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New Year's Eve A Festive Occasion for Native Scots

Scots never aroused much interest in Scotland—but on New Year's Eve the Wassail bowl goes round. Filled with savory liquid, notably fragrant.

After the Wassail bowl, the "apple" memories of the "apple" when boys switched the "apple" of fruit trees petitioning "a growing crop": somehow, the "apple" bowl (as the decoction of "apple" wool" (as is often called) "apple" bowl is often called) "apple" bowl of young folks "apple" reminiscent of young folks "apple" to the nearest spring at the "apple" of 12 to drink the "apple" "apple"—the first one so doing, "apple"—expect good luck during the "apple" year.

Monday—the Monday after "apple" Year's, is traditionally the "apple" for Scotch boys and girls: "apple" addition to being the Scotch "apple" giving, it is a day of "apple" and gaiety.

It is wonderful, that families and "apple" gather on New Year's eve to "apple" a cup of kindness yet "apple" for Auld Lang Syne."

Me an Indian New Year's Story

Ceremonial for the snow has "apple" when enemies are forgiven "apple" words forgotten, as a new "apple" been blazed for all through "apple" Year's festivities.

Story-telling grandmother has "apple" the ancient chants and cus- "apple" through the beads of the "apple" historic wampum; but now "apple" has time to entertain the "apple"

around her lodge-fire, "apple" for another story with "apple" eyes and shrill voices. "apple" them, she tells an ancient "apple" about the clouds.

long moons ago when the world "apple" made, the sky at win- "apple" was cloudless much as it is "apple" midsummer days. The "apple" was covered with white snow "apple" trees, except the pines, stood "apple" the cold wind whistled around "apple" cabins; and with a cloud- "apple" everything above and be- "apple" dreary.

children, too, missed the "apple" leaves and changing colors "apple" landscape and they gave a "apple" at the sky might have clouds "apple" them. It is true, dark-gray, "apple" smoking clouds came in great "apple" and covered all the sky and "apple" snowflakes to amuse the "apple".

But the children also "apple" for bright clouds and the old "apple" the sky heard their wishes.

The old bear blew his moist "apple" into the heavy clouds and "apple" them up; he even made "apple" in some of them, and held "apple" the corners of others, until "apple" they passed over the village, "apple" had a different shape, "apple" as bears, some like wild cats, "apple" as hills and even some like "apple" people. Ever afterward, the "apple" took these strange shapes "apple" smiles and imagination to "apple" children in midwinter."—Dr. "apple" Bates, Cornell.

Traditional New Year's Were Sacred

Druids distributed branches "apple" sacred mistletoe, cut with "apple" ceremonies, as New Year's "apple" the people and the Saxons "apple" the day with gifts and fes-

oman custom of taking gifts "apple" was introduced into "apple" as early as the time of "apple" Queen Elizabeth is sup- "apple" have supplied herself with "apple" and wardrobe almost en- "apple" these gifts.

as 1892 the English nobility "apple" summoned every year to send "apple" a purse containing gold, "apple" the Tudors and the Stuarts "apple" the habit of all classes to "apple" presents to friends with the "apple" for the New Year.

received presents of gloves "apple" which were then expensive, "apple" the gifts were wrapped "apple" and from this practice we "apple" term "pin money."

President's Reception "apple" been the custom from the "apple" of the Republic for the "apple" of the United States to "apple" the New Year by holding "apple" open to the general pub-

the New Year's day after "apple" President Washington "apple" his home to receive the "apple" throughout the seven years "apple" Washington lived in Phila- "apple" the capital of the nation, "apple" this custom.

FOR THE NEW YEAR "apple" ask These "apple" New Year.

FARM LOANS FOR VETERANS TO BE AVAILABLE SOON ACCORDING TO RECENT ANNOUNCEMENT

Procedure for veterans of World War II to obtain farm loans has been announced by the Veterans' Administration and the U. S. Department of Agriculture. The loan program was provided for by the G. I. Bill of rights, and necessary applications and other forms for veterans to use are expected to be distributed locally about January 1, 1945.

Regulations are quite similar to those connected with the home loan provisions of the law which already are in operation, according to Joe L. Matthews of the A. and M. College Extension Service, who is directing Extension's program for veterans' assistance. In addition to being used for purchase of real estate, funds can be loaned for purchase, repair or improvement of equipment or for

the purchase of livestock or any other supplies needed for operating a farm.

Veterans also may use the money for paying off delinquent indebtedness if the place is to be used as a home. Mortgages will be required on all guaranteed loans unless the amount involved is \$500 or less. In that event, a loan may be guaranteed on evidence of good character and reasonable ability to pay.

The new procedure just announced recognizes assistance which can be rendered by county advisory committees which have been set up under direction of county Extension Service Agents. It also provides for the appointment of a Veterans' Loan Committee which will have the same membership as the FSA's Bankhead Jones Tenant

WATCH YOUR GASOLINE COUPONS EXPIRATION DATES

Expiration dates for certain gasoline coupons were announced today by Ely Fonville, District Rationing Executive for the OPA.

"B-4", "C-4" and "T" coupons marked fourth quarter will be invalidated January 1, 1945. The "B-5", "B16", "C-5", and "C-6" coupons now in circulation will remain valid until further notice.

Farmer Committee, with the addition of one member who must be a veteran, and if possible a business man. The Farm Credit Administration has the responsibility for making appraisals.

Matthews says county advisory committees still will be expected to help veterans locate farms for purchase or rent, and to inform and guide them about safe margins of debts, the kinds of credit available, and about partnerships and leases which are locally successful.

FARMERS' 1944 INCOME TAX RETURN MUST BE FILED BEFORE JANUARY 15, WITH COLLECTOR

Texas farmers are required to file with the collector of internal revenue on or before next January 15, a declaration or estimate of their income tax for 1944. Then a final return for the calendar year 1944 is due on or before March 15, 1945. The Victory tax as such is eliminated this year, but the normal and the surtax remain.

However, farmers may if they desire, make the final return by January 15 in place of the declaration. Tyrus R. Timm, economist in farm management for the A. and M. College Extension Service, says that this is the thing to do when possible. Most farmers will know enough about 1944 transactions to make their return by January 15, he believes.

A farmer must pay all of his tax due not later than January 15

regardless of whether his return is a declaration or the final one. Of course, if he made an earlier declaration and this is a corrected one previous payments are subtracted from the total tax bill and he merely pays what remains.

Three points should be remembered in making an income tax return as a farmer, namely, who is a farmer under the new tax bill; who makes a return; and personal exemptions. Uncle Sam who is particular, defines a farmer as one who obtains at least two thirds of his income from farming or ranching. Farm operators who have worked part time in war plants, on highways or at other jobs off the farm should find out whether they belong within the "farmer" class before filing a return.

Happy New Year



This charming young daughter of a marine corporal is all set to welcome the advent of 1945. Judging from her attentive look, she is waiting only for the 12 o'clock whistle heralding the arrival of the new year.

New Year's Day Antedates the Birth of Christ by 452 Years

The celebration of New Year's January 1 began in 452 B. C., a therefore, contrary to logical reasoning, had nothing whatsoever to do with the birth of Christ.

The ancient Roman calendar began in, and with, the month of March: there were ten months, the last six of which were named Quintilis, Sextilis, September, October, November, and December—or, the Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth and Tenth months respectively. Numa added two months, January and February, placing the former at the beginning of the year and February at the end. In 452 B. C., February was placed between January and March: thus establishing the order of months as of today. The ancient calendar year did not correspond to the actual and calendar equinox were months apart: a situation which Caesar set out to remedy.

Caesar's astronomers and calendar experts fixed the calendar year at 365 days—and because they estimated the solar year as of 365 1/4 days—an extra day was to be added every fourth year. This Julian calendar was effective, by decree of Caesar, on January 1, 46 B. C.

Actually, the earth goes around the sun in 365 days, 5 hours, 48 minutes, and 46 seconds; and by 11 A. D., the Julian calendar was 11 days behind the sun. Pope Gregory XIII remedied the situation by ordering that the calendar play leap frog and the intervening days between October 5 and October 15, 1582, were lost forever.

In order to prevent repetitions of the sun running away from the calendar and vice versa, Pope Gregory decided that a leap year should be omitted now and then: hence, of those years divisible by four—exclusive of years numbering the centuries—should have 366 days, a century-marking year shall leap years only if divisible by four after the ciphers have been omitted.

The Gregorian calendar has been officially adopted in most countries of the civilized world; however many creeds and peoples still celebrate their religious and traditional festivals in accordance with ancient calendars.

Pre-Christian Roman inaugurated the new year by offering sacrifices to the gods, exchanging greetings and bestowing gifts. During early Christian centuries, New Year's festivities persisted and became so boisterous that the faithful were forbidden to participate in them.

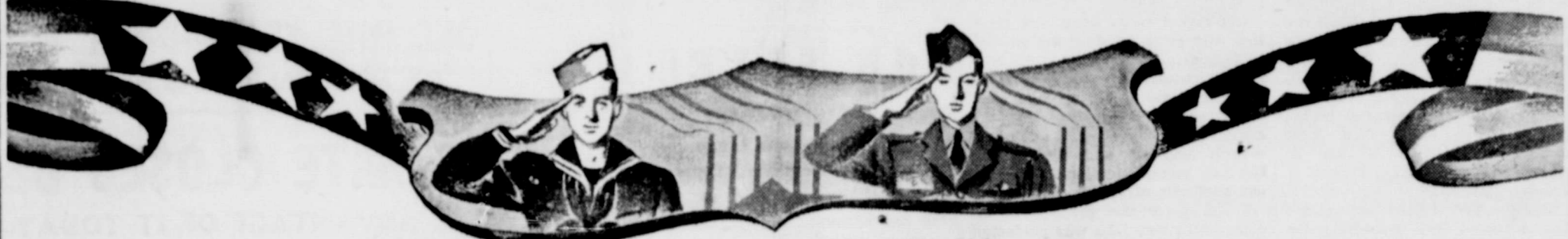
After December 25 had been established as the day of nativity, the church made January 1 a religious festival honoring the circumcision of Jesus: the day being thus observed in the Roman church since 487, and in the Anglican church since 1584.

Bowl Game Feature of New Year's Since 1916

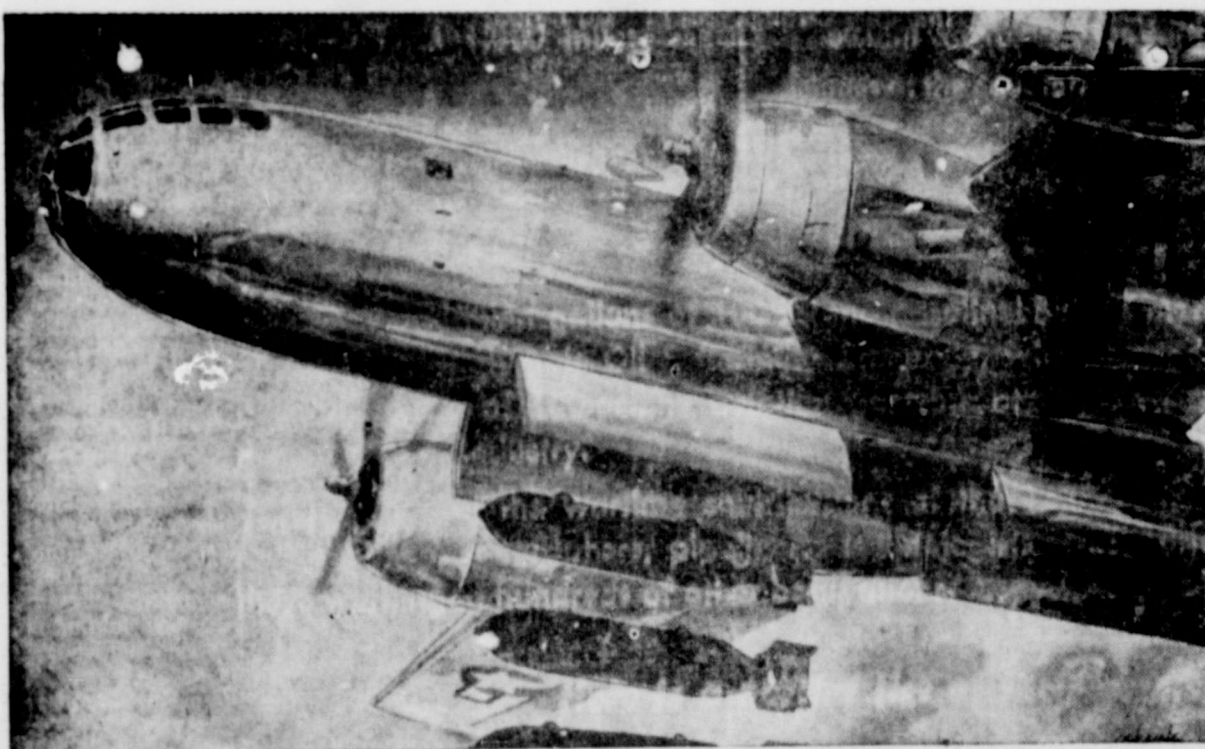
Since 1916 the Rose Bowl football game has been played annually on New Year's day as a cofeature of Pasadena's Tournament of Roses. The championship team of the Pacific Coast conference invites an Eastern contender selected from among the teams which have made the best records during the autumn playing, thus making the game one of America's outstanding intercollegiate sporting events.

A Good Resolution

One of the New Year resolutions that would mean increase of happiness in many a family is this: to speak of mistakes which make no difference. How arguing or nothing mars the home harmony. An erroneous opinion may need correction, but what possible difference



INVEST IN THE NEXT RAID ON JAPAN!



IT TAKES PLENTY OF WAR BONDS TO BUILD B-29s

THE WAR in the Pacific is the most costly war America has ever engaged in. It's simple arithmetic. A mountain of special, costly equipment is needed. A B-29 Superfortress used in the bombing of Japan costs \$600,000 in War Bonds. And this is just one of the many

extra costly implements of war needed to achieve final victory in the Pacific.

That's why the 6th War Loan Drive is so important. That's why you must back it as generously as you have every other war loan drive. Invest in the next raid on Japan...



BUY AT LEAST ONE EXTRA \$100 BOND

Full steam ahead! The past is behind us—opportunity lies ahead. Let's go, America!

In the midst of the gay clamor we pause to consider your part in the success we have enjoyed during 1944. Your support has meant everything to us.

In this spirit of appreciation it is a genuine joy for us to wish for you a very



Dreams Broken in Love Affair for Man and Woman

Amazing Tragedy Revealed In Letter Produced In English Court.

LEICESTER, ENG.—"If I have seen your dreams, mine are seen, too," was a dramatic phrase in the letter written by a man to a woman alleged to have seduced her to death.

The letter was read in court at Leicester when William A. Cowie, was charged with the murder of a 32-year-old woman.

The prosecuting attorney said the woman was alleged to have stabbed her in a street, and said he gave himself up to police.

The letter, alleged to have been received by Miss Payne, read:

"I do love you, darling. Dearest, just a few lines to let you know I have arrived back safely. I did enjoy being with you, even if you were in a bad mood. . . . I hope you will fix it so that I may see you a couple of days. All my love to Cheerio. I remain, your loving 'theart'."

The letter from the woman to the man, he said, might provide the key to the crime. It read:

"Dear Bill—I am glad to say I am doing better now. I had some sleeping tablets. But I can't stand all the problems that seem to have come into being. I have a breakdown. The only way to face them, and that means being cruel to you.

"I only like you as a friend, but will not take my word as final, you think that you can make me love you and persuade me to do a thing which my conscience says is wrong.

"I appreciate your kindness to me in the last three years, but I feel that the strain is too much for me. I know it is a mean way to do you on paper, but I have tried so many times to tell you in person, but won't accept that. My nature is to hurt people.

"I have the right to mix and meet other men before I decide to marry. I want it to be a free and not an unhappy union will end in divorce. I know your love will be to come at the week-end but don't come, as I shall be told my mother I won't see you if you come. You must see I say is right. I have received invitation to go to London for a run, and I am taking it. It will be a break, and maybe it will ease my mind. For my week's holiday I am going into the country for a rest.

"Both Dreams Broken. This may be a shock to you, but must know we cannot go on as we have been doing. Be a man and do the right way, and don't think of me. If I have broken your heart, mine are broken, too.

"I will continue to write to you as I wish it. I shall be interested in your work, and that you like me. Take care of yourself. I like you. Don't keep this to yourself, confide in someone. Don't brood; sooner try to hate before I close, I thank you for what you have done for me. It is not my fault that fate plans life differently.

"Don't come to Leicester. I shall be boss; more than that, I shall see you. I don't know how to have never written a letter to you before. I hope I never will. It is against my nature. I will wish you good health, and place you safe keeping of our Heavenly Father."

"What's in a Name? Enough Enough for This Judge" FRANCISCO. — Mr. Tharnes Lurgy Praghustpondgicemling to have to struggle along with that because Superior Court Judge Thomas M. Foley has denied a plea to have his name changed.

"P., a believer in good omen, was originally just plain Ed. L. Hayes, but wanted to be Mr. Miswaldporgnuesticestmdrigneshoiwintpluasiofvalstplondqueskycrufemglish.

"A letter of the alphabet has been assigned to Tharnmidsbe, formerly employed by the Moore Drydock Co., Oakland.

"Name Edward L. Hayes, he needed, had no future, so he became T. L. Praghu (etc.) but he wanted that name didn't bring the good fortune he anticipated.

"Kisses Sizzle so he Asks Firemen's Aid" SAGO. — Herbert Clark was in a tavern with Miss Mar-Mayhood, 41, recently, when he heaved a big sigh and then for a fire alarm box and the lever.

"Terrorfied Boy Reports Lion Chasing Him; Right" DENVER.—Terrorfied and bedraggled, a 15-year-old boy, Marvin Sager, raced on his bicycle to a drug store near City Park shouting: "A lion is after me!"

4 Military Cops Are Monarchs for Day at Old Town

Brief Policeman's Heaven Enjoyed at Ancient Mont St. Michel.

MONT ST. MICHEL, FRANCE.—Once upon a time there were four military cops who spent one day in paradise. There were no dusty roads to police, no stragglers to round up, no speeders, no doughboys to bawl out for forgetting to wear leggings or helmets and no truck drivers to yell at for tying up traffic as they asked their way to some unpronounceable French town nobody ever heard of.

For in this 24-hour M. P.'s Shangri-La there was only one narrow cobblestoned street and no military vehicles of any kind moving along it. This brief policeman's heaven was Mont St. Michel, one of the world's foremost tourist centers in peacetime and in war one of those pleasant little islands of peace amid raging battles.

The four M. P.'s didn't know what they were getting into when their boss, Lieut. Col. Mack H. Hornbeak of Baton Rouge, La., the corps provost marshal, assigned them to guard a tiny village on a granite promontory connected with the shore only by a long and narrow causeway.

But, like any other tourists, they gasped as they drove along the causeway. They saw a splendid church perched atop a sheer rock with its time-worn spire rising 400 feet above the sea like a child's dream of Camelot.

Withstood 22-year Siege. Driving up to the entrance through great 13th century stone walls which once withstood a 22-year siege by the British, the four cops climbed out of their jeep and stuck up the familiar old army sign: "Off limits to all troops."

This guard group was led by tall, red-haired Sgt. Harvey Ebert, Long Beach, Calif., and included in his garrison were Corp. Paul Ritz, Mapleton, Pa.; Pfc. William J. Knopf and Pfc. Michael Manna of Philadelphia.

They strolled a few feet up the historic Grand Rue, answering the waves of friendly villagers until they came to the Hotel Poulard, where they registered.

"Clean sheets!" said the sergeant, sinking back on the first bed he had lain on since landing in France.

They washed up—they couldn't take a bath because of the shortage of water on the island—and after leaving one man on guard at the gate to turn back military wayfarers they explored Mont St. Michel from basement to turret, with the help of a young French guide whose only fee was a couple of cigarettes.

Shop for Souvenirs. They wandered from one souvenir shop to another buying lace trinkets, colorful metallic bracelets, post cards and wooden figures for the folks back home.

They climbed the long stairs into the vast cathedral church, which was begun in the 11th century, and inspected the dungeons which held state prisoners until 1866. They idled leisurely on the stone parapets, which even Henry the Fifth's hero of Agincourt couldn't subdue.

They stuffed themselves on Mont's famous gastronomic delicacy—flaming omelets—veal, fresh bread and butter, fried potatoes and dessert tarts. And in the dusk they sat like kings at ease on the terrace overlooking the sea while they puffed on cigars and sipped wine and cognac.

"If this could only go on forever," murmured Knopf.

Bright and early the next morning up drove a fifth military policeman with word that their commander wanted them to return. He had decided that Mont St. Michel needed no policing. The four transients climbed sadly into their jeep and waved wistfully to the villagers as they drove away.

"Back to the dust bowl," said Sergeant Ebert. Their furlough in paradise was over.

U. S. Marines 'Sweat Out' Noise and Two Japs Die WITH THE THIRD MARINE DIVISION ON GUAM.—This is what the marines call "sweating it out."

Corp. D. J. Tyler, St. Paul, Minn., and Pfc. T. J. Hansberry, Atlantic City, N. J., were standing night guard duty on the crest of a small hill when they heard a noise. They shouted a challenge but there was no reply.

For three solid hours the two marines stared silently into the darkness. Finally they heard the sound of a grenade being tapped against a helmet to arm it. Tyler fired toward the sound.

Replant Fallen Trees; Trim Broken Branches

Many trees tipped over can be pulled or pushed back into place and then secured with guy wires. Just be sure when the roots go back into the ground that there are no air pockets left around them. Broken roots should be pruned and shel-lacked. If the roots stay out of the ground any length of time, they should be kept moist. Old burlap bags laid over them will help.

Where a large limb is still hanging, it is usually advisable to make three cuts. Make a short one on the underside, a foot or so up, to prevent further splitting. Then cut the limb off a bit above this point, and finally cut the stub close to the main trunk. If you attempt to cut through next to the main trunk the first time, you are apt to cause further injury.

These wounds caused by the removal of a limb or other wounds should be trimmed with a sharp knife. Preferably make an oval-shaped wound with the long diameter parallel with the grain of the wood. Cut this back to the limits of the loosened bark, and have the bottom end, if at all possible, so that water will drain out. This wound must, of course, be treated to protect it against decay. Probably the simplest method is to get a wound paint at hardware stores, paint shops, or other dealers in chemicals. Spar varnish is a safe material for all trees.

Communications Linked Allied Invasion Armies

One of the great but little-known triumphs of the Allied invasion of western Europe was scored by communications, which tied vast armies together under one control through the combined use of radios, tele-phones, signal lamps, flags, pyrotechnics, public address systems, homing pigeons and even smoke signals.

Our signal corps troops are credited with tying together the swiftly-moving armies, adding that not only the equipment but the men stood up perfectly under enemy fire and many natural obstacles. At the same time, Allied aircraft and naval vessels bombed and shelled the German communications, knocking out hundreds of telephone lines.

Training for this greatest of all communications jobs was perfected in England, where allied signalers operated a vast telephone-network of 900 switchboards, connecting with the radio systems and thus linking army, navy and air units. This training was so thorough that today field telephone service in France is equally as good as that which is the daily fare of Londoners.

Paint Wires

Bell Telephone laboratories has instituted the practice of painting already installed telephone "drop wires" — the wires which extend from the cable terminal to houses or other structures in which tele-phones are installed—to preserve the insulation, insure clearness in voice transmission, which might be impaired if moisture were to penetrate and partially cross the conductors within the insulation, and to reduce the cost of maintenance. Asphaltum paint is applied by one device which includes a trough-shaped container at the end of a long pole, which is partially filled with paint, and is pulled along the wire. The wire is kept immersed in the paint by a guide pin, while stiff brushes at one end of the container force the paint into the braid of the drop wire and remove the excess. In another type of wire painter, the wire passes between two grooved wheels, the lower of which revolves in the paint. One of the wheels is flanged and has frogs on the rim to guide the tool, and the other has a felt tread to apply the paint. Brushes distribute the paint and remove the excess. Painting of installed drop wires is at the rate of about 10 feet per minute. Some wires are lowered to facilitate painting, while others are painted while left in place.

FHA Record

Created to exert a stabilizing influence in the real estate and mortgage markets — The Federal Housing administration in the past 10 years has enabled nearly 1,300,000 families to build or purchase homes. In addition more than 4,500,000 families have improved or repaired their properties during the same period through FHA insured loans amounting to over \$1,730,000,000. More than \$6,000,000,000 in mortgage loans have been insured on 1,300,000 homes by the FHA and through insurance premiums, appraisal fees and interest on investments the original insurance fund of \$10,000,000 has been built up to something over \$83,000,000.

Southern Resources

In petroleum, and natural gas the south has over half the national production. Most of the Appalachian coal field, the best producing field in the world, is in the south and could furnish all the fuel needed for America's industrial and domestic uses for many decades. The south produces some copper and lead and about 10 per cent of the national output of iron, but it dominates bauxite and sulphur production. Other minerals which the south is producing include helium, salt, magnesium, bromine, phosphates, rutile, mica, clays, cement, sand, gravel and marble.

Wounded Amarillo Soldier Recovering in England

A U. S. Army General Hospital, England—Injured on the Siegfried Line, Private First Class Charles M. Ray, 19, of 611-A North Taylor Street, Amarillo, Texas, is recovering at this United States Army general hospital in England.

A cannoner in the Tank Corps, Pfc. Ray was being briefed before a drive on the Siegfried pillboxes. The Germans began lobbing shells into the American positions, and leaping into the tank to avoid the enemy fire, he fell and was injured. He was flown to this hospital and is "making a very satisfactory recovery," said his ward surgeon, Captain Samuel Berman, of Boston, Massachusetts.

Pfc. Ray worked on the farm of his grandfather, Mr. J. M. Brownlow before entering the service in July, 1943. Son of Mr. G. S. Ray of the Taylor Street address, he attended Floydada High School, in Floydada.

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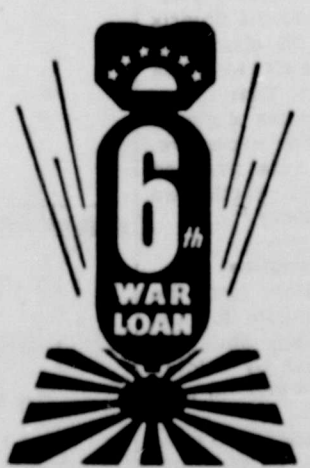
Out here, you get to understand those things. There's no question of quitting—no matter how much you've done.

Back home, it's the same way about buying War Bonds. You feel

good when you count up and realize what a high score you've got. You feel you deserve a rest, too.

But the war isn't over yet. And until it is, I'll make a bargain with you: You keep on buying, and I'll keep on fighting till the last Jap drops!

The 6th War Loan is on. And it's every American's duty to invest in at least one extra \$100 War Bond. If you haven't bought yours yet, do it today!



Buy at least one extra \$100 War Bond Today!

Navy Air Group Fifteen is Home On Leave

New Orleans, La., December 28. After a tour of duty in the Pacific during which it broke virtually every carrier record in the books, Navy Air Group Fifteen is home on leave. One of the group's returning pilots is Lieutenant (junior grade) Jimmie Smyth, whose wife and parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. Smyth, live on Route 2, Floyd, Texas.

Lt. (jg) Smyth was formerly attached to Torpedo Squadron 50 before reporting for duty with Torpedo Squadron Fifteen. According to Torpedo Fifteen's commander, Lt. (jg) Smyth fitted into the organization as smoothly as a hand slides into a glove. A large, quiet and even tempered, he is a typical Texan. His aptitude and efficiency in combat Naval aviation has been outstanding.

A wearer of the Air Medal and Gold Star in lieu of a Second Air Medal, Lt. (jg) Smyth has engaged in strikes on New Guinea, the Philippines, Rota and Guam. He participated in raids on Christmas Island.

Based aboard the carrier Essex, ranging from the Central to the far Western Pacific, Air Group Fifteen has achieved such a workmanlike standard in the destruction of enemy aircraft and shipping during its seven months afloat that, to the rest of the carrier fleet, it is known as "Fabled Fifteen".

Commanding officer, Commander David S. McCampbell, a native of West Palm Beach, Florida, is the Navy's highest flying pilot with a total of 34 enemy planes destroyed, the greatest number ever shot down by an American pilot during

a single tour of duty. Air Group 15 likewise has an enviable "team" record. The combined efforts of its fighter, dive bomber and torpedo bomber pilots excelled those of any other large carrier group in virtually every combat department. All told, the group destroyed 312 enemy planes in the air, 348 on the ground, and 388 probably destroyed or damaged in the air and on the ground.

Still another record was achieved against enemy shipping: 174,300 tons of merchant shipping and 77,200 tons of warships sunk; 38,500 tons of merchant shipping and 217,450 tons of warships damaged. (Commander McCampbell points out, however, that other carrier groups participated in some of the attacks.

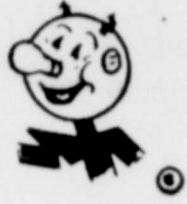
This record was not achieved without loss. Seventy-two pilots and air-crewmembers are listed as dead or missing in action, 25 other airmen were wounded in action, and 37 of the group's personnel were shot down and later rescued.

After its leave period the air group will resume combat operations.

Out of date ?



not for this fellow!



Maybe you think that servants' entrances went out of fashion with the brownstone-fronted mansions of the gay nineties, or the overblown new-rich palaces of the roaring twenties. Don't you believe it! In fact, there are servants' entrances in your own home—not one but many.

Right in your walls, wherever there's an electric outlet, you'll find Reddy Kilowatt, your electrical servant, waiting to come in and help do your work. He's fast, strong, always on the job, and works for only a few pennies per day.

While most other workers' wages have gone up, Reddy's have actually gone down. And even though he's been doing a lot of war work, he's always been right on hand when you wanted him to help with the housework. He still is. Whenever you need him, plug in—he's Reddy!

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FOOLS THE EYE

Again, the fool-the-eye style Nardis does so well—the one piece with the two-piece look! A real beauty—from the gilt clip that comes with the dress, to the shirtwaist cuffs, to the fly front. Rayon gabardine in brown with beige, navy with lime, black with red, green with oyster, blue with lime. Sizes 10 to 20.



SUPER-SHIRTWAIST

by Nardis of Dallas

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FRUIT TREES WHEN ANT; DECEMBER MARCH

Station, December 28.—
 proper time to prune most
 fruit trees is between De-
 1 and March 1, the dor-
 season. But C. R. Heaton,
 Iturist for the A. and M.
 Extension Service, cau-
 at this operation should be
 for most fruits during any
 the growing season because
 ore devitalizing to the trees.
 referred time for pruning
 ust set out is early spring
 growth has definitely started.
 evelops out their frame-
 No pruning should be done
 trees are frozen.
 amount and type of prun-
 ssary will vary with age,

rate of growth, type of tree, as well
 as the former pattern of pruning.
 Pruning is definitely associated
 with the maintenance or increase
 of fruit production of high quality
 over a long period. Among the
 objectives are to thin out weak
 wood or diseased limbs; to stimu-
 late new or fruit wood growth;
 and, with some fruits, to reduce
 the tendency of alternate bearing.
 Heaton says that all cuts should
 be made so there will be a good
 leaf-bearing tissue beyond the cut.

AT FIRST
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 Cold Preparations as directed

They should be made as closely as
 possible to the limb or branch to
 which the part removed is attach-
 ed. Long stubs never should be
 left as the wood cannot heal. In
 tipping back twigs or limbs cut
 just barely above a side branch or
 bud so the wound will heal quick-
 ly. Dead stubs collect moisture
 and set up rot which likely will
 penetrate live tissues and do dam-
 age. Heaton recommends mois-
 ture.

Trees which have been properly
 pruned each season seldom require
 removal of large limbs. Wounds
 from removal of limbs of one to
 one and one half inches in diame-
 ter rarely develop decay. As larg-
 er ones may do so they should be
 painted over with proper materials
 to prevent infection. In areas of
 high rainfall infection likely will
 be more severe and should be
 guarded against.

The help of the county agricul-
 tural agent should be sought in
 problems of pruning fruit trees or
 vines.

OPA ANNOUNCE THERE WILL BE NO INCREASE IN PRICE OF BREAD

District Director Howard R.
 Gholson, of the Office of Price
 Administration said today that
 there will be no increase in the
 price of bread despite the increase
 of 4 cents a bushel in wheat, which
 OPA recently granted.

Housewives of the Lubbock Dis-
 trict will continue to pay 10 cents
 for a standard-size white loaf.
 Flour prices also will remain at
 their present levels under Decem-
 ber 31, at which time announce-
 ment will be made of a new sub-
 sidy rate to apply after January 1.
 This rate will be based on wheat
 prices prevailing at the time under
 the new ceilings.

The 4-cent increase in wheat was
 necessary to fulfill the require-
 ments of the Stabilization Exten-
 sion Act of 1944, and also will
 provide an average to cover pos-
 sible future increases in the parity
 index, the announcement said.

W. E. GRIMES, JUDGE ELECT, WILL REMAIN AT HIS LAW OFFICE FOR PRESENT

W. E. Grimes, County Judge
 elect, who will be among other
 county officials to take oath of
 office January 1st, stated to the
 Plainsman that he will remain at
 his present law office for several
 weeks, and will attend to the coun-
 ty judge's duties from there until
 he is through handling income tax
 reports and other business matters,
 and in the meantime will do some
 re-arranging of the county judge's
 office. He was indefinite just how
 soon he would be able to move to
 the court house.

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 Morning Worship 11:00.
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Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Grimes had
 as their guests during the holidays,
 their daughter and husband, Mr.
 and Mrs. Gene Aylesworth, of Du-
 mas, Texas. Mrs. Aylesworth is
 the former Edith Grimes.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. King spent
 from Sunday until Tuesday in
 Amarillo, with their son and fam-
 ily.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Ray, of
 Amarillo, spent th holidays with
 relatives and friends here.

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Lt. Donald R. Cor- nelius is Stationed in England

An Eighth Air Force Bomber
 Station, England—Second Lieu-
 tenant Donald R. Cornelius, 20, of
 Floydada, Texas, navigator on a
 B-17 Flying Fortress, has been as-
 signed to the 95th Bombardment
 Group, commanded by Colonel
 Karl Truesdell, Jr., of Washing-
 ton, D. C., and now is taking an
 orientation course on flying pro-
 cedure in the European Theatre of
 Operations, prior to beginning
 combat duty in the air.

Lt. Cornelius is a member of the
 Eighth Air Force Fortress group
 which led the first American
 bombing attack on targets in Ber-

lin, and which was cited by the
 President for its outstanding bomb-
 ing assault on railroad marshalling
 yards at Munster, Germany, in
 October, 1943. As a component
 of the distinguished Third Bom-
 bardment Division, the group also
 shared in a Presidential citation
 given the entire division for its
 historic England-Africa shuttle
 bombing of an important Messer-
 schmitt fighter plane plant at
 Regensburg, Germany, in August
 1943.

The AAF navigator is the son of
 Ermin L. Cornelius of 120 East
 California Street, Floydada.

Gene Blackmon, of Lubbock,
 spent the week end here with re-
 latives.

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