

[The following letter from a former Hico boy in the service of his country is published in the belief that it will be interesting to our readers. Others having similar letters are invited to submit vited to submit them for pub-

#### WAYNE AND DERWOOD POLK REPORT THEY ARE O. K.

U. S. Navy, Dec. 14, 1941. Dearest Home Folks: Received your sweet letter last night and was glad to get it. This finds me and Wayne O. K. Wayne

has gone ashore. I know you will worry about us, but do the best you can to keep from worrying so much. We are not worried ourselves. I believe that it won't be so awfully long

before everything is over. Wayne got a letter from Sam and be said old Currie really must be a football player, from what he

can hear. There may be times that you won't hear from us, but there won't be anything to get excited about, so you might as well relax.

Tell Herman Leach I saw Ike McCracken a while back. He's the same old Ike. Also tell Mrs. Segrest and Mrs. Angell hello for e and wayne.

I love you, DERWOOD (POLK).

#### LEROY JENKINS ENTERS MECHANICS SCHOOL

Dec. 8, 1941. Dear Folks: I left Fort Knox yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock, and got to Maryland at 12 today. I will take

for three months. Georgia? I got the card you wrote fense. the company commander.

They were covered with ice. Baltimore as Fort Sam Houston is Realizing this, our Mayor, local be 1st Prov. Co., 1st Prov. Q. M. have pledged themselves to more Md. That is correct for I got it crisis.

from the first sergeant. have to battle a little. That's what a canvass of the various organiza-I thought all the time.

LEROY (JENKINS).

#### PARENTS RECEIVE GOOD NEWS FROM SON IN HONOLULU

from Russell Smith, for whose Christmas tree in his own back safety fears were held for a time. yard, bring the same to the foot-His mother. Mrs. C. C. Smith of ball field where a big bonfire will Temple, wrote a card to her fa- be lighted. Here there will be a ther here, J. J. Smith, saying that big they had heard from Russell and patriotic songs. Be sure to rememthat he was well and safe and that ber the date. they expected a long letter from Let's help keep America singhim in a few days.

'This news was all I wanted.' Mrs. Smith wrote. "Will be so glad when I get his letter, I can hardly wait. Will see you soon, and tell you the rest when we come.

#### Regular Meeting Of C. of C. Put Off **Until January**

The December meeting of the Hico Chamber of Commerce, Russell, president of the organiza- Geo. W. Cox. State Health Officer. tion, who had made a canvass of some members.

holidays and the fact that some of times irreparable damage is done," the members were planning to be he said. out of town. This is the time for Doctor Cox pointed out the danmade later.

#### Santa Claus Will Be In Hico Again On Christmas Eve

Santa Claus has agreed to extend his local visit, which started some weeks ago, and will be in Hico through Christmas Eve. He will be glad to see as many of his young friends as possible here and will have presents for the ones who have been good, and will be glad to listen to any whispered messages the youngsters may have to give him privately.

This announcement was made definitely by A. A. Brown, chair- promote good health at Chr.stmas man of the decoration and Christmas arrangements committee of season of the year. the Hico Chamber of Commerce, who had been in contact with headquarters and said he could assure he kids of a good time when they ome to town Wednesday after-

#### For Her and Her Brother

Hico. Tex., Dec. 18, 1941. Dear Santa Claus: I am a little Agriculture: irl six years old and am in the Dec. 17 irst grade. I want a big sleepy Dec. 18 oll and a doll buggy and a big Dec. 19 ball for Christmas. I have a little Dec. 20 other four years old. He wants Dec. 21 big truck and a toy gun and Dec. 22

EASON'S GREETINGS

# The Mico News Review

OLDEST BUSINESS INSTITUTION IN HICO

VOLUME LVII

# Steps Taken for Local Unit of Defense Guard

#### Patriotic Rally Announced for Friday, Jan. 2

It HAS happened here. We are in war and everyone is feverishly burning to do something about it. Everybody is wanting to do something for National Defense, but is asking himself what he can do. a course in advance chassis and It is important that we find some body work. I put in for welding, means of adjusting our lives to but failed to get it. I will be here the defense effort and that takes character. So, we need national Did you get my card I wrote in character as well as national de-

Music is and always has been We went back out of our way to the most powerful instrument to miss the mountains in Tennessee. mould character-t gives us faith, courage and balance and guides Holabird is about as far from us into the avenues of right living. from San Antonio. My address will clubs, public schools and churches Bn. (Mts.), Holabird Q. M. Depot, music throughout the coming

Mrs. Marvin Marshall, president It looks like we are going to of the Hico Review Club, has made tions in the city, and has designated the evening of Friday, January 2, starting at 7 p. m., for the first event.

They ask that each citizen of Hico and the surrounding com-Good news was received recently munity, instead of burning his "community sing" including

CONTRIBUTED.

#### Good Americans Can Serve Country If Well and Strong

Austin, Dec. 23 .- "Despite the fact that America is at war, this Nation as a whole should not forget the true Christmas spirit of scheduled for the 30th of this Happiness and Good Will, but we month, will not be held until some can do that much better if we are time in January, according to J. N. well and strong," asserts Doctor

"Many people are prone to throw the opinions of the directors and caution to the wind and violate every principle of healthful living Russell said the post-during the Christmas season. As a ponement was caused by the con- result, their minds and bodies are fusion usually occasioned by the unmercifully punished and someCoke Stevenson

GOVERNOR

e htofa mo etb cmb cmb mb mbb ger of using lighted candles on election of officers to serve Christmas trees or in windows, as throughout the coming year, he a possible source of disastrous said, and he wanted a full repre- fires. Overheating, crowded living sentation at the meeting to be held | conditions, lack of exercise, and for this purpose. Further announce- over-heated rooms often endanger ment as to the exact time and health during the holiday season, place for the meeting will be according to Doctor Cox, and he warned parents against undue excitement and late hours for small children.

"Intemperance during Christmas holidays, whether in food or drink, is not excusable from the standpoint of good health practice," he asserted, "and the maximum of pleasure will be gained by those individuals who practice precau-

tion along these lines." Emphasizing the fact that it is the duty of every individual to conserve his health and strength as well as that of his neighbor, to conserve and bolster the health and manpower of our country. Doctor Cox said that from a standpoint of patriotism alone every Texan owes it to his country to time as he would at any other

#### THE WEATHER

The following report, submitted by L. L. Hudson, gives conditions locally as reported to the Chronological Service of the Weather Bureau of the U. S. Department of

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Battle on the Main Street Front



The State of Texas Austin

teople of Texas: This hour is too solemn for . Ordinary Thristman greetings. Once again our nation is plunged into cruel war. Treale any tribulations stare us in the face. But we are a brave people Christian andower fortifies us We will win the victory by the forces within we. Let us therefore lift our eyes to the star of Bathlehem, etarnal symbol of love of freace, and prox earnestly for strongth ty wisdom: for the triumph of right and fustice and for the relief of distressed peoples in every land. "On earth Peace, Good will toward men". Sincerely yours

#### County Chairman Asks Citizens to Buy Stamps and Bonds

Defense stamp and bond buying has reached new high levels held in the City Hall auditorium since this country's entrance into Monday night, Dec. 22, for the active warfare, according to a report submitted by Claud Jones of Hamilton, county chairman of the raid warning posts and a Texas committee appionted to stimulate Defense Guard local unit, interest in this important work. county is asked to enter the new tion petition Hon. Coke Stevenson, shares in our country until it hurts,
Jones says. His report continues:
The salary allotment plan has
The salary allotment plan has

follow this example at once. These clubs will be known as: The Hundred Dollar Club. Fifty Dollar Since the list was incomplete. Club, Twenty-Five Dollar Club, and the committee thought it best to Club, Twenty-Five Dollar Club, and the Five Dollar Club. Members of these clubs will pledge themselves to buy each month a bond or stamp in amount designated by name of the club. Members enrolling will be announced each rolling will be announced each will be announced in next week's paper.

Mr. Sid Lowery of Dublin was meeting and the committee thought it best to wait until next week to run the list of names of prospective members of the unit which has been asked for. Other details will also be announced in next week's paper.

Mr. Sid Lowery of Dublin was meeting. week. Those wishing to join one present at Monday night's meeting, of these clubs contact J. E. Harri- and gave some very timely sug-

son or S. J. Cheek.'

County has purchased: Defense Stamps Defense Bonds \$102,314.75 at 7 o'clock.

"Excellent reports have come from the school organizations on the sales of stamps," stated the day night, Dec. 29, by W. M. Marcommunication received from cum, post adjutant.

#### Defense Dealer In Scrap Materials Announces Plans

by E. H. Couch, chairman of the Rodgers, S. J. Cheek, Wiley C. Rob-Board as National Defense dealer H. E. McCullough, W. M. Marcum, in Hamilton, Erath and Comanche Jessie A. Massengale, and John counties, has announced dates and Land. places for the collection of scrap materials, as follows:

Aleman, Tuesday, Dec. 30. Pottsville, Wednesday, Dec. 31. Fairy, Thursday, Jan. 1. Carlton, Friday, Jan. 2. Hamilton, Friday and Saturday, Jan. 2 and 3.

Hico, all the time scrap iron possible. Mr. Hoffman held Dec. 19th and 20th. has appointed Max Hoffman to take charge of this work in Hamilton County, and cooperation is reported to have been good during ington, vice-chairman, Route 2, the past few days especially Hamilton; John S. Register, reguthe past few days especially. "Do not bring your salvage iron

that you will need yourself on the farm, but bring in all scrap iron nate, Route 1, Hamilton; and Samthat you cannot use," is the plea being spread in the campaign.

## DEFENSE QUIZ

pressure campaign to sell Defense | District B: Leeota W. Jones, Savings Bonds and Stamps?

public is anxious to aid to the Route 1, Hamilton; Ralph R limit in defense of the Nation, and Schrank, regular member, Route 1, also wants to save money for fu- Hamilton; Martin Adams, 1st alterture needs, especially since such nate, Route 1, Ireland; Burney Livsavings will help keep down the ingston. 2nd alternate, Route 1, cost of living.

Q. Should I buy Defense Savings Stamps at retail stores arther than man, Route 1, Evant; Foster G. at post offices and banks?

most convenient. The important regular member, Route 2, Hamilthing is to purchase stamps as ton; William A. Sumerford. 1st often as you can, and exchange alternate, Route 1, Hamilton; Arch the completed album for a Defense G. Register, 2nd alternate, Route Savings Bond.

ington, D. C., for mail-order form. nate, Pottsville.

#### Meeting Monday to Plan; Another Set for January 2

A joint meeting of the local post of the American Legion and the Committee of Civilian Defense was

However, every citizen in Hamilton approved that the civic organizayear with a resolution to buy Governor of Texas, to grant this been initiated into Hamilton. Already the Hamilton Mill and Elevator Company has announced 100 per cent participation of over twenty employees. Employees in other organizations are expected to other organizations are expected to hours had reported signing up of "On January 1st four clubs will start in Hamilton that will undoubtedly cause the sales of bonds."

well over a hundred citizens who expressed their willingness and eagerness to do their part. More doubtedly cause the sales of bonds names were still being secured as and stamps to increase greatly, the News Review went to press

Since the list was incomplete,

gestions and information. and Stamps purchased to Decem- the motion carried, that a meeting ber 15th shows that Hamilton of all interested in this unit be held at the City Hall auditorium \$1,975,00 Friday night, Jan. 2, 1942, starting

A meeting of the American Le-

At the meeting held this week, Legion members displayed a keen interest in the matter of organizing a Defense Guard unit, and the following volunteered their services in any capacity in which they might be needed: O. W. Hefner. O. W. Roberson, Geo. W. Stringer, J. E. Harrison, J. B. Russell, M. Hoffman, recently recognized T. H. Cude, H. N. Wolfe, J. P. Hamilton County USDA Defense erts, L. W. Roberson, Kit Carson,

#### County, Community **AAA Committeemen** For 1942 Elected

G. D. Boyd, administrative offi-According to Mr. Couch, the cer for the Hamilton County ACA State Defense Board has called on program, has certified the followall farmers to collect every bit of ing names following the election The county committee is com-

lar member. Route 3. Hamilton: William T. Hammack, 1st alteruel R. Jackson, 2nd alternate, Route 6, Hico. County committeemen are as fol-

District A: Fern Jordan, chairman, Carlton; Giles C. Driver, vice-chairman, Route 3, Hico; William E. Cunningham, regular member, Fairy; Otho C. Stuckey, Q. What is the Treasury's un-derlying thought in avoiding a 2nd alternate, Route 3, Hico.

chairman, Route 1, Jonesboro; A. The belief that the American Lewis V. Craig, vice-chairman, Hamilton

District C: Irvin M. West, chair-Gardner, vice-chairman. Route 1, A. Buy stamps wrerever it is Hamilton; William C. McKinley,

2. Hamilton District D: Nathan E. Wilkins, NOTE:-To buy Defense Bonds chairman, Pottsville; Alfred Marand Stamps, go to the nearest post witz, vice-chairman, Route 1, Inoffice, bank, or savings and loan dian Gap; Aldwin D. Bullard, regassociation; or write to the Treas-urer of the United States. Wash-Windsor B. McPherson, 1st alter-

so far ne firecrackers for Christmas. Total precipitation ELSIA WANDA LOYD. year, 48.91 inches.



# Hang up the Old Sock

-And we'll take great delight in filling it full of good wishes for you and yours. As we do so, we pledge continued effort on our part to merit your good will in the years to come.

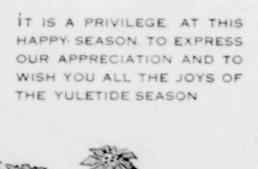
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CHRISTMAS

Once more it is our pleasure to extend

the compliments of the Yuletide Season to our host of friends in this

community. It is a very pleasant and

cheerful custom to renew these as-

## **IREDELL ITEMS**

spent the past week end here. Robert Heyroth of San Antonio visited friends here this week.

Mr. W. E. Bryan had a leg taken off Tuesday. Dec. 16, at the Stephenville Hospital. His leg was taken off below the knee. His friends are very sorry and hope he

Peggy June Tidwell accompanied and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Tom her sister, Mrs. Coleman Newman Strange and Nancy, of Noodles. to her home in Lufkin.

to be with his father for a few Mrs. Elvis Lott was in Hico last

Willie Gordon of Fort Worth visited here Thursday.

Miss Kathaleen Hughes has returned from Fort Worth, where cana are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Mcshe has been working.

spent the week end with his parents. Joyce remained for a longer

Mrs. McBride, to her home in Col- time orado City

grandmother, Mrs. J. A. Jones. visited her mother, Mrs. Kilgore of near Fairy, on Friday.
Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lott and two

sons of Dallas spent Friday here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Ogle and children have moved to Waco.

of Dallas came in Saturday for a applies to all. visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Newman

in from Fort Worth and are living children, twins, which were a boy on Wilburn Phillips' farm east of and a girl, age 8. Their names contributed 3.7 cents of the 1940

Mrs. W. R. Newsom and son, good, obedient children. Billy Royce, left Friday morning It was their second year visit will be

Mrs. Lelan (Bose) Appleby, who could. has been very ill, is improving so as to be sitting up some.

with his parents. Mrs. Fanny Sawyer left Friday

for Big Spring where she will visit and Mrs. J. M. Gordon. Mrs. Charlie Myers and sons of others. Fort Worth came in Saturday for

from Alabama. He will accompany his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Da- lunch. vis, to ther home in Tallahassee, Ala. They left Monday.

Mrs. Hugh Harris and Georgella, is sick and can't do much." Mrs. Jaehne and Norma Jean Cav-

in Friday to spend the holidays lievers in prayer and had great with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. Rance Phillips and Charlene Conley spent the week felt very sad, no money to buy the

end in Dallas. Mrs. B. F. Sprngfield and a son and wife of Marlin spent the past at school. week end with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Wyche, Her mother, Mrs. Watson, who has been visiting her son for some time, returned home with

Charles Appleby visited his brother-in-law and sister. Mr. and Mrs. Proffitt of Stephenville, this

Mrs. William Phillips was in Stephenville Saturday. Junior McDonel visited his sister, Mrs. Billy Joe Fouts of Dallas,

from Friday until Wednesday. Miss Bertha Marie Phillips came in Saturday from Lubbock, where she is in college.

James Woody, who is a patient in a veterans' hospital in Waco came in Friday to spend the holilays. His wife went after him. Mrs. Clardy returned Thursday rom Brister County, where she risited her mother.

Mrs. Rosa Cunningham spent Thursday night with her daughter, Mrs. Wilburn Philips. Mrs. Loughlin is in Brownwood

GREETINGS

sociations - that's why we await

Christmas time with eager anticipa-

You have been good to us-may old

Santa be just as good to you.

Barrow Furniture Company

HICO, TEXAS

#### by Miss Stella Jones, Local Correspondent

Miss McElree of San Angelo is visiting her brother and family. Billy Jack Blakley of Dallas

spent the week end with his par-Mr. and Mrs. Dick Appleby spent the holidays with their son-in-law

with her father, Mr. Bolen, who is

Mr. Tim Loughlin returned Sat-Tom Bryan of Duffau came over urday from Dallas where he vis-

ited his son. Mrs. Jerry Phillips and daughters spent the holidays in Sanatorium, Texas, with Jerry.

Mrs. Lelah Gann visited in Meridian this week. Mr. and Mrs. Myrner of Corsi-

Elree. Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Chowning Mrs. Marvin Tidwell entertained and daughter, Joyce, of Dallas the pupils of the eighth grade at her home Thursday afternoon from 1 till 3. Some games were played. Mrs. Hugh Harris assisted her. Little Miss Etta Marie Newman Refreshments of cake and grape ccompanied her grandmother, juice were served. All had a fine

Rev. Morphis preached two fine Carl Best of Merriville, Tenn., sermons here Sunday. A large came in Friday for a visit to his crowd was at the morning service, but as the night was bad the at-Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Hudson tendance was small then. Our Sunday school is still growing, of which all are glad.

#### A CHRISTMAS STORY

By STELLA JONES

"Verily I say until you, inasmuch Miss Jeanne Parker of Dallas as ye have done it unto one of the spent the week end with her mo- least of these, my brother, ye have done it unto me."-Matthew 25-40. Mrs. Tom Bryan and daughters Brethren means everyone, so this

A happy but poor family lived in a good-sized Texas town, Mr. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gibbons came and Mrs. Hansom. They had two were Allen and Ada. They were national income dollar. This com-

for Salt Lake City, Utah to visit school. They loved their teacher, Royce. Don't know how long their and she loved them. She had pity on them and helped them all she

They were very poor people. The father couldn't get work all the Jimmie Ramage, who is in A. & time, and with Christmas coming M. College at College Station, came on, his wife was sick and would in Saturday to spend the holidays not be able to make cakes and other good things. They were too poor to hire help.

The children were made fun of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. by some of the children because they could not dress like the

Their lunches were given them a visit with relatives and friends. at the lunch room. "I would be Dewey Davis came in Saturday ashamed if I were you. Ada," said one of the girls, "to beg for my

"I do not beg," replied Ada. "The supervisor gives it to us. Mother

The parents were very devout Christians, members of the Meth-Harris Tidwell, who is in A. & odist church. They would go when M. College at College Station, came they could. They were great befaith in God On Christmas Eve, the family

children any gifts. They got one or two gifts at the Christmas tree

gifts either. We will look to God to help us and I believe he will," said the father.

The mother was able to be up some now.

The family sat down Christmas morning to a very scanty breakfast. They had a good cow which kept them in milk and butter, but none to sell.

A man and his wife, whom I will call the Smiths, lived a short distance from them and knew them and were owners of a big department store and would help one and all when they had a chance. Mr. Hansom hadn't done any work some time. This Christmas found them in real need.

Before the family started eating the scanty morning meal, they of fered up a prayer to God to send help. They had the faith.

Atfer the breakfast dishes were washed and put away and the house all cleaned up, the family were sitting by the fire and a knock was heard and Mr. Hansom went to the door and beheld such a big crowd of people out on the porch on Christmas morning. The day was cold, but a bright one.

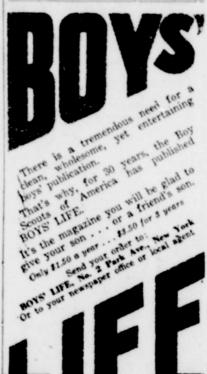
All kinds of gifts were there, in luding a new car, everything for Mr. Smith presented the gifts. The parents could not hold the tears back they were so happy.

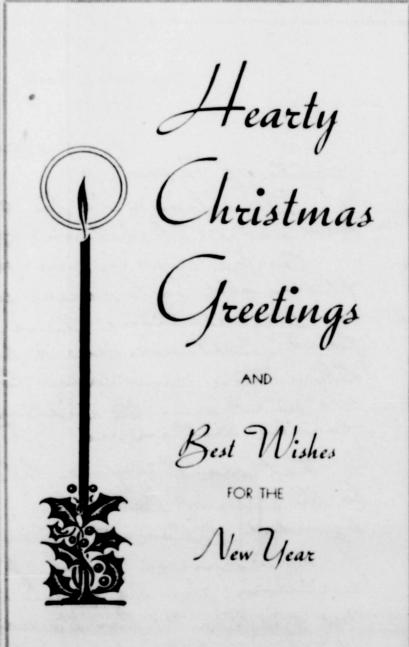
Mrs. Hansom said, "This is in answer to our prayer, as Jesus said, 'Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of these, ye have done it unto me.' So you all gave some thing to Jesus by giving to us and we thank each and every one. They had a dinner that day that they didn't get for a long time. The father was given a steady job in the big store of Mr. Smith and all

were made very happy. And also Jesus said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." The Hansoms look back with pleasure on this happy Christmas

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of these, my children, ye have done it unto me.

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Christmas

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SANTA CLAUS CAN HELP AMERICAN DEFENSE! This poster, drawn by J. W. and W. J. Wilkinson, a father and son artist team of Baltimore, reminds Americans that they can help the Defense Program this Christmas by giving Defense Bonds and Stamps in addition to the usual present. Nation-wide distribution of this poster has been made, especially in the windows of 500,000 retail stores where Defense Stamps—for as low as 10 cents—are now on sale.

#### UNCLE SAM'S HIMSELF AGAIN By H. I. PHILLIPS-

The double-talk is over, The platitudes are sunk, Discarded are the postures,
Exploded is the bunk;
A spade's a spade, precisely,
Now truth is at the bat;
There's been a big unmasking,
And I am glad of that!

The hidden knife is flashing. The grin is now a leer, And now I get a picture That's sharp and very clear; The conversations sleazy

Are done for finally, Which to my way of thinking, Is quite a break for me. The air's no longer fetid

With plottings and deceit; No smiling double-crossers Are striking poses sweet; The fog of deep pretendings Has lifted; gone's the sham And after many seasons I know just where I am!

The fictions and the fables
Have disappeared from view;
At last I know my false friends
And know the straight and true;
The oily ways have ended,
All sentiment I doff,
And now in air that's bracing And now in air that's bracing I'm running "BLINKERS OFF."

There are no catlike purrings, All subterfuge is out, Gone is the soft, sly music— It's good to jump and shout! The double-cross is spotted— And with its proper brand— And, boy, is it refreshing To know just WHERE I stand!

A rattle's now a rattle
And when I hear its shake
I know it's no canary, But quite a rattlesnake! The sickening malarkey
Is down the kitchen drain
And I'm no trusting Boy Scoulim UNCLE SAM AGAIN!

Aerial Tribute to Pioneer Army Airman



final tribute to Maj. Gen. Frank P. Lahm as he retired his command of the Gulf Coast Air Corps training center. Thirty-miles long, the procession of 270 planes roared over head; 4,000 aviation cadets parade before a crowd of 25,000 persons.

"For unto us a Child is born,

Unto us a Son is giben."

Joniah 9:6

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

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Your patronage through the years past is evidence of the confidence you have in our organization, and trust it may continue in the same amicable way for many years to come.

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and a very Happy New Year

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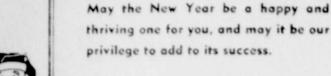
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Don Robinson's "TODAY AND TOMORROW" IN THIS NEWSPAPER

# **TAXPAYERS NOTICE**

I will be at the City Hall in Hico with the tax records of Hamilton County, on the following dates:

> SATURDAY, DEC. 27, 1941 **SATURDAY, JAN. 10, 1942 SATURDAY**, JAN. 24, 1942

On any of these dates I will be glad to see those who like to transact their tax matters locally as a matter of convenience.

O. R. Williams

Tax Assessor-Collector **Hamilton County** 

The Christmas Star Steadfastly Shines



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Notices of church entertainments where charge of admission is made, obfunctions, and of thanks, resolutions of respect.

These are just a few suggestions but enough to show how practically everything you do and everything or at the regular rates.

Hice, Tex., Friday, Dec. 26, 1941.

1942

Most people will say, "Happy Pledge, New Year" with their tongues in their cheeks as they greet the

A hundred years from now, there

But we who face the coming of privation, and the most brutal lashing of nations ever recorded -but we hope they will also record | ships. birth of a higher form of civ-

ization and the end of war. Perhaps it is too much to hope hat this war will end in 1942, but here is every reason to believe hat victory will be seen rising over he horizon before the year is nded. We may also expect that a learer peace pattern will be worked out in 1942 so that we will begin to see the rays of the dawn of a better world which will come

But every one of us, during 1942. must squarely face this fact: the istory of 1942 will be What we make it. Whether it will be a year in favor of a higher civilization or our work and our faith and our

#### CONSUMER'S PLEDGE

- "I will buy carefully. "I will take care of the things
- "I will waste nothing."
- the war against waste.

waste of this kind is second-nature to most of us.

We must consider this, explains Miss Harriett Elliott of the Con-Division of the Office of Price Administration: "Each time we go shopping we are buying more than just a pair of shoes. loaf of bread, or a bar of soar We are buying the services of fac tories, railroads, men and terials.

Here is a summary of some of at the postoffice at Hico. Texas, the Act of Congress of March 3.

Don't waste food. Stop and think Don't waste food. Stop and think before you throw away even a tablespoon of left-over potatoes. Take care of your alununum

kitchen ware. You won't oc able to buy any more Use your refrigerator conserva tively. Make it last. Use as little electrical current as possible. Re-

rigerator materials and electric power are important elements of Drive your car at moderate speed to save gas, oil and tires.

Take care of clothes and make those customers carrying regular ac unnecessary demands on clothing factories and textile mills. These are just a few suggestions -but enough to show how practi-

thing you buy can affect produc-

Any erroneous reflection upon the char- tion of war materials. Any erroneous reflection upon the charicter of any person or firm appearing in
hese columns will be gladly and promptly
werrected upon calling attention of the
sanagement to the article in question.

Hon of war materials.

We will undoubtedly be unable
to buy many things available now
within a few months—but our nor-We will undoubtedly be unable to buy many things available now mal demands will be filled longer, our domestic hardships will be less, and our war machine will be stronger if right now we agree to

#### GOVERNMENT

live according to the Consumer'

The reasons for this change in public sentiment are obvious. Unbeing of hundreds of millions of der the greatly changed condition people in every corner of the caused by the war and our defense program, the people realize that the government is forced to control this historic year are completely business one way or another. And in the dark as to what those 2042 they would prefer to accept the inhistory books will say. We know evitable before prices, priorities that they will record suffering, and labor difficulties have had a chance to create unnecessary hard-

Control over prices and control over labor are the two measures which are being most sought after by the public. We have been told that certain inflation and immediate skyrocketing of prices will be the penalty for delays in price control legislation. We have also seen repeated evidence that labor difficulties have seriously impeded our defense program.

None of us likes the idea of government control over business. But all of us rebel against domestic difficulties which might be prevented by suitable legislation.

The debate in congress on these two measures-price control and n which the scale will be tipped labor control-will be heated and many-sided. No matter what legistoward barbarism, will depend on lation is finally enacted, there will be some minority groups which will be unduly penalized and others which will get benefits that are out of line.

That is always true of legislation. But it is hoped that groups which may be affected will all look at this difficult legislation from the viewpoint of consumers. That is the simple piedge which rather than as manufacturers. every man and woman in America farmers, laborers or politicians. is being asked to sign to aid in For every American is a consumer -and the legislation which is of It is probably the most important greatest benefit to us as consumers thing the average consumer can is the legis ton which will be do to belp win the war. It doesn't most helpful to the majority of sound like much of a job, but if the people.

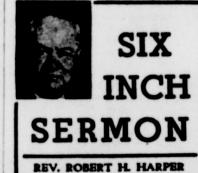


Exercise Precoution

While Reducing

Strenuous exercise is always dangerous, but it is particularly so to the person who is extremely over-Where serious attempts are being made to reduce, the ex-ercise routine must be arranged with the greatest of care. Obesity of itself puts an extra burden on the heart and it is most unwise to add more work to an already overtaxed organ.

For most excessively fat people, walking is simplest and easiest. But even here one must be cautious. Walk only a few blocks for a starter. At the end of each week, the distance may be increased a little until one is able to cover a mile or more without any sense of fatigue or strain. Some mild abdominal setting-up exercises may be included in the routine-subject, of course, to the approval of your physician. When there has been an appreciable reduction in weight, exercise of a more varied nature can safely be added to the program, but it must never be done hurriedly or in a tense manner. Remember that gradual reduction is the only safe reduction and even though results do come slowly there is no risk of seriously impairing one's physical health.



The Christian's Hope. Lesson for December 28: John 14: 1-6; Revelation 22: 1-5. Golden Text: John 14:2.

In the upper room Jesus com-forted the disciples with words of assurance concerning the after life. In due time he would come again and receive them into the house of many mansions, and he said that he is the way to that blessed place.

the truth and the life.

John writes of the river of life and the throne of God. There will be no "blackouts" in the celestial city, for God shall give his people light, and none shall approach to molest and destroy. We do not discount the value of

the gospel in this present life when we look toward the perfect life. Persecuted Christians in the long ago were strengthened by the Chris tian's hope of a better world. And the present has evil enough to lead men to long for unending well-

bereavement 'tis comfort to look beyond the night to that radi-ant morn when "those angel faces smile" which we "have loved long since, and lost awhile." When we like the prophet, climb our tower and wait for the answer to the riddle of the mighty and the merciless trampling the weak, assurance comes in looking beyond the ghast-ly battlefields, the ashes of cities and the uncounted graves of the slain to a land of eternal peace where we shall know many things beyond our present solving. Looking into the wondrous vacancy of the empty tomb, we come into a new sense of the dignity of a personality that will outlive the worlds.
Then may the thoughts of the latest celebration of our Lord's birth remain with us to lead us to daily felship with Him who is our life.

## San Antonio Express The WIREPHOTO Newspaper

To the People OF COMMISSIONERS PRECINCT 3,

HAMILTON COUNTY:

This advertisement is run, not in a spirit of bragging about what I have done during my time in office, but in order to inform taxpayers and citizens of the shape of the precinct's business and how their affairs are handled. The following statement covers receipts and expenditures from June 25, 1941, to December 19, 1941:

#### MONEY RECEIVED

L. A. Powledge, terracing	8 6.00
J. B. Celumbus, terracing	13.00
N. N. McGuire, terracing	
S. R. Jackson, terracing	3.7
J. O. Guest, terracing	9.4
P. B. Ramey, terracing	75.00
George Holladay, terracing	
C. L. Woodward, cutting hay	14.0
Mont Young, cutting hav	12.5
C. M. Hoover, cutting hay	7.0
Bill Grisham, cutting hay	6.7
Bill Grisham, cutting hay	20.0
Ed Allison, cutting hay	
P. A. Newman, cutting hay	
Texas Co., refund on oil	2.3
J. J. Jones, terracing	
P. Domsted, terracing	11.2
Robt. Parks, terracing	.4
L. B. Bonner, terracing	11.2
G. S. Knudson, terracing	1.0
Hoover, terracing	6.7
Ferguson, terracing	
Guy Ayecek, terracing	39.0
J. H. Tillinghast, terracing	31.2
G. F. Boone, terracing	27.0
Spraulding, old tire	2.5
Texas Co., refund on gal	1.1
Todd, one 3x5	
Sam Turner, mowing hay	.6
Bill Lackey, mowing hay	3.7
L. O. Pettigrew, mowing hay	12.5
Cecil Guest, terracing	
J. O. Pollard, terracing	1.7
Stockham, terracing	20.5
Sam Hubbard, terracing	19.2
C. H. King, terracing	20.0
Harry Hudson, 1938 truck	275.0
K. W. West, 1938 truck	235.0
Vick, Diesel fuel	15.1
Hoffman, scrap iron	8.0

1,001.97 TOTAL

#### DISBURSEMENTS

Labor	2,870,02
Diesel fuel, gas, oil & grease	
Parts for trucks and tracters	
Tires for trucks and maintainers	900.91
Lumber, wire, nails & tin horns	757.46
Blacksmithing and machine work	105,93
Cedar posts	72.00
Truck hire	62.25
Tools	132.02
Trucks and dump bodies	
Tractor and mower	648.00
R. B. George Machinery Co.	810,00
Telephone calls	22.60
TOTAL MONEY PAID OUT	9,151,91

All machinery warrants for this year have been paid, although there is still some indebtedness against the machinery. There remains in the treasury at Hamilton \$3,277.55; in the bank at Hico \$2,681.71; and a sum of \$1,700.00 owing for terracing (signed up by the Government). This makes a total of over \$7,650.00 up to the 19th of December.

A good part of my fuel oil, grease and lubricants to last up into the Spring are bought and paid for. The public is invited out at any time to inspect machinery and see how the work is handled by my operators.

in matters pertaining to road work, and in those pertaining to finances and conduct of the county's business, I have tried during the time I have been privileged to hold the office to use the best of my energies and judgment. I am making every effort to handle the county's affairs in a business-like way, and welcome any constructive criticism or suggestion from taxpayers at any time.

Sincerely.

R. W. HANCOCK,

Commissioner, Precinct 3, Hamilton County.

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## It's Christmas

May yours be a merry one and the New Year be filled with joy and happiness in return for your thoughtfulness to this organization.

> MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

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 We Will Be Closed Christmas CHANEY'S SERVICE STATION AND REPAIR SHOP

L. J. Chaney



We just want to

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Merry Christmas

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

AND

**BEST WISHES** 

FOR A

**NEW YEAR** 

HAPPINESS

OF



NED CHAPMAN, OWNER



No need to spend Christmas apart when bus fares are so low. Plan to make your trip on a comfortable . . .

BOWEN MAINLINER LOW RATES

Everywhere TRAILWAYS



**Bowen Motor Coaches** 

A Friendly Greeting TO YOU

Our Friends and Customers



It's the Season to be friendly, Happy, and ... may this be your experience contented . this Christmas and every Christmas.

Everett's Tailor Shop

# Local Happenings

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Jordan, Satur- Hico Saturday visiting friends.

in the Army Air Corps at Sherman, Texas, is spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Fellers.

Christmas holidays with his mo- Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rodgers. ther, Mrs. Mattie Segrest.

Misses Joyce and Jane Latham of Evant are here visiting their sister, Mrs. Albert Brown, and other friends.

Mutt Price, who has been working at Rockdale for some time. s now at the home of his father, S. C. Price, Iredell Route 2.

Mrs. K. R. Jenkins, left Fort Knox, Ky., Dec. 8th for Baltimore, Maryland, to enter a U. S. Army me chanies school.

E. H. Henry Sr.

Sergt. Virgil L. Parsons, who is stationed at San Antonio, spent from Thursday until Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W.

MEMORIAL WREATHS Most attractive Christmas Memorial Wreaths now on display at the Hico Florist. Make your selections early.

Miss Hester Jordan attended a

Allie Hooper and Mrs. Watt Petty year, spent the week end in Wichita Falls with Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Hooper.

and Mrs. Marvin Marshall.

Miss Mayo Hollis left last Friday for Dallas to spend the holidays plan to be in Dallas also for the

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Gamble went o Fort Worth Saturday where they met their daughter, Mrs. Vernon Swor, and little son of Houston and brought them to Hico. where they plan to spend the Christmas holidays.

Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Mann and hildren of Granger visited with friends in Hico Tuesday for a short time on their way to Stephenville to spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Mann's par-

Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Chenault of relatives and friends. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Chenault's mother, Mrs. J. H. Cox, who will spend a few weeks visiting

Miss Lucy Hudson, who recently CHRISTMAS PARTY accepted a position with the Extension Loan Library at the University of Texas, came in Saturday from Austin to spend the Christ- Thursday night. mas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Hudson.

Misses Priscilla Rodgers, Mildred Bobo and Mary Ellen Haggard, all students at T. S. C. W. at Denton, came in Saturday to spend the holidays here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Rodgers, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bobo, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Haggard.

O. R. Williams, county tax assessor-collector, was over from COUPLE MARRIED AT HOME Hamilton Monday making arrange- OF REV. FRANK MCCLURE ments for his periodic visits here those who desire to pay their Saturday evening, December 20 taxes at the City Hall in Hico. He

ROSS SHOP, Jeweler. 45-tfc

Miss Mable Jordan of Brown-, Guy Wylie, who is stationed at wood visited her mother and father. Camp Bowie. Brownwood, was in

WANTED: A Housekeeper. See Hoyt Fellers, who is in training or call Mrs. Roy Welborn, Phone

Miss Mettie Rodgers, who teaches in Baylor University, Waco, came Mr. and Mrs. Herman Segrest of in Saturday to spend the Christmas Monahans are here spending the holidays here with her parents,

> CHRISTMAS PLANTS Poinsettias — Ezalias Cyclamen - Primroses And many other lovely plants for gifts at THE HICO FLORIST 29-3c

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. McCullough and daughter, Frances, spent Saturday in Austin. They were accompanied home by Mary Ella, who is a student at the University of Leroy Jenkins, son of Mr. and Texas, for a holiday visit with her

Mr. and Mrs. Justin Bullard Sr. bought the old Gleason home just east of the Lusk Randals home last Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Henry left week and moved in from the Falls Sunday for Mission for a pre-Creek community where they have Christmas visit of several days been making their home. They also with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. sold their farm in the Dry Fork community to Lusk Randals re

> Mrs. Bess Warren left Sunday for El Paŝo, where she will visit with her son, Hosea, who is a Se-nior in the College of Mines there. She will also visit with the family of F. J. Agee, who is now a major in the Army at Fort Bliss. Mrs. Warren expects to be gone for several weeks.

Jackie Weisenhunt, who finished Christmas party at Bellville given his course at Isbell's University of Saturday evening for the employees Beauty Culture with highest honof the South Texas District of ors last Friday, came in from the Texas Southwestern Gas Com- Fort Worth to spend the holidays here with his mother, Mrs. J. M. Weisenhunt, and sister, Norma Mr. and Mrs. Grady Hooper and Jean, before taking his state exlittle son, Van Keith, and Miss aminations after the first of the

C. E. Edmiston, clerk of the district court of Hamilton County, was over from the county seat last Glenn Marshall, who is a student week interviewing his friends and at South Texas State Teachers Col- transacting business. Mr. Edmiston lege at San Marcos, came in Sun- said the political pot was beginday night to spend the Christmas ning to boil throughout the holidays here with his parents, Mr. county, but that he didn't expect any startling developments until after the holidays.

Miss Sue Tabor, who is employed with her mother, Mrs. Maye Hollis. at Fort Worth, has notified her Mr. and Mrs. Hector Hollis and little son of Bakersfield, California. nesday to spend the remainde the week in a holiday visit home. The Tabors are also ex pecting their son, Paul Tabor, for a Christmas Day visit, although he will have to return the following day to Dallas where he has a responsible position with a large paper company.

Earl Huddleston, representative in the State Legislature from Hamilton and Coryell Counties, was in Hico Saturday interviewing riends and meeting the general public. Mr. Huddleston said that unless something unforseen develops during this critical national emergency he will offer for re-Waco were here Saturday visiting election to the office he now holds and stated that he would have an announcement in this paper to that effect some time around the first of the year.

EPWORTH LEAGUE HAS

The Epworth League of the Hico Methodist Church enjoyed a Christmas party at the church last

After games were played and gifts given out, refreshments of popcorn, apples and oranges were served to: Virginia Stanley, Laura Ogle, Mamye Jones, Mary Nell Jones, Norma Jean Weisenhunt, Lola Mae Hendricks, June Malone, Virgil Parsons of San Antonic Baylor Parsons, Don Griffitts, Paul Hendricks, J. D. Jones, and Rev. Floyd W. Thrash

James Coller and Miss Eloise between now and the first of Feb- Craig were united in marriage at ruary for the purpose of serving the home of Rev. Frank McClure Miss Craig lived near Iredell ordered an advertisement inserted and Mr. Collier's home was or n the paper giving dates of his Route 4, Hico. Their many friends and acquaintances will want to be wishing them well.

CONTRIBUTED.

## TOYOU

whose friendly support has contributed so greatly during the past year, may we extend a cordial and appreciative thanks. May your Christmas be happy and the New Year

Burden's Feed Mill

Hico, Texas



#### So long to the Old '41 and a Greeting for the New '42

Looking back over the old year now closing, we have many things for which to be grateful - among the most valued is your friendship.

It is only in a Country like ours, endowed with all the blessings of Liberty that such fine relationships can exist.

With a genuine appreciation for America and the American way of life, we want to express our thanks for your generous patronage during the old year and wish you a most Happy and Prosperous 1942.

MR. AND MRS. W. E. PETTY

The Appreciated Store

# Here's a Christmas for You

- Not much, to be sure, but with the sincere appreciation in our hearts for the many kindnesses that have been ours to enjoy, we extend this little package of Christmas Greetings to each of you.
- The goodwill of our friends we value immeasurably because we well know that without them life in itself would be empty indeed.
- As we wish you the Joys of Christmas and every Happiness throughout the New Year, we add our heartfelt thanks for all past favors.



## SEASON'S GREETINGS

K. B. Feed Store & Hatchery

ONA WEAVER

MRS. G. C. KEENEY

WARM GREETINGS GLAD THOUGHTS

FOR A



Greetings

Our Christmas message is best expressed by our sincere wish that you may have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.



BEAUTY SHOP



To Our Loyal Customers

May your every wish come true - in this coming year and those following.

HAPPY NEW YEAR



HERMAN LEACH SERVICE STATION

TIMES CHANGE . . .

. . . AND WE WITH TIME BUT NOT THE WAYS OF FRIENDSHIPS

## SEASON'S GREETINGS

May the New Year bring you a full measure of prosperity

. WILL BE CLOSED THURSDAY, CHRISTMAS DAY .

#### Hico Service Station

GRADY HOOPER

TO ALL OF

MY FRIENDS

NEW YEAR

Gulf Gas & Oils

ORYOU

YOUR FAMILY

YOUR FRIENDS

A Merry

Christmas

To All

JOHN & JOHN

Barber Shop

OUR FRIENDS!



take my word for it, as a prema-

hand played with a neat pile of let-ters as he asked: "Anything new?" Thumm bit a cigarette in half:

ters. Two he tossed into a desk-basket for filing; the third, a letter

found out something about wh

rangements to have Jersey police watch the Weehawken terminal.

Lane . . . District Attorney Bruno calling."

calling."

A shrill quavering voice answered: "This is Quacey, Mr. Bruno. Mr. Lane is right here by my

series of baffling crimes which remain unsolved until Inspector Thumm of the New York police calls an eccentric old actor. Drury Lane, to his aid. Ellery Queen places many a clue in the reader's hand



yes. I forgot - he can't

Bruno explained the con-

tents of the anonymous letter. Si-lence from the other end of the

wire, then: "Mr. Lane asks if he

nervously consulting his watch at

ten-second intervals, paced the floor

like a maniac. Inspector Thumm prowled about, looking sharply at

infrequent newcomers. Quite alone

Bruno came over and sat down.
"Forty-five minutes late already,"
he complained. "To tell the truth,

I'm beginning to feel a wee bit

be a decoy. Our man may come

At the farthest end of the roofed

pier a ferry boat had come in and

was grinding against the side pil-ings. As Thumm, Lane, and a half-

ing, some scattered figures were hurrying out of the terminal. The

gold-leaf on the boat's pilot-house

above the upper deck read: Mo-hawk. On the north side of the

lower deck passengers milled wildly about, leaning over the rail, peering out of windows of the starboard

cabin-wall. Drury Lane looked at his watch. The time was 11:40.

Inspector Thumm sprang to the boat-deck. "What's happened?" he

"They say he fell from the top deck as the Mohawk was sliding

Thumm and Lane began to push

toward the door of the cabin, when Thumm stopped short, extending

his arm. A slight frail figure was stepping off to the dock. "Hey there, DeWitt! Just a min-

The frail figure, bundled in a top-coat, looked up, hesitated, then re-traced his steps. His face was

white; he was panting a little. "Inspector Thumm!" he said slow-

"What are you doing here?"

"Little assignment. And you?"
"I'm on my way home. What's
going on here?"

said Thumm amiably. "Come along with us. By the way, meet Mr.

Drury Lane, the famous actor. Helping out. Mr. Lane, this is Mr. DeWitt, Longstreet's partner." Dru-

ry Lane nodded pleasantly; De-

Witt's eyes, wandering before, sud-

denly assumed something of defer-

Thumm lunged up the brass-tipped stairs amidships, the others

following to the dark upper deck

marks that ran from the railing to an alcove at the northwest outer

"Jim, go downstairs and hold ev-erybody on the boat."

"What's the matter, DeWitt? Hurt your hand?" The little broker turned and of-

fered the hand for Thumm's inspec-

corner of the cabin.

here," said Thumm.

"This is an honor, sir."

"Might have stayed to find out,"

roared to a gnarled ferryman.

into the pier.

"You would have more cause to

'Oh, by all means."

sat Mr. Drury Lane.

from the ferries outside.

#### CHAPTER IV

SYNOPSIS

Harley Longstreet of DeWitt & Longstreet, brokers, invites eight friends to celebrate his engagement to Cherry Browne, actress. On a Crosstown trolley Longstreet dies suddenly of poison scratched into his hand by a needlepierced cork. The party consists of Longstreet's partner DeWitt and his wife Fern and daughter Jeanne, her fiance Christopher Lord, Cherry's vaudeville friend Pollux, Ahearn, friend of DeWitt, Imperiale, middle-aged Latin, and Michael Collins, brawny Irishman. At the carbarn Inspector Thumm examines them. He is convinced the poisoned cork entered Longstreet's pocket after the party had boarded the trolley. Longstreet always read the evening paper on the trolley, Cherry Browne says, for the stock market news, especially about International Metals. That's why he had reached for his glasses. Suddenly hysterical, Cherry rushes forward to DeWitt: "You did it," she shrieks. "You hated him!" Thumm examines the other passengers. The conductor, Charles Wood No. 2101 says he often has seen Longstreet and DeWitt on his car. The motorman Guiness No. 409, corroborates him. Next morning Thumm learns that Longstreet had had an affair with Mrs. him. Next morning Thumm learns that Longstreet had had an affair with Mrs. Dewitt, a strangely superstitious wom-an; that he had a hold on DeWitt, fre-quently demanding large sums of mon-ey from him. Indeed, each member of the party seems to have some griev-ance against Longstreet. This is the story Inspector Thumm and the D. A. tell Drury Lane, retired Shakespearean actor.

may be present tonight at this Drury Lane sprang to his feet. "Several questions, inspector. Has there been a development of inter-est from Dr. Schilling's autopsy?" In the barnlike waiting-room behind the Wee-hawken ferries, a dozen men were grouped, silent and watchful. District Attorney Bruno,

"Nothing," said Thumm. "We haven't made an inch of progress in tracing the poison or its source."
"Inspector Thumm, you are en-tirely satisfied that the needled cork was slipped into Longstreet's pock-et in the car and not before?" "That's one thing we're dead cer-

"Now tell me, inspector-nothing was found on the occupants of the car that would seem out of place, considering the weather and the type of persons involved-like topcoats, evening clothes, gloves— things like that?"

"No, I can absolutely vouch for Lane stared thoughtfully at his

sitors.
"If everything Inspector Thumm has told me is true, then I believe the guilt lies in one direction. But I prefer, for pressing reasons, not to commit myself further at this time on the possible identity of your unknown quarry-shall we call him X

from now on?"
"But Mr. Lane," began Bruno. 'a delay-after all Drury Lane stood motionless.
"Dangerous, of course. But not half so much, you will have to

Bruno and Thumm faced each other across Bruno's desk the next morning. The District Attorney's "Collins. Making trouble again. One of my men just found out that he visited DeWitt three times since Saturday. Of course, he's trying to collect from DeWitt."

Bruno began idly to open the letin a cheap plain envelope, brought him to his feet with an exclamation, "Good God, Thumm! If this isn't the sweetest break-!" He spread the letter before the inspector. It was written in rusty black ink on cheap ruled stationery, in a plain undisguised hand. Addressed to the District Attorney, it had no

I am one of the people on the street-car when Harley Long-street was murdered. I have killed him. I am willing to give this information to you, but I am afraid the murderer knows I know, and I think I am being

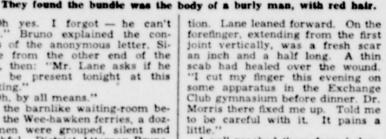
But if you will meet me, or send somebody to meet me Wed-nesday night at eleven o'clock, in the Weehawken ferry waiting-room, I will disclose myself and tell what I know. Please for my sake don't tell any outsiders about this letter. I am going to watch myself until that time

Thumm handled the letter gingerly; he placed it on the desk and scanned the envelope. "Postmarked Weehawken, N. J., last night," he muttered. "Full of fingerprints from dirty fingers. One of those

Jerseyites on the car."
"We can stand a quick prosecution." Bruno rubbed his hands contentedly. "Get in touch with Dis-trict Attorney Rennells of Hudson county and make the necessary ar-

All plainclothes." As Thumm went out Bruno called the Hamlet. "Hello! Mr. Drury

Mystery number one in a early in the story, but we defy the most experienced fan to know the answer be-fore the final page!



A yell reached them from below. We've got him!"

"Downstairs!" cried Thumm. As one, the three men made for the door. As DeWitt grasped the han-dle of the door he exclaimed in annoyance and frowned over his right hand. Thumm and Lane saw that the wound was bleeding. The scar hung loose, torn in several

"Shouldn't have used my right hand on the door," groaned the little man.

feel a wee bit worried, Mr. Bruno," replied Lane. They found the bundle was the "You think-" began Bruno, and body of a burly man, with red hair. Beside the body, mangled beyond recognition, lay a visored black cap, soaked. Thumm snatched it up. A shield above the visor bore the metal number 2101 and the instopped, stiffening—as did Inspec-tor Thumm across the room—at the commotion emanating "What is the trouble, Mr. Bru-no?" asked Lane. scription: Third Avenue Railways. Bruno's head strained forward.
"There was a cry of Man over-The inspector glanced sharply at Drury Lane, then thrust his hand into the inner breast pocket of the dead man's coat. His hand reboard!" Drury Lane was on his feet in one feline movement. In-spector Thumm thundered: "Trouappeared with a soaked wallet. He ble on the pier; I'm going out!" Bruno also had risen. "I'll stay here with some of the boys. Might

rummaged through it, and leaped to his feet. District Attorney Bruno, topcoat tails flying, was hurrying from the terminal to the ferry. Thumm waved the limp wallet. "Bruno!

Hurry up! We've got our man!' The District Attorney sprang to "Who do you mean-the writer of the letter?'

"In person, only somebody else got to him first." Thumm eased a water-softened card out of the wallet. Drury Lane examined it over Bruno's shoulder. It was the trol-ley company's identification card and bore the signature: Charles

Wood. "It's the same writing," agreed

The macerated corpse of Conductor Charles Wood had been borne to the stationmaster's office. Bruno turned to Lane, "While Inspector Thumm is examining the body, would you care to go down-

stairs with me? There's a raft of work to be done." At Lane's sug-gestion DeWitt went with them. The District Attorney called for the pilot of the Mohawk.

"We're trying to get confirma-tory identifications of the dead man. Did you see the man whose body we had on the ferry-deck before?" "Hundreds of times. Sort of friend of mine, he was. his head was bashed in and all that, but I'd swear he's Charley Wood.

conductor on the Crosstown. "What makes you think so?" "I just know. Same build, same red hair, same clothes. Charley lives over in Weehawkin here, guess, 'cause he always took the ferry across at 10:45 when he was through with his shift on the car and for years back he got into the habit of comin' up on the top passenger deck and yelling hello at me. Sometimes he'd stay on and gab for a couple of trips. But he said he wasn't goin' to stay on for any extra trips tonight because

he had an appointment over in Jersey. Bruno dismissed the river-man and climbed on one of the waitingroom benches, shouting: "Now I want all those who saw the body fall from the upper deck to step

Roughly between the center of the boat and the bow, a few feet behind the cleared space at the tip of the boat, and well to the rear of the pilot-house above. Thumm's flashight showed long, uneven marks that are from the railing to Six people wavered, looked at each other, then with hesitant steps crossed the room. Bruno, jumping off the bench, eyed a rotund man.

Thumm and Lane, with DeWitt trailing, walked to the rail. "A heavy object was dragged across here," said Thumm. "Might be 'You-what's your name?" "August Havemeyer. I'm a print-er-goin' home from work. I was or he bench across from the wind. Just as the boat began to get in the pier I saw something big and black fall outside the win-

(TO BE CONTINUED)



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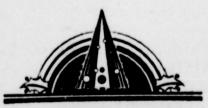
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Clairette

— By — Nila Marie Alexander

the sudden death of our friend and

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relatives. Rev. J. Greenwood, Bap-

tist pastor, conducted the funeral

end guests with relatives here.

cranberres, raisins in sweet po-

andy were served to the following:

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Dowdy, Mrs. Geo. W. Salmon, Mrs.

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Mrs. Cleo Mayfield, Mrs. Glen Lee,

Mrs. Homer Lee, Miss Nola Lee,

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service with Barrow Funeral

Stanford, who passed away in the Stephenville Hospital Sunday morn-

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Johnson and and Mrs. W. F. Johnson last week. Hub Alexander, daughter Nila neighbor, Mr. Bud Baldwin, who Marie, and niece, Florine Havens, so suddenly passed away Saturday made a business trip to Fort Worth Wednesday. morning at his farm home one

Florine Havens spent Thursday press our deepest sympathy to his and Friday with Zelma Fenley of wife and little son, Ross, and other Stephenville.

Mr. T. M. Lee who has been seriuosly ill, is improving nicely. Out-of-town friends and relatives attending the funeral of Mr. Bud Mrs. Alice Finley and daughter, Baldwin were: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Zelma, of Stephenville were week Little and children, Oklahoma City; Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Stipe and The Busy Bee Sewing Club met baby, Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. with Mrs. Hub Alexander and Pit Stipe, Fort Worth; Mr. and daughter, Nila Marie, last Thurs- Mrs. Homer Konch and Mr. John day afternoon. Entertainment of Turner, Denison; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Christmas games and a Christmas Baldwin and family, Amarillo; Mr. tree were carried out. After guests and Mrs. Dela Baldwin and daughhad received their Christmas gifts, ter, Nona, Sedwick; Mr. and Mrs. refreshments consisting of chicken Jo Baldwin, Sweetwater; Mrs. E. and dressing with giblet gravy, M. Boyett and daughter, Ila, and Mr. nd Mrs. Herman Boyett, Stetato cases, toast, fruit cake and phenville; Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Baldwin and daughter. Betty. Hawkins; Ernest Konch, Mr. and Mrs. ter, Mrs. W. F. Johnson, Mrs. Les Wayne Konch, Denison; Mr. and Miss Juanita Hardin, Dallas; Mrs. Little, Fairy; Mrs. Alva Stone, Stephenville: Mr. Jim Hardin and Mr. A. J. Jordan, Hico; Mr. Charlie ander. Mrs. Herschel Sherrard, Robinson, Stephenville; the hostess, Mrs. Hub Alexander, and Mrs. Deward Head, Dublin.

Mr. J. W. Steward and son. Mrs. A. L. Thompson spent last Brooks, of Colorado, are spending week with Mr. and Mrs. T. L. the holidays here visiting relatives and friends. A grandson, J. W. We extend our deepest sympathy wife and baby also of Colorado to Mr. W. T. Stanford and family have been visiting here.



And Best Wishes for the Merriest Kind of a Holiday Season to All

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#### Altman

Mrs. J. H. McAnelly

Mrs. John Moore and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Moore in the Palm Rose community Sunday afternoon. oard at reasonable rates.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Ballard and sons are visiting his sister and nent guests. Mr. & Mrs. family in San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. Youngblood and son James were Hamilton visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Fred Curry and little son, Billy Fred, who had been visiting LEARN THE PRINTER'S TRADE in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Doc Printers earn a good living. The Morgan returned to their home field is big; trained men are in Wednesday. demand. Our non-profit School con-

has \$150,000 of modern equipment Higo Wednesday afternoon. and practical instructors. Low tuition. Write for free catalog and Cranfill's Gap were in this community Saturday afternoon.

> Paving and drainage structures on six miles of Highway 10 east of Ranger have been widened through WPA improvement project.

We sincerely hope your Christmas will be tilled to overflowing with happiness and good cheer and may the New Year be one of Health, and Prosperity



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#### **Texas Christian** University Has Defense Courses

Fort Worth, Dec. 15.-Besides teaching many specific courses designed to train boys and girls, men and women to help meet the naional emergency, Texas Christian University is correlating many other fields of study with national

A total of 273 students, including those currently enrolled, have taken the Civil Pilot Training Course at T. C. U. It was inaugurated in the summer of 1940. "Radio, Communications and En

gineering Electronics" are taught a course covering fundamental details of radio reception and transmission, wireless and tele

"Office Management" and "Per sonnel Management" are course offered to train competent workers for defense industries.

In the physics departments, "Ballistics." the setting up of ra-dio stations, the making of radio sets and military photography are emphasized

The chemistry department is giving fundamental training in the making of explosives, synthetic fabrics, plastics, and other war materials.

Work is offered in engineering geology: minerals, natural gas and

oil are studied.

In biology, students are studying methods of disease prevention. infection and epidemics. Pre-medical courses and the training of nurses and laboratory technicians are stressed.

Nutrition, food conservation and preservation, and vitamins are being taught in the home economics department.

Government and economics courses build up an understanding of democracy and democratic processes, as to the courses in his-

The study of Spanish is being encouraged, in order to help promote a better understanding be tween Latin America and the United States. The history of South

America is being taught. Sociology and mathematics courses are being correlated in many ways with national defense.

#### Suburban Editor Program to Present Unusual Broadcast

One of radio's most unusual roadcasts will be presented at 10 . m. Sunday, Dec. 28, via WBAP, Fort Worth, when the Suburban Editor airs an exclusive transcribed interview between Charles Eade, editor of the London, England Sunday Dispatch and a British Broadcasting Company announcer. The interview concerns newspaper operations during London air

The Suburban Editor reads items from this and more than 100 other occasional note from the Lond paper. Eight months ago the Brit ish editor promised to send th Texas radio man a recorded into view. The original discs were lost in the Atlantic, however, vict'ms of a submarine. On hearing of the loss the Britisher forwarded other set of records via the Yankee Clipper. The latter discs made the entire jaunt from London t

Fort Worth in just eleven days. Because of the unusual natu of this program it will be repeate at 10:50 a. m. Friday, Jan. 2, from Station KGKO at 570 on the dis Station WBAP operates on the clea channel of 820 kilocycles.

#### IT'S YOUR LIFE!

GEORGE CLARK, Director Texas Safety Association

"Give Courtesy for Christmas." That's the theme of the Decen ber Traffic Safety Emergency Campaign in Texas which is destined o prevent the death of 195 per-

ons in traffic accidents. The slogan is a practical appli cation of the Christmas spirit of Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men. At Christmas time, especially why not ask drivers and pedestrians to be patient, lenient and

courteous with each other? Courtesy will prevent a big percentage of traffic accidents, and during the Yule season everyone should be willing to contribute such a small gift to the happiness and

safety of others. Not only would the reduction in accidents be an important aid to the National Defense Program by conserving valuable manpower and property, but it would prevent the needless tragedy that annually darkens the glow of holiday hap-piness in hundreds of Texas homes

At few other times in our history has Christmas meant as mucl as it does this year. With death distillusion, bitterness and tears sweeping the world. America must cling to its heritage-one of the few remaining spots on earth where Christmas will not see the

blight of intense suffering. Texan to consider his responsibility duce automoble accidents.

Why not take the Christmas for prayer and meditation. spirit of "Goodwill toward men" behind the wheel with you? Give the other fellow a break.

Be patient with others' mistakes fellowship meetings will be at in traffic. Don't risk life and limb their regular hours. just to insist on what you think are your rights.

"Give Courtesy for Christmas.

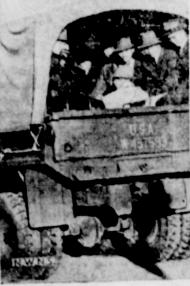
Life insurance benefit payments contributed 3.7 cents of the 1940 on six miles of Highway 10 east of national income dollar. This compares with 1 cent in 1900.

### Red Cross 50-Million-Dollar Drive



President Rooseven is snown as he issued his proclamation setting up a Red Cross War Fund campaign for the raising of \$50,000,000. Members of the Red Cross in various field uniforms presented the President with their latest poster as he asked U. S. citizens to make an over-whelming success of the new drive.

#### Chinese Fliers



Vanguard of 200 young Chinese fliers who will receive U. S. training at Thunderbird field near Glendale, Ariz., are pictured in army truck en route there from the Pa-cific coast. They will be taught to fly for war duty in their native country—with U. S. methods.

#### Knox Reports



Secretary of Navy Knox is pic tured as he left the White House after reporting to the President on his personal inspection trip of Ha-waiian naval bases. His report told of the sinking of six U. S. warships and the loss of 2,897 lives in the first attack.

#### Button, Button . . .



President Roosevelt is pictured being enrolled in the American Red Cross as the current membership foll call was launched in Washingon, D. C. Miss Adelaide Whitesouse is wearing the new volunteer miform as she does the bonors.

#### Methodist Church

The doors of the Methodist Church will be open all day Christ-It's time for every thinking mas Day. There will be no planned service of any kind, but all who in the statewide movement to re- feel led to do so are invited to seek the quietness of the church Regular services will be held

Sunday at 11 a, m. and at 7 p. m. The church school and youth

We wish for everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. FLOYD W. THRASH, Paster.

Paving and drainage structures a WPA improvement project.

Names of those who have visited the News Review office and registered since the list printed in last week's paper appear below. (Unless otherwise indicated, the parties are from Hico.)

Mrs. Emma Lackey, Fairy. Miss Fannie Horsley. Earl Huddleston, Oglesby, Santa Claus (no foolin'). P. H. Cody, Iredell. C. A. Giesecke. Mrs. Olin Brantley, Iredell. Theta McElroy. Simpson Johnson, Route 7. O. R. Williams, Hamilton. Mrs. J. C. Guinn, Route 4. Elva Jenkns, Route 2. S. N. Akin, Route 3. Lloyd Akin, Route 3 Mrs. C. C. Waddill, Route 4. Frank Allen, Route 1. C. F. Young, Route 2.

#### Winter Garden Plans Homesteads For War Veterans

Down Mexico way north of the border at Uvalde, Texas, home own of John Garner and at Crystal City, Texas' largest spinach growing section in the world, it is planned to establish Veterans Homestead Colonies where a Vet eran with a small pension or other income will be sold ten acres of rich irrigated soil-a 4- or 5-room with conveniences where with vegetables from his winter and summer garden, eggs and chickens from a flock of two hundred chickens, milk and butter and calves from a herd of 4 or 5 cows the Veteran can become independent from the efforts of himself and his family.

Option has already been taken on 3000 acres of irrigated soil miles south of Uvalde. Texas on the beautiful Leona River, On this property is located 3 irrigation wells with pumping facilities to produce 2000 gallons of water per minute from each well. Water may be secured at 48 feet anywhere of the property. Nine hundred acres have 7000 pecan trees 10 years old and this will allow the first 90 veterans from ten to one hundred pecan trees on his ten acre home

Arrangements are being made with the Bowen Bus Lines to run bus excursions in chartered buse to Uvalde, Crystal City, Pearsall, and Carrizo Springs daily and to other points in the Winter Garden section.

Veterans interested may secure details by writing Uvalde Chamber of Commerce, Crystal City Chamber of Commerce, or War Veterans Relief Association, 10071/2 Main St. Dallas, Texas.

## Dry Fork

- By -Johnnie Ruth Driver

Fred Driver of Hico is visiting in the homes of G. C. Driver and Herman Driver. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sanders and family visited a while Thursday night in the home of her parents at Carlton

G. C. Driver was a business vistor in Hamilton Saturday morn-James Clonch of Stephenville

risited recently with Ewell San-Mr. and Mrs. Bert Haven of Hamilton visited Sunday afternoon

with Miss Lufa Johns and Claude and Buford Johns. CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our deepest appreciation to all our friends for all the kindnesses and sympathy expressed since the loss of our dear son and brother. May God's richest blessings rest upon you all. MR. AND MRS. D. A. FELLERS

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