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Christmas Party Enjoyed Last Week By B&PW Clubbers

The Hico Business and Professional Women's Club met Tuesday night, Dec. 5th, in the Firemen's Hall for their annual Christmas party.

The hall was beautiful in its Christmas decorations, and the well-lit Christmas tree bore gaily wrapped gifts for everyone present.

The dinner table carried center decorations of poinsettias and miniature Christmas trees. A turkey dinner was served to thirty members and guests including Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Isbell, Mr. J. E. Lincoln, and Mrs. Cecil Reeves.

After a short talk by Rev. Isbell, Mr. Lincoln showed us a colored film showing his travels in Old Mexico and Grand Canyon, and the members are now insisting that he conduct a travel tour through Mexico, taking all the members with him—and, of course, with all expenses paid. We enjoyed the film and hope to have him with us again.

REPORTER.

Fairy

By Mrs. J. O. Richardson

WAR BOND RALLY WEDNESDAY NIGHT A HUGE SUCCESS

There was a large crowd present Wednesday night at the Bond Rally, and the good citizens of Hico, and surrounding communities purchased sufficient bonds to put us over the top on our quota, which was twelve thousand dollars.

Entertainment for the occasion consisted of the Hamilton Quartet, the personnel of which was Luke McGlothlin, Bradford Corrigan, John Jordan, and Dr. Jack Koen. Piano accompanist was Mrs. John Jordan. Little Wilma Grace Goynne gave a piano solo.

The Joint Tarterton College Band was on hand, with Mr. May as director, and accompanied also by Rev. Carter of Stephenville and another man. Addresses were given by Bradford Corrigan and Rev. Carter, who assisted greatly in helping to secure our quota. Practically every person in the audience had a relative in the service, and all were glad to help do their part in this way to help bring our boys home again.

Thanks to the committee, which consisted of W. E. Goynne, Mrs. Wallace Edwards, and Mrs. Curtis Wright. Many others also assisted in various ways.

W. E. Goynne, chairman of the committee, reported Thursday that the Bond Rally went over with a bang, \$12,500.00 sold with more to be added. Thanks to everyone.

Mrs. J. O. Richardson and Mrs. Carl Ray Sellers were in Stephenville last Saturday afternoon to visit with Mrs. H. O. Richardson and Mrs. Ed Allison, who were there for a few days. Both have returned home and we are glad to report them much improved. While there they learned that Mr. Grady Barrow was also a patient there, so looked him up and paid him a visit also. While in Stephenville, they also visited Ray's Curio Shop near town, which is very interesting. There are many designs of tedious hand work on rock, shells, glass and other materials, which Mr. Ray has erected in the last five years.

Mrs. Dalton Driver of Hamilton informs us that her husband is now in San Diego, Calif., after more than two years of service overseas with the Navy. He is on his way home for a 30-day leave, and it is hoped he can resume his journey from California in time to arrive home by Christmas.

The Senior Class members are presenting a play tonight (Friday). Nominal admission prices will be charged. All are invited to attend.

Mrs. W. L. Jones spent last week end in Waco as a guest of Dr. and Mrs. King.

Iredell Chapter of Future Homemakers Met December 5th

A regular meeting of the Iredell Chapter of the Future Homemakers of Texas was called December 5. The meeting was called to order by the president, Wilma Rae Burns. Roll call and reading of minutes followed. Then the class sang "White Christmas."

During the business discussion, it was decided to have a Christmas tree with the Agriculture boys. The third year Home Economics Girls will have charge of interior and tree decorations.

The program committee concluded the meeting by giving a very interesting program which included a talk on "Decorating for Christmas," and other topics of general interest.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 5.

JEAN HARPER, Reporter.

HUSBAND OF FORMER HICO GIRL, NOW OF DALLAS, GETS WOUNDED IN GERMANY

Mrs. Wynonne Foyt, nee Arrant, employed at Drew's Hatchery in Dallas, received the following telegram from the War Department last Friday: "Regret to inform you your husband, Pfc. Joe J. Foyt, was slightly wounded in action November 19 in Germany. You will be advised as reports of condition received."—Witsell, Acting Adjutant General.

Young Foyt has been overseas since May 1943, serving first in North Africa, then in Sicily and England, and was among the first to land in France on D-Day. His wife has received souvenirs from each country Joe visited, such as money, postal cards, and kodak pictures.

As a Christmas present and souvenir from Germany, he sent a beautiful set of silverware and a set of pillow cases, which included two small ones and a large one.

Joe is stationed with the First Army in a medical detachment.

WAR PRISONER, LOCAL BOY, MOVED TO TOKIO CAMP

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Abel have had a letter from the office of the Provost Marshal General in Army Service Forces Headquarters at Washington, informing them that their son, Pfc. Johnnie L. Abel, had been transferred to Tokio Camp, Japan. Mail will be forwarded to him via New York, N. Y., the letter informed them, and they were advised that they could communicate with their son by following mailing instructions that were enclosed.

The letter, signed by Col. Howard F. Breesse, assistant director of the Prisoner of War Division, said that further information would be forwarded as soon as it is received.

RACHEL SAID DON'T TELL THIS, SO KEEP IT QUIET

First Lieutenant James P. Brumley has been awarded the Bronze Star. This information came out in a casual conversation with his wife, the former Rachel Marcum, who dropped in at the office Thursday morning to say howdy to the editor and wife. She was on her way from Pampa, where she had been staying with her husband's parents, to Bellville for a holiday visit with Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Marcum.

Lieutenant Brumley has been serving in the same outfit with Capt. Alvin Price, also of Hico, and the last accounts heard from them they were tearing things up between Italy and Berlin.

"The funny thing about the decoration," Rachel chuckled, "was when Parks wrote that some of the other boys got the Silver Star for not being damn fools enough to follow him."

FAMILY RECEIVES NUMBER OF SOUVENIRS RECENTLY

Ensign Billy R. Neal, communications officer on an LST operating between England and the continent of Europe, has sent home a number of souvenirs to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Neal, and to his brother, Jack. Among recent arrivals was a super-Bowie knife and scabbard, which he had bought in Boston, but which he didn't need after another was issued to him. Jack was wearing the monogrammed weapon around last Saturday, and everyone was giving him a wide berth.

Jack also showed the editor three empty shell cases which his brother sent along with the information that they were fired on the first day of the invasion.

Mrs. Neel received a number of pieces of paper money and coins, and a bottle of perfume that had been handled a little roughly before it arrived.

DON'T WORRY TOO MUCH, KIDS, WE CAN'T GO ANYHOW

Second Lt. Jimmie Ramage, who has been stationed at Camp Pendleton, Calif., spent the week end at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Ramage, who met him in Fort Worth Friday morning.

Lieutenant Ramage was on his way to New Orleans, La., where he will attend an officers' transportation school for the next two months.

Jimmie invited the editor and his wife to come down to see him while he was in N. O. We might do that, if his sister, 2nd Lt. Virginia Ramage, will fly by here and pick us up on her way there from Victoria.

Zella and Irvin Poff have sent a card changing their address from Roswell to Pecos Army Air Field. So it's now Lt. Poff of PAAF.

JESS WASN'T TAKING ANY CHANCES ON SOMEONE ELSE TELLING ON HIM FIRST

Jess R. Askey, Coxswain in the United States Coast Guard, came into port on the West Coast last week with his LST, and had a short shore leave before shoving off again for a Pacific island destination.

Sunday night he and a few of his mates went to Earl Carroll's night club, where they had intended making an economical visit and unobtrusively watching the floor show. But a party at a nearby table invited them to partake of their hospitality for the rest of the night (and some of the morning). Jess called home early Monday morning to report to his wife, Jeanette, and their daughter, Ann.

In a letter received later, Jess, who is now sporting chin whiskers and a moustache, said a photographer aboard his ship had taken some pictures. One of them showed him astride his 20-millimeter gun, and was sent to a public relations officer at Washington for clearance before being relayed to the News Review. Another picture, the subject for which was chosen from all aboard the ship, showed Jess standing beside his bunk on which was a picture of Jeanette and Ann. This is expected to be used in the Christmas issue of some magazine.

IT MUST BE AWFUL OVER THERE, TOM, ESPECIALLY WITHOUT THE HICO PAPER

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Powers have heard recently from their son, S/Sgt. Geo. T. Powers, in a letter written from France Nov. 29. He acknowledged receipt of their letter of Oct. 29.

Little Tom (who was about twice the size of his dad the last time we saw him) added, in part:

"I have been overseas 20 months today. In some ways time has passed fast and in other ways it seems years since we left the States. Winter is really here now. In the last two weeks we have had all kinds of weather, including rain and snow.

"Was sorry to hear about dad being sick. Hope his eyes are all right again by now.

"I guess my sub has run out on the Hico paper, as I haven't received any in two or three months. Tell them to send it for 6 months to my new address, Love, Fritz."

The sergeant is moving around too fast, we suppose, to get delivery on his home paper, for his mother watches to see that his time never runs out. Maybe if he would drop us a line now and then we could check up better. And all of us here in Hico join in the wish that the elder Tom may get back to normal as soon as possible.

IF SOME OF YOU OTHER SOLDIERS GET THE SARGE'S PAPER, PASS IT ON TO HIM

Mrs. Leslie Kinsler came by the office early Monday morning and—as usual—the force was out. So she wrote to have her brother's subscription started again. He is 1st Sgt. Alvin A. Bell, who by the way has been in service so long his serial number contains one less numeral than that of most of you lads.

"My mother received a card from Alvin last week," Mrs. Kinsler's note said, "and he is still in Italy. If he doesn't get the paper, maybe some other lonely soldier boy will get it and read it and my efforts, I hope, will not be in vain.

"He said he had had four days' vacation and he spent them in Rome.

"My husband has been at Levelland, the place we are going to move to, for two months working, but is coming home Sunday and we plan to spend the Christmas holidays here before we move."

HE'S A LONG WAY FROM DUBLIN—TEX. OR IRELAND

Jess W. Trantham, who is somewhere in China, has been promoted to private first class, according to his wife who was in the NR office this week to renew for a paper to be sent to their friend, Sgt. Bradley Alexander.

Sergeant Alexander has written recently that he is 600 miles farther than Dutch Harbor, but he didn't say which direction he has been in foreign service since October, 1941 and has never been home to visit his parents, who live in Dublin.

Sgt. L. E. Williamson, accompanied by his wife and young son, visited here the first of the week from Monahans. Sergeant Williamson is stationed at Rattlesnake Bomber Base, near Pryor.



Excellent Response Reported On Plea For Hospital Gifts

Mrs. B. B. Gamble, chairman of the Hico organization of the Hamilton County Red Cross Camp and Hospital Unit, was in Brownwood Tuesday to deliver the Christmas presents that had been contributed by local people to the veterans returned from overseas, now in the hospital at Camp Bowie. There she was thanked by officials, and requested to express to donors the appreciation of the servicemen.

On an assigned quota of 30 gifts, Mrs. Gamble reported that she delivered 85. All were nice, well wrapped, and appreciated, she said, adding that Hico had again done her part.

Mrs. Gamble also reported that Hico participation was commendable in the rummage sale held at Hamilton, which was also successful, and during which \$111.00 worth of articles were sold in one day.

Cemetery Working At Millerville To Be Held After Christmas

Braxton Miller has requested the News Review to announce that a cemetery working will be held at Millerville on the first Wednesday after Christmas, Dec. 27. Those who participate are requested to bring their own tools such as hoes and shovels, and to come prepared to spend most of the day.

The committee is trying to make arrangements for regular care of the cemetery, Mr. Miller said, and to get the premises up in condition where it may be maintained in a fitting manner. Cooperation of those who have loved ones buried there is expected, and the assistance of others will be appreciated.

been in New Guinea for the ensuing time, except for a short time spent in Brisbane, Australia. His orders call for his report at Miami Beach Nov. 30 for orientation and reassignment.

He has two brothers in the service, Pfc. James Collier with an anti-aircraft unit in the Pacific, and Sgt. R. O. (Billy) Collier, in Italy with a bombing squadron.

AIN'T YOU GLAD YOU DIDN'T TEAR THAT TREE DOWN?

Mrs. A. A. Brown gave us instructions Monday to start the paper to her son, James D. Brown, who is with a construction company in the Aleutians. James left out in October with about 400 young men who went at the same time, and we hope we will be able to get the home news to him.

Mrs. Brown also entered a subscription for another son, Capt. Rudolph Brown, with a bombing squadron somewhere in England. Rudolph sent Christmas greetings on a card bearing a picture of a Quonset but such as he lives in, but said that the picture—to be entirely correct—should be shown surrounded by mud and slush instead of snow. Rudolph wrote that he had received his Christmas package, and was especially glad to get some pecans from the tree in his back yard, where his parents used to have to lick him and the other kids to keep them from wrecking it while climbing it.

In the picture Rudolph sent, a strangely familiar looking bicycle was shown leaning up against the outside wall of the hut. Could it be that Corporal Henry is now including England in his itinerary?

IF YOU NAVY MEN MISS A PAPER, SEE BILLY

Billy McKenzie, S 2/c, who has been stationed at San Diego, Calif., has written his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. McKenzie, that he has been transferred to San Francisco, and is employed at present in the Fleet Post Office.

Sgt. Lawrence Thornton Visits Grave of Local Lad in Southwest Pacific

Somewhere in the Pacific November 25, 1944

Mrs. J. A. Thornton Route 6, Hico, Texas Dear Mom:

Just a few lines to let you know I am O. K. and hope that you are the same. I got your letter that was mailed Nov. 11. The gum was O. K., but it was longer getting here.

I got a paper a while back dated Aug. 18. It told about Raymond Howerton—that is John Howerton's boy. He was killed here. He was in the Field Artillery. You can tell his folks that I was here at that time, and have seen his grave and it is fixed up real nice. And it will be kept that way, I'd like to send them a picture of it, but we are not allowed to take pictures of graves. Even if I did, I couldn't send it home. Well, I had better not say any more, or it might not go through.

Believe it or not, we had turkey for Thanksgiving. We are eating

H. E. O'Neal Has Accepted Position With Civil Service

H. E. O'Neal, local insurance agent, has accepted a Civil Service position in Stephenville. He will begin his duties there in soil conservation work on Dec. 17.

Mr. O'Neal has had a variety of occupations that will be of great assistance to him in his new connection. He began work in a floral shop at Cisco, Texas, in 1927, first as delivery boy, later as grower and propagation man, going from there into nursery and landscaping work. For three years O'Neal supervised the planting of landscape plans, overseeing and directing the planting on some large projects such as the Eastland County court house at Eastland, the Hodge Oak School at Hanger, and the Daughters of Confederacy Park at Cisco.

In 1931 O'Neal was employed by the Wolfe Nursery at Stephenville as ornamental shrub and evergreen propagator, working in that position until 1936. In the fall of that year he took over the sales and yard management at Wolfe's. Some of his duties were visiting the commercial fruit and nut orchards of this part of Texas, and conferring with orchardists as to the best and most prolific varieties to plant.

He also attended a number of short courses in order to learn more about the home and commercial orchards of this section, including two short courses at A. & M. College.

O'Neal came to Hico June 1, 1942, taking over the local agency of the Rio Grande National Life Insurance Co. "Following a salesman like L. B. Bowman, I thought I was lost," O'Neal declared. But he was willing to work, and today, after two and one-half years put in here, the number of local policy holders has doubled.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. O'Neal and their three children, Gene Austin, Vonda Lee, and Gracie Mae, extend their congratulations and best wishes in their new work.

Hamilton Mill and Elevator Co. Offers Valuable Coupons

Sidney Wieser of Hamilton was in Hico Wednesday on business with the local mill owned and operated jointly by the Hamilton Mill & Elevator Co. and authorized announcement of a coupon deal whereby one bag of Hamco Vitamek Laying Mash is offered free with the purchase of five bags of the same popular product.

Wieser said the plan had been used previously with great success at Hamilton, and that he was offering the special deal throughout this part of the territory for the benefit of local customers served by his company.

It is felt that feed users in general will be interested in the liberal proposition, which will be well publicized through newspaper advertisements, the first of which appears on Page 6 of this issue.

pretty good now for a change.

I have a gasoline lantern, but it is hard to get mantles for it. If you can get them in a letter, two at a time, I will get them a lot faster that way. I need eight or ten.

Goodnight, and sweet dreams.

Love, LAWRENCE.

(Sgt. Lawrence D. Thornton)

In a note accompanying the letter above, Mrs. Thornton called attention to Lawrence's promotion from corporal to sergeant. She added: "It has been over two months since we've heard from J. T., who is supposed to be in Italy. We also received a picture of scenery in the Dutch East Indies and the Southwest Pacific, along with Christmas greetings from Lawrence."

TWO SONS IN PACIFIC

Mrs. J. M. Todd was in this week to renew a subscription for one of her two service sons whose time was out. They both get the Hico paper.

Jerry Todd Jr., carpenter's mate, second class, who has been in the Pacific for two years and is now on the Admiralty Islands, hopes to be home some time after the first of the year.

Cpl. Horace Todd, with a Signal Service Battalion in the Hawaiian Islands, recently sent some pictures home. He has been there for about a year.

SENDS TWO SUBSCRIPTIONS

Mrs. Gerald Clepper and daughter, Doris, came in Monday to have the paper sent to Mrs. Clepper's father, Albert D. Seay, for a Christmas present. Mr. Seay is employed with a construction company in the Aleutian Islands, and

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ANNUAL FUND INCREASED; WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Friday, Dec. 8, the Rhythm Review added a notable sum to the Annual fund and selected Don Griffiths as the Most Handsome Boy and Willa Dean Hancock as the Most Beautiful Girl of Hico High School.

The first number was a group of dancing coeds starring Charlene Sherrard, Mary Nell Jones, Dale Randalls, Mildred Rellihan, Nelda Paul Fallon, Jackie Ganoce, Willa Dean Hancock, and Virginia Coston. Their dance was done to the tune of "Swinging On a Star" and they were accompanied by Mrs. A. G. Macy. The second number was a rhythm band composed of first and second grade children and directed by Mrs. Lincoln.

Then came Scene One of Beauty Parade which was entitled "School Day." The following girls appeared in school clothes amid an array of desks and school-room objects: Marlene Adams, Patsy Ruth Roberts, Bobbie Jean Jaggers, Charlene Sherrard, Dale Randalls, Jackie Ganoce, Betty McLarty, Willa Dean Hancock, Margie Nell Land, Mildred Rellihan, Lorene Hyles, and Mary Nell Jones.

The fourth number was two

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Carlton

By Mrs. Fred Geve

Ensign and Mrs. M. J. Carmichael from Boston are enjoying a visit home and to visit with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Cox and baby of Cisco are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lem Youngblood.

Mrs. Woodie Wilson and niece, Sharon Pruitt, of Stephenville spent Saturday with her husband's mother, Mrs. Norma Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Vaughn returned home Saturday after a week's stay in the Temple hospital where she went for a medical examination.

Mrs. Arthur Cox and Mrs. Harvey Collins returned Friday to their homes in Stephenville after a two weeks' visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Warren and daughter, La Jauna Kaye, visited Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Geve, and her sister, Mrs. Dow Self and sons, Connie Mack and Freddie. Mrs. Warren and baby remained over until Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Emmett Fowler and son of Stephenville are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Wright, and to help care for her mother, who is confined to her bed with rheumatism.

The Hamilton County Workers' Meeting met with the Carlton Baptist Church Monday, with a very good attendance.

Mrs. Hunter Hill of Freer, Tex., and Mrs. Raymond Geve and son, Jeffrey, of Bemidji, Minn., visited Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Geve. Jeffrey remained with his grandparents for a visit, while his mother and her sister, Mrs. Hill, help care for their sister, Mrs. Dorothy Edmiston, who is seriously ill at her home in Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Barnett and daughter, Latrelle, were visitors in Dublin Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Oakley Dinwiddie and Mrs. Millie Petty of Jall, New Mexico, Mr. and Mrs. Alice Thompson of Energy, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Buchanan of Palm Rose, Mr. and Mrs. Dunk Upham of Wilson were guests Saturday of their brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Upham.

Mrs. Raymond Bolton and son, Johnnie Mack, and Mrs. Millie Raybourn of Dublin and Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Faulkenberry of Lamesa visited Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Will Barnett.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Clark and children, John Ralph and Patricia, spent Sunday in Gustine with her mother, Mrs. W. S. Cox.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Methodist church for J. T. Curbo, who passed away Monday night in Waco following a fractured hip he received several months ago. The obituary will be given next week.

Mrs. Culmer Jordan underwent an operation the past week at the Gorman Hospital.

THE FAIRIES

FROM THE FAIRY SCHOOL

Editor Ruby Massingill Assistant Editor Alta Arrant

Seniors

The Seniors are putting on a play, "Lights Out", next Friday night, Dec. 15. We would like for you all to come.

Tenth Grade News

We are all looking for Santa Claus to be here to see us soon. We know we haven't been perfect, but we hope we haven't been too bad.

We are glad to have Oleta Fay Grimes back with us this morning. We really did miss her while she was absent.

Eighth Grade

Everyone is as happy as a lark this morning. Last week we thought that our dreams of a "White Christmas" would come true, but we can't say that this week.

We are having a Bond Rally Wednesday night, Dec. 13. There will be a Military Band from Camp Bowie to entertain everyone.

We will now interview Vera Lee Davis. She is a very popular girl at Fairy. She has brown hair, brown eyes, and a light complexion. Her height is 5 feet 4 inches, and her weight is 122. Her favorite sport is basket ball.

Seventh Grade

We are glad to be back in school today. Wonder why Milton Clark didn't come to school today?

We are going to interview Don Danshee. He has blond hair, and green eyes. Favorite teacher is Miss Bollier. Favorite girl friend is Pansy Hicks.

Fifth and Sixth Grades

Miss Kern spent Sunday visiting in Seymour.

Leon New spent the day with Freddie Joe Glenn last Sunday.

Bobby Ray Cunningham spent Sunday night with Bobby Todd.

Barbara Andean Clark spent Sunday with Chapman Coker.

Deanie Mae Lewis spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Fark.

The Fifth and Sixth Grades entertained with a chapel program last Friday.

First and Second Grades

Mr. and Mrs. Tudor visited our room last week.

We have drawn names for Christmas presents and have our room decorated with cedar, green and red rope, and Santa Clauses. We are working hard on our program for Christmas, and trying to be good as we are looking for Old Santa and are counting the days till he comes.



LET'S FINISH IT!

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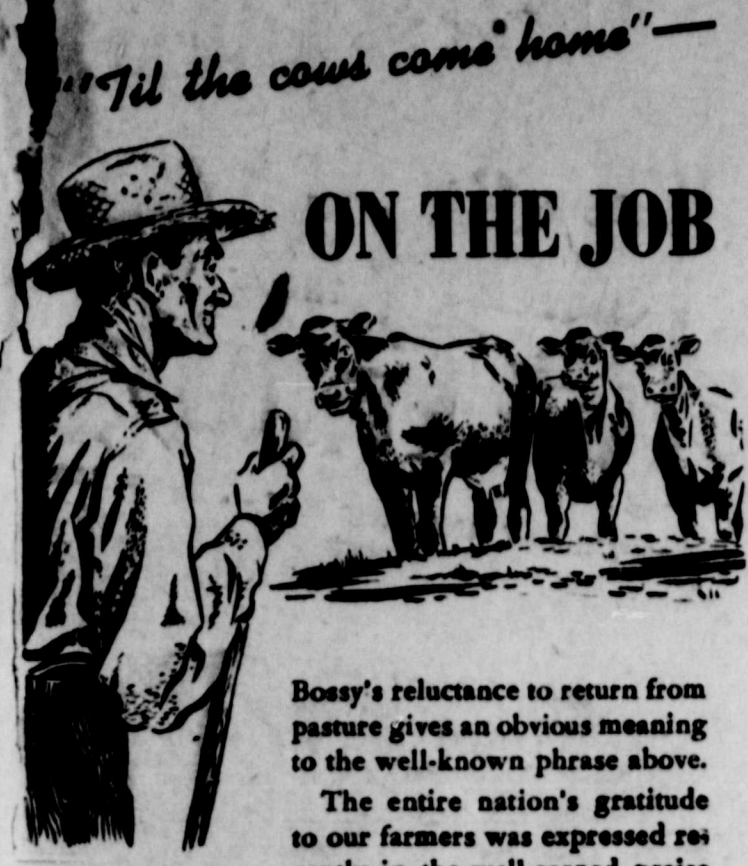


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"Til the cows come home"—

ON THE JOB

Bossy's reluctance to return from pasture gives an obvious meaning to the well-known phrase above.

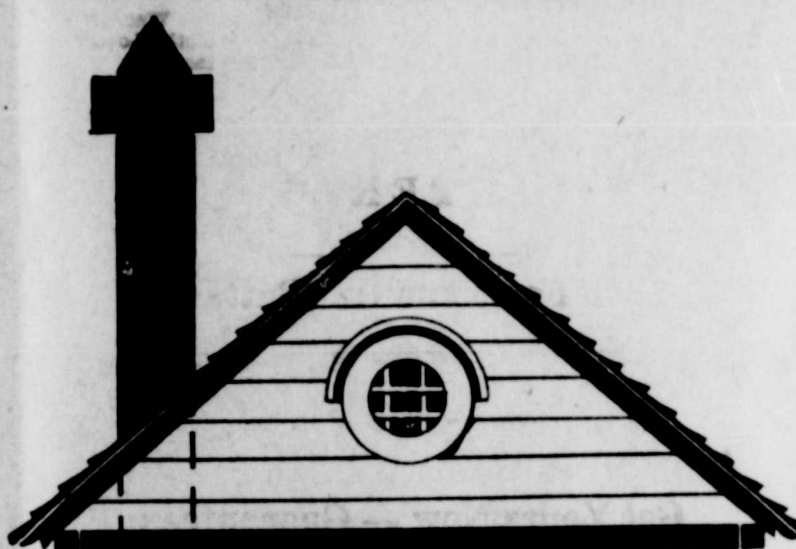
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Clairette

By Mrs. H. Alexander

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stipe and children, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stipe and daughter spent the week end in Fort Worth with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Mayfield and children of Fort Worth spent the week end here visiting relatives. Mrs. John Golightly made a business trip to Stephenville Saturday. Those from here who attended the school program at Hico last Friday night were Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Sherrard and little daughter, Mary, and granddaughter, Wilma Jean Sherrard; Mr. John Salmon, Mrs. Nora Dowdy and daughter, Bessie, Miss Lila Sherrard of Mineral Wells, Mrs. John Golightly and children, Joan, Charles and Betty, Mrs. Hub Alexander and daughter, Elizabeth Ann, Wilma Louise Harvey, Corky, Janet and Janell Dowdy, Bonnie Haley, and a student, Charline Sherrard of Clairette who had a part in the program and style show. Mrs. Earl Mayfield and son, Cotton, who are working at Fort Worth, spent the week end here in their home with their husband and father. Mr. and Mrs. W. Z. Carter of Kerrville attended the bedside of

their mother, Mrs. Mattie Carter, who was seriously ill for a few days last week, but we are glad to report that she is improving nicely. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Golightly of Hamilton were guests of Mr. G. H. Golightly and Mr. and Mrs. John Golightly and children Sunday afternoon. Miss Lila Sherrard of Mineral Wells spent from Friday until Sunday afternoon with her parents and family here. Rev. Arch Jones of near Dublin was a dinner guest of Mr. R. M. Alexander Sunday. Charline Sherrard, Elizabeth Ann Alexander, Betty Lee, Lelon Wolfe and Von Scott went to Stephenville Sunday to meet Wendol Scott of the U. S. Navy, from California, who arrived to spend a leave here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Scott, and friends, of the Salem community. Mrs. Scott prepared a supper for the young folks upon arrival at the family home, which was without doubt a happy occasion for all. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Edwards were guests of Mrs. Mary Koonsman and Mrs. Mattie Wolfe Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Havens of Houston are here visiting friends and relatives. I. B. Havens, who is working at Fort Worth, was at home with his wife this week end. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Alexander and

daughters, Betty and Mrs. Leslie Patterson and baby, also Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Alexander spent the week end at Waco in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Alexander. Nila Marie Alexander of Stephenville spent Sunday in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hub Alexander. **ON TARLETON HONOR ROLL** Special to The News Review: Stephenville, Dec. 12.—The Fall Tri-mester Honor Roll for John Tarleton Agricultural College has been announced by Registrar T. V. Crouse. Students who make the honor roll must have a grade of 80 or above on all courses carried. Among those whose names appeared on the honor roll was Shirley Ince, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben T. Ince of Hico. Shirley is a Junior majoring in Engineering. **WEATHER REPORT** The following weather report is submitted by L. L. Hudson, local observer:

Date	Max.	Min.	Prec.
Dec. 6	45	32	1.29
Dec. 7	60	39	0.00
Dec. 8	62	28	0.00
Dec. 9	65	29	0.00
Dec. 10	59	25	0.00
Dec. 11	45	23	0.00
Dec. 12	56	23	0.00

 Total precipitation so far this year, 31.09 inches.



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monologues recited by Betty McClure and coached by Mrs. Macy. Next was an instrumental duet with Mrs. Angel playing the trombone. Beauty Parade, Scene Two, showed the 12 contestants at a tea dressed in afternoon clothes.

A beautiful mock wedding came seventh on the program. It was a dramatized marriage of the Tiger's Lair to Hico High School. Mary Jane Barrow was the bride, the Annual, Lloyd Angell served as the groom. H. H. S. C. L. Gilbert was the preacher, the Spirit of the School, Harold Lynn Norrod was the best man, the Senior Class, Neida Paul Felton was the Maid of Honor, the Junior Class, The Matron of Honor was Carrie Tulliver, representing Our Advertisers. Bride's maids were La Rue Tomlin and Betty Jean Lund, representing the Sophomores and the Freshman Classes. The bride's father was James Ray Bobo, representing the Faculty. Candelighters were Pat Duzan and Frances McCullough as the Mirror and Grade School. "I Love You Truly" was sung by Virginia Coston. "The Bridal Chorus" from "Lohengrin", "The Wedding March" by Mendelssohn, and "To a Wild Rose" were played on the piano by Paul Wolfe.

Scene Three of the Beauty Parade followed. It showed the 12 contestants at a formal party, clad in evening dresses. Six boy contestants also entered in this scene. They were Billy Jackson, Clovis Grant, Glenn Hutton, Paul Wolfe, Don Griffiths, and Jack Neel. Don and Jack sang "The Night Is Young and You're So Beautiful." After a short pause, the decision of the judges was announced.

Public thanks are here extended to Mrs. Macy, Mrs. Lincoln, and Miss Hammons for their untiring efforts in behalf of the enterprise. Appreciation is also extended to the out-of-town judges, to those

who attended, and to anyone and everyone who helped to make the program a success.

F. F. A. NEWS

The contest for the F. F. A. Sweetheart which was supposed to have ended last Friday will be continued until next Friday, December 18, due to the fact that there was a tie between two of the candidates, Mariene Adams and Betty McLarty. These girls are the Freshman and Sophomore candidates. The boys are having a hard time deciding which girl deserves the honor, but time will soon tell. The members of the Chapter have their projects pretty well lined up for this year.

BASKETBALL

The Tiger's journeyed to Clair city Tuesday, Dec. 8, for the first basketball game of the season. Girls and boys both showed teamwork in the making.

At the beginning of the boys' game Hico took the lead and held it until the last. After the half Clairette redoubled their shooting attempts and came within three points of the Tiger's score. The final score was 25 to 22 in favor of Hico.

On Dec. 4, the girls scrimmaged Fairy and came home winners. Clairette proved too much for them and they lost 19 to 1.

WHO'S WHO IN THE SENIOR CLASS

Entering our class when we were Freshmen was a little girl who jingled her heart bracelet all day. With much pep and energy she was always ready to take part in any activity. During these past three and a half years Virginia Coston has become a very well liked student of H. H. S. Every time a frosted lime is mentioned we notice a twinkle in her bright blue eyes. She never tires of listening to "White Christmas" Basket ball, tall boys, and

the color blue are also some other favorites. Being teased by certain people is very annoying to Virginia. Using her current expression, we can easily see her point. "What's the future in that?"

After graduation she plans to enter John Terleton, Virginia's great ambition is to be a Home Economics teacher. "Just like Mrs. Greenway," she says. We are sure you will succeed in your ambition, Virginia, if you remain the same.

SENIOR NEWS

By putting together all the good points of the Senior boys we have decided that this should make a perfect character. Any girl walking down the halls of H. H. S. would pause and admire a boy with Lloyd Angell's physique, Paul Wolfe's clothes, and the neatness which Glenn Hutton possesses.

However, upon observing a little closer she would discover hair like James Ray Bobo's, eyes like Clovis Grant's, and the radiant complexion of Harold Lynn Norrod. As the boy returns a slight greeting, she notices Garland Latham's teeth and Bobby McLarty's smile.

SOPHOMORE NEWS

As you glance across the Sophomore room you can see many things about the Sophomores that will catch your eye. A few examples are: The fiery red hair of Annette Phillips, the quietness of Dale and Frances, Margaret Allen entertaining everyone, Bonnie Haley drawing on the board, Betty McLarty and Margaret Allen in a loud gossip session about Fredell boys, Willa Dean Hancock attracting the attention of a Junior boy, Billy Jackson giving directions about where a certain person lives, Ralph Jeggars trying to get a lesson, L. R. Mansell acting a peat, Lee Roy Brooks thinking of himself, Frank Thompson popping gum, Lattie rejoicing over a letter, Neida and J. D. Noland studying hard, Louise and Mildred talking about library books, Wendell Knight studying History, Charlee making eyes at Margie Nell.

Congratulations, Willa Dean, for winning the Beauty Contest.

EIGHTH GRADE NEWS

We have decorated our room for Christmas. Charles Gollightly was nice enough to bring our tree, and Mrs. McEber helped us decorate it. We turn out the 21st of this month and stay out until the first of January. We all hope to have a good time during the holidays.

SEVENTH GRADE NEWS

Betty Hefner went to Houston last week end. Glen Ross was 12 years old on December 12.

The Seventh Grade has been changing teachers pretty often. Miss Mary Ella McCullough is now teaching us. We like her very much.

SIXTH GRADE NEWS

Last week we got a new boy. His name is Jimmy Knipe. He came from California.

Last week we had a club play. The name was "Betty Jane's Christmas present." The characters were Delano Johnson, Joann Barbee, Holine Chaney, and Genevieve Woodard. Helen Palmer wrote and directed it.

We have a fine Christmas tree. Mrs. McEber brought the pretty decorations for it.

REFLECTIONS

"Didn't know we had so many pretty girls." Wasn't the bride lovely? "That must have been really hard to decide." "The youngsters can make music, too!" Such were the comments when people left the auditorium. History has recorded the Rhythm Revue as one more occasion of shining footlights, dressing rooms filled with whispers and performers giving their best to a worthy audience. Making money and choosing favorites are immaterial beside the fact that we have upheld an HHS tradition of good programs. Compliments have been reaching our ears and expelling our deepest doubts of whether or not it was liked by the community. The simplest and yet most striking bit of praise is a plaudit each student can consider part his. It was given by a young lady who said, "My congratulations to HHS. It's cute."

In order that credit may be given where credit is due, let us blow the trumpet for a few who deserve mention. If we omit someone that should be included, forgive us. These were just the ones we happened to see. Lloyd Angell made signs until he was black in the face—literally! Mrs. Macy and several girls whose names can be seen elsewhere shivered in a cold room to practice. Miss Hammons arranged flowers, moved furniture and decorated the stage. Mrs. Pinson even missed some classes that one night work. Mary Jane Barrow did everything from thumb-tacking crepe paper to setting married. And last, but not least is a boy who ate, slept and lived with only two words upon his lips: Rhythm Revue. If Paul Wolfe ever needs a recommendation, there's one waiting for him. He's the best hands man we know of.

Oh, yes, but to forget the two who have earned a page in the Annual. Willa Dean and Don are pretty but they were born that way.

Concensus has it that the judges knew their business, all right. Anyhow, Dale Handals and Donald Hefner are quite agreed on that point.

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Personals.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hicks visited Mrs. M. H. Johnson and family in Stephenville Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Doris Gamble of Fort Worth spent Sunday here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Gamble.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Brown Sr. returned home Monday from Houston after a few days' visit there with their daughter-in-law and granddaughter, Mrs. Grady Brown and Eloise.

J. D. Killion Jr., who lives with his family at Alpine while working with the fire department at the Marfa Air Base, was here a few days this week visiting relatives and on business.

CUT FLOWERS & POT PLANTS FOR CHRISTMAS

There is always a place for flowers in our lives. They never go out of fashion. A gift of flowers is always a courtly gesture. Have flowers on your Christmas gift list. Early orders are advised. Out-of-town orders given special attention.

THE HICO FLORIST.
ROSS SHOP, Jeweler. 45-46

Mrs. Hettie Smith and daughter, Jewel, came in Thursday from Waco to spend the week end here in the home of J. J. Smith.

Mrs. J. R. Russell left Monday for Crystal City for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Rex Ellis, and family.

Miss Wynell Stanford of Fort Worth spent last Friday and Saturday here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Stanford.

Mrs. Lucille Snyder has ordered a gift subscription to be sent to her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Winfred Driver, in the Falem community.

Mrs. Jack Hella and daughter, Judy Lynn, and Mrs. Johnny Fling and daughter, Jacque, of Walnut Springs, visited in Hico Saturday with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wren returned home last Friday from Dallas after a few days' visit with Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Burden and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hierson.

Lloyd and Floyd Jackson, six-months-old twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Jackson, were carried to the Stephenville Hospital the first of the week for treatment. At last report one was improving and the other was not getting along so well.

Mrs. Cyrus King is the recipient of a year's gift subscription from her sister-in-law, Mrs. Tyrus King.

Mrs. M. H. Bartles of Waco spent Tuesday and Wednesday here visiting her mother, Mrs. Ella Cunningham.

Earl H. Elkins of Dallas, who is now traveling for a film company, visited relatives and friends here this week.

Mrs. L. A. Powledge fell early Tuesday morning and severely injured her knee. She was carried to a Dallas hospital that afternoon in a Barrow ambulance.

Grady Barrow returned home Monday from Stephenville Hospital, where he underwent an operation for appendicitis nine days before. He is still confined to his room at the Barrow apartment.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Pirtle and daughter, Billie Jean Savoy, and the latter's small daughter, Susie, spent the week end here with Bert's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Pirtle. Mrs. Pirtle, who has been ill at her home here for the past five weeks, is some better and is able to be up some now.

Mrs. J. T. Stone and children, Weidon, Jackie and Marshall Wayne, of Whitney, were here Tuesday visiting her mother, Mrs. B. C. Christopher, and family. They were accompanied by Mrs. Sherman Handy of Iredell, who also visited in Stephenville. The Stones recently moved to Whitney from the Ramage place in Black Stump Valley.

Mrs. Walter Williamson and Billy Jean Williamson were visitors in Fort Worth Wednesday.

The NR's correspondent from Mt. Pleasant community, S. N. Akin, has ordered a subscription entered as a birthday present to his son, S. D. Akin, at Tahoka. [Note: After bragging on Nathan, we find the card was written—not by him—but by his wife. Maybe he's lost his pencil!]

"If I want to continue to get the good news along with the bad for the coming year, I had better give the editor a pay day," writes Dilis Williams from Peoria, Illinois. "The editor's wife beat him to the 'pay day' but Mr. Williams has proper credit anyhow. We enjoy the news from home." Mr. Williams added, "and also the letters from the boys in service."

Those who enjoyed a Christmas tree and supper with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hendricks last Saturday night were Mr. and Mrs. Wilmon Rich and daughter, Donnie Nell, of Meridian; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Havens, Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Morrison, Millerville; Mr. and Mrs. Gerold Turner and son, Jimmy Clarette, and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard McLendon and daughters, Marline and Linda Lee.

There's just room enough left on this page to inform our readers that Charlie (the Jew) Gross is still in town, after having said he was leaving a dozen times. You just can't tell about that fellow—if you do tell about him, he'll prove you wrong every time.

SANTA LETTERS

Hico, Tex., Dec. 12, 1944.
Dear Santa: I'd like a doll, a scooter, a rocky chair, and some striped candy. Love,
LINDA SCUDDER.

Hico, Tex., Dec. 12, 1944.
Dear Santa: I'm just a little girl but I'd like some pretties, for I've been a good baby. Maybe I'd like a rocky chair, too, and some rattlers and baby toys. I might eat a piece of striped candy and a big red apple. Be seeing you. Love,
CLAUDIA SCUDDER.

McGregor, Tex., Dec. 8, 1944.
Dear Santa: Please bring me a bicycle, a Bible and some fruit and some candy. You remember me. I am a boy seven years old and I live in McGregor now. Don't forget my three uncles in France that are fighting for little boys like me. Thanks a lot.
GARVIS WHITE.
P. S.: Don't forget Mother and Daddy.

McGregor, Tex., Dec. 8, 1944.
Dear Santa Claus: I want a bicycle, some English walnuts, some fruit, and a Cub Scout suit. I am nine years old. Don't forget the soldiers and the little children over there. Hope to see you soon.
RUSSELL NOLAN WHITE.

Hico, Tex., Dec. 11, 1944.
Dear Santa: I am a little boy six years old. For Christmas I'd like a bean-shooter and a magic slate and anything else you have for me. Your little friend,
JOE ARLAN COFFMAN.

Taxpayers NOTICE

I am unable to be in Hico on Dec. 23, but instead will be there to collect taxes on

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Mrs. Lula Bess left last Friday night after a 15-day visit here with her cousin, J. J. Smith, and other relatives. She went to Tomball to visit with her daughter, Mrs. W. B. Kerr, and family through the holidays, after which she will return to her home in Kirbyville.

CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL WREATHS

Keep the memory of your loved one green with beautiful, long-lasting memorial wreaths. Owing to scarcity of materials, make your selection early.

THE HICO FLORIST.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Huddleston, who have been in Miami, Arizona, for several months, arrived here this week for a short visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Autrey, on their way to Shreveport, La., where they will spend the Christmas holidays with their daughter, Mrs. Mary Keller. They were accompanied to Hico by their niece, Mrs. Margaret Bullard, and her young daughter, Linda, of Phoenix, Ariz., who will remain here for a visit with Mrs. Bullard's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Autrey.

A note received this week from Mrs. R. D. Burnet, Tucson, Ariz., to give a slight change in address, reads in part: "We've received the HNR for several months now and enjoy reading it very much, especially 'With the Colors.' Though we left Hico five years ago, we still think of it as home and hope to come back for a visit soon. R. D. has been employed at the Consolidated Aircraft Plant here for more than two years now."

ONLY EIGHT MORE SHOPPING DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS!



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Suggested Gifts for the Men Folks

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- Suits
- Belts
- Scarfs
- Sweaters
- Billfolds
- Overcoats
- Mackinaws
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- YOUR COUNTRY IS STILL AT WAR—ARE YOU?**



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IREDELL ITEMS

by Miss Stella Jones, Local Correspondent

James Woody of Waco visited here this week with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Louie Smith of Dallas spent the past week end with her mother, Mrs. Rosa Cunningham. She was accompanied by her niece, Mary Jane Hurt.

Mrs. Sue Gaskin visited in Hico Friday.

Mrs. Herbert R. Cunningham and Mrs. W. J. Cunningham were in Dublin Friday.

A. S. Billy Echols and wife visited his brother, Sgt. and Mrs. Ralph Echols of Waco, Thursday, returning here Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Allen and daughter, Dorothy Mae, spent the past Sunday in Mosheim with her father, Mr. Crawford.

Mrs. Herbert R. Cunningham and son are living in the Methodist parsonage.

Mrs. Duff McDonel and her daughter, Mrs. Billy Joe Fouts and son, spent the week end in Dallas.

Mrs. Cokey Graves and son of Waco came in Saturday for a visit with relatives. Her husband is in the Navy.

Mrs. Hayden was in Waco Saturday.

Miss Faye Hensley of Stephenville spent from Thursday till Saturday with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Sawyer spent Saturday in Glen Rose with relatives.

Mrs. W. M. Graves of Glen Rose and her niece, Miss Pattie Willard of Rising Star, spent the week end with Mrs. Moore's sister, Mrs. Ford.

Mrs. John Davis returned Monday, Dec. 4, from San Antonio, where she visited her new grandson, born to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Reinke. The mother is the former Miss Edra Lee Davis.

Mrs. Marshall Plummer returned Sunday from Sanatorium, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Polnaek of Walnut Springs were here Saturday.

Paul Hoover of A. & M. College was here Saturday. He went on to Stephenville and spent the week end with Billy Royce Newsum.

Mr. and Mrs. James Wyche and children of Handley spent the past Sunday with his parents.

Paul Patterson and Susie Freeman of Dallas spent the week end with his parents.

Mrs. C. A. Mitchell and her daughter, Mrs. Harold Johnson, were in Hico Friday.

Miss Maxine Presley is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McBea.

Susie Freeman of Dallas remained for a longer visit with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Patterson.

Mr. Johnson, the new mail carrier, was very ill this week with the flu, but is up now.

Pvt. Reece Watson, stationed at a place near Dallas, visited here this week.

Miss Burns of Chilton visited her uncle, Mr. R. O. Burns, and family this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Carroll of Lamesa visited Mr. Deering this week.

Mrs. Pat Polnaek spent the week end in Waco.

Mr. and Mrs. Howell McAlea and daughter of Dallas spent the week end here with relatives.

Mr. Dacus of Stephenville spent Sunday with his wife.

Mrs. Chancellor and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Woody and son were in Stephenville Sunday.

Jimmie Ramage, who is in the Army, visited his parents this week end. He is on his way to Louisiana.

Mrs. Mary L. Johnson, who is in T. S. C. W. at Denton, came in Friday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Johnson.

The Baptist church here will send a box to the orphans' home next week. The box is at the Tidwell cafe.

Sunday, Dec. 17, all the Sunday school pupils of the Methodist S. S. are urged to be there. All the names will be put in a hat and drawn out and whose name they draw will get a gift on Sunday morning, Dec. 24. A tree will be put in the church and a program will be carried out so all be there so your name can be drawn on Dec. 17.

Today (Monday) Mr. Deering is very bad. No hopes for him now, of which his friends are very sorry.

Mrs. Aileen Strange was in Hico Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Gosdin and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Helm and children spent Sunday in Dublin.

B. L. Mitchell Jr. of John Tarleton spent Sunday at home. He was accompanied by James Farmer of Stephenville, Mary Lynn of Big Springs, and Joan Edwards of Tahoka.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Oldham and son of Fort Worth spent the week end here with his parents.



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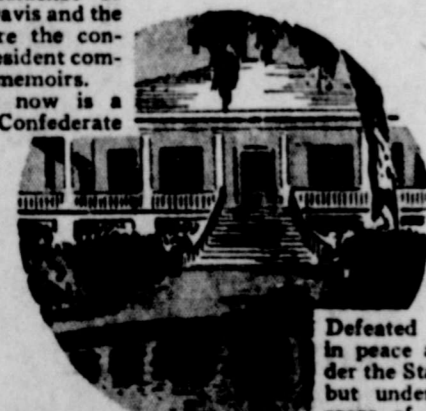
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Church News

Methodist Church

Church School at 10 a. m. T. H. King, superintendent.

Preaching, 11 a. m. Subject, "Finding God's Way."

We will worship with the Baptists at the evening hour.

Preaching 9:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. at Fairy.

As the most joyous day of all the days approaches, journey with us to Bethlehem. Experience the serenity, peace, hope and trust which God intended you to experience and which peace will be a fact in your life if you come to the Lord's house with an attentive ear and receptive heart.

We invite you to worship with us.

J. F. ISBELL, Pastor.

First Christian Church

Sunday school, 10 a. m. Brother Lemay will preach at the 11 o'clock hour.

A cordial invitation is extended to all to worship with us.

Our souls need spiritual food, and the best place to get it is at church.

S. J. CHEEK, SR. Supt. Sunday School.

Baptist Church

Sunday—

Sunday school, 10 a. m.

Preaching, 11 a. m.

Training Union, 7:30 p. m.

Preaching, 8:30 p. m.

Tuesday—

W. M. U., 3 p. m.

G. A.'s, 4 p. m.

Sunbeams, 3 p. m.

Wednesday—

R. A.'s, 4-15 p. m.

Officers' and teachers' meeting, 7:30 p. m.

Prayer meeting, 8 p. m.

O. D. CARPENTER, Pastor.

TO PREACH AT FAIRY

Bro. J. F. Isbell of Hico will preach at the Fairy Methodist Church next Sunday, both morning and evening. Morning services will start at 9:30, and evening at 7:30. Don't fail to hear this man, who has had wide experience as a chaplain in the U. S. Army during both the first and second World Wars.

Members of other churches who desire to attend the morning service will be dismissed in time to attend their Sunday School.

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HICO, TEXAS

W. S. C. S. HOLDS BUSINESS AND SOCIAL MEETINGS

The Woman's Society of Christian Service met at the parsonage for Spiritual Life Message and business, Dec. 4th.

Devotional was given by Mrs. C. D. Hanson. She chose as her topic, "Behold, I Have Set Before Thee An Open Door." Prayer was given by Mrs. J. F. Isbell, followed by hymn, "There's A Stranger At The Door."

Business followed. The Society voted to order "The Upper Room" to be used by all church members who desire to do so. Also it was voted to make Little Martha Lou Hanson a life member. Flowers were to be sent to Mrs. J. C. Barrow, one of our members who is missed greatly during her illness. The meeting closed with the benediction.

W. S. C. S. members gathered in a social meeting Monday, Dec. 11, in the home of Mrs. H. N. Wolfe, with Mrs. S. E. Blair as co-hostess. Mrs. N. M. Colwick was in charge of the program as follows:

Meditation, "The Christmas Song", Mrs. Colwick.

Appropriate songs and prayer followed.

"Christmas In Our Homes and Settlements" was the topic for the afternoon introduced by Mrs. Colwick, and special information was given on the following:

"Christmas At Mother Jewel's Home", Mrs. E. H. Randals Sr.

"Christmas In The Home for Chinese Business Girls in San Francisco", Mrs. J. F. Isbell.

"Christmas In Our Settlement", Mrs. E. F. Porter.

"Christmas At Manley Community Center, Portland, Oregon", Mrs. W. H. Greenhill.

"Christmas At Esther Hall, Des Moines", Mrs. Lusk Randals.

The program was concluded with a lovely "Christmas Prayer" by Mrs. Colwick.

The home was beautiful with a lovely Christmas tree and other decorations of the season. The dining table, where the guests served themselves with delicious fruit bars, and where tea was poured by Mrs. Colwick, was attractively arranged.

The meeting was enjoyed by the above mentioned and the following: Mrs. Geo. Jones, Mrs. C. D. Hanson, Mrs. Harold Hanson and Martha Lou, and Mrs. B. B. Gamble.

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WITH THE COLORS

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recently wrote that he was on a small island where high water often washed sand into the buildings. He added that it was awfully cold up there.
Mrs. Clepper also renewed the subscription of her husband, Pfc. Gerald G. Clepper, who is with a signal service battalion stationed in the Hawaiian Islands. He has been having trouble getting de-

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"MAISIE GOES TO RENO"
ANN SOTHERN

TUES. & WED. (NEXT WEEK)—
"MY BEST GAL"
JANE WITHERS
JIMMY LYDON

THURS. & FRI. (NEXT WEEK)—
"STORM OVER LISBON"
VERA HRUBA RALSTON
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livery on his papers, and we suggested to his wife that she write him to raise a ruckus with the mail clerk if the News Review doesn't begin showing up soon.

YOU TAKE GOOD CARE OF YOURSELF AND THAT NEW COMBAT BADGE, SOLDIER!

Somewhere In France
November 27, 1944

Mrs. Eva Mae Ash
Hico, Texas
My Dearest Mother:

Since I have a chance I thought I'd write and say "Hello" and let you know I am all O. K.
I can now tell you that I am in the Seventh Army, since our division has been recognized. We are doing all right, and I can wear the Combat Infantry Badge which means \$10.00 more per month, and every little bit adds up. You don't need a cent over here.

Boy, the French people are really friendly and treat the American soldiers very nice. I guess it's because of the way they have had to live. We give them cigarettes and you should see how happy they are to get them.

Have you heard anything about George Stringer or Doyle Nix? I'd sure like to hear from them, but I don't have their addresses since I lost my little address book.

I guess Grandpaw is as full of pep as a young colt. Tell him not to run around too much when it turns cold, though.

I guess Maidee and Alice are really looking forward to Christmas time, and I hope all of you have a Very Merry Christmas. I'd really like to be there with you, but we will make it up some time and I don't mean maybe.

Lots of love,
YOUR SON,

(Pvt. Myrtle G. Ash)
Mrs. Opal McClure and daughter, Betty, received a cablegram recently from their husband and father, Frank McClure, CM 2/c, that he had arrived at his base in Hawaii.

Pvt. Allan Knight, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Knight, is at home on a ten-day furlough after finishing his basic training at Camp Pannin, Texas.

W. A. Rushing, SC 1/c, is home on a 30-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Rushing, and sister, Miss Penny Rushing, after two years spent in Greenland with a survey company. He will return to Boston, Mass., at the end of his leave, where he will be given orders for combat duty.

Pfc. George W. Cook and wife of Columbus, Ga., are here visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Cook, and family. Private First Class Cook is stationed with the Infantry at Fort Benning.

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Thanking you,

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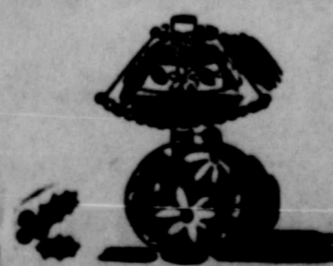


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Church News

Baptist Church

Friday night, Dec. 22, 1944 there will be a Christmas tree at the church for the children of our Sunday school. We want every child from the cradle roll department through the Young People's Department to be present. A good program is in store for those who come. Let us come and remember the One whose birthday we are celebrating—Christ the Lord.

SUNDAY'S SERVICES, DEC. 24:
Sunday school, 10:00 A. M.
Preaching, 11:00 A. M. Subject, "This Is Christmas."

Training Union, 7:00 P. M.
Preaching, 8:00 P. M. This will be Christmas Eve. We are not having a special service at this time. We are to have a transcribed sermon by the late Dr. George W. Truett, who was pastor of the First Baptist Church in Dallas. Brother Carpenter has recently purchased some records, and hopes that the church family will be present to hear this great message.

There have been many fine reports on the Christmas music that was given last Sunday night at the Baptist church. Miss Thoma Rodgers and Mrs. Ed Bradley, with the help of the choir, which was made up of both Methodists and Baptists, presented a sacred cantata, "Chimes of the Holy Night." We wish to thank each one who took part and at the same time express our thanks for those who came and helped from the Methodist church. Also we appreciate the folk of the Methodist church being present at this service.

Miss Rodgers is planning to give an Easter number, and will make announcements later about the rehearsals.

O. D. CARPENTER, Pastor.

Methodist Church

Church School at 10:00 A. M. Tyrus King, Superintendent.

Preaching at 11 A. M. Subject, "Room For Christ." Come to this special Christmas service and worship with a friendly people. We invite you to come. We urge you to come. Share with us the joy of Christmas.

J. F. ISBELL, Pastor.

First Christian Church

Sunday school, 10 a. m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all to worship with us. Our souls need spiritual food, and the best place to get it is at church.

S. J. CHEEK, SR., Supt. Sunday School.

Mrs. J. W. Richbourg Succumbs At Home After Long Illness

Mrs. J. W. Richbourg died at the family home here last Friday after a long illness. Funeral services were held from the residence Sunday afternoon at 4:30, conducted by Rev. Jim Clark of Johnson City, a schoolmate and friend of long standing, assisted by Rev. F. E. Kirchner of Fredericksburg, Tex., a former pastor, and Rev. O. D. Carpenter, present pastor of the local Baptist Church. Complying with an oft-repeated request of Mrs. Richbourg, Bradford Corrigan of Hamilton assisted in the services by rendering one of her favorite hymns as a vocal solo. Burial was in Carlton Cemetery, where the funeral cortege wended its way to accompany the body of a loved one to its last resting place.

The floral offerings were a radiant mound of beauty and gave testimony to the esteem and respect in which the departed was held by her host of friends from over a wide territory, so many of whom attended the funeral to pay the last tribute to one whom they loved so dearly.

Mary E. Adams was born January 21, 1873 in Williamson county, Texas, and was married to J. W. Richbourg on August 27, 1893. To this couple one child was born on June 17, 1900, dying in infancy.

Despite her illness, Mrs. Richbourg was kind and patient and was ever cheerful toward her friends and seemed to enjoy their presence. When fully conscious that she was nearing the last days of her earthly existence, she appeared to be fully impressed with the idea that at the end of her time here, eternity began, and that the bright faith which sustained her during those trying hours of suffering would only grow brighter as she journeyed toward the infinite, and that the final gloom of death would be dispelled by God's love.

Mrs. Richbourg is survived by her faithful and devoted husband, who ministered to her every wish and need in sickness and in health; a brother, Jim Adams of Hico, who also with his wife did everything in his power to make her happy and comfortable during her illness; and one invalid sister, Mrs. Lou Mitchell, who was unable to be with her sister in the flesh, but doubtless attended her in spirit. A great number of nephews and nieces also survive.

Mrs. Richbourg's delicate health in recent years had deprived her of those daily associations which lead to intimacy, but her passing will leave a void in the lives of her many friends for whom she always had a smile and a word of cheer upon those happy occasions when they were privileged to share her company.

Among the out-of-town relatives and friends who attended the services were: Mrs. Floye Rector, J. B. Richbourg, Spur; Mrs. S. B. Everett, Denton; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Lary, Granbury; Mr. and Mrs. Carter Pratt, Stamford; Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Mitchell, Meridian; Mrs. J. D. Bramlet, Waco; Mrs. Mark Workman and Mrs. Edward Mattle, Fort Worth; Mrs. C. A. Martin and daughter, Ann, Balinger; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jones, Marion Adams, Mrs. George Carr and daughter, Mrs. Dow Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. G. Lightly, Mrs. Mark Carlton, Misses Nell and Pat Secrest, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Carlton, Mrs. Frank Gordon, Mrs. Ollie Mable King, Mrs. Hogue Williams, and Miss Kathryn Alford, Hamilton; Mr. and Mrs. Mack Everett, Judge and Mrs. Ernest Belcher, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Welch, Mrs. Dot Farmer, Mrs. R. N. Carlton, Mr. and Mrs. John Clark, Mrs. Roy Meffer, Miss Wynama Anderson, Mrs. T. U. Little, Mr. and Mrs. Garland Tunnell, Stephenville; Mr. and Mrs. Brooks Hall, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Otho Stuckey, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Sowell, W. L. Fisher, Bob McDaniel, Bill Barnett, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Upham, Carlton; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Naylor and Will Young, Waco; Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Gilliam, Clifton; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dohoney and Mrs. W. B. Washburn, Cleburne; Mr. and Mrs. Isom Vickrey and Mrs. Louana Jeffries and daughter, Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Blacklock and Mr. and Mrs. Benn Blackson, Fairy; Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Carlton, Walnut Springs; Morgan Harris, Albany; Mr. Mayfield of Johnson City, and a large host of relatives from Hico and immediate vicinity.

CARD OF THANKS

It is with gratitude in our hearts that we come to thank our friends for all their kindness to us during the illness and following the death of our loved one. We shall always appreciate our friends and their words of consoling sympathy, as well as their deeds of kindness at an hour when we needed them most. May the blessings of an all-wise Providence always abide with each of you.

J. W. RICHBOURG, and MR. & MRS. JIM ADAMS.

CELEBRATE GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Lester of Hico celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary Saturday, Dec. 16, with three of their four daughters present. Mrs. Jim Fry of Denton was unable to present, but the other children, Mrs. Terry P. Owen of Iredell, Mrs. Scott S. Spencer of Breckenridge, and Mrs. Corinne L. Cosby of Denton, were here for the anniversary dinner and presentation of gifts.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS
and
HAPPY NEW YEAR!



Dear Friends:
When all the world is blessed with Christmas good cheer, we are happy in the memory of all your kindness and the evidence of your generous thoughtfulness to us. We are thankful that God's great Gift to man brought the only Saviour to our souls. And so amidst inspiring memories we send you this Message of Christmas Greetings and Good-will; lift you to the throne of Christ; and earnestly wish you: "God's Blessing."

May this blessed Yuletide come to you to sweeten past disappointments, cheer you in the midst of miscarried plans, bind up the bruised spirits and make you stronger and braver for life's struggles. May there come a great dominant incentive for a higher and holier experience, and may the Holy Christ, the Almighty God-Man of Bethlehem and Calvary, call you to a life of service and tender ministry.

Sincerely,
THE HICO METHODIST CHURCH
REV. & MRS. J. F. ISBELL.

OUR WISH TO THE MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF THE HICO METHODIST CHURCH

May your Christmas be as merry as you would have it, with everything you hope to receive actually yours after Saint Nick has come and gone. May it be a Christmas of joy and peace for you and for those dear to you.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS TO THE HICO METHODIST CHURCH SCHOOL

Dear Friends:
As the gracious and hallowed Christmas season approaches, I am writing the greetings and hearty good wishes that I would so much rather step in and bear to you, face to face and hand in hand. Christmas morning. May nothing detract from, but everything contribute to your peace and joy for the season. And my wish is that during the days to come you may have strength for every duty, wisdom for every problem, help in every trial, joy in every service, comfort in every sorrow, and always the consciousness of the presence of Him whose birthday we celebrate.

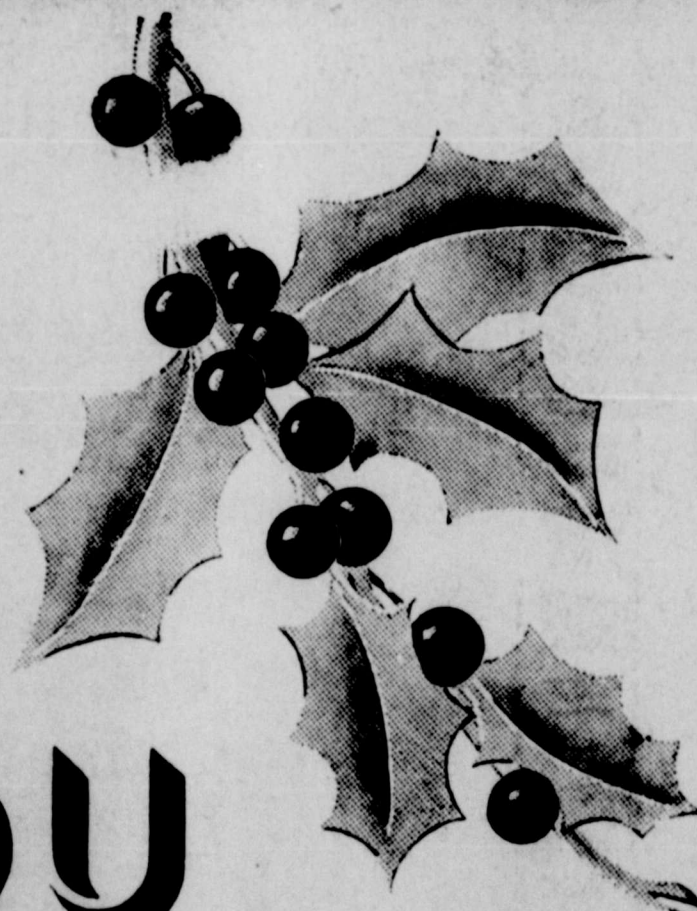
Yours for service,
T. H. KING, Superintendent.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU

Dear Co-Workers:
Through the providence of God we have been permitted to journey down through another year. As we look back over the intervening months, many memories come crowding in upon us. Some of them we do not care to mention, but others come as welcome guests.

May this approaching Christmas come to you with a new meaning and a new inspiration for new service.

MRS. SHIRLEY ROSS, Outgoing President W. S. C. S.
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YOU
a Joyous Christmas and a
Happy New Year

From folks that have enjoyed serving you in the past, and who are desirous of continuing the pleasant associations of friends in the future.

HICO SERVICE STATION
Grady Hooper, Agt. — GULF — N. N. Akin, Operator

- Please let us service your car this week, as we will be closed from Sunday noon through Monday.
- Zerone Anti-Freeze - - \$1.40 per gallon

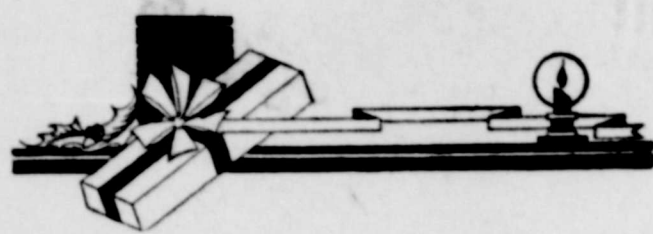
TO YOU

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 prosperous.

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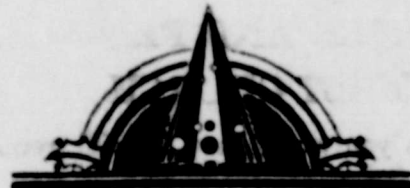
THE SEASON'S CHEER TO EVERYBODY

To our many friends and customers—the Season's best wishes for joy and happiness. By your thoughtfulness you have helped to make our Christmas a merry one and we wish the same for you.



J. H. ELLINGTON FEED STORE

Merry Christmas



We cherish the thoughts of the fine friendships that have been ours in the past and we desire to take this means of expressing our genuine thanks for your courtesies.

We wish you the best of good things for Christmas and the New Year.

CHARLIE MEADOR

Your Friendly MAGNOLIA DEALER

Greetings!

The spirit of the season prompts us to express to you appreciation of our pleasant business relations during the past year and to most heartily wish you a very Merry Christmas and Happiness and Prosperity for the New Year.

MRS. C. L. LYNCH HDWE.
HICO, TEXAS

THE FAIRIES FROM THE FAIRY SCHOOL

Editor Ruby Massingill
Assistant Editor Alta Arrant

Seniors

The Seniors are all happy this morning. Just knowing our play is over gives us a wonderful feeling. "Lights Out" turned out to be a big success. Everyone had a delightful evening.

Christmas is just around the corner and everyone is trying to be good. I have been peeping over everyone's shoulder as they write to Santa Claus, and here is what they want: Alta Mae Arrant, a brown-headed soldier; Ruby Massingill, a great big Teddy bear; Neal Garner, a bicycle so he can get to school on time; Harold Walker, a red toboggan so he can keep his ears warm; Willie Smith, a red wagon so she can pull her boy friend around; Nelda Cunningham, a paper doll cut-out book so she can amuse herself when she has to stay home; Mary Alice Jackson, a bunch of air mail stamps to keep those letters flying overseas; Jack Halle, just a few gas stamps for his T-Job; Richard Thompson, a Lone Ranger gun so he won't get powder-burned; Mary Russell, just a nice long vacation from school, also a little longer furlough for a certain soldier boy.

We are sorry to lose James McCollough from our Senior Class. James was a nice boy and was liked by everyone. We wish for him all the happiness in the world at his home where he will attend school at Carlton.

Tenth Grade

It is just a few more days until Santa Claus will come, and we are all trying to get on the good side of the teachers. There are quite a few absent this morning, but we hope they will be back with us soon.

Eighth Grade

We enjoyed the Senior Play last week. You really missed something if you weren't here.

We will now interview lone Arrant, the president of our class. She has brown hair, blue eyes, five feet and two inches tall, and weighs 120 pounds. Her favorite sport is basketball; teacher, Miss Bolliger; subject, English; song, "Just Because"; boy friend, James Barnett.

Seventh Grade

Since it is almost Christmas, we are going to be very good. We will turn out for the Christmas holidays December 22nd. We will be glad to get a vacation, but we will also be glad to get back to school again. We wish everyone a "Merry Christmas."

Third and Fourth Grades

Marie Driver spent Sunday night in the home of her uncle, M. M. Ables, and family.

The Third and Fourth Grades enjoyed going up on the mountain for a Christmas tree, mistletoe, and fall leaves for their room. Jackie Boykin withdrew from the Fourth Grade as he has moved to a place his father bought near Hamilton.

MRS. TUDOR ENTERTAINS FOR SON ON 8TH BIRTHDAY

A party was given last Saturday evening from two till five o'clock for little friends of Carlton Tudor, to help him celebrate his eighth birthday. The afternoon was spent in fun, laughter and games. Refreshments of grape juice, cake and cookies were served. The birthday cake was a delicious fruit cake with white topping. Pink holders bore eight white candles on which were the letters, "Happy Birthday" in pink. Several nice gifts were received.

The little folks present to enjoy this occasion were Sarah Jo, Jimmy Lee, and Travis Columbus, Kenneth, Joe and Kay Knapps, Roy and Melvin Ables, Marie, Junior, and J. C. Driver, Harold and Jerry Lackey, Donnie Nell Rich of Meridian, and the honoree, Carlton Tudor.

The mothers that were present were Mrs. Edna Lackey, Mrs. Alma Driver, Mrs. Ina Knapps, Mrs. Gladys Rich of Meridian, and the hostess, Mrs. Sam Tudor Jr.

CONTRIBUTED.

Community Shocked by Sudden Death of Mrs. Anna Driskell

The community was shocked and saddened last Friday, December 15, when it became known that Mrs. E. C. Driskell, affectionately known to all her friends and intimates as "Anna", had, after only a few hours' illness, passed away. Anna Hatton, only child of Dr. and Mrs. John Hatton, was born at Clifton, Texas, August 3, 1879, receiving her education at Clifton schools and Baylor College for Women at Belton, Texas. On June 15, 1904 she was married to E. C. Driskell, coming immediately to Hico and residing here continuously until her passing Friday. To this union three children were born, two of whom survive: Louise (Mrs. Oliver Rosamond) of Dallas, and Pauline (Mrs. Roy Burleson), who made her home with her mother in Hico. Two grandchildren also survive. Mr. Driskell, a prominent and respected business and civic leader of this community for a great number of years, passed away October 17, 1925 at the age of 55; and a daughter, Dorothy (Mrs. Leroy Guyton) of Waco, met with tragic death by drowning, April 30, 1933, at the age of 25.

Known and loved by the entire community, Mrs. Driskell's entire life was spent in service and help to others. Those who have been fortunate enough to be close neighbors know the nights were never too dark, nor the weather too cold or rainy to keep her from going to those in need, not only for comfort, but for material aid as well. She was converted and united with the Baptist Church in Hico in early young womanhood, and engaged in all the activities of the church until her passing. Until the final days of her life on earth Mrs. Driskell maintained a lively interest in her home town, and the things going on about her, and was endowed with a vivid understanding of life and people that resulted in a wide acquaintance throughout this section.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock at the First Baptist Church in Hico, conducted by the pastor, Rev. O. D. Carpenter, assisted by Rev. F. E. Kirchner of Fredericksburg, Tex., a former pastor. The last rites were attended by one of the largest crowds ever witnessed at such an occasion in Hico, and the concourse followed to the Hico Cemetery where Mrs. Driskell was lovingly laid to rest by the side of the husband and daughter who had preceded her. The huge banks of flowers covering her resting place bore silent tribute to the love and esteem in which she was held.

The following out-of-town relatives and friends were in attendance: Sue Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gilliam, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Larson, Mrs. Jenny Mae Enger, and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Harris, Clifton; Mrs. Bob Ferguson, Meridian; Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Pettus and Mr. and Mrs. Will Young, Waco; Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Tunnell, Mr. and Mrs. John Clark, Miss Wynama Anderson, Mrs. T. U. Little, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Belcher, Mrs. Gwendola Wolfe, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Welch, and Mrs. Roy Mefferd, Stephenville; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Golithly, Mrs. Hogue Williams, Miss Kathryn Alford, Mrs. Dow Henderson, and Mrs. Frank Gordon, Hamilton; Mr. and Mrs. Carlton McKeage, Stephenville; Mrs. Effie Talley, Fort Worth; Mrs. W. R. Washburn, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dohoney, Cleburne; Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Rosamond, Mr. and Mrs. London Young, and Mrs. Clinton Martin, Dallas, and Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Harris, Albany.

A FRIEND.

Wee Bits of JESTURE

[Opinions expressed in this weekly feature are the writer's, and not necessarily those of the News Review.—ED.]

Easy there! Go easy, John Bull. Don't rock the boat. "The sea is rough," the waves are high, and the stakes are a dickens of a lot higher still. If you do not have any "rubber gloves" to handle that Greek problem with, we Americans would be glad to show you our nice line of "synthetics" in all colors and assorted sizes. Sure, sure, we know that you have a side in this issue, and we do not intend to overlook your side in our consideration. But you see, John, it's like this: we Americans once felt safe over here with the Atlantic ocean between us and Europe's "bad boys" that have a habit of "playing with guns" ever so often. But as scientific methods of warfare were advanced, we looked this "protecting fence" over again and found that a lot of "pickets" were missing. Well you know how we felt about that, John. So we decided that any so-called "protecting fence" that was not built within range of our "long toms" in our coastal batteries would be no more than just the "Utopian" kind, so to speak.

And as for the political unrest in Greece, John, we deeply appreciate your invitation to help you settle that matter, but at the present time we're all busy trying to keep the Greeks from starving. Obviously, any other method would be like that story about the fellow who fell into a deep well and they had to shoot him to save his life. Victory on all fronts will be of no avail unless supported by a United Front. After all, we must all stand together, or be "hung" separately, you know.

By PRINTIS A. NEWMAN.

SANTA LETTERS

Hico, Tex., Dec. 18, 1944.
Dear Santa: I am a little boy 4 years old. I have been a good boy. So please, Santa, bring me a train, a gun, and a pump truck, also a lot of candy and nuts. And don't forget my little sister. She would like some rattlers.

Your little friend,
WENDELL LEROY WYLY.
P. S.: Santa, don't forget my Mother and Daddy. My Daddy is in the Navy.

Hico, Tex., Dec. 18, 1944.
Dear Santa: I am a little boy 8 years old. I want you to bring me a farm set and two small picture puzzles and some candy and fruits. Remember the star little boys and girls.

Your friend,
HORACE GRIFFITHS.

Too Late to Classify—

Wanted: Middle-aged housekeeper for about 3 months. Mrs. Tracy Bullard, 814 S. Cumberland, Dallas. 31-3p.

LOST: Gold-framed spectacles between the laundry and my office. Deliver to me and get reward. J. C. Rodgers. 31-11c.

Palace Theatre

HICO, TEXAS

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THURS. & FRI.—

"STORM OVER LISBON"
VERA HRUBA RALSTON
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And His Texas Playboys

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SUNDAY & MONDAY—

"THE MERRY MONAHANS"
DONALD O'CONNOR
PEGGY RYAN
JACK OKAIE
ANN BLYTH

TUES. & WED. (NEXT WEEK)—

"SHINE ON HARVEST MOON"
ANN SHERIDAN
DENNIS MORGAN

THURS. & FRI. (NEXT WEEK)—

"THE ADVENTURES OF MARK TWAIN"
FREDERIC MARCH
ALEXIS SMITH

Cordial Christmas Greetings



and A Happy New Year

This firm extends to its friends and patrons its best wishes for a Happy Christmas, and trusts that our services will merit the continuance of your good will.

The loyalty of our friends has been of material benefit in bringing us a little closer to our goal of achievement.

We are glad that this particular world in which we live, has friends... and CHRISTMAS!



D. R. PROFFITT

May we suggest that you look at the casualty lists in the newspapers; then decide whether or not you have bought enough war bonds?

Lets all KEEP BACKING THE ATTACK!

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Local Chairman, Sixth War Loan

In Appreciation of the Cooperation Which Again Has Enabled This Community to Exceed Its Quota.

To our faithful old friends and our cherished new friends, we say

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

May the New Year be a happy and thriving one for you, and may it be our privilege to add to its success.

BONNIE'S BEAUTY SHOP

Bonnie and Leona

(Will Be Closed New Year's Day)

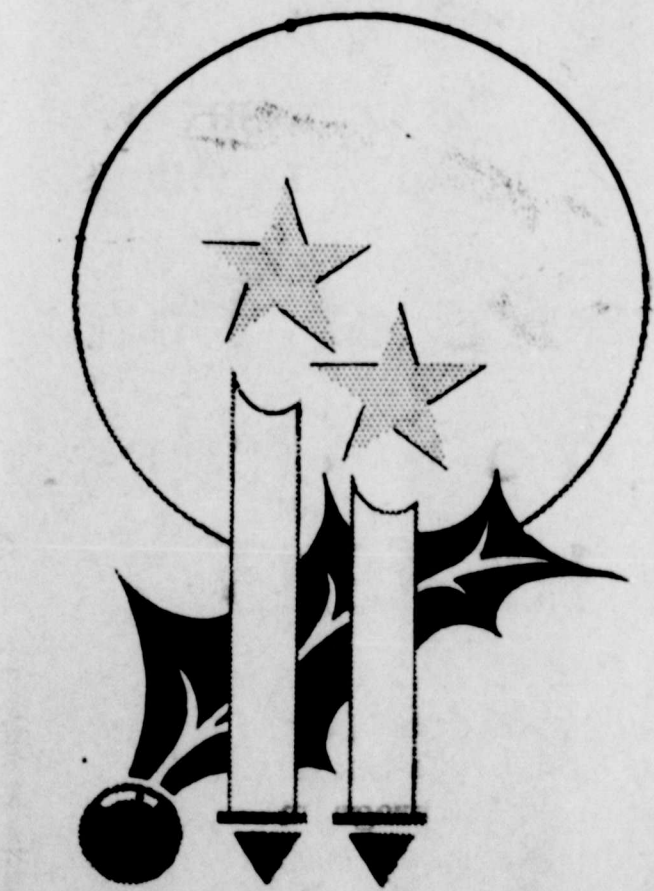
CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

We realize more than ever how much it means to have the friendship and good will of folks like you.

Please accept our sincere thanks and our good wishes for a Prosperous

NEW YEAR

H. E. O'NEAL
And Family



GREETINGS!

With grateful acknowledgement of your courtesies and the evidences of your good will that have made the past year a pleasure to us, we wish you a Christmas of great joy and a New Year of Happiness and Prosperity.

We pledge ourselves to an even greater and more efficient service than ever before and in keeping with this policy, we respectfully solicit your continued friendship and patronage.

Ogle & Rainwater
GROCERY and MARKET

IREDELL ITEMS

by Miss Stella Jones, Local Correspondent

Miss Wilma Webb of Illinois visited her aunt, Mrs. Deatherage, and her uncle, Mr. Dunlap. She had been to San Antonio to visit.

Miss Bettye Glover of New Orleans, La., is visiting her aunt, Miss Martha.

Sgt. and Mrs. Ralph Echols of Waco are here on a furlough to relatives.

Mrs. Barbary Cunningham was in Meridian Wednesday.

Mrs. Bertie McCoy went to Stephenville Hospital on Tuesday to see the twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Jackson, who are very ill. They are some better, and were taken home.

Miss Tenny Kennedy of near Lampasas visited here this week.

Miss Peggy June Tidwell, who works in Stephenville Hospital, visited here Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey West were in Clifton Saturday.

Mrs. J. A. Jones has returned from South Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Joe Harris and baby have moved back from Waco.

Gene Vickrey left Monday for the Navy.

Rev. and Mrs. D. D. Tidwell of Missouri came in Saturday to spend the holidays with relatives.

His father, C. L. Tidwell, and Allen Dawson met him in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Clardy were in Steiner Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Parks were in Stephenville Thursday.

Mrs. Stacy Tidwell and children moved Saturday to Meridian to the residence she bought.

Mrs. John Wycher has received word that her daughter's father, Mr. Dave Evans of Wichita Falls, had died. He was known here.

Mr. T. J. Ingram, who was 76 years and a little past, died suddenly at his home Monday night, sitting by the fire. His son spoke to him and he didn't answer, so he went to him and he was dead. He and his wife, now deceased, raised a large family. They had lived in Iredell for many years. Mr. Ingram came to town pretty often, was of a friendly turn, and would speak to all. He was buried Tuesday afternoon in the old cemetery. Rev. Willingham read the 23rd Psalm and made a nice talk and prayed. The undertaker from Meridian had charge of the funeral.

In mentioning the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Jones McConnell two or three weeks ago, I didn't know Mr. McConnell was 1st Lieut. Rev. Willingham informed me of the fact that he was. I am sorry but I didn't know.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Varnell of Hico spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Tuggle, and family. They were accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. Robert Wyly, and children, Wendell, LeRoy, and Shirley Ann, and Miss Ethel Wyly.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Earby and daughter moved to Mrs. Ray Tidwell's house on Monday.

W. R. Newsom, who works in McGregor, spent the week end at home.

Freddy Joe Waldrip, who is in camp in California, Bruce Chaney, who is also in California, are in the hospitals. Obie Dunlap who is overseas, is also in a hospital. It is hoped these boys will be well soon.

Rev. Willingham preached a fine sermon Sunday to a very good crowd His son, Bobby, gave the history of the other Wise Men, and it was fine.

Dec. 24 there will be a program at the Methodist Church to take the place of Sunday School. All the S. S. pupils are urged to be there Sunday morning.

Two Iredell boys who were raised together and now are in the Navy, sent me some information about themselves. These boys are Lamoiné O. Fuller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Fuller, and Richard O. Burns, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Burns. They started to school together in 1932 and were Boy Scouts; had the same teacher in High School. Both boys belong to the Methodist Church and S. S. Lamoiné's birthday was March 23, and Dick Jr., as he is called, was born on May 23 of the same year. Both were 18. Burns is 5 feet and 9 inches, and Fuller is 5 feet and 7 inches. Burns weighs 145, and Fuller's weight is 140. They had

and they sure enjoyed life together.

He and my father were great friends, and he and Mrs. Dearing would visit us often.

He was confined to his bed for nearly three years, suffering a great deal most of the time, but was very patient through it all.

I visited him and it gave him a great deal of pleasure for me and others to visit him. Mrs. Dacus and Mrs. Pat Polnack were hired to stay with him. Mrs. Dacus was Miss Josie Harris and Mrs. Polnack was Miss Theta McElroy. These girls took care of Uncle Jessie like he was their father.

When they would leave town some other ladies would come and look after him. In all of Mr. Dearing's illness he was well taken care of and had many visitors and treated all alike. He is gone from us to a better place where his sufferings are over. He will be missed here by all.

He is survived by one brother, Mr. Jack Dearing of Arlington; 5 grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon at 2 p. m. in the Baptist church in the presence of a large crowd of relatives and friends. Mr. Barrow was unable to direct the funeral and two of his men came from Hico and directed the funeral.

Rev. Willingham, the Methodist pastor here, had a part in the funeral. He visited Mr. Dearing often. Elder J. L. Collins of Abilene brought the funeral message. Both ministers paid glowing tributes to his memory.

Mr. Dearing was a great Bible reader. The floral offerings were large and beautiful, and the floral bearers were Mesdames Newsom, McDonel, Woody, Dawson, Schumacher, and McAden. The pallbearers were Andrew Jackson, Hunter Newman, Allen Dawson, Joe Harris, Mr. McDonel and Mr. Roden. The interment was in the new cemetery by the side of his wife.

The out-of-town relatives who attended the funeral were his brother, Mr. Jack Dearing, of Arlington, Mr. and Mrs. Will Beckham of Harlingen. She is his granddaughter. Also Homer Dearing, a nephew, of Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Bert Brenn of Austin; Mr. and Mrs. Horace Dearing and Mrs. Lee Croxdale of Fort Worth, and a large number of friends also from out of town.

Sympathy is extended to the relatives of Mr. Dearing.

Mrs. R. A. Trantham, in to renew the paper for her son, Cpl. Lemmie F. Trantham somewhere in Italy, stated that she didn't want him to miss a copy since he had written her that about all the pleasure he had was reading about the people in Hico.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS AND BEST WISHES FOR A NEW YEAR OF HAPPINESS
A. A. FEWELL
Shoe Shop

"A Little Store With Low Prices"
FURNITURE
— And —
ELECTRICAL SUPPLIES
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HAMILTON



The Season's Cheer to Everybody

Because we are proud to number you among our friends we send you these Christmas Greetings. May this Christmas bring added pleasures of true health and happiness to every one of you.
May the coming New Year bring you every happiness, and the fullness of success reward your efforts in all your undertakings.

H. WILLIAMSON PRODUCE
HURSHEL and DORIS

A FRIENDLY GREETING

As you eagerly await the occasion of an enjoyable Season with your friends and family . . . we trust you will pause just long enough to accept these few words of Christmas cheer from the personnel of this firm.

To have served you in the past has been a decided privilege, prompting us to express a Christmas Greeting that carries with it our best wishes for the coming year. The friendships formed these past twelve months, combined with those other friendships of long standing, lead us to again renew our pledge of service.



Barrow Furniture Co.

Christmas Wishes



Every good wish for your happiness at this joyous Christmas Season. We have enjoyed the past year with you and are appreciative of your consideration.

ELDER CLEANERS



It's Christmas, and with its coming we welcome the fine spirit of friendliness that goes with it, and are desirous of sending this Greeting to all those we serve and those whom we hope to serve.



L. J. CHANEY

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A Joyous Noel

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



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CENTRAL FREIGHT LINES

Carlton

— By —
Mrs. Fred Geye

After funeral services were held in Hico Sunday afternoon for Mrs. J. W. Riechbourg, the body was conveyed here for burial in the local cemetery. She was a former Carlton resident, and had many friends here.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Burnett and children, who lived here many years before moving to Dublin from Carlton, were grieved to learn of the tragic death of their 26-year-old son, Billy, better known to his friends here as "B. L.", who was born here and attended the local school. He was killed in an airplane crash in California Dec. 11, while making a combat training flight. He was a gunner in the Army Air Corps. Funeral services were held in Brownwood Saturday, where he and his wife and baby son had made their home, with burial in the Dublin cemetery.

Pvt. Hal Sowell is spending a 21-day leave with his wife and daughters, Wanda and Barbara; his sister, Mrs. Jess Reeves, and their mother, Mrs. Robert Sowell. He is from a hospital in Springfield, Missouri.

Miss Pauline Curry of Temple spent Sunday with her father, J. B. Curry Sr., and her aunt, Miss Mittie Walker.

Ensign and Mrs. M. J. Carmichael visited Friday at Bryan with his brother's wife, Mrs. Montie Carmichael, and children.

Mrs. Austin Bertrand and daughter, Rhonda Kay, of Purnela, and Pvt. Geo. D. Thetford of Camp Wolters spent the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Thetford.

Mrs. J. B. Curry Jr. and her mother, Mrs. Head, and Miss Mittie Walker were shoppers in Stephenville Monday.

John Robert Brimer of Pasadena is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Brimer.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Wright sold their farm and purchased a place at Hico, where they moved Thursday.

Mrs. Raymond Geye and Miss Velma Gromotzsky of Hamilton spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Geye and her son, Jeffrey Geye.

Lynn Woolley of Lubbock spent the week end with his mother and husband, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Vaughn.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Williams of Kermit visited Thursday night with his mother, Mrs. Lula Williams, and his son, Don Harold.

Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Collins, Emmett Fowler and children, all of Stephenville, spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Wright. Their mother, ill with rheumatism since September, is not doing so well the past few days. Mrs. Doyle Fowler of Live Oak and Mrs. Dennis Richards of Stephenville are with her this week.

John T. Curbo

On Wednesday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock funeral services were held at the Methodist church for J. T. Curbo, better known to his many friends as "Uncle Buck," 94 years of age, who passed away Dec. 11 at 9:30 p. m. at the home of his daughter, Mrs. R. C. Rice in Waco where he had made his home since the death of his wife 13 years ago. He had been suffering for several months from a broken hip he received in a fall.

John T. Curbo was born in Rusk County, and came to Texas in 1875. For several years he was a farmer, later going into the mercantile business here in Carlton. He ran the establishment for several years. In 1913 he and his wife moved to Crawford and operated a store there, later moving back to Carlton, where they spent their last years together in the old home town and among their many former friends.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Mack Smith of Waco, a close friend of the deceased, and twice pastor of the Carlton Methodist church, once 56 years ago and again in 1911. Mr. Curbo was a faithful member of the Methodist church for many years.

Two of his daughters preceded

him in death, Mrs. Montie Walton and Mrs. Tom Carlton. The surviving children are Lee and Andrew and Mrs. Carl Price of Waco; Fulton of Dallas, Mrs. Baxter Walton of El Paso, Mrs. John Armontrout of New Home, and Mrs. W. R. Nail of Houston. There are 17 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Burial was in the local cemetery by the side of his companion. Pallbearers were Charley Dyer, J. B. Curry Jr., Walker Bingham, Rufe Carlton, John Moore, and Dock Finley. Honorary pallbearers were W. L. Fisher, B. L. Smith, J. B. Curry Sr., J. S. Minter, R. J. Lynch, J. O. Pollard, J. M. Adams, and M. R. Walton.

LOCAL BOY NOW IN TRAINING AT CATALINA

Special to The News Review:

Roy Magee, Route 2, Iredell, Texas, is now in Apprentice Seaman training at the U. S. Maritime Service Training Station, Avalon Catalina Island, California.

Magee is busy gaining knowledge and experience that will fit him for duty with our great Merchant Marine . . . training that will enable him to help deliver vital war cargoes to our fighting forces and allies throughout the world.

The Maritime Service offers men 17 to 50 a chance to play a vital part in the winning of the war, a chance to serve with our great Victory Fleet which "delivers the goods" wherever they are needed.



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS AND BEST WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS

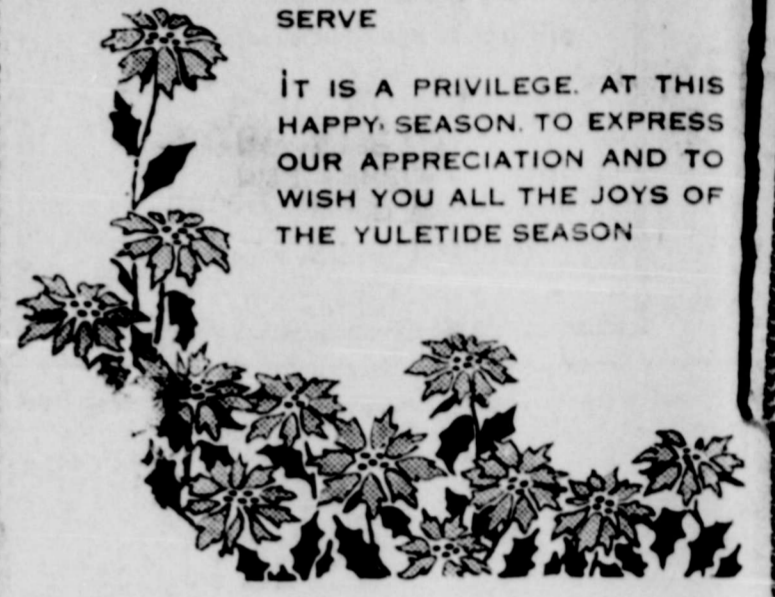
—AND A SPECIAL GOOD WISH TO OUR BOYS WITH THE COLORS

WEISENHUNT BEAUTY SHOP

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

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