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BERLIN CHRISTMAS WORST IN ITS HISTORY

BOY REPORTED MISSING 1941 ALIVE, WELL

Word just received by Mrs. L. F. Boatman that her grandson, Wilfred Boatman, is alive and well, though a prisoner of the Japs, has made the Cisco woman very happy.

Boatman, a son of Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Boatman of Corpus Christi, last reported as missing following the Battle of Java, May, 1941. No other word had been received by the family until a card arrived December 20 from the 26-year-old young man.

The card said he was in good health, in a prison at Moulmein, Burma, and with friends. He mentioned Hal C. Walling of Wichita Falls as also being a prisoner in the same camp.

Boatman joined the colors in 1940 and was trained at Brownwood. Later he was placed in the 131st field artillery.

CISCO WILL CLOSE SHOP TOMORROW

The bank, the postoffice and practically every business house in Cisco will be closed all day tomorrow—Christmas Day.

Daily Press employees will take the day off, too, hence there will be no paper issued Sunday morning.

Cisco merchants have enjoyed a nice Christmas trade, although the volume in most cases was not quite as great as in previous years.

Notwithstanding war handicaps and confusion, 1943 promises to be another good business year for the Cisco Country.

TO ANNOUNCE PROGRAM.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Without waiting for congress to pass on the subsidy issue, the WFA plans to announce support price programs soon on 1944 food production which will probably involve subsidies of more than \$60 million dollars if existing price ceilings are maintained.

MONEY IN CIRCULATION.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Money in circulation increased \$147,000,000 during the past week, the Federal Reserve Board reports. The total was \$20,382,000,000 on Wednesday.

STRIKES.

Before any group of Americans, in any important industry, seriously plan to go on a strike for any reason whatever, they should enter upon a period of fasting and prayer.

Most of our economic groups, when contemplating such coercion of the rest of their fellow-citizens, seem to have looked such divine guidance.

This suggestion is not intended flippantly.

Strikes in basic American industries during a situation like the present one may threaten not only the economic life but the safety of the nation. At best, they prolong the war.

Strikes interfering with war production are really a war within a war, tending to sabotage the war effort.

They are never necessary.

There are always means available to deal properly with legitimate grievances on the part of either capital or labor.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CHRISTMAS SERVICE

Cisco Commandery No. 47, Knights Templar, will hold its regular Christmas service at 9 o'clock Saturday morning at Masonic Temple.

Rev. Seba Kirkpatrick will make the Christmas address and appropriate music will be provided.

All members of the commandery are requested to lend their presence and the general public is extended an invitation to attend the service.

CISCO YOUNG MAN WRITES HIS MOTHER

Staff Sgt. Julian Flaherty, 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Flaherty, who has been overseas a year, writes his mother from somewhere in New Guinea. The young man has been in the service over two years. The letter bears date of November 25 and indicated cheerful frame of mind. Excerpts from it are as follows:

Dear Mother: Today is Thanksgiving Day and it has been some day for me. I had to set up an anti-aircraft machine gun this afternoon, the parts were heavy and I am tired out. We had a nice turkey dinner, including dressing, sweet potatoes, creamed peas, gravy, butter, rolls and apple pie. Coffee or tomato juice. It sure was good, but it was the first time I've gone through the mess line and come out full for some time.

There is a lot we have to be thankful for. So far none of us four brothers have been killed. The Lord is with us, we know that, and also the prayers of those at home are being answered. However, I wish the war could end before too long.

Our present location is much nicer than the place we left. Nice sea breezes at night, with the waves singing you to sleep. Have been swimming a few times.

Tojo's sons have paid us a few visits, but caused little trouble. Once a fellow and I were in our fox hole and the bombing stopped and we heard the planes flying away. We had started to come out when shrapnel began falling about seven feet away. We sure went to the bottom of the fox hole.

Write soon. Your son,
JULIAN FLAHERTY.

TENSE ATMOSPHERE DEATH AND HATRED

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Pope Pius XIII, in a Christmas message to the world, said today that the war was breaking all laws and exceeding all moral barriers.

"The horrible pages of past history fade away in comparison with the bloody disaster happening today," he said in a broadcast over the Vatican Radio.

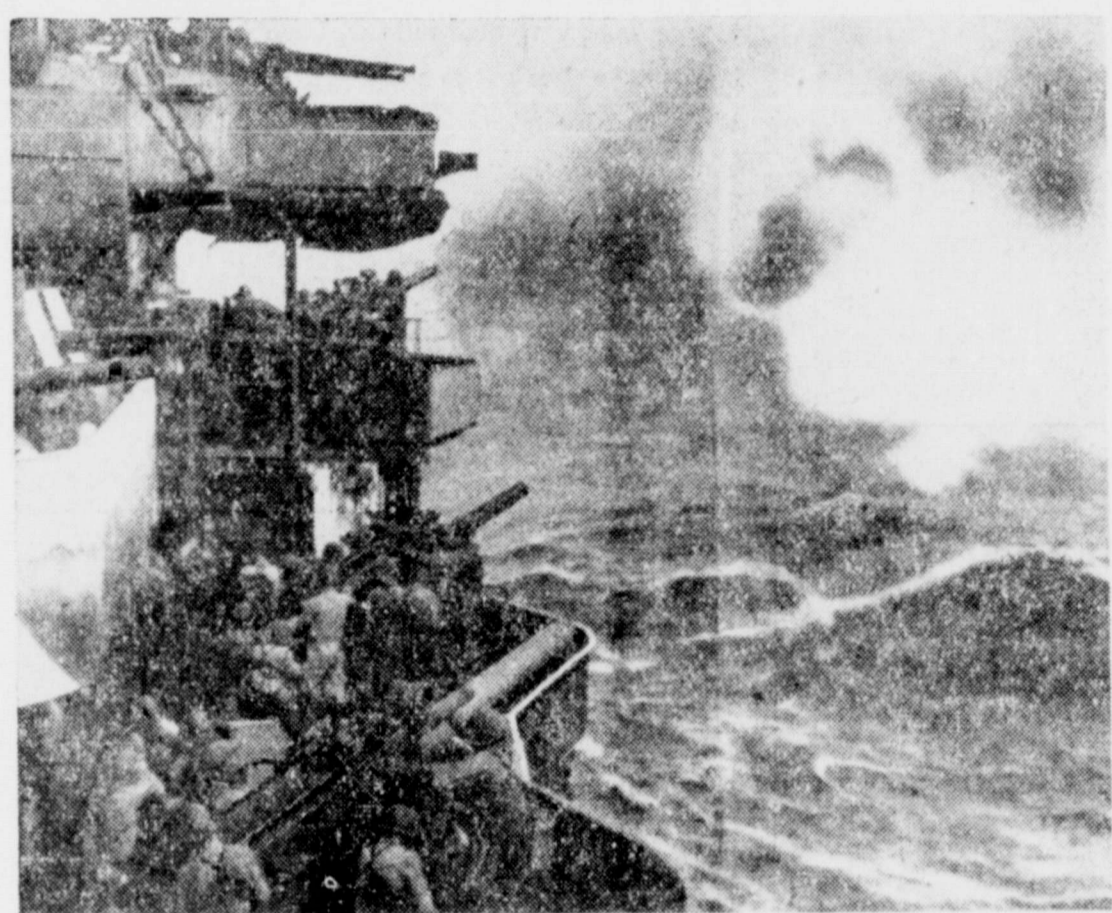
The present is witnessing a "moral decadence which is burying all humanitarian sentiments, but in the midst of this dark night the light of Bethlehem must shine," he said.

"Only Christ alone can alleviate the dark sentiments. . . . Only Christ can alleviate the tortures of humanity."

The Pope said the world, for the fifth time, was preparing to celebrate Christmas in a "tense atmosphere of death and hatred."

OIL WELL REWARD.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., Dec. 24.—The Humble Oil company has been asked by state officials to start a 30-day production test of its Sunniland oil well on Dec. 29 to determine whether there is enough oil present to support a claim for the \$50,000 reward for the first commercial well in Florida, as provided by state law.



FOR THE JAPS—Photo, just released, shows secondary batteries of U. S. cruiser forming pattern of smoke rings as guns blast Japs on Makin before capture of atoll.



SENDOFF—No doubt about where this plane is heading. Kitty Carlisle, singing star of stage and screen, gives dazzling sendoff to 1090th Avenger Torpedo Bomber to come off assembly line at Eastern Aircraft Division of General Motors plant at Trenton, N.J. She chalks "Destination Tokyo" on fuselage.

BLAIR IN MISSIONARY WORK FOR 16 YEARS

Now in his 17th year as missionary of the Cisco Baptist association, Rev. H. D. Blair will occupy the pulpit of First Baptist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Mr. Blair, a popular speaker, serves his denomination in three counties—Stephens, Shackelford and Eastland. He lives in Cisco. His work is primarily that of administering to churches in the area that cannot afford full-time pastors, but he gives much of his time to the promotion of the missionary causes fostered by the General Convention of Texas.

Rev. Cooper Waters, pastor of the First church, was voted a Christmas vacation by his congregation and will be out of the city over the weekend. Mr. Waters, in announcing the speaker for the Sunday morning hour, said there would be no preaching service in the evening. However, Sunday school and Training Union will meet at 9:45 a. m. and 6:30 p. m., as usual.

KENNON TO HOSPITAL.

Judge R. W. H. Kennon, who has been confined to his room for the past week, was taken to a Ranger hospital this afternoon, where it is hoped rest and medical care will restore him to his usual good health.



LIGHTS UP—Her Majesty Queen Tabonou of Gilbert Islands gets light for cigarette from old friend, Lt. Bruno Raymond of Royal Australian Naval Volunteers Reserves. Born on Makin, Raymond's return with U. S. forces was first since he left island as child.

COL. DYESS FUNERAL BE HELD MONDAY

The body of Col. Wm. E. Dyess, who was killed Wednesday afternoon at Burbank, Calif., when his plane crashed and burned, will arrive in Cisco at noon Sunday by train.

The remains will be accompanied by a military escort and also by Mrs. Dyess, wife of deceased, and her mother, said Dr. E. L. Graham, uncle of Colonel Dyess.

An Albany hearse will convey the body to that city, where the funeral will be held at 2:30 o'clock Monday afternoon, at the Presbyterian church, with burial in the Albany cemetery.

YANK AIRMEN KEEP BOMBING MARSHALLS

PEARL HARBOR, Dec. 24.—Army and navy Liberator bombers, carrying into the 10th day non-stop American raids intended to knock out Japanese air strength in the Marshall Islands, have uncovered further evidence that the Japanese are rushing reinforcements into the region.

A report by Admiral Chester W. Nimitz said that 20 Japanese ships were sighted Tuesday at Kwajalein Lagoon, which stretches 40 miles between Kwajalein and Rio Islands of the boot-shaped Kwajalein atoll. It is the biggest and best Japanese harbor this side of Truk, a thousand miles to the west.

Several hundred planes of a carrier task force surprised a smaller group of Japanese ships at Kwajalein on Dec. 4, sinking two light cruisers, three merchantmen and one tanker.

CAPE GLOUCESTER FOOD LINES CUT

NEW GUINEA, Dec. 24.—All supply lines to Cape Gloucester, Japanese base at the northwestern tip of New Britain probably have been cut by an Allied aerial blockade and the garrison faces a growing food shortage, reconnaissance reports said today.

American four-engined Liberator bombers dropped 155 tons of explosives on Cape Gloucester Wednesday to boost the total tonnage unloaded on the area this month to more than 2,500 tons.

The base, an important transshipment point on the northern barge route from New Guinea to Rabaul, has been so pitted by bombs that hardly a 20-foot square remains unscarred, returning pilots said.

OIL INDUSTRY IS IN DANGER SENATOR SAYS

MINERAL WELLS, Dec. 24.—Senator Moore of Oklahoma said last night that assertions that we are running out of oil were part of a New Deal philosophy of shortage and scarcity and a prelude to the administration's taking over the petroleum industry.

The first step in the administration's plan to take over the oil business, Senator Moore said in a radio address here, was the formation of the Petroleum Reserves Corporation which, he added, should be dissolved and liquidated at the earliest possible moment.

ALLIED AIRMEN VISITED NAZI CAPITAL EARLY TODAY; THIRD OF CITY IS IN WRECKED STATE

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Effectually foiling Berlin's weary defenders, a great fleet of RAF night bombers swept in on the cloud-covered Nazi capital early today and gave it the seventh major bombardment in five weeks—likely rounding out three-quarters of the city's destruction.

More than 1,120 tons of four-ton block busters and other high explosives turned sections of the battered city into a solid mass of flames once more.

German fighter planes were taken completely by surprise, RAF fliers said. The overcast also hampered searchlight and antiaircraft workers. The RAF lost no more than 17 bombers of the total force of many hundreds.

The day-before-Christmas deluge of high explosives and incendiaries once more started great fires raging through Berlin. It emphasized that the Allies are not going to let seasonal sentiment interfere with invaluable bombing weather in which to pave the way for the final invasion drive.

The daylight campaign against targets on the continent moved into its fifth straight as waves of Allied bombers and fighters droned over the channel coast toward Northern France.

Thursday night's bomb load brought the total weight dropped on Berlin in seven raids to approximately 11,000 tons—about the weight loosed on devastated Hamburg.

It made the year's total on the capital about 18,000 tons.

The depleted power of the German fighter force, shown in the Frankfurt and Mannheim-Ludwigshafen raids when many planes dashed ineffectually back and forth between the two target areas, was underscored in the low RAF casualties Thursday night—little more than half of the Dec. 16 raid on Berlin, when 30 planes were lost.

Crews returning from the Berlin raid told of huge fires and a great smoke pall rising as high as 10,000 feet.

MOSCOW, Dec. 24.—Official Soviet reports indicated today that the Red Army has smashed back to the approaches to Korosten, key railway junction 85 miles west of Kiev, after absorbing the full impact of the most powerful German counter-offensive in nearly six months.

The Russian midnight report mentioned fight in the "area of the town of Korosten" last night for the first time since the Soviets evacuated it under German pressure Nov. 30 to fall back to a point below Malin, more than 25 miles to the east. From Korosten, railways radiate to Leningrad, Odessa, Rumania, Kiev and Warsaw.

The communique reported repeated German counter-attacks near Korosten, but said all were thrown back with the enemy losing 27 tanks and nearly 1000 men.

The Germans began their counter-offensive more than six weeks ago in an obvious attempt to throw the Russians back across the Dnieper and re-capture Kiev. The Red Army abandoned Zhitomir, southern anchor of the Kiev bulge 45 miles south of Korosten, and then Korosten itself as the Germans threw in vast reinforcements regardless of cost.



RAIDER'S RETURN—Wincing with pain on being lifted from turret of his Avenger, wounded Rear-Gunner Kenneth Bratton of Mississippi returns to flight deck of U. S. S. Saratoga after Nov. 5th raid on Rabaul. Applying tourniquet to shattered knee, he managed to retain consciousness until rescued.

by the president for his name. Such a situation might easily occur in worse times. Americans, like the British, are apt not to cross bridges till they come to them. It might happen, however, that when the crossing had to be done, no bridge was there.

WAR CRIMES.

A discussion has arisen in England as to who is a "war criminal"—the man who pulls the trigger when innocent men are shot down, or his superior officer who orders it, or both together?

Debaters might argue forever about that. Excuses can always be found for those who commit crimes under coercion, but they are seldom convincing. When people face squarely the basic ideal that life is sacred and that it is wrong to kill, except in self-defense by individuals or groups, the situation is fairly clear. In all lands and all times, the patriot who serves his country in an honest war is justified, as is the man who defends his home and family.

But what is to be done when orders are given by military superiors which are known to be wicked and contrary to the rules of civilized warfare? There have been many such cases lately, in eastern Europe—cases involving orders from Nazi commanders for wholesale slaughter of civilians. Whatever the technical rules may be, common sense and ethics say that civilians defending their homes and communities have a perfect right to kill their enemies, even though not in uniform themselves. Especially when those enemies have put themselves beyond the pale of civilization, as the Nazis have done, and have ruthlessly killed millions of people merely for belonging to other races.

LOOSE MONEY.

There is more money in this country than usual, but it isn't passed around evenly. There are millions of families who have no more income now than they had before the present rise in prices began. And because they have to pay more for what they buy, they are considerably worse off than they were before the current inflation started.

Meanwhile there are supposed to be about \$45,000,000,000 of extra money now sloshing around in people's pockets and being tucked away in bureau drawers and old shoes, and under the rugs, and so on. A good deal of it gets spent, and so keeps the economic system oiled up, but there should be far more salted down in the banks or paid for good securities or real estate. Buying homes with it is probably the best of all investments.

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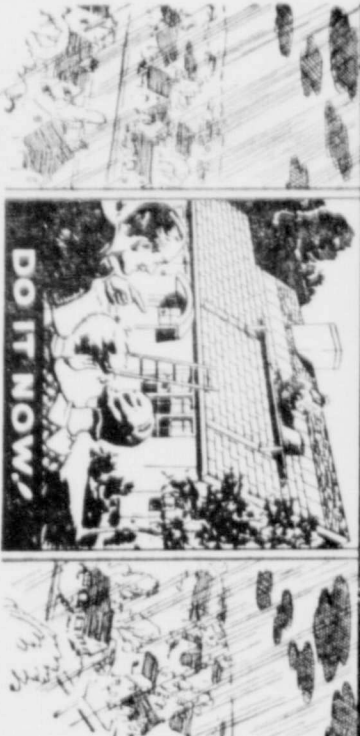
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SOLDIERS AND GAS.

Gasoline needs, says the American Petroleum Institute, are 80 times as great as in the last war. It takes nearly three pounds of gasoline to deliver one pound of bombs, and the bombs themselves are filled with petroleum explosives.

The Institute also says that every American soldier overseas requires an average of more than 50 gallons of petroleum products per week. The oil used by navy and supply ships and America's allies boasts the consumption to a figure still higher than that. Every oil well in the United States, it continues, must now produce every day an average of three barrels of oil for war, and before long may have to produce four barrels for combat purposes alone.

That's quite an order for gas and oil. It's something to remember when the old tank runs dry at an inconvenient moment. But it's compensation to remember also, that "the nearer to victory, the greater the need for gas."

It's a tough world. If we can't get to Aunt Sallie's for a holiday dinner, well, after all, here, Yank, take our gas and victorious New Year to you!

CROSSING BRIDGES.

Churchill's siege of pneumonia, his second in a year, has made the English consider a possible substitute. Choosing one would be easier in Great Britain than here. There the cabinet members would get together and delegate some one to speak for them in Parliament.

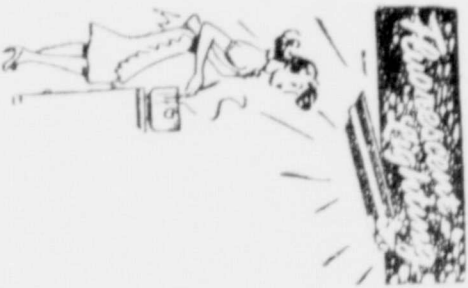
Here it is not so simple. The Constitution provides that in case of the death or disability of the president, the vice-president shall serve in his place. Now what constitutes disability, and who is to determine it?

President Wilson, during the critical period of his paralysis, was undoubtedly disabled, but there was no way to establish the fact. Secretary of State Lansing called some cabinet meetings to consider the matter and missed

PIONEER WOMAN DEAD.
ARLINGTON, Dec. 24.—Funeral services for Mrs. Melbie Caudle, 71, of Bedford will be conducted 10:30 afternoon at Bedford Primitive Baptist church, with burial in the Parker cemetery, north of



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A splendid program was directed by Mrs. C. E. Paul with Mrs. O. L. Stamey and Mrs. Leslie Seymour assisting. Christmas carols sung by the group was the first program number. Mrs. Wm. H. Cole was presented in two appropriate readings; Miss Dorothy Nell Pugh gave two violin selections, "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" and "Gavotte," in which she was accompanied at the piano by Barbara Grist; Miss Ella Anderson sang "Jesus Born in a Stable" accompanied by Miss Doris Jamison as the concluding number.

Games were played and refreshments were passed by Mrs. Joe Wilson, Mrs. H. H. Davis and Mrs. N. A. Brown to the group. Members present were Mrs. H. A. Bible, Mrs. N. A. Brown, Mrs. Wm. H. Cole, Mrs. J. E. Coleman, Mrs. H. H. Davis, Mrs. W. V. Gardenhire, Mrs. E. Hooks, Mrs. E. L. Jackson, Mrs. B. E. Morehart, Mrs. S. H. Nones, Mrs. C. E. Paul, Mrs. J. B. Pratt, Mrs. Leslie W. Seymour, Mrs. John Shestner, Mrs. O. L. Stamey and Mrs. Joe Wilson.

CHRISTMAS PARTY IN SHELLES HOME.

Misses Loydell, Bettie Lou and Frances Surles were hostesses with a Christmas party Monday night in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Surles, Humbletown. The house was decorated in keeping with the holidays. A Christmas tree, laden with gifts for exchange, was attractively decorated and lighted.

A number of jolly games and dancing entertained the group until a late hour. Gifts were taken from the tree and passed to the guests and refreshments of punch and cookies were served to Misses Dorothy Grant, Margie

Reynolds, Bettie Jones, Mary Ellen Winn, Fern Huestis, Harvey Haynie, Joe Tom Poe, Jack Frye, Joey Baum, Vernon Ramsoner, Wesley Isenhower and Charlie Pence.

KATIE LOU ATKINS HOSTESS AT PARTY.

Katie Lou Atkins was hostess of a school club party Thursday night in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Atkins. A Christmas motif was carried out in the decorations which were climaxed with a beautifully lighted Christmas tree.

Games were played by the group and were heartily enjoyed following which gifts were taken from the tree and distributed. Each one present received a Christmas gift.

Mrs. Atkins was assisted in passing refreshments of hot chocolate, cookies and candy to the guests by Mrs. W. W. Fowell, Mrs. LaQuey and Mrs. E. E. Lennon.

Those present were Fredalyn Cook of Putnam; Carolyn Fowell, Carolyn Crofts, Helen Raye Edwards, Bettie Jo Thurman, Bettie Dean Lennon, Catherine Scott, Emma Lee Donohoe, Gwen Hib-



STARLET—Formerly personal manager of New York radio station, Elaine Riley left job when too many men cluttered up her office. Arriving in Hollywood, she finds beauty is noticed in filmland, too.

YWA MET TUESDAY IN McPHERSON HOME.

Young women's auxiliary of First Baptist church met for a Christmas social Tuesday evening in the home of their sponsor, Mrs. Leon McPherson. The room was attractive with Christmas decorations.

An interesting program began with group singing of Christmas carols. Miss Jo Ann Baker was presented in a Christmas reading; Miss Veda Faye Ramsower read "The Soldier's Thoughts of Christmas."

During the social hour refresh-

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BRIEFLY TOLD.

Ensign Charles Spears of the navy is expected to arrive today from Seattle, Wash., to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Spears. Ensign

Spears has been on duty in the Pacific area until recently, and in the service since July, 1942.

Miss Margaret Spencer of San Antonio arrived Thursday to spend Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. W. E. Spencer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Mayer and daughter Patricia of Dallas are guests of relatives in Cisco for the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Victor Rene has gone to Putnam for a weekend visit with her parents.

Mrs. Rosemary Fambro visited

her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Fambro at Breckenridge this week and was accompanied home by Jack Fambro.

Mrs. Wes. Rasmussen is spending the holidays with relatives in Dublin.

Clyde Kantz of Dallas is expected to be a guest in the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Wright over the weekend.

Lieut. and Mrs. Forrest Mabley of Kelly Field, accompanied by Misses Helen Crawford and

Nanella Bible of San Antonio, will arrive tonight to spend Christmas in their several homes.

DANCING. Lakeview Club is open every night. Dancing and Good Music.

Large advertisement for 'CHRISTMAS GREETINGS' featuring a picture of a snowy landscape and the text 'Christmas Joy' and 'As one hands down a good name, Christmas each year hands down its traditions, and all are good. It has been a tradition here to regard the good will of our customers as our most valuable asset, and we want to thank our customers for their consideration for us the past year in which we have been faced with rationing and other food problems.'

In this holiday season of 1943 we extend to you not as a customer alone, but as a friend, our very best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Norvell & Miller

NOTICE I have reopened my Service Station and Shop and am now ready to serve my friends and former customers at O. A. TENNYSON 1408 D avenue

Warren Motor Co., Dodge and Plymouth Sales and Service. Phone 9506. EASTLAND 305 E. Main.

Gift FLOWERS For Christmas. Poinsettia and Other Pot Plants. Table Flowers. Cut Flowers. Smart Corsages. PHILPOTT the FLORIST

Dear Friend: CHRISTMAS SPIRIT is one priceless commodity in human experience which can never be rationed. In these trying times, however, we wish to convey a more sober and quiet, though none the less sincere expression to our friends of this same spirit which, after all, is the sustaining influence in the lives of all of us today. We also want to thank you for your sympathy and understanding of the problems confronting us in our business today. We truly wish for you a "Merry Christmas" and our sincerest wish will not come true unless 1944 brings Happiness to you. A-G MOTOR COMPANY, INC. A. D. ANDERSON, JACK ANDERSON, OCTAVA JONES, FRED HAYES, E. S. TOWNSEND, MILTON COOK, REED McKEEN, ALVIN WENDE, PETE CLEMENT, JACK TOWNSEND, MRS. E. S. TOWNSEND

BRIEFLY TOLD

Mrs. Abigail White, who is spending the winter with a daughter at Glendale, Calif., writes from 246 N. Louise street, that city, asking that the Daily Press be mailed to her. Mrs. White says she is having a good time but misses the news of Cisco people.

Miss Ortha Rose of Bristol, Tenn., is a guest of her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn D. Rose, 1507 D avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bassett will have as their guests during Christmas their two sons and their wives, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Bassett and son of Littlefield and Mr. and Mrs. Herschell Bassett and children of near Eastland, also Mrs. D. D. Lewis of Cisco.

James Qualls, Marine corps student at North Texas Military school, Arlington, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Qualls and his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Burnam.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Lane will arrive tonight to spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Lane and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Burnam.

W. B. Lambert of Goldthwaite will spend Christmas with his daughter and husband, Judge and Mrs. R. E. Greenham. Other guests in the Greenham home Christmas day will be her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Lambert and their two children of Brownwood.

Miss Mary Lee Surles of Houston will arrive tonight to spend Christmas in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Surles. She will be accompanied by a friend, Miss Pauline Specht.

Mrs. Milton Elliott has gone to Colorado City to spend Christmas with her parents after a visit with her sister, Mrs. Ralph Glenn.

Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Lyle went to Sweetwater today to spend Christmas with their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Pratt.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Underwood went to Abilene this afternoon to spend Christmas day with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Tillinghast will go to Brownwood to spend Christmas and the weekend with her sister and husband, Dr. and Mrs. Todd of Howard-Payne college.

Miss Eugenia Jackson of Fort Worth arrived today to spend Saturday and Sunday in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Jackson.

Miss Dorothy Welch of Fort Worth visited with friends in Cisco today while enroute to Brownwood to spend the holidays with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Collier and daughter of Abilene are expected tonight for a visit with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Poe.

A. W. Triplett will come from Odessa to spend Christmas with Mr. Triplett and their small son at their home in Hambleton.

Mrs. K. N. Frye and sons Jim and Jack will spend Christmas with relatives in Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Housley and baby of Scottville arrived Thursday night to spend Christmas with her mother, Mrs. C. E. Allen and family.

Mrs. Beulah Surles and sons Jack and Jim both will arrive from Oklahoma tonight to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Yarbrough, and with Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Surles near Cisco.

Dick Bacon of Fort Worth is expected to spend the weekend in the home of his mother, Mrs. Ole Bacon.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Martin of Fort Worth will arrive Saturday morning to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Warwick.

Miss Dorothy Jean Huestis of Abilene will spend the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Snaitty Huestis.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Fullerton and son Henry Mack of Abilene are expected here to spend Christmas day with her mother, Mrs. M. H. McCandless.

Misses Mabel and June Halbert of Fort Worth will spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Halbert, Sr.

Bob Grantham of Austin is expected to eat Christmas dinner with his parents, Judge and Mrs. R. E. Grantham.

Corp. Gus M. Ansaldo and Pvt. Hilton Schuster of Camp Bowie and Pvt. Jimmy Nicholson of

Camp Barkeley will be guests Christmas day of Private Nicholson's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Muller.

Miss Ellen Bacon of Abilene will spend Christmas at her home in Cisco.

Miss Culeen Rouse, teacher in Cross Plains school, is here to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Owens.

Mrs. Vernon D. Neiman of Houston visited briefly with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Surles this week while enroute to

California, to visit her husband who is attending a government naval flying school.

Robert Paul Shaw arrived Thursday from Houston to visit his cousin, Joe Tom Poe and other relatives during the holidays.

Mrs. Goran Pollard is visiting her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse J. Butts, at Holiday.

Fredalyn Cook of Putnam is a guest of her friend, Katie Lou Atkins.

Wilburn Ghurnley is home from LaFayette, La., where he attends the government naval school, to spend the holidays with

his parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. I. Ghormley.

Mrs. D. D. Lewis plans to attend a family Christmas tree in the home of her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Herschell Bassett, near Eastland tonight.

Mrs. P. R. Warwick will be hostess to members of the Presbyterian auxiliary Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock in her home at 1012 W. Twelfth street. All members are invited to attend.

James Haynie, who has been employed by Phillips Petroleum company at Borger, has returned to Cisco. He became ill and was rushed to a hospital at Brownwood for treatment, where he remained

a week. He hopes to be able to return to his work by January 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleanan Agnew of Rule, accompanied by their son, who has recently completed basic training at a Marine school

in California, will arrive tonight to spend Christmas with Mr. Agnew's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Agnew.

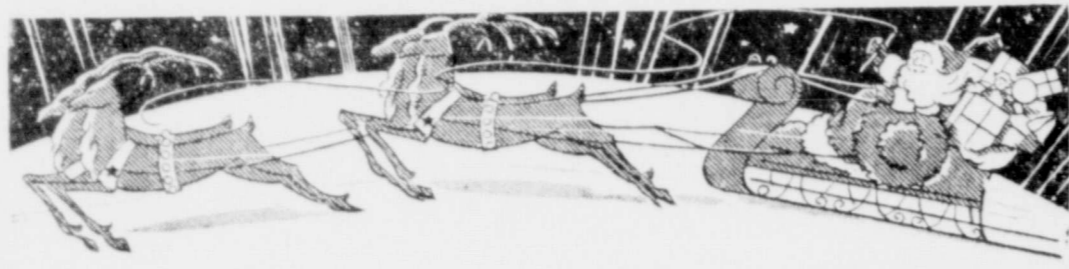
Mrs. Ted Sharp of Odessa is spending the holidays with her

parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Culbert.

Mrs. Arthur U. Gutierrez of Dallas visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Haynie, this week

before joining her husband at Truox Field, Wis.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Frost of Dallas will spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Spencer.



Merry Christmas and Best Wishes For 1944

The approaching holiday season makes us appreciate more than ever before the priceless value of our friends and customers, like yourself. It reminds us, too, of the sacrifices being made by many of our friends now in the service of Uncle Sam.

To you, and to all these, go our thanks for your patronage in 1943, and our wishes for a joyous holiday.

The Man's Store
Nick Miller
Buy More War Bonds.

Merry Christmas

- ... A candle in the window
- ... the gleam of a star on a tree
- ... the light in the eyes of a child on Christmas morning.

But Christmas is more than these . . . how MUCH more we cannot put into words, but you DO know that we are wishing for you all that Christmas at its best implies, and all that Christmas can bring.

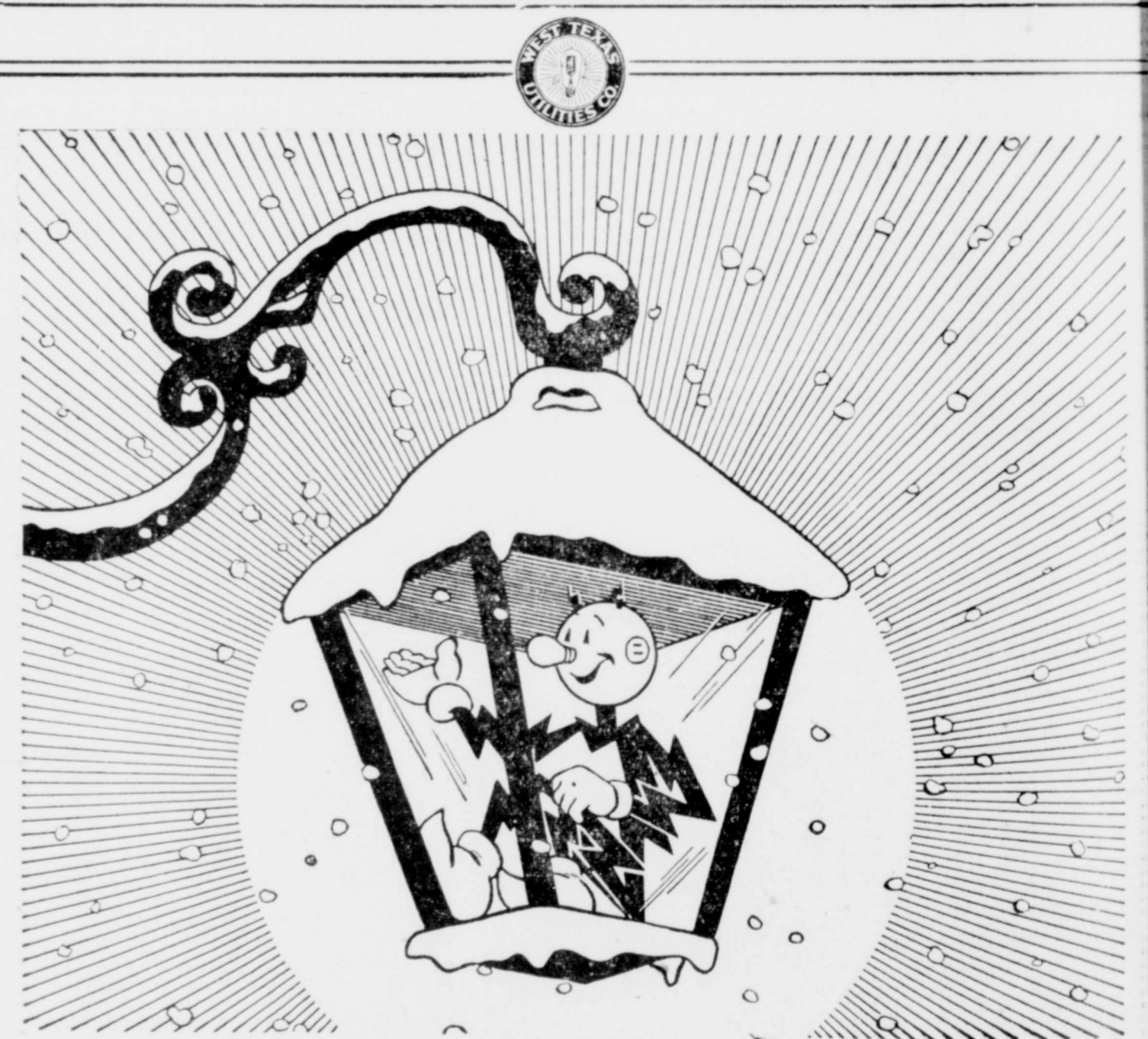
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Christmas Greetings and Best Wishes to All

In TIMES LIKE THESE, the spirit of good will that prevails at Christmastime acts like a tonic. It reminds us anew that cordial and mutually helpful relationships with our fellow men have a value far above material things.

IT IS IN THIS Spirit that we extend our Best Wishes to our friends and customers this Christmastide. We are deeply grateful for your kindness and your patronage. May you enjoy the best of everything the season offers and may good luck and good health in abundance be yours in 1944.

Drumwright, Inc.



A Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

—REDDY KILOWATT.



Every one of the myriad of bright lights that still burn in this Country at Christmas is a greeting from me, your electric servant, Reddy Kilowatt; and that greeting is MERRY CHRISTMAS. May it be an American Christmas with lights, happiness and good will for all.

We of your Electric Service Company will be on the job Christmas Day . . . to make sure that your Christmas lights burn brightly, and to continue to furnish industry and agriculture the electric energy necessary for production for victory. . . . This is our contribution to a happy Christmas Day the American Way.

—REDDY KILOWATT.

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