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NAZIS RETREAT, GRUDGINGLY

Putnam Oil Well Strikes Gas At 370 - Foot Depth

The West Bros., Mrs. Florence Gummell and Judge B. L. Russell City No. 1 oil well, Putnam, is now underreaming eight-inch pipe at 370 feet, says Bill West. He added, "there is already a nice showing of gas."

The well is being drilled in Putnam public square and final depth will probably be 700 feet. Bill and J. K. West, the drillers, started the work some time ago, but bad weather has caused delay.

PERSONAL

Mrs. G. P. Rainbolt has returned from Ranger where she visited her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Royce Rainbolt and baby.

Mrs. Dewey Moore of Lubbock visited her sisters-in-law Mrs. Harriet Evans and Mrs. L. C. Moore the past week.

Mrs. John Solomon and daughter Judy Ann have returned from Little Rock, Ark., where they visited Pvt. John Solomon.

Guests in the home of Mrs. Effie Brown today are a number of her grandchildren who came for a weekend visit with her and their aunt, Mrs. Laurant Pingree of Bridgton, Me. Those here are Mr. and Mrs. Garland Brown and daughter Jean, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Brown and daughter of Bleedsoe, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Brown of Lubbock.

Rev. and Mrs. G. S. Westbrook and daughter returned the latter part of the week from the Rio Grande Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess H. Holdridge moved to DeLeon Friday. They had made Cisco their home for the past year.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Harrell and two children returned to Houston Wednesday after visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Harrell.

Capt. Jim Berry of Chanute Field, Ill., is visiting friends in Cisco this week.

Sgt. Ellis Britain of Dallas is a guest of his father C. M. Britain and his grandmother Mrs. Birt Britain this week. Sergeant Britain has recently been in a government hospital recovering from wounds received in New Guinea. He spent twenty-eight months overseas and has been honorably discharged, due to injuries.

Lieut. W. A. Agnell is here for a visit with Mrs. Agnell and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kimmell after having spent the past eighteen months in the Aleutians.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. DeRoock returned to Abilene after a visit in the home of her brother and wife Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Fewell.

Lieut. J. Walton Caldwell of St. Simon, Ga., is visiting Mrs. Caldwell and baby here in the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kimmell.

Seaman Carter Moore visited his sister Mrs. N. S. New and her son Lynn here Wednesday and Thursday while enroute to Seattle, Wash., from Brownwood.

SCRAP PAPER DRIVE
JAN. 11
LIONS CLUB

CONDUCT OF WAR TO BE CRITICIZED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Congressional criticism of basic conduct of the war is brewing. Until recently, military decisions of our top policy makers have been accepted almost without question on the hill. But the bad news from Europe, following the summer's optimism, plus broad hints from our correspondents that we haven't yet heard half of it, and dissatisfaction of some Americans returning from battlefronts, is changing the picture. Criticism, so far, is directed at these things: Over-confidence and failure to learn enemy strength; failure to destroy the Luftwaffe. Decision to open the Philippine campaign before finishing the job in Europe, thus compounding our supply and replacement problem at a critical time. Serious miscalculation of supplies needed, premature closing of war plants, lag in improving weapons so that new factories for some items are only now being built. Failure to get tanks as good as the German tanks, guns as good as the German 88mm, onto the battlefield in time. Present outlook is that top military men will be questioned more sharply than ever when they come before congressional committees this year; will find the honeymoon—which has permitted them to proceed almost without question—is over.

Meanwhile the State Department, which lately has felt the lash of congressional criticism, is now trying hard to improve its domestic relations. Secretary Stettinius has started a policy of keeping Senatorial leaders better informed about our foreign policies. Look for more frequent meetings between them, and more frequent appearances by Stettinius before foreign relations committees. If the good-neighbor-policy-with-the-Senate succeeds, it should minimize conflict when the United Nations organization treaty is presented to the Senate. That treaty will be a major subject on the agenda when the Big Three meet. After they agree, full-dress international conference will be called to do the actual treaty-drafting.

On work or fight legislation: Chances for national service act, which would enforce sweeping, across-the-board powers over all workers, are slight. It would get more votes now than last spring, when congressional leaders convinced Jimmy Byrnes it couldn't pass, but still not enough. But there's a real push on for legislation which would drive all physically deferred 4-Fs into war work or military work battalions. It probably will follow lines of last season's Bailey-Brewster bill, with some changes to remove labor's objection.

DESTROYER REID LOST.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—American destroyer losses in the war stood at 51 Saturday. The increase came with sinking in the Philippine area of the destroyer Reid. Announcing the loss Friday, the Navy gave no report on extent of casualties, but said the vessel had a normal complement of 24 officers and 178 enlisted men.

WARN LIQUOR DEALERS.
FT. WORTH, Jan. 6.—District OPA enforcement attorneys threatened today to clamp down on liquor dealers who have been reported in numerous complaints as selling above legal OPA ceilings and requiring tie-in sales of rum.



MILITARY RURAL SCENE—While beasts of burden continue to plod along in Burma, modern machinery of war drives on in desperate battle. Here an American light tank manned by Chinese crew rolls by native ox carts hauling lumber. Yank armor moves into Burma to support American and Chinese war on Japs. (U.S. Signal Corps Photo.)

Second Series of Religion Should Cisco Hi School Government Got Bowling League Be Demonstrated Praise by State 108 Countians To Open Monday Rotary Is Told Dept. Education During December

Manager C. C. Cutting of the local bowling alleys furnishes a list of the eight teams that will open the second series of games Monday and Tuesday nights. Mr. Cutting requests that all bowlers come to the alleys and secure the schedule of games.

Team personnel:
White's Tire Shop — F. Essl, Chas. White, Cecil Carter, I. J. Henson, Van Gardenhire.
Cisco Lumber Co.— Billy Brittain, Ed Laminack, Roy Prather, Dizzy Dean.
Collins Hardware — Con Collins, Dale Page, K. N. Greer, Jack Farleigh.
Paul's Chiro's — C. E. Paul, W. A. Flynn, C. P. Cole, F. Urban.
Cisco Gas Corp. — Pete Nance, R. L. Ponsler, Lou Mendenhall, John Farleigh.
Post Office — Frank Clamptt, Dick Cutting, Bill Hazel, Harry Donica.
The Man's Store — Guy Morris, Bones King, Henry Curtis, Slim Booth.
West Texas Utilities— O. J. Russell, Les Jenkins, Chas. Kleiner, Chas. Burk.

Botvidson Now In Co - Pilot School At Keesler Field
KEESLER FIELD, Biloxi, Miss.—Second Lt. John F. Botvidson who recently received his commission and army air forces wings, has been enrolled in the AAF Training Command's B-24 Liberator co-pilot school at Keesler Field. He is the son of Mrs. Nell O. Botvidson of Cisco, Texas.

The special training he will receive at Keesler Field will extend over a period of approximately five weeks. He will get more than 30 hours of flying training under the expert guidance of seasoned Liberator pilots, and will spend approximately the same amount of time in technical and ground course training.

WOMEN CONGRESSMEN.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—Nine women took their seats Wednesday as members of the 79th congress, as follows: Helen Gahagan Douglas, California; Mrs. Mary Norton, New Jersey; Clara Boothe Luce, Connecticut; Chas. Going Woodhouse, Connecticut; Emily Taft Douglas, Illinois; Edith Nourse Rogers, Massachusetts; Margaret Chase Smith, Maine; Frances P. Bolton, Ohio; Jessie Sumner, Illinois. Five are Republicans and four are Democrats.

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Speaking on the subject of "Practicing What We Preach," Rev. W. A. Flynn brought a message of right living to the Rotary club Thursday, which many said was one of the most thought-provoking talks they had heard in a long time. In the business session Secretary Pete Nance read some communications from Rotary International and from the Waco club.

Rep. Pearson Gets Cisco Views About New Legislation
Rep. L. R. Pearson of the 107th district, comprising Eastland and Callahan counties, visited Cisco Friday prior to leaving for Austin to attend the session of the new state legislature. Mr. Pearson, who lives at Ranger, was elected for his first term in the November general election.

During his brief visit here he contacted numbers of citizens to ascertain their views with respect to prospective legislation.

Due to the shortage of paper, each representative will be allowed only five or six daily copies of the house journal, reporting legislative procedure, he said. He announced that one of these copies would be regularly mailed to the Cisco chamber of commerce where it will be available to any citizen interested in current legislation.

In a commendatory letter to Supt. R. N. Cluck, the chairman of the state executive committee of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, Joseph R. Griggs, this week announced that Cisco high school had again been recommended, without adverse criticism, for membership in the association for the current year.

The recommendation of the state committee will be presented to the central reviewing committee of the association. Mr. Griggs wrote from Austin, headquarters of the state department of education. His letter said in part:

"The action of the state committee of the association in recommending your high school for membership in that body for the current year is significant in that your high school passed the review of the committee without a single adverse criticism. Your excellent showing is outstanding and emphasizes the constructive educational program and the leadership in charge of your public schools."

Cisco high school has been a member of the southern association consistently for more than a decade. Membership is maintained on the basis of the records made by graduates of the school in institutions of higher learning.

Women's Bowling League Aids Welfare Association
Cisco Women's Bowling league has contributed \$4.50 to Cisco welfare association, Mrs. E. S. Huey, executive secretary of the association, announces.

The contribution represents surplus funds in the league's treasury, which is made up of dues from which prizes are ordinarily paid during the playing season.

Instead of using this money for entertainment of some other league activity, the members of the league decided that it would serve a worthy object in helping to take care of Cisco needy, Mrs. Huey said.

The league consists of four teams, each sponsored by a local business firm. Mrs. D. J. McCallum is president.

CIO Maps Texas Legislative Program at Capital
AUSTIN, Jan. 6.—Leaders of CIO unions over the state met here Saturday to study and plan for implementation of a 14-point legislative program launched by the Texas State Industrial Union Council.

When the 49th Legislature meets Tuesday, it will be asked by this group to enact legislation including repeal of the O'Daniel anti-strike law and the Mansford labor union regulation law. The Industrial Union Council of the CIO has opened offices here under the direction of W. M. Akin to plug its legislative program for Texas, although the AFL and the Railroad Brotherhoods have long been active here.

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TANK AND INFANTRY BATTLES, STILL INDECISIVE, ARE RAGING ALL ABOUT ARDENNES SALIENT

Death of Audrey A. Coats of Navy Due to Drowning

Audrey A. Coats of the navy, a son of H. A. Coats of route two, Cisco, was not killed in action as was first reported, but met his death from accidental drowning, November 24, in the Pacific theater of war; probably near the island of Leyte.

This information was conveyed to the father by another son, J. R. Coats of Los Angeles, Calif., who had the word direct from a shipmate of Audrey Coats.

According to the shipmate, Coats had gone swimming with a group of young men from the USS, Feland, was caught in an undertow and drowned. The body was found two days later and given burial.

The young man joined the navy in November, 1942. He was born at Moran, attended the Moran and Cisco schools and was a member of Moran Baptist church.

Survivors include the father; one brother, J. R. Coats, Los Angeles; three sisters, Mrs. W. F. Collins, Cisco; Mrs. Roy Watson, Paris; Latona Coats, Salt Lake City, Utah; two half sisters, Hazel and Jean Coats, Cisco; two half brothers, Herbert and H. L. Coats, Cisco. The grandmother of deceased, Mrs. J. A. Yeager, also lives in Cisco. The boy's mother died in 1926.

PARIS, Jan. 6.—Spreading tank and infantry battles raged indecisively all around the Ardennes salient today as the Germans retreated grudgingly before the Allied counter-offensive in the north and lashed back furiously at the American Third Army on their southern flank.

Perhaps 400,000 men and massive armored forces already were committed on both sides, and field dispatches said the battle of the Ardennes was moving swiftly toward its climax, with the Allies hurling their greatest strength against the northern flank in a bid for a breakthrough that would splinter the Nazi pocket.

More than 100 miles to the southeast, the Germans were embarked on a second dangerous gamble in a twin drive into the Alsace corner that menaced the entire U. S. Seventh Army front, but which also was being countered effectively by the Americans.

In that area, the Germans forced a crossing of the Rhine above Strassbourg and drove more than 10 miles through the Seventh Army front below Eitche to cut the important rail and road lines between Hagunau and Saarbrucken. A prompt American counter-attack hurled the Germans back on the latter sector, but at last reports the enemy still held his new Rhine bridgehead.

On the Ardennes front, the American First and British Second Armies under Field Marshal Montgomery battled yard by yard through the Nazis' northern and northwestern flanks against resistance that appeared to be stiffening by the hour.

Hampered by a sudden thaw that turned many sectors of the front into a slushy quagmire and channeled their armored units onto the narrow mountain roads, the Allies were making only slow progress, but a communique said the counter-offensive still was rolling steadily forward.

Early today, after advances ranging from about 1000 yards to more than two miles in 24 hours, the Allies had forced forward an average of four miles on the focal 21-mile front from Marche to Arbrefontaine since the jump-off Wednesday morning.

The German salient, now little more than half its original size, was compressing slowly under the converging Allied blows and threatening to become a death pocket for the 200,000-odd Nazis locked in the Ardennes.

Latest headquarters dispatches said Montgomery's vanguards were within two miles of the St. Vith-LaRoche highway at a number of places and less than four miles from LaRoche itself at two points.

The waist of the pocket was barely 12 miles wide between the First Army spearheads in the Bois de Tave south of Grandmenil and Lt. Gen. Patton's Third Army forces north of Bastogne.

Field dispatches revealed that the Allies sprang a devastating surprise on the Germans in the form of a still-secret artillery weapon that inflicted casualties in the opening stages of the counter-offensive.

Developed by the U. S. Navy, the mystery weapon was brought into action to stem a German counter-attack at Befte two days ago. Within an hour the Nazis were in headlong retreat, leaving the battlefield littered with their dead.

SOLDIERS RUN AMUCK.
FT. WORTH, Jan. 6.—Military police here sent an AWOL soldier to Camp Barkeley Saturday to stand trial with another soldier for slugging and robbing a Fort Worth cab driver Wednesday. One soldier was arrested here, and the other surrendered in Abilene.

One hundred and eight Eastland county registrants were inducted into the armed forces during December, says the Eastland County Draft Board. They were as follows:

Cisco—Fred D. Wende, Delbert R. Tarver, Ernest E. Wende, John H. Bisbee, Thomas W. Clemmer, Ira O. Greenwood, Thomas A. Wilson, Horace E. Gary, Alvin E. Ziehr, Marvin R. Ramsower.

Eastland—Robert W. Fox, John T. Gregory, James F. Byrd, Paul Norris, Paul May, Walton T. Norris, Travis Bond, Jr., Ovie G. Kerbow, Wm. Brandstetter, Lemmie Sims, John Little, Roland Sullivan, John Halkias, Glen Wood.

Rising Star—John F. Cooper, Ural Burkhalter, Luther Swift, Harvey Korngay, Leland Allen, Derrill White, Junior Wolf, Jerry Glover, Melvin Drake, Robert Spaulding, Leonard Hageman, Edward Seago, Lilburn Tate, James Stewart, Clayton Wilson, Clinton Wilson, Jack Bagley.

Nimrod—Oscar Brawley, Benny Troy McCann, Roy Edward Gage, Howard Ingram, Robert Dwight Townsend, Ervin Hammer, Paul Stanton Phillely, Kermit Pierce, Lloyd Simpson, Robert Tonne, Robert Moore, Jr., William Harter, David Weise.

Ranger—Jody Dunson, Benjamin Dempsey, Carl Highsmith, Heulon Perrin, Jack Rapp, Pink Haley, Charles Sullivan, Carlton Blackwell, Donley Shook, Joseph Brown, Alvin Lyon, Harold Shelton, Linden Williams, Lonnie Coones.

Carbon—Adren Bryant, Garland Pharr, Billy Barnett, James Jackson, Lee McDaniel, Pernal Joe Hearn, Archie Maynard, W. E. Reynolds.

Gorman—Marvin Dupuy, George Nelson, Jerrel Johnson, Thomas Frasier, Prince Lynn, Curtis Scitern, Burl Wright, Lewis Treadway, Ardene Lasater, Lilburn Dukes, Jr., Claude Fuller, Robert Smith, Cecil Self, Lonnie Frasier, Glenn Otho Jordan, Billy Cavanaugh, Robert Lee Smith, Oren Warren, Cecil Burns, Clinton Revels, Thomas Hallmark, Luther Hale, S. W. Foster, John Rice, Melton Murray, Clenton Cates, Melvin McCormack.

Olden—John Jarrett, Earl Sims.

Scranton—William Gattis.

Oltra—Eddie Grisham.

Dothan—Jack Whitehead.

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WILL FREEDOM SURVIVE VICTORY?

Another year of war has drawn to a close. Volumes of rhetoric will be written about the awful destruction of the past twelve months. Puny efforts will be made to describe the suffering of the men of the armed forces, who face death day after day, year after year, far from home and loved ones. Actually, there are no words that can adequately sum up 1944, the most critical year in American history.

The astounding thing about the home front is the fact that except for the families of service men, it lives normally and has no conception of the horrors of war. Communications from Washington on the price of toilet paper or some other trivial item fill countless columns in the press. Social security planning, "full" employment and dizzy talk of a contented postwar world, with all the worries assumed by a benevolent government, arise from the American scene like a haze from a swamp. Clear, unqualified thought on the subject of personal freedom, is almost totally lacking.

As the war moves on, country after country sees the spectre of oppression and government by small cliques loom larger and darker over the world. The United States is no exception to this trend. Much of our postwar planning is a crazy mixture of individual initiative and bureaucratic paternalism. The conflict between those who believe in state socialism and would have the government take over basic industries, and those who believe in the superiority of privately owned enterprise, has led to rash promises. Many on both sides apparently believe that the crux of the issue is a full stomach, with the result that

a material value has been put on freedom. Each side has striven to outpromise the other until it has become rank heresy to suggest that there may at times be lean going in the future.

Millions expect government to furnish them jobs, to guarantee peacetime prices, to protect them from the insecurity of competition. They should remember that the more they ask of government, the less freedom they will have. If government ends by owning most of industry and employing most of the people as well as regulating the lives of the remainder, freedom will become a mockery. As Robert S. Henry, eminent writer and historian, observes:

"The right of nonconformity is ultimately the most important of human rights, but I doubt if it can long exist independently of the right of private property. After all, the man who owns nothing, and has no hope of owning anything for himself, is under a terrible handicap in expressing untrammelled individuality. He is without a place for his foot to stand



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upon, in opposition to the conforming forces of the collectivist state."

Our people could lose everything of material value as the price of victory in this war and still have a bright future. However, let too much government destroy the freedom and hope of the individual to build again and there is no future. The right of ownership is more important than ownership itself.

OTHER EDITORS

All-Out Production
Ft. Worth Press: There's a lot of good sense in the report just made to the president and congress by James F. Byrnes, director of war mobilization and reconversion.

It calls on the home front for all-out war production until Germany is defeated, and for continued mighty efforts until Japan also is beaten. There must be, Mr. Byrnes believes, more mobilization than has yet been achieved and, for the time being, less reconversion than seemed feasible a few months ago. However, he promises that preparations for orderly transition to post-war production and employment will not be neglected.

To date, he says, our fighting forces are not short of ammunition and supplies as a result of any production failures. The home front has done a good job. It must do a better job. The commanders on the fighting fronts must be relieved from fear of future shortages, so they can spend freely the material they have instead of spending lives. And, because of changing military conditions and difficulties, many munitions programs must be greatly increased, although others can be held at present levels or reduced.

This means urgent need for more manpower in some war industries even while workers are being laid off by others. Demands for increased production of civilian goods, to provide jobs for displaced war workers, must be resisted, Mr. Byrnes asserts. Instead, there must be intensified

CHURCHES

First Presbyterian.
Sunday school at 9:45. Kent Word, Supt. Sermon subject at 11 o'clock, "What Did You Make of It?" Following the service the Lord's Supper will be observed. At the 6 o'clock vesper service the sermon subject will be "When God's Power is Fully Felt." O. L. SAVAGE, Pastor.

Grace Lutheran.
Services with holy communion this morning at 11. The Sunday school will meet at 10 a. m. The adult Bible class will not meet but the pastor will be in his study during that time to receive announcements. The Junior Bible class will assemble in the church. The sermon topic for this morning is "Dare to Be a Devout Christian." The Ladies Aid will meet Friday at 3 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Dorothy Prange, 1500 E. avenue. Next Sunday's sermon topic will be "The Boy Jesus Speaks to Us." G. T. NAUMANN, Pastor.

Church of Christ.
Bible study at 10 a. m., gospel preaching at 10:30. There will be communion at both services. Wednesday evening Bible study at 7:30. Women's Bible class meets at 2:30 p. m. Tuesday. More than a welcome is promised to all. "Come, let us reason together." G. S. WESTBROOK, Minister.

Christ Lutheran.
No services today. Services with holy communion next Sunday at 3 p. m. Announcements are to be made before the service. The Bible class will be dropped before this service. G. T. NAUMANN, Pastor.

East Cisco Baptist.
Sunday school at 9:45. Preaching at 11. Training Union at 7 p. m., preaching services at 8. Being the first Sunday of the new year, let's all be at our posts of duty with a new zeal for Christ. EVAN HOLMES, Pastor.

effort to direct released manpower into critical war programs and into industries and services needed to support them. The civilian economy, he observes, is not likely to be starved, since the general standard of living is now higher than it was in 1929, at the peak of peacetime prosperity.

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FIFTH GRADE BOYS.

Four-H club boys of the fifth grade held their first meeting of the year on January 4. Forty-six boys sat in on the meeting. Floyd Lynch, county agricultural agent, distributed pamphlets on "Rabbit Raising for Meat" and "Feeding for Egg Production." Mr. Lynch also demonstrated the proper treatment for stock with infected wounds. Club members received records for crop, livestock and poultry demonstration. Opinion was expressed that 1945 will be a successful year for this 4-H club.

PALACE Today and Monday

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A REPUBLIC PICTURE



IGNORANCE IS BLISS—Baby Carol Ann Barry plays happily in the chamber of Los Angeles Superior Court Building unaware of the fuss and turmoil surrounding her mother, Joan Barry and actor Charlie Chaplin in paternity suit.

REPORT OF CONDITION OF First National Bank

in Cisco, Cisco in the State of Texas, at the close of business on December 30th, 1944. Published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under section 5213, U. S. Revised Statutes.

ASSETS	
1. Loans and discounts (including \$92.75 overdrafts)	\$ 222,458.65
2. United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	1,490,200.00
3. Other bonds, notes, and debentures	20,000.00
4. Corporate stocks (including \$2,000.00 stock of Federal Reserve Bank)	3,000.00
5. Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balances, and cash items in process of collection	1,017,012.23
6. Bank premises owned	28,000.00
7. Furniture and fixtures \$6,000.00	176.53
8. Other assets
9. Total Assets	\$2,780,848.53

LIABILITIES	
10. Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	2,535,616.59
11. Deposits of U. S. and States government	233,915.14
12. Deposits of States and political subdivisions	69,262.55
13. Other deposits (certificates and cashier's checks, etc.)	5,672.29
14. Total Deposits	\$2,844,466.57
15. Capital Accounts	2,041,466.97
16. Total Liabilities and Capital Accounts	2,780,848.53

MEMORANDA	
17. Pledged Assets: (a) United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed, pledged to secure deposits and other liabilities	253,500.00
(b) Total	253,500.00
18. Secured Liabilities: (a) Deposits secured by pledged assets pursuant to requirements of law	233,915.14
(b) Total	233,915.14

State of Texas, County of Eastland, I, E. J. Poe, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. E. J. Poe, Cashier. Correct Attest: Alex Spears, F. E. Clark, W. W. Wallace, Directors. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 4th day of January, 1945. Glenna Moad, Notary Public.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Horn and daughter Nancy have returned to Tulsa, Okla., after visiting relatives in Cisco and Eastland during the holidays.

Mrs. Flora Bettis and Mrs. Blain of Dublin visited in the home of Mrs. Bettis' sister and husband, Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Jones, this week.

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FOR SALE — Electric churn. Telephone 38-J, Mrs. E. B. Walker, Rising Star highway. 79

FOR SALE — 450 bales bright Johnson grass hay, good bales, like prairie hay, sixty cents bale at barn. A. H. Howell, three miles south Scranton. 79

FOR SALE — One-room house, 10x12, metal roof, good shape; bargain. Also good two-wheel trailer; fair rubber. Cisco Salvage Co., 108 west Sixth street. Phone 279. 79

FOR SALE — Pre-war table top gas range. Mrs. K. L. Kinard, one mile East on Base line road. 79

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WOULD LIKE TO SHARE my house with some reliable person. Mrs. Jack Gary, 701 west Eighteenth street. 78

RECEIVED a few kitchen stoves with thermostat control ovens; also some corrugated iron roofing. Cisco Lumber & Supply. 78

FOR SALE — Electrical water heater, \$20. Bill Kendall, West Texas Utilities Co. 78

WANTED — Party that borrowed my two-gallon porcelain coffee boiler and party that borrowed my copper nickle-plated tea kettle, also two-burner hot plate, please return. You may want to borrow them again. R. W. Mandell. 78

FOR SALE — Ten acres land, 4-room house, gas, electricity; mail and school bus route; immediate possession. Tom B. Stark, Phone 87, Cisco, Texas. 78

FOR SALE — Five-room house; newly papered and painted, inside and out; floors refinished; immediate possession. Tom B. Stark, Phone 87, Cisco, Texas. 78

WANT TO RENT — House or apartment. Mrs. Leslie E. Van Cleave, route two, Cisco. 78

FOR SALE — Cocker spaniel pups. Marshall Wallace, 911 west Twelfth street. 78

FOR RENT — Modern five-room house. Call 371 or 1000 Front street. 78

FOR SALE — Set of grocery fixtures. See J. F. Turknett, Rt. One, Cisco. 78

WANT TO BUY — Three to five-room house that can be moved. M. M. Chancellor, Rt. 4, Cisco. 77

FOR RENT — Bedroom for working girls or mothers; will keep children; meals. 512 west Ninth, Cisco. 77

FOR RENT — Sandy-land farm, 190 acres, five-room house, good water well, out house and barn, orchard in need of repair, two springs on place, forty acres to cultivation, one mile from Cross Plains and Putnam highway, \$150 per year; also three-room shack on seven acres, five miles south of Putnam. Mrs. Mary Guyton, Mission Hotel, Putnam, Texas. 77

LOST — Brown billfold containing Social Security card and pictures. 1010 west Sixth street. 77

FOR SALE — "B" John Deere tractor and two-row equipment; \$800. See Hillie McCanlies, Moran, Texas. 77

HOUSE WANTED — Five or six rooms; place for garden, chickens, cow; in or near city limits. Postoffice box 853, Cisco. 77

FOR SALE — Seed oats, mile north of Cisco on Boggs farm. See Syl Boggs. 85

IF YOU want to get married, write Box 358, Juliaetta, Idaho. Send stamp. 72tf

ESSENTIAL war workers needed by L. O. Stocker Construction Co., Borger, Tex. Good pay, time and one-half for overtime; transportation furnished; seasonal agricultural workers investigate. Representatives will hire workers each Saturday from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m., at court house in Eastland. Essential workers will not be hired. 73tf.

SOCIAL and CLUBS

TELEPHONE 36

METHODIST WSCS HAD INTERESTING MEETING.

Women's Society of Christian Service of First Methodist church met Tuesday afternoon in a general business meeting at the church with Mrs. John Shertzer, president, in charge. The meeting began with group singing of "The Way of the Cross Leads Home," led by Mrs. Wm. Joyner with Mrs. G. C. Flaherty at the piano.

The afternoon devotional was brought by Mrs. Joe Lovelady who also offered the prayer at the close.

The business session was then held and annual reports were made by the various chairmen. Plans for the incoming year were discussed by the body, following which names of WSCS circles were read. The meeting closed with prayer by Mrs. Wm. H. Cole.

Those present were Mesdames John Shertzer, Joe Lovelady, M. D. Paschall, A. B. O'Flaherty, A. R. Westfall, Fred Scott, Philip Pettit, Edith Rainbolt, C. A. Shockey, B. E. Morehart, R. M. Lewis, J. P. McCanlies, C. E. Paul, T. J. Dean, Wm. Joyner, G. C. Flaherty, Wm. H. Cole, W. A. Flynn and T. J. Fields.

The society is divided for the new year into five circles, as follows:

Circle One—Mrs. J. J. Porter.

WANTED — If mechanically inclined and want to be in essential work apply at A. G. Motor Co. 79

FOR SALE — 16-gauge pump shotgun, two boxes shells; 12-gauge pump, six boxes shells; two 2-wheel trailers, good tires; house trailer, A-1 condition; man's wrist watch, seven-jewel, fur coat, like new. 107 East Fourteenth street. 79

WANT TO BUY — Small table model radio, five tubes or more. Mrs. Ora Fauman, 208 E. Seventh street. 79

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Circle Three — Mrs. C. E. Hailey, Mrs. William Joyner, Mrs. A. R. Westfall, Mrs. G. C. Flaherty, Mrs. E. A. Wilson, Mrs. W. A. Cox, Mrs. O. R. Turner, Mrs. J. P. McCanlies, Mrs. W. L. Boyd, Mrs. O. W. Hampton, Mrs. F. A. Slaughter, Mrs. Joe Lovelady, Mrs. O. C. Lomax, Mrs. Irma Thompson, Mrs. Edith Rainbolt, Mrs. M. D. Paschall, Mrs. A. V. McCarty, Mrs. Edgar Johnson, Mrs. G. P. Mitcham, Sr., Mrs. George Winston, Mrs. L. B. Norvell, Mrs. J. W. Slaughter, Mrs. Lee Owens, Mrs. J. M. Williamson, Mrs. B. J. Osborn, Mrs. Sam King, Mrs. D. P. King, Mrs. J. E. Brown, Mrs. Hatie Fairless, Mrs. W. Z. Latch, Mrs. R. V. Rendall, Mrs. Roy Williams, Mrs. Lucille Kelly, Mrs. E. D. Fincher, Mrs. John Dunn, Mrs. D. I. Shelton, Mrs. J. D. Black, Mrs. F. E. Clark, Mrs. Zed Kilburn, Mrs. J. D. White.

Circle Four — Mrs. Fred Hayes, Mrs. Smith Huettis, Mrs. Fred Scott, Mrs. C. A. Shockey, Mrs. Eq Aycock, Mrs. J. E. Crawford, Mrs. A. T. Boland, Mrs. Garland Nance, Mrs. J. T. Anderson, Mrs.

W. J. Foxworth, Mrs. Harry Lewis, Mrs. Emory Moad, Mrs. Ed Huettis, Mrs. Paul Huettis, Mrs. Buena Stansbury, Mrs. Jess Dowdy, Mrs. Lou Mendenhall, Mrs. Homer Ferguson, Mrs. Earl Edwards, Mrs. W. W. Manning, Mrs. Paul M. Woods, Mrs. J. M. Eudy, Mrs. Bob Latimer, Mrs. Stella Wilson, Mrs. F. L. Harvelson, Mrs. M. A. McGill, Mrs. R. N. Cluck, Mrs. J. E. Proctor, Mrs. L. S. Jenkins, Mrs. John Alvey, Mrs. Lee Heltzel, Mrs. E. H. Muller, Mrs. M. H. Parish, Mrs. A. D. Anderson, Mrs. Jack Anderson, Mrs. Ted Bacon, Mrs. Karl Armstrong.

Business Women's Circle — Mrs. A. B. Byrd, Mrs. D. T. Dunn, Mrs. J. D. Hitt, Mrs. Alice Johnson, Mrs. Carlos Turner, Mrs. Blanche Miller, Mrs. Paul Yardley, Mrs. Evelyn Braine, Mrs. J. E. Crawford, Mrs. A. T. Boland, Miss Ella Andres, Miss Mina Robinson, Mrs. Johanie Trigg, Miss Edith Altman, Mrs. Sam Steele, Mrs. John Penn, Mrs. Christell Hood, Mrs. E. L. Hazelwood, Miss Mary Beth Slatton, Miss Lela Slatton, Mrs. Johanie Bess Ayer.

A meeting of young women of the church from 15 to 23 years of age will be called Tuesday evening at 7:30 in the home of Mrs. T. G. Caudle. An interest group will be organized with Mrs. Caudle as sponsor. The purpose of the organization will be to learn of the work of the church and to study missionary endeavor.

CLUB LUNCHEON HELD IN SPEARS HOME.

XXth Century club held the annual plate luncheon in the home of Mrs. Alex Spears Friday. The house was festive with decorations of potted plants and cut flowers attractively placed about the rooms. Luncheon was served buffet style after the invocation by Mrs. C. H. Fee, mother of the hostess.

Following the meal new officers were elected for the next two years as follows: President, Mrs. F. D. Wright; first vice-president, Mrs. Edward Lee; second vice-president, Mrs. J. T. Anderson; recording secretary, Mrs. H. N. Lyle; corresponding secretary, Mrs. F. E. Harrell; treasurer, Mrs. Alex Spears; parliamentarian, Mrs. S. E. Hittson; delegate to the state convention, Mrs. F. D. Wright; alternate, Mrs. Edward Lee; delegate to district convention, Mrs. S. E. Hittson; alternate, Mrs. Alex Spears.

Mrs. S. E. Hittson was elected as trustee to fill a vacancy.

Those present were Mrs. Sam Baugh, Mrs. E. P. Crawford, Mrs. T. J. Dean, Mrs. C. H. Fee, Mrs. Austin Flint, Mrs. F. E. Harrell, Mrs. S. E. Hittson, Mrs. Charles C. Jones, Mrs. Edward Lee, Mrs.

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An Inventory of Your Assets

Most business concerns are engaged now in taking an inventory of their physical assets—that is, their goods in stock, their accounts, bills receivable, bills payable and cash in the bank as well as any other collateral that might represent earnings or savings.

While this year is still young and these listings are being made and analyzed, would it not be wise for us in Cisco and elsewhere to take stock of ourselves in other ways.

Might it not be well to ask ourselves if we are being good neighbors or good friends to those with whom we associate? Might it not be wise for us to ask ourselves if we are doing what we can to make our community, our church, our school or even those within the family circle, a little better and happier because of our influence and association?

Might it not be a good idea to closely scrutinize our ability to help more in the homefront of this global war, than what we are now doing?

And in rounding out the inventory, we surely should answer the question honestly and sincerely as to whether we are doing our best in the way of being a real citizen of our community.

In all of these items, this firm joins you in hoping that we, along with you, may be able to make this sincere inventory and act accordingly. Meanwhile, we wish for all of our friends and associates, the best that may be in store for us in 1945.

Cisco Gas Corporation

BRIEFLY TOLD

Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Barnhill have received word from their son Seaman Wayne Barnhill and wife stating that they had arrived at their home in Astoria, Wash., following a holiday visit in the Barnhill home here.

Sgt. Norman K. Compton has returned to San Angelo after a visit with relatives in Cisco and vicinity.

Miss Helen Childers, student of SMU is expected from Dallas for a weekend visit in the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Bill Childers.

Mrs. L. E. Richardson returned to Fort Worth Tuesday where she is assistant matron at Texas Wesleyan College, after spending the

holidays with her daughters, Mrs. James Moore and Mrs. J. W. Shepard.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Phillips and daughter Florine have returned to Odessa after a visit with Mrs. Phillips' mother Mrs. W. J. Tickner and other relatives.

A. D. and Dick Anderson left Wednesday for Lubbock to resume their school work at Texas-Tech after spending the holidays here in the home of their parents Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Anderson.

Miss Gloria Helen Henson, who has been ill of flu the past week, has been moved to Graham's sanitarium.

Miss Coleen Rouse of Cross

Plains is spending the weekend here in the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Owens.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gray and son of Fort Worth are weekend guests of her uncle and aunt Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Powell.

Word was received by Mrs. Jesse H. Reynolds from their son Pfc. Jesse Reynolds, stating that he had been released from hospital and is now in France, but was not on the battle front at the time he wrote them, December 17. They also had a letter from their son-in-law, Pvt. Harold Braine, who wrote December 27. He told of attending a service on Christmas day. He is now on the battle front in Belgium.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dunn and son, Dwight Dunn, visited Seaman and Mrs. Dewey Sage and baby at Corpus Christi during the holidays.

Miss Marie Winston arrived from Abilene Friday night for a weekend visit with her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Winston.

Mrs. J. L. Sherman of Cross Plains visited Friday in the home of her parents Dr. and Mrs. W. I. Ghorlmy enroute to Sweetwater where she has accepted a position as teacher in the public schools, having resigned her place at Cross Plains.

Mrs. J. P. Godwin has returned to Washington after spending the past month here with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Witten.

Olin Elliott of Moran was a business visitor in Cisco Friday.

Seaman Hayden White arrived in Cisco Friday enroute to Rising Star where he will visit his parents while on leave.

Miss Marion Chambliss of Abilene is a weekend visitor here in the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. Hall Chambliss.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Throop are expecting their son, Sgt. Throop to come in Saturday for a visit with them while on furlough.

Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Poe left this week for a weekend visit with relatives at Hope, Ark., and other points enroute.

Mrs. Sam Carmichael and daughter Miss Nell Carmichael visited in Breckenridge Friday.

Misses Oleta Huestis and Octava Jones spent Thursday in Abilene when they attended a young people's meeting of the church of the Nazarene.

Pvt. Jerry Fleming has returned to Ft. Meade, Md., after a visit here with his parents Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Fleming.

Mrs. A. S. Nabors of Mineral Wells visited in the home of her sister-in-law Mrs. E. Ford the latter part of the week.

Statement of the Condition of
First National Bank

AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS DECEMBER 30, 1944
CISCO, TEXAS

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	\$ 222,365.92
Cash and Exchange	1,017,189.88
U. S. Government and Federal Land Bank Bonds at Par	1,510,200.00
Federal Reserve Bank Stock	3,000.00
Banking House	22,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	6,000.00
Overdrafts	92.73
	\$2,780,848.53

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus Earned	50,000.00
Undivided Profits	36,381.56
Deposits	2,644,466.97
	\$2,780,848.53

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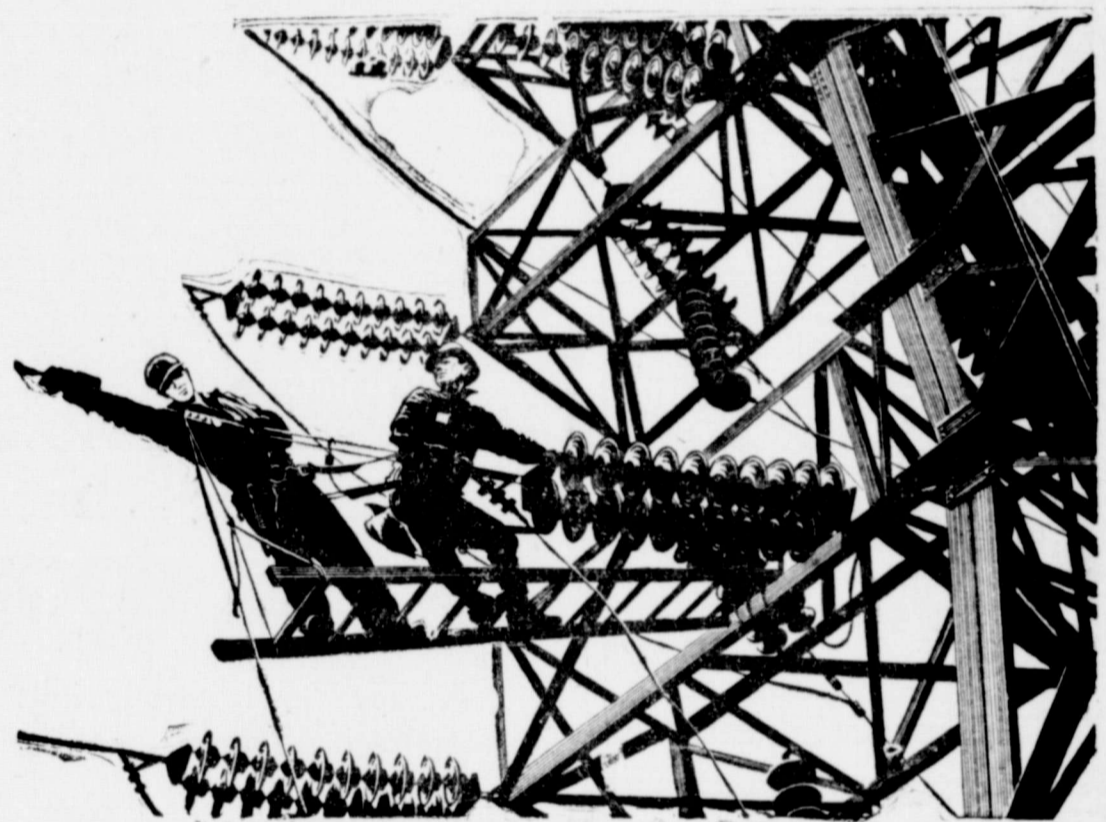
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