, if you have not done so already, to send in an indication of what your church may count on you for on this matter during the year. We deeply appreciate the cooperative action of so many of our local people.

YOUNG ADULT WORKING

The members of the Young Adult Fellowship are securing the correct addresses of all our people in military service. The Fellowship, as part of its regular work, will send communications

A Message From Tokyo For Mrs. Raymond Shores

A postcard sent by Mrs. Louis Meusker, 142 State Street, Boise, Idaho, on December 1, 1943, to Mrs. Raymond Shores, 3205 Lawrence St., Eastland, Texas, contained the following information: "On the short wave from Tokyo, Japan, Major George Hoal was sending a message from Camp Zentsuji, and gave your name and address as a relative of one of the men in his camp that wishes you a merry Christmas. I believe this man is your uncle. The post office at Eastland could not locate Mrs. Shores. Neither was any information of her obtainable through the American Red Cross office at Eastland.

The information on the postcard is published in the hope that it will reach Mrs. Shores and thereby bring information of her relative in Japan to her.

Buy War Bonds

to all these people who are out of sight but not out of our hearts. SEYMOUR COMING

Rev. Leslie Seymour, pastor of the Methodist church in Cisco, will be the preacher in our five o'clock vespers Sunday. Your pastor will return to Cisco with him and preach in his seven o'clock evening service. We want our people to be with us in the vespers. Not only will you hear a capable preacher but you will save your own pastor some embarrassment. Let us be hospitable to our guest.

Score a Direct Hit—

... by seeing that your property is adequately insured. If you have a home and carrying the same amount of insurance as two years ago, you may be only half insured, as property values have advanced rapidly since Pearl Harbor. Insurance is cheap for all, but especially to those who can least afford to stand a loss.

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—Earl Bender & Company—

—Abstracts — Insurance — Real Estate — Rentals—

The Baptist Herald Rev. Homer J. Starnes Pastor First Baptist Church

The week's program has been progressing nicely. Many happy fellowships and friendships have been renewed. It is a close tie that binds pastor and people together, and the people rejoice in again being able to hear these men who have served in the past. Each pastor that has come and gone has contributed to the retelling of the debt. To no one person goes all the credit. The largest credit is due the members of the past and of the present. This week of praise and worship service should strengthen us in the Lord.

Of course none of us will be satisfied to live in the past. We rejoice over what has been done, and thrill with the challenge of what may be done in the future. The saying "hats off to the past; coats off to the future" is good logic. The outlook for the church for the future is bright. A fine spirit of harmony prevails. There is enough to be done to challenge the best of us. As Christian people accept their stewardship and evangelistic responsibility much is accomplished for the Master's glory. It is true that many of our churches are "sleeping giants."

Sunday, December 12, is the date for the dedication service. A good program will be arranged. We are not making definite announcement as to the program since there is the possibility of a former pastor being present for the message. However, this cannot be definitely known yet. Other

wise the services will be handled by our local men and women. A brief history of the church has been prepared and will be given on that day. Your presence will contribute much to the services.

Beginning next Wednesday night, December 15, a new phase will be added to the Mid-Week Service. A list of the boys from the church and of all others whose names will be handed in is being compiled. The plan is to take the names alphabetically, five or six each Wednesday night, and find out what we can about their location, condition needs, etc., and then have special prayers for those boys. The relatives of these boys will be special guests at the mid-week service. We believe in prayer and that God "hears his people when they cry unto him. Then let us come together and pray definitely for these our loved ones. Whether a member of this church or not you are invited to have a part in these services.

Eastland is blessed with men of talent and leadership ability. The purpose of the Brotherhood is to utilize these men for the church and for the Lord. Floyd Lynch has been elected brotherhood president, and is taking hold of the work enthusiastically. We anticipate good and useful things from this organization. A good program has been arranged for Monday night, December 13, at 7:30. Sam Cleveland, District Attorney from Stephenville is to be the guest speaker. Mr. Cleveland takes a leading part in the work of his church. You will want to hear this layman. The food committee promises to spring a surprise in the way of eats. Come.

A number of families have recently moved to Eastland. We extend to each a cordial welcome. Each family should identify themselves with the church of their choice while here. You can be a blessing to the church, and the church will help you. Let those of us who live here be on the alert to invite others to our services.

At this season of the year we seek to get our churches to do their utmost for the cause of missions. The Lottie Moon offering for Foreign Missions began in 1888 with gifts reaching over \$3000. It has grown until the goal

Construction Of Texas Leg Of Pipeline Started

CORPUS CHRISTI, Dec. 8.—

this year is \$260,000.00. Some of our people have already made their gifts. The envelopes will be handed out next Sunday. Let each person take one and cheerfully and lovingly have part in this great challenging goal.

The Associational Sunday school meeting will be held with the First Church, Cisco, Tuesday, December 14. In addition to the usual conferences by departments an inspirational address will be brought by Dr. G. S. Hopkins, our State Secretary. Sunday school workers can't afford to miss this opportunity. Tell the pastor or the supt., that you can go to transportation arrangements can be made.

Construction of the Texas leg of the South Texas-West Virginia pipeline, which will bring vital gas to armament plants in the Appalachian region, was started December 6 when dirt was turned for the Guadalupe River crossing in Victoria County. Coincidental with the start of work, Gardiner Symonds, president of the Tennessee Gas and Transmission company, operators of the line, predicted its construction would give great impetus to the expansion of Texas' infant chemical industry.

While the immediate necessity for the line is dictated by the exigencies of war, the line has great potential peace-time values to Texas, Symonds said. The line is being built under directives from the War Production Board and the Federal Power Commission as an essential part of the war program and the company has been directed to complete the line so gas will be available by next winter, "to prevent interruption in war production which otherwise would oc-

cur". Symonds said the company hoped to have the line completed by next August 31, three months in advance of the deadline.

SINGING SUNDAY

A. E. LeClaire announces that the Eastland Singing Class will have its annual singing Sunday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock at the Church of God in Eastland. He stated that a large crowd was present at the last singing and a still larger one is expected for next Sunday.

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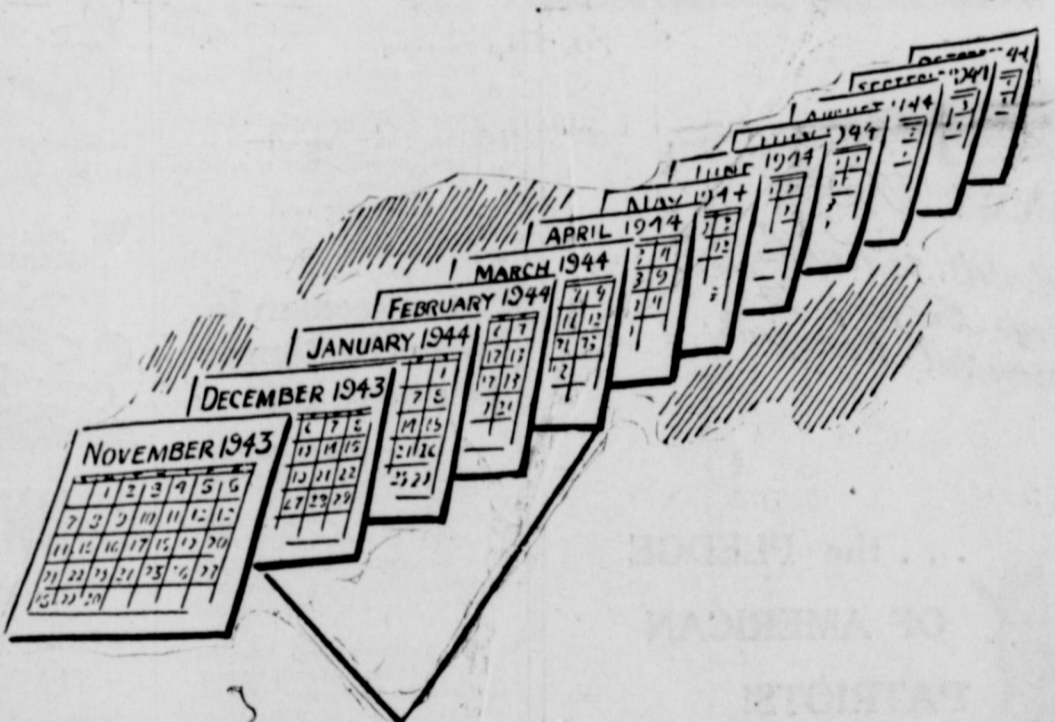
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laid from near Rice in Navarro County, southeast to Cayuga, materially increasing the system's overall capacity to serve its customers. This line was built of reclaimed pipe and did not draw on the limited reserves of critical material. The work was part of a complete get-ready-for-winter program.

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That's why we are asking you not to plan trips during the holiday season... December 12th to January 12th... so that men and women in the service on furloughs may visit home. It is one of America's ways of saying "Merry Christmas" to these fine folks.

Every month thousands upon thousands of service men and women board trains under

military orders to ride away to the business of war.

To move them during an average month takes more than half of all sleeping cars and one-third of all coaches in the country. With limited passenger equipment available (and we can't buy any more), we are doing our best to handle our share of the load and serve our civilian patrons. We ask your cooperation... postpone your holiday trip... It's UP TO YOU TO GIVE THEM A BREAK.

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WEDDING OF MAXINE COLEMAN AND LT. JAMES F. FLYNN ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Coleman of Waco announce the marriage of their daughter, Maxine, to Lt. James F. Flynn on Thursday, December 9 at 7:00 o'clock p. m. at 1909 Lyle Avenue, Waco.

MRS. GRADY PIPKIN IS PROGRAM LEADER FOR STUDY CLUB MEET

Mrs. Grady Pipkin was program leader Thursday, December 2nd, for the Thursday Afternoon Study Club meeting and gave a review of the book, "Florence Nightingale." Mrs. Jack Ammer reviewed the book "On Being a Real Person," by Harry E. Fosdick.

Roll call responses were verses from the Bible including the word love. Plans were made for the Christmas party and for gifts for soldiers.

WCSO OFFICERS MAKE FINAL REPORT OF YEAR'S WORK

The WCSO of the Methodist church at the regular session Monday heard the final report from officer of the year's work. The

METHODISTS WSCS ARE HAVING A BAZAAR TODAY AND SATURDAY

The WSCS of the First Methodist church is holding a Bazaar in the Conner building on the south side of the square this afternoon and Saturday.

Mrs. Frank Crowell was leader of the program and Mrs. Tom Johnson gave the devotional. Rev. J. Daniel Barron talked on "Needs for Christian Literature."

STITCH AND CHATTER CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. J. C. POE

Mrs. J. C. Poe was hostess Wednesday, December 1, to the Stitch and Chatter club. Mrs. Hugh Kuykendall presided. Plans were made for a Christmas party on December 15 at the home of Mrs. A. M. McBee.

Refreshments of cherry tarts, whipped cream and coffee were served. Mrs. Overton Stone of Carbon, mother of Mr. Poe, was guest.

PYTHIAN SISTERS ELECT OFFICERS

The Pythian officer met Monday night at the Castle Hall for election of officers and the following were elected: Juanita Fullen, Most Excellent Chief, Virginia Boyette, Senior Excellent Officer; Thelma Bennett, Excellent Junior Officer; Alleen Hunt, Manager; Blanche Nichols, Mistress of Records and Correspondence; Jean Bell Self, Mistress of Finance; Clarence Arnold, Protector; Mrs.

Guy Robinson, Temple Deputy; Mrs. C. C. Street is the outgoing Most Excellent chief. A public installation of officers will be held on January 3rd. Mrs. Nichols will be the installing officer.

ADAHU GROUP OF CAMPFIRE GIRLS MET SATURDAY P. M.

The Adahu Group of Campfire girls met Saturday afternoon at the home of the group's counselor Miss Dorothy Perkins. A national war bond drive by the Campfire girls was discussed and plans were made for holding a "hobby show" at the Civic League and Garden Club. The girls are helping to raise Christmas Cheer funds for Camp Bowie Hospital.

Those present were: Mrs. L. H. Ewing, the new councillor; Mrs. W. G. Womack a guest, and Misses, Gladene Womack, Betty Pickens, Laverne Cornelias, Betty Ann Harkrider, Nancy Lynn Harkrider.

MRS. GRADY PIPKIN IS GUEST SPEAKER AT LAS LEALES CLUB

Mrs. Grady Pipkin was guest speaker at the Las Leales club Thursday, December 2nd. She spoke on the book, "Florence Nightingale."

Miss Mary Carter was hostess. Roll call was "portraits in color."

"Broad and Alien Is The World" was the program topic.

Mrs. Harry B. Sone gave a biography of the book, "From Other Lands."

Those present: Mesdames James Birmingham, Harold Durham, Charles Eaton, Hollis Bennett, Fred Mazon, Bill Ligon, G. A. Plummer, Sone, W. O. Verner, J. C. Whitley, Grady Pipkin Alex Johnson, Louise Karkalis, Jess Lee Ligon, and hostess, Miss Mary Carter.

SUSAN STEELE CLASS PLANS CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR 16TH

The Susan Steele Bible class of the Methodist church plan a Christmas party and exchange of gifts for December 16th at 2:30 p. m.

at the church. Mrs. Annie Day, president, presided over the business session. An interesting report on visits to the sick and shut-ins to whom flowers and trays were carried, was made.

At the program's close, refreshment plate of sandwiches, potato chips, pickles, coffee and cocoa, was served.

MRS. PAT MILLER HONORED WITH SHOWER

Mesdames Frank Sparks, Ed Willman, L. C. Brown and Frank Crowell entertained with a stork shower for Mrs. Pat Miller at the home of Mrs. Sparks recently.

The guests brought their baby pictures and the honoree, after looking them over, decided Mrs. Herman Hague's picture was more in resemblance. The hostess then presented Mrs. Hague with a plaque of a baby face as a prize, which she presented to the honoree.

A book passed among the guests who made wishes and suggestions. Mrs. Miller was told that all of our boys were receiving sealed orders to Port. She was presented sealed orders to the Port of Music. At the piano she received another sealed order to the Port of Light.

At the lamp were sealed orders to the dining room. On the table there she found daintily wrapped gifts piled high.

Mrs. Joe Stephen read a poem "We Do Rejoice," following which Mrs. Miller opened the gifts.

Refreshments of open face sandwiches, cheese tidbits, fruit cake and spiced tea were served. Plate favors were paper diaper curs filled with candy.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Holmes Webb and children of Abilene spent the past week end with her mother, Mrs. J. L. Johnson, and sister, Miss Verner Johnson. Mrs. Alex Clarke and little daughter of Alvin, is also visiting Mrs. Johnson, who is her mother.

Druce Pipkin, with the Southern Aircraft Corporation in Garland, spent Sunday here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Pipkin. He lives in Dallas.

PERSONALS

Pvt. Richard H. Ziegler of North Camp Hood, Texas, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Williamson, Cisco-Eastland Highway, over the week end. Mr. Ziegler's home is in Red Lion eastern Pennsylvania near York. He is a cousin of Mrs. Williamson. He expressed himself as having greatly enjoyed his visit here and was favorably impressed with Eastland.

Sgt. Jack Cantrell of the U. S. Field Artillery, Camp Hood, was a recent visitor to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cantrell.

Sgt. Jack L. (Slim) Barnett arrived recently with U. S. Forces in England according to a letter received by his sister, Mrs. W. C. Whaley.

Howard Martin Brock, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Brock, and who has been studying chemical engineering at the University of Texas, has been assigned to the United States Navy and left Sunday for an unannounced destination.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Van Geem Tuesday received a letter from their son, S/Lt. Charles Van Geem in the 127th Infantry, Company G. in Australia, stating that he was doing nicely.

Mrs. Dr. T. E. Payne, who has been in a Fort Worth Hospital, was returned to the hospital in Eastland last week and is doing nicely.

Ensign Robert Morris Keasler, who has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Keasler, here will report for duty at Yorktown, Virginia, on the 17th inst.

Mrs. Ella Ligon and daughter, Mrs. Howard Hood, are visiting Mrs. Ligon's sister, Mrs. W. B. Lee, of Snyder.

Mrs. Katherine Haines of Ft. Worth spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Turner.

Mrs. W. D. Barker and small daughter are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Clatt, Eastland-Ranger highway, while her husband Lt. Barker, is locating a

home for them at Mineral Wells.

Miss Nellie Lee Miller of Dallas spent last week end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Miller.

Miss Lila Anne Love, student nurse at Harris Memorial Hospital, Fort Worth, returned Sunday to Fort Worth after having visited her father, W. V. Love and grandmother, Mrs. Minnie Love, most of the week.

Mrs. K. Troy Harkrider and little daughter, Rebecca Kay of Carthage, are visiting relatives here.

Miss Dorothy Perkins and her roommate, Miss Gloria Swanson of El Campo, attending TSCW at Denton, spent the past week end here in Miss Perkins' home.

Cpl. W. Q. Verner of Williams Field, Chandler, Arizona, is spending this week here with his wife.

Miss Hazel Harrell, employed in Ft. Worth, recently visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Harrell, here. Miss Harrell, accompanied by Mrs. Lorene Vaughn of Eastland flew from Dallas to Houston last week where they were guests at the Rice Hotel over the week end.

Pvt. Robert Perkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Perkins, has been transferred from Keesler Field, Biloxi, Miss., to Cheanutte Field, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Jack Parish of Ft. Worth spent Sunday here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Parker, and his mother, Mrs. Ita Parish.

Charles Pettit and wife of Dallas spent the past week end here with his sister, Mrs. Frank Castleberry, and Mr. Castleberry. Monday Md. Pettit attended the Jack Frost cattle sale in West Texas.

Pvt. Clifton A. Stiles, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Stiles, is now located at Camp Abbott, Oregon. He is in the engineering battalion.

COLD 666
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Emergency Crop And Feed Loans Now Available

Due to the drought there is a feed shortage in many areas of Texas and farmers may find it necessary to purchase feed or plant fall feed crops to supply their livestock.

To meet this emergency and also to provide funds for planting fall cover crops as a soil building practice, Emergency Crop and Feed Loans for 1944 are being made available at this time to farmers whose cash requirements are small and who are unable to secure necessary financing at banks or from other sources, according to Murrah Nolte, Field Supervisor.

The AAA has extended the time for carrying out soil building practices to November 30.

The first installment of the crop loan will be advanced to cover cost of preparing land, purchasing feed for workstock or fuel oil, cover crop seed, planting seed for fall feed crops and other incidental expense: Remaining installments when needed for installation of regular 1944 crops.

These loans, generally known as "seed loans", have been made in this county for many years. Eligibility rules are the same as in former years. The amount which may be loaned to any one farmer in 1944 may not exceed \$400. The loans are administered in Texas from the Dallas Emergency Crop Loan Office of the Farm Credit Administration, 405 U. S. Terminal Annex, Dallas 2.

Applications will be received in this county by the Field Supervisor who may be seen in Eastland, at 2nd floor Court House on Monday of each week from 10 to 12 or see Mrs. May Harrison.

Action Filed In Eastland County District Courts

The following suits have been filed in Eastland county district courts:

Texakota Oil & Gas Company a corporation vs L. E. Dickson et al, injunction.

Bertha Marie Johnson-Allday vs William Thomas Allday, divorce.

Experte Chester Glendale Gregg, a minor—removal of disabilities.

Willma Curry vs E. M. Curry, Jr., divorce.

Rosie J. Colley vs L. B. Colley, divorce.

Faye Lamber Sruits vs Glen D. Shults, divorce.

Veoma Koerner vs R. C. Koerner, divorce.

J. W. Grisham vs Edna Earle Grisham, divorce.

E. F. Freeman Is Buried In Ranger Thursday at 4

Funeral services for Earl Frank Freeman, who died December 5 in Wichita Falls were held at the Morris Funeral Chapel in Ranger Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock with interment in the Evergreen cemetery. Rev. Tom Jordan of Thurber was in charge of the services.

The deceased who was born May 31, 1892, in Erath County is survived by the widow, Mrs. Julia Freeman, two sons, Willard of Ft. Worth, and Edward of Ranger; 4 daughters, Mrs. Odessa Robinson, and Mrs. Willie Joyner, Flo Jean Freeman and Betty Jo Freeman all of Ranger; three sisters Mrs. A. Z. Miller and Mrs. Bob Morris of Ranger and Mrs. J. W. Wallace of Abilene and one brother, Bill Freeman.

Thomas Haley, employed in Dallas, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Haley.

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Morton Valley News

(By Mrs. Thad Henderson)

The Morton Valley Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. L. H. Taylor for an all-day achievement meeting last Tuesday. A covered dish luncheon was served at noon. Each one present brought a meat substitute dish, or a dish prepared from a vegetable they had canned.

After lunch games of "42" were enjoyed until 1:30 for the business meeting.

Mrs. Thad Henderson gave the council report. The club voted not to meet in December. The next meeting will be January 4.

Among the articles exhibited were a made-over child's dress, of black velvet, a child's cape, bar reel chair and several pieces of embroidery and crochet.

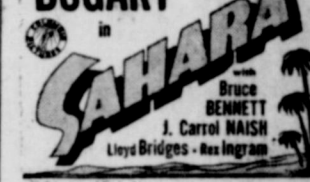
Visitors present: Meses. G. E. Lassater, G. I. Williams, J. F. Trott, Edgar Huffman, J. E. Craig. Members present: Meses. Lon Tankersley, W. E. Tankersley, Charles Brockman, D. D. Franklin, T. L. Wheat, A. F. Beck, Thad Henderson and the hostess, Mrs. L. H. Taylor.

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Picture Frames Large glass picture frames on soyco wood picture frames \$1.59 to \$2.98	Ash Trays Hob Nail Ash trays in blue amber, or crystal \$1.29
PERFUME AND POWDER SETS Crystal perfume and powder sets with mirror \$2.98 to \$4.98	STATIONERY Stationery in beautiful engraved boxes 98c to \$2.98
RELISH DISHES Lotus relish dishes with engraved designs 79c	FRUIT BOWLS Large fruit bowl with 8 small serving bowls, set \$1.19
BREAKFAST SETS Breakfast sets consisting of cream, sugar, salt and pepper, three serving dishes on metal tray \$1.19	
BEVERAGE SETS Beverage sets with modern tray \$2.98	

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