

HERE IN HICO

The editor has been spoiled. The last two issues have been printed while his daughter was home from school—and boy, did she give that red-headed gal a good workout. Aside from running the linotype, helping to wait on the front, feeding presses and writing news, Carolyn took over this column last week and did a good job of it—which must have been quite pleasant change for the readers. In fact, several of them have told us that she has the editor beat all to pieces when it comes to writing for the paper, which was no revelation to him. We always could show anybody how to do something better than we could do it ourselves. And if the kids can't improve on their parents, what's the use of trying to raise 'em?

But Carolyn's back in school at State this week, and since the editor's wife has most of the other work done up something has to be done about this column which she sagely and consistently shies away from having any connection with. (Beg pardon, students of correct writing.)

Really we ought to have gotten Mrs. J. A. Richardson of Olin to write it for us, since she said the political treatises we ran before the election had her Republican blood boiling to the point that she wished she had the column for a week. But she's gone to bed by this time, and it isn't a cinch that her good Democratic husband would let her talk politics right out in print, anyhow. She could get by with it, though, for she's so good-natured about everything.

Looking over some of the exchanges to see what the other fellows are saying these days, we find that Jim White out at Brownwood ate too much turkey, stayed at home, and sent in a bob-tailed version of his prophetic and flattering writings to his paper.

Levi Dunlap, over at Meridian; C. Wilkerson, ex-superintendent of Hico schools now operating the excellent Comanche Chief; and M. S. "Doc" Sellers at Rising Star, "Haah" to readers of his column in that paper which doesn't ever burn a light (he says) all had some good thoughts last week, and found time to put them in print.

Borrowing from one's neighbors is a good old Texas custom, so we hope to be pardoned for taking a few of their remarks and applying them locally. Rather unorthodox, eh? Well we haven't time to do the job right, and will just substitute NR and Hico where they send their own names. If you are interested in which one of them said what, you should subscribe for their papers.

Hico has enjoyed good business this year and her merchants have done an outstanding job of taking care of the needs of its trade territory, and this section has prospered, with fair crops in most everything. Anyone that half tried and worked half time has done well.

The editor wishes to acknowledge a number of Christmas greetings which came to our desk during the holidays, many of them from our boys in the service, including several from overseas. We were unable to send greetings in time to many from whom we received greetings, but we hope they will accept our thanks and appreciation through this column and be sure that our heart is with you and that you have our best wishes wherever you are. It is our fervent hope that you all may be home for another Christmas.

We want to extend New Year greetings to our many readers and business customers and to assure you that you have our best wishes for the new year. Especially do we appreciate the large increase in our circulation and the many kind things you have said about The News Review during the year. We have tried to give you a weekly newspaper of which you could feel proud and the way you have renewed your subscriptions and given us new subscriptions leads us to believe that we have succeeded. In part, at least, our business customers also have our thanks for their valued patronage during the year. Many of you, we know, have had little to advertise but good will for your customers, which is a mighty good way to open your advertising dollar, after all. Many of you have bought space generously in The News Review to help put over the War bond drives and other patriotic movements. You not only have our thanks but those of the committees having these movements in charge. Let us all hope for a brightening of the war picture, the return home of our fighting men, and a return to normal life as soon as possible.

Like the shoe cobbler, whose name generally went barefooted, we were so busy printing for others that we did not get out any Christmas cards this year. We received many, however, all of which were appreciated. Perhaps the one that contained the most homely philosophy opened with the statement that: "Sooner or later a man, if he is wise, discovers that life is a store of good days and bad, victory and defeat, give and take."

Thanks, pals!

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Gift Subscriptions Proved Popular In Season Just Over

With store counters stripped in many instances of gift items, the shopping season before, during—and even after Christmas witnessed the heaviest rush at the News Review subscription counter ever recorded under the present management. Although increasing the mailing list is a problem in many ways, every effort was made to see that those thinking enough of the paper to send it as a gift got waited on. The members of the force felt fortunate in being able to take care of this need during the emergency which exists, and hope that no recipient will be "let down" by their efforts.

In addition to the numbers previously listed, the following are among the remaining number of gift subscriptions, some of which admittedly may have been overlooked in making up the article.

- Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Kilgo, Route 3, Hico, received a year's subscription from their son, George, who lives at home.
- To L. C. Lambert, Hico Route 5, from their daughter, Mrs. John Land.
- To Mrs. Chester Jermstad, Route 2, Meridian, from Mrs. C. M. Tinkle.
- To Doyle Nix, with an APO out of New York City, from his sister and brother, Marie and Kenneth Nix.
- To J. C. Hanshaw, Route 3, Caldwell, Tex., from H. W. Hanshaw, Route 7, Hico.
- To Curtis G. Wright, MM 2/c with the Seabees out of San Francisco, Calif., from his wife who lives at Paity.
- To W. A. (Andy) Dunham, AM 2/c at Alameda, Calif., from his father, Olga Dunham, at Paity.
- To Mrs. Anna Wilson at Chickasha, Okla., from her daughter in Hico, Mrs. C. H. Leeth.
- Enclosing \$2.00 for a gift subscription to her father, Cris W. Nash, 404 W. Hellman Ave., Wilmar, Calif., Mrs. T. H. Baker of North Hollywood, Calif., added the following note: "My father will enjoy the paper very much, as he lived in Hico for 50 years and harbored there for 31 years. He worked with Jess Fairley and they were good friends. So sorry to hear of his death."
- Charlie Cross, the Wandering Jew, sent the paper to himself for another 12 months for a Christmas present. He felt good after having wrestled Hurshel Williamson out of a turkey drumstick Christmas Day. Charlie said this week that he was going to be leaving here soon—but he probably won't.

Announcement Made On New Ownership Of Palace Theatre

Announcement was made this week of a deal whereby the Palace Theatre, owned and operated for the past several years by Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Henry, was sold to L. A. Morgan of Gustine, Corporal Henry, whose wife managed the business after he went to the Army, is stationed at Geiger Field, and his wife left shortly before Christmas to make her home at Spokane, Washington, near the field. Since that time the business has been efficiently managed by S. J. Cheek Sr.

Mr. Morgan, who expects to move here with his wife as soon as living quarters can be obtained, is not new to the theatre business, having operated a similar enterprise at Gustine for some time. He and Mrs. Morgan have come to Hico highly recommended, and announce that they hope to become citizens of the town in every respect.

Mr. Morgan expressed optimism over the prospects in the local field and said he was attracted to Hico by the favorable business outlook here, especially in his line. They will be welcomed into the community by the citizenship.

At the same time, the best wishes of their many friends here go along with the Henrys into whatever field of endeavor the future may hold for them. They were both active in business, social and civic affairs of the town, and expressed regret that conditions beyond their control dictated the move.

A joint announcement concerning the change is carried on the back page of this issue, along with the regular program for the coming week.

WEATHER REPORT

The following weather report is submitted by L. L. Hudson, local observer:

Date	Max.	Min.	Prec.
Dec. 27	46	21	0.37
Dec. 28	42	34	0.75
Dec. 29	50	38	0.00
Dec. 30	55	40	0.00
Dec. 31	55	39	0.04
Jan. 1	58	26	0.00
Jan. 2	57	34	0.00

Total rainfall during the year 1944, 33.03 inches.

SET. GEORGE D. LEETH OF HAMILTON COUNTY REPORTED MISSING ON AIR MISSION

Sgt. George D. Leeth, turret gunner on a B-24 Liberator bomber with the 15th Air Force in Italy, is reported as missing in a bombing mission over Germany December 18. Leeth, holder of the Air Medal and other decorations for meritorious service, had completed all but five missions of his required tour of duty, when his plane, Mr. and Mrs. George Leeth, formerly of Hico but now of Hamilton, were notified Tuesday night that he is missing.

Sergeant Leeth received his wings as an aerial gunner at Miami, Fla., after training at several stations in the States. He had a narrow escape from death at Casper, Wyoming, about a year ago, when the training plane in which he was riding crashed. Three crewmen were killed and Leeth remained in a hospital for some time.

Sergeant Leeth volunteered for service February 11, 1943, and has been overseas since July. He was in the Infantry before joining the Air Corps. He is a graduate of Hamilton High School, class of '37, and worked as a printer in the office of the Hamilton County News prior to enlistment in the army.—Herald-News.

NO BOTHER AT ALL

"Guess I won't bother you for quite a while about my address, since I'll be here quite a while," says a note from T/Sgt. Chester A. Giesecke, now at Keesler Field, Miss., in giving a slight change in his address. C. A., home from the ETO after completing his tour of missions as an aerial gunner, had better "bother" us now and then, whether he changes his address or not. We're still waiting for a letter on more than half a sheet—but you know C. A.

DEMAND POSTWAR U. S. AGRICULTURAL POLICY

Pressure Groups Have No Place in Tomorrow's America, Farm Bureau Told

By W. J. Dryden

The main goal of postwar agriculture in America should be a higher standard of rural life for a smaller farm population," Professor Nobel Clark, associate director of the University of Wisconsin experiment station, and chairman of the land-grant colleges' committee on postwar agricultural policy, told the 1944 convention of the American Farm Bureau federation at their recent Chicago meeting.

In order to insure this condition, the following recommendations were made by the committee, as reported by Professor Clark:

- "If we want to speed up economic momentum, then we must outlaw attempts to hamstring people, whether such attempts are made by industry, business, the professions, labor, or agriculture. The government must check the action of powerful groups that would restrict economic opportunity, and design public policies to permit maximum initiative and resourcefulness," the report stated.
- In case of a postwar farm depression, three remedies are urged: a subsidized food consumption program for low income city families, deferment of farm mortgage payments, and, in case of a long and severe depression, certain income payments to farmers. These payments would be outright designed to keep farms in production.
- Experimentation Needed. Social flexibility, including experimentation with new types of controls, is essential, he reported, if we are to continue our tradition of economic progress. Resistance to all change is dangerous; progress lies in wise adaptation. The right mixture of freedom and control is needed.
- The postwar domestic market for farm products will exceed in importance all other factors affecting the farmers' prosperity, with high employment a "must" if serious trouble is to be averted. A sound food export program is also essential.
- The committee stated that "clearly it would be impracticable to remove all wartime price controls on either agricultural or nonagricultural products as soon as the war ends." A postwar inflation coming at the top of the wartime increase in prices would have serious consequences for our whole economy,

THE LIEUTENANT GETS AROUND A LOT, BUT HASN'T LOST HIS PIPE YET

Firts Lt. A. L. Betts, who has been on special assignment on Hawaiian and other Pacific islands for the past 90 days, has been visiting here during a 15-day leave before reassignment.

After flying back to San Francisco, he went to New York by plane, and then had a heck of a time eking out the overland journey from Gotham to Beaumont.

From Beaumont he was accompanied to Hico by his wife and small daughter, Judith, and was met here by his mother, Mrs. Tom Betts of Fort Worth. They are all visiting in the Betts home near Fairly, where Tom spends most of his time spooling his pretty little granddaughter. He kept her so busy Wednesday that Judy failed to come in with the other folks and show the editor her vaccination scar.

Mr. and Mrs. Betts had this letter this week from their other son, Joe D. Betts, a first-class petty officer on a Naval vessel operating in the Pacific.

HOME FROM ALEUTIANS

Sgt. Bradley Alexander, overseas 39 months with an address out of Seattle, Wash., has been home on furlough for the past few days. He is leaving this week for a reclassification center at San Antonio, after visiting relatives around here and at Dublin.

Sergeant Alexander said he had about given up seeing the States again, and declared that he could swim faster than the boat ran on which he came back. He served for a time on one of the islands in the Aleutian group, and is reported to have become accustomed to seeing Eskimos and dog teams.

Bob Dodd, who was recently inducted into the Army, has written his father, L. E. Dodd, that he is stationed at Camp Hood.

FIRE COMPANY STAGES RUN FOR BENEFIT OF LIEUTENANT VISITING HERE SATURDAY

Second Lieutenant Clifton Calvin Tulloh, who recently received the navigator's wings of the Army Air Corps upon graduation from training at Selman Field, La., visiting in Fort Worth with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Tulloh while awaiting assignment to an operational training school, slipped off Saturday to come down to Hico and check up on whether his dad's partner, Luther Knox, was counting the eggs and money right at the Hico end of their produce business.

Lieutenant Tulloh said his folks frequently wrap up the Hico paper and send it to him. He was nice enough to admit that he sometimes reads the local sheet—after he gets over his initial disappointment of finding that the big envelope arriving in his mail contains only the Hico Headache instead of a fat, juicy personal letter. He said he had a rather unfortunate experience recently, though, when he cut out a sheet containing an advertisement that had attracted his eye and tacked it up on display in his quarters. It was just his luck that inspection came next morning. Result—a first-class balling out.

Hico folks, along with the NR force, privileged to meet the young airman enjoyed his refreshing but too short visit. Personally we'll put our money on his being able to give out with the mallarkie around the Knox & Tulloh produce house—which is somewhat of an accomplishment in itself as will be realized by those familiar with the brand of good-natured ribbing dispensed at that establishment along with feed and produce deals.

In order to entertain the guest of the day, the Hico Volunteer Fire Department staged a run to Paul Wren's Texaco Station and distinguished a blaze in the rear com-

Training Course for Workers in 1945 Agricultural Census

Special to The News Review: Stephenville, Jan. 2.—Preparatory to the Agricultural Census to be conducted within the next 60 days, a three day course of instruction was concluded at John Tarlton Agricultural College Saturday. The school, held for prospective Census Enumerators from Hamilton, Comanche, Erath and Eastland Counties, was conducted by Homer Blankenship, Area Supervisor of Abilene and W. E. Jarrott of Abilene, Assistant Supervisor.

The purpose of the proposed agricultural census, according to Mr. Blankenship, is to make an inventory of the agricultural resources of the United States in order to secure better distribution and markets for the farmers' produce. The census was requested by the Army and Navy and has been declared a war emergency measure by the President.

Those who successfully completed the school of instruction and received appointments in their respective districts were: Clifford C. Gilbert, Carbon; E. E. Wood, Eastland; Harry S. Voss and Vada Loveless, Jonesboro; Emmet H. Long and Otho B. Phillips, Comanche; A. H. Sumerford, W. G. Anglin, J. R. Williams, Bruce Summerford, H. Horton Ansel and W. M. Standifer, Abilene; Giles C. Driver and Stanley Giesecke, Hico; Mrs. Vera Lafoon, Lawn; Paul Fallon, Bluff Dale and Elmer E. Giesecke, Duffau. Enumerators will start work January 8 and are expected to have the census completed in sixty days.

Commissioners Approve Bonds In Called Session

The Hamilton County Commissioners Court met in special called session Monday, January 1, for the purpose of inducting the county officials into office for the next two-year term and to approve their official bonds. Judge W. J. Harris presided and all commissioners were present.

All the officers sworn in for the new term were inducted to succeed themselves, except Sheriff N. Y. Terral, who is beginning his first term in that office. He succeeds Dow Henderson who was recently appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Sheriff Houston White. White has been added to the Texas Ranger force and will be stationed for the present at Sonora.

No other business was transacted at the special term and the court adjourned to meet next Monday, January 8, when important matters will be taken up.—Herald-News.

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Develop Foreign Trade. Addressing the same convention, Edward A. O'Neal, president of the American Farm Bureau federation, said:

"The postwar world security organization must be prepared to maintain peace by force if necessary but force will not be necessary if the victorious countries will permit all nations to rebuild their shattered economic structures."

"All leaders and groups in this country are agreed the only possible way we in America can maintain employment after the war and service our national debt will be through creating an economy of abundance," he continued.

"But," O'Neal said, "we can't have such economy under high-tariff policies. Restriction, scarcity, monopolies, unemployment and eventually war are certain fruits of excessive tariffs."

Because it has always produced abundantly, agriculture is in a position to challenge all other groups to join it in a program of abundant production, he stated. The colossal expansion of our industrial setup during the war years has made such production possible.

O'Neal warned that if the groups depend too much upon the government and fail to coordinate voluntarily their own efforts to achieve the same goal, the government will become the sole employer and our historic tradition of freedom of the individual will become a thing of the past.

Referring to those who believe machine tools and industrial machinery should not be exported to other nations because they would create competitors who would eventually take away our market, he said:

"When I hear such absurdities, I think that instead of sending spiritual missionaries to foreign countries we should train a corps of economic missionaries and send them among our own people."

"The fact is, we always sell more goods to nations which have developed most. And we sell most when business is good in other nations. Production and trade naturally create more production and trade."

As for organized groups having had a hand in formulating national policies, he said that in a democracy organized "pressure" is the only way possible for the various groups to express themselves effectively.

"I believe that public opinion, if informed, will be basically fair. After all, every group must justify itself to the public as well as to congress and the administration," he concluded.

TEXANS SHARE in the

By DON WELDON

Here's a good Texas story that was brought back from China by Capt. Bob Erisman of Ennis, who recently returned after fighting the Japs for 13 months with Chinese troops. It was told on the USO Camp Show tour by Comedian Joe E. Brown.

"When Joe put on his show in China," Captain Erisman explains, "we had lost all track of news from the States. Right off the bat, Joe told us that only 44 states were left in the union. That had us worried, for we wondered what really had happened back home."

Here's the way the comedian explained loss of four states:

"Yep, there are just 44 states left in the Union. Oklahoma and Arkansas have moved to California, California has gone to the dogs, and Texas has gone to war!"

The part about Texas going to war certainly is true, anyway. So many Texans are fighting in China that they threaten to upset China's ideas of geography.

"The Texas boys have been teaching English to the little Chinese children," Captain Erisman explained. "If you stop a Chinese lad and ask him to name the capital of the United States, the odds are ten to one that he'll say 'Austin, Texas.'"

One of Texas' fighting sons recently received a symbolic gift. The man: Adm. Chester W. Nimitz of Fredericksburg. The gift: A huge Lone Star flag, presented by the Sons of the Republic of Texas.

Admiral Nimitz, who left the Hill County to become in due course commander of the far-flung American Pacific battle fleet, received the flag at his Pacific headquarters.

Just as proud of Texas as the admiral is Marine Pfc. Joe P. Bunte of Smithville. Wounded on Saipan, Joe got the purple heart from Lt. General Holland M. Smith, commander of Marine forces in the Pacific. On arriving at the hospital, young Bunte issued a historic statement: "I say to hell with Saipan; give me Texas!"

The Smithville Marine got an abrupt initiation into the dangers on Saipan when his amphibious tractor was hit on the beach. Only three members of the crew managed to get out. Matter of fact, those three were blown out. But it wasn't until 18 days later that Bunte got the wound that temporarily removed him from action.

Another Texas Marine wounded on Saipan received the Purple Heart in an impressive mass ceremony at a Pacific base, called one of the largest affairs of its kind in Marine Corps history. He was 1st Lt. William A. Day of Lometa, former principal at Rochelle High School. Hit by shrapnel on June 17, Lt. Day received his decoration with 371 other Marines and now has returned to duty.

Sad messages came in clusters last month to Elgin relatives of fighting Texans who made the supreme sacrifice. To the Gold Star list were added: Sgt. William H. Allen, Jr., officially reported to be dead after being missing in action since June 12; 1st Lt. Sidney J. Cochran and Pvt. Donald E. Schwarz, both killed in the European theater Nov. 21, and Cpl. John P. Fleming, killed in Germany on Nov. 29.

Cpl. Fleming was the second son of County Commissioner and Mrs. Hardy Fleming to die in World War II. Last August they received the Purple Heart awarded posthumously to their son, Roy James Fleming, seaman second class, USNR, who had been missing since Nov. 3, 1942. His ship was torpedoed and sunk by a Jap submarine off the coast of South Africa.

Texas sports followers this week mourned the death of one of their greatest gridiron heroes—Capt. Joe Routh of Chapel Hill, all-American guard at Texas A. & M. in 1936 and 1937. Captain Routh was killed while leading his infantry company in action on the German front.

One of the armed services' rare honors came recently to Gilberto Villalreal of Brownsville—a commission on the battlefield.

T/Sgt. Villalreal became Lt. Villalreal on Nov. 14, according to an announcement from headquarters of Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark's Fifth Army in Italy. He is now serving as an anti-tank platoon leader.

"I'll Be Home for Christmas" proved to be more than the title of a popular song for Sgt. Marcus N. Simkins of Austin. A prisoner of the Philippines, Sergeant Simkins was one of the 82 who escaped death when their prison ship was sunk by American submarines. He reached Austin in time to eat Christmas turkey with his mother, Mrs. A. L. Simkins. His father, Petty Officer A. L. Simkins, is stationed at Portland, Ore.

Foxholes are considered places of relative safety on the battlefield, but Pfc. Ernest E. Lehman of Warda found otherwise. A German Messerschmidt strafed his position just before the occupation of St. Lo. The Nazi didn't get him, but it was too close for comfort. Later he was slightly wounded by shrapnel and transported back to England by plane.

STANFORDS LOSE HOME AND CONTENTS BY FIRE

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Stanford, who had returned to their home on the Carlton road out of Hico only last Friday from Grand Prairie, had the misfortune of losing their residence and most of its contents by fire early Sunday morning.

Roy French and son, R. W., who were among the first to arrive on the scene, rendered what assistance they could, and neighbors arriving soon afterward also helped, but only a small portion of the household effects were saved.

Mr. Stanford was on sick leave from a war plant, where he has been employed for some time.

SMITHS SELL RANCH, LOCK, STOCK AND BARREL

Mrs. C. C. Smith came in this week to subscribe for the paper before returning to her home in Temple, saying that she and Claude wouldn't be coming up here so often now, and that she just had to keep up with the news that her father-in-law, J. J. Smith, failed to write them.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith have sold their 409-acre ranch in the Chalk Mountain section to Major Long of Dallas, and also sold him all their cattle, stock, implements, and practically everything else they owned on the ranch except their household effects.

HOUSE HOME

By MARY E. DAGUE

HOW are you going to use all those vegetables you canned last summer from your victory garden? You can't just open a can and reheat the vegetable and serve it the same way time after time without benefit of change. So when your imagination refuses to concentrate on a can of tomatoes these suggestions may help you.

First of all be assured that tomatoes are a splendid food to feed your family. Scientific research has shown that canned tomatoes and tomato juice are one of the best natural sources of vitamin C. Its vitamin A value is excellent and it is a good source of B1 (thiamin) and B2 (riboflavin). Tomatoes and tomato juice also supply small quantities of iron, calcium and phosphorus. If citrus fruits aren't available you can rely on the good old tomato to pinch hit. But remember that it will take more tomatoes to furnish a given amount of vitamin C than you could calculate from oranges.

Make Tomato Bouillon.
Tomato juice is good for every meal of the day but for luncheon and dinner try converting it into a tasty tomato bouillon. Heat one cup of tomato juice and add one bouillon cube. Stir until dissolved and season to taste. Serve very hot just as it is or top it with a dash of grated cheese, a couple of toasted bread cubes or a sprinkling of minced parsley.

Tomato Soup.
Two cups canned tomatoes, 1/4 teaspoon salt, 2 teaspoons sugar, 1 blade finely chopped celery, 1 tablespoon minced onion, 1 tablespoon plain unflavored gelatin, 4 tablespoons cold water, 1 tablespoon vinegar or 2 tablespoons lemon juice, two or three drops tobacco sauce.

Chew tomatoes with salt, sugar, celery and onion for 10 minutes. Soak gelatin in cold water for five minutes. Rub tomato mixture through a fine sieve, add vinegar or lemon juice and if necessary enough water to make 1 1/2 cups liquid. Reheat and stir in softened gelatin. Stir until dissolved, add tobacco sauce and turn into mold. Chill until firm and unmold on lettuce or other salad greens to serve.

Spanish Rice is a hearty dish that has stood the test of time. Its variations are legion.

Two cups canned tomatoes, 1/4 cup uncooked rice, 1 medium-sized onion, 2 tablespoons bacon fat, butter or margarine, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon sugar, 1/4 teaspoon pepper.

Peel and slice onion. Brown in fat in spider over low heat. Add tomatoes and seasoning. Sprinkle rice over top of tomatoes, cover closely and simmer over low heat for an hour.

Altman

By Mrs. J. H. McAnelly

Mr. and Mrs. Penninger of Stephenville were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Cozby and daughter, Waynell, Friday night.

Miss Barbara Roberts returned home Wednesday from Coleman, where she had been visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Reid visited at Abilene and Lawn from Tuesday until Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Clifton and Mrs. Bill Nix are moving to Stephenville this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Cozby and daughter, Waynell, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Alexander near Hico Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Les Bingham have sold their farm to Hubert Parrish of Fort Worth.

IREDELL ITEMS

by Miss Stella Jones, Local Correspondent

Mrs. Vernon Gosdin of Orange spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Huckaby.

Miss Faye Fallis who works in McGregor spent Christmas day with her parents. She was accompanied by her boy friend.

Mrs. R. S. Echols left Friday for Orange to visit her mother, Mrs. White, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Royal of Brownwood visited her mother, Mrs. Greenwade, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferris Miller of Stephenville spent Monday with her brother, C. R. Conley, and family.

Mrs. E. L. Nesmith and son, Sat. H. L. Brown, and Mrs. Annie Mae Hayes, all of Dallas, visited Mrs. C. A. Mitchell, the past week.

Mrs. Newton of Fort Worth visited her sister-in-law, Mrs. French, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stinebaugh of Waco visited her mother, Mrs. Greenwade, during the holidays.

Susie Freeman returned home Thursday after spending two weeks here.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Morrison and son of Beaumont visited her sister, Mrs. R. E. Bradley, during the holidays.

Mr. A. F. Polnack of Walnut Springs spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Locker.

James Phillips, a student in John Tarleton College at Stephenville, spent the holidays at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Newman and son of Silas spent the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Tidwell, and with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Jenkins of Walnut Springs visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fuller on Christmas day. They had known them for 40 years. Mr. Fuller said they hadn't seen them in 30 years. Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins and Mr. Fuller went to Bell County Monday and visited. Mrs. Jenkins was raised in Bell County.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Allen and daughter spent the past Sunday night and Monday in Moshem with her father, Mr. Crawford.

Mrs. Sallie Pingleton and daughter of Bandera, Texas, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cooper Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Harper of Dallas spent the week end here.

Mrs. Randall Flannery and two daughters of Dallas spent the week with her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Flannery. Her husband is in the Navy.

Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Meadors spent Sunday in Valley Mills with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Tidwell spent Monday and Tuesday in Dallas with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham Appleby and son of Dallas spent the week end with his parents and with his sister, Mrs. Tom Strange.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Allen and daughter spent Sunday in Meridian with his father.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Moore and two children, Billie and Lee Roy, of Palmy, and Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Chastain of Waco spent Sunday night and Monday with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cooper. Mrs. Moore is their daughter, and Mrs. Chastain is Mrs. Cooper's sister.

Mrs. Henrietta Lassiter and children of Clifton visited relatives here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Phelps and baby of Corpus Christi spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. Chaney, and other relatives.

Lester Kise, who is stationed in Oklahoma, is on a furlough to his parents. He has been overseas. He is an instructor.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bateman and daughter of near Clifton were here Saturday.

Misses Lela and Mary Odum and their brother, Tom, spent Christmas day in Glen Rose.

Miss Ada Heihart has returned from Stephenville, where she has been working.

Mrs. Albert Linch of Waco spent the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Sanders, and his parents.

Mrs. Lula Belle Bryan and two children of Dallas spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Newman.

Mrs. Billy Joe Fouts and son spent the week end in Dallas.

Mrs. Robert Heyroth, who has been in Louisiana with Robert, came in Saturday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Tidwell and son, Mr. and Mrs. John Parks, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Oldham, Mrs. Rilla Tidwell, Miss Annie McIlhenny, Mr. W. S. McIlhenny, Mrs. Carter Little and Mrs. Roi Mitchell enjoyed Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Tidwell of Meridian.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Gosdin had all their children and grandchildren at home December 24th for a turkey dinner: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Noel and son, Misses Kathleen Hughes and Marie Gosdin of Fort Worth, Mrs. J. R. Brummell and daughter of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Helm and children, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Gosdin, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gosdin and children, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hughes and children.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Pylant and sons visited relatives in Dallas during the holidays.

Misses Norma Jean Cavness of Waco and Dorris Miller of Grand Prairie visited here this week end.

Mrs. Florence Martin of Overton and her daughter Miss Frances of Fort Worth spent the week end with their aunts, Mrs. Squires and Mrs. R. A. French.

Mr. and Mrs. Laswell spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cavett, of Stephenville.

Lieutenant Thompson of Camp Wolters spent the week end here.

Miss Ethel Antwine of Alvarado visited friends here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Pylant received a telegram Saturday that their son, Calvin, had been slightly wounded. He is somewhere in Germany. Their friends hope he will be well soon.

Jo Jo Wyche and her brother spent the week end here with relatives. Their parents of Handley came after them this week end.

Mrs. Potter is caring for her mother, Mrs. Summerall, who is ill. She is at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Potter.

All during Christmas week was rainy. On Sunday, the last day of the year, cleared up and Jan. 1, 1945 dawned clear and bright and very cold. We wish all the readers a very prosperous year, and sure hope this war will be over and all the boys will be home for next New Year.

Mrs. Clara Richard of Meridian spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. French.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Tidwell spent Monday and Tuesday in Dallas with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham Appleby and son of Dallas spent the week end with his parents and with his sister, Mrs. Tom Strange.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Allen and daughter spent Sunday in Meridian with his father.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Harper of Dallas spent the week end here.

Mrs. Randall Flannery and two daughters of Dallas spent the week with her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Flannery. Her husband is in the Navy.

Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Meadors spent Sunday in Valley Mills with his parents.

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Mr. and Mrs. Bill Moore and two children, Billie and Lee Roy, of Palmy, and Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Chastain of Waco spent Sunday night and Monday with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cooper. Mrs. Moore is their daughter, and Mrs. Chastain is Mrs. Cooper's sister.

Mrs. Henrietta Lassiter and children of Clifton visited relatives here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Phelps and baby of Corpus Christi spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. Chaney, and other relatives.

Lester Kise, who is stationed in Oklahoma, is on a furlough to his parents. He has been overseas. He is an instructor.

Clairette

By Mrs. H. Alexander

Those who are ill at this writing are Mrs. Mattie Carter, Mrs. A. E. Harvey, and Mr. R. M. Alexander (better known as Uncle Doc). Each has been seriously ill, but we wish for them a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Head and children and Mr. and Mrs. Deward Head and little daughter spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Head, near Hico.

Mrs. Jake Havens of Lubbock spent the latter part of the week in the home of Mrs. I. B. Havens. Mr. I. B. Havens, who is working in Fort Worth, also spent the week end here with his wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Mayfield and children of Fort Worth have been visiting relatives here for several days.

Mrs. Marion Tidwell of Washington is visiting her mother, Mrs. Lennie Dowdy.

Mrs. Alice Fenley of Fort Worth

who has been attending the bedside of her father, R. M. Alexander, who is ill, returned to her home the latter part of the week.

Mrs. Sam Wolfe and son of Dublin were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Wolfe a while Sunday afternoon.

H. G. Wolfe made a business trip to Fort Worth Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pole of Colorado City spent Thursday night in the home of Mrs. S. O. Durham and Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth.

Mr. and Mrs. Quince Golightly of the Pleasant Hill community were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Wolfe Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hub Alexander and daughter, Elizabeth, made a business trip to Stephenville Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cozby and son, Donald, who have been visiting relatives here for several days, returned to their home at McAdoo, Texas, Tuesday.

Miss Charline Sherrard who visited her sister, Lila, at Mineral Wells a few days last week, returned home Thursday.

Civil Uprising in Greece



One of the many scenes during the civil uprising in Greece, where the "rebels" were fired upon. The two victims shown above are said to be victims of police fire, not of military police.

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BASKETBALL

December 19, 1944 the Hico Tigers returned Iredell's journey to Hico with a dashing good game of basketball. Both boys and girls played. The boys' team was more fortunate than the girls'. They won over the Dragons 29-9.

Starting the boys' game for Hico were: Jack Neel, Lloyd Angell, Donald Hiner, Wendell Seago, and Billy Keeney. Those doing a good job of subbing were: Cloris Grant, Bob Wren, Charles Grant, C. Connally, and Don Griffiths. The Hico girls lost to Iredell 19-9. The Hico girls who put up a stiff defense against Iredell girls were: Mildred Reilhan, Ada Lee Primes, Margie Nell Land, Willie Hancock, Betty McLarty, Mildred Trammell, Margaret Allen, Marynell Jones, and Carrie Tolliver. Marynell Jones received a not injury in the game.

December 20, the Tigers went to Carlton to play them for the first time this season. The girls did not play Carlton.

The game started out definitely in favor of Hico but Carlton gained one much needed strength and vertook and passed the Tigers for 23-19 victory. Both teams were hit by absence of regular players.

SENIOR NEWS

The English IV class had two duates of 44 as visitors Monday afternoon. They were Wynonna Lightner and Louise Noland. The girls were happy to see these girls back for a visit and hope they enjoyed "Macbeth" as much second time as the first.

Everyone had a very enjoyable time over the holidays, but let's a little nose and see just what happen. Mary Jane wasn't seen around much so we'll say that was to the bad side that happened being annoying her. Paul and Patsy re thought to have completely appeared, but after tracing all es we found the lost patiently rking on the annual. The first y had to be ready by Dec. 23, nes Ray, always ready for ex- ement, did a complete job of ging out the old year. Eleven s seen around with her new boy nd, and Mary Nell was buzzing und the show as usual.

With smiling faces the Seniors et the New Year and are ready ettle down and make better des. We are giving you a build- for the new starting, so don't us down.

WHO'S WHO IN THE SENIOR CLASS

When listing the High Schoolers st likely to succeed in the alert phet would not overlook the st-mannered, brown-haired Sen- with the serious eyes and the

pleasant smile. Bobby McLarty is especially interested in V. A. and his classmates feel that he will be able to turn that interest into a splendid vocation. His teachers say that they know he will succeed because he is sincere and cooperative, and he has never been known to take an unfair advantage.

Don't get the idea that this boy with the Irish name and the super endorsement of his teachers does not enjoy a good prank as well as the next one. There is nothing wrong with his sense of humor, and he revealed to this reporter that if there is anything he likes better than V. A. it is ice cream, and anything better than ice cream, it is a girl who is capable of forgetting herself and thinking of others first. Not that he believes that they do not exist. However, if he ever does find one—look out!

FRESHMAN NEWS

The Fish had a very Merry Christmas.

We were very sorry to hear that Margaret and Zaida Reece, and Bonnie June Godwin are going to move.

We wonder why Mary Nell Battershell can't concentrate on anything. . . Bobbie Jean Jaggars' leg was burned. . . Patsy Ruth Roberts said Mattie Lou Pace was squirrel food. . . Somebody told R. W. French he was the most stubborn boy she ever saw. . . James Lee Proffitt said he wasn't going to say a word the whole year?

REFLECTIONS

News is usually very scanty after a holiday. The reason is obvious: There is no news but the holiday and now it's over.

Turning frantically in search of something to print, we spied a forgotten editorial laid away on the top shelf. Perhaps it is a mite dusty but with a brush here and a brush there, 'tis as good as new. (But still not as good as news).

This could be called, "What Every High School Student Should Know" or "Is There Anybody Not Blushing?" These titles were picked with an eye to capitalizing on the reader's curiosity and thereby forcing him to reach the fourth paragraph. Wait, don't go. It begins immediately.

We are inclined by human nature to be self-centered and more interested in personal affairs than in bigger things. Instances by the carload can be stated to prove that H. H. S. students sometimes forget one of their first loyalties belongs to their Alma Mater. Trouble, inconvenience, and hard work are the sacrifices of placing one's best and best of the service of one's school. This is always the case. Actions and not words determine whether we actually love our Hico High better than we love ourselves.

Ex-students will tell you nothing is as dear to them as the days they spent here. At the time it was not so. Only later have they come to realize that high school years are precious years. Only later has it occurred to them that more effort to cooperate and more zeal to meet other classmates and teachers half way should have made for an even better school.

The following suggestion is

aimed at everyone. We're all guilty and admitting it is the first step toward correction. As the New Year gets well under way, let's make a resolution that from now on we're going to be agreeable, willing and industrious. Let's resolve to put our energies to work not only in respect to lessons but also in view of the many extra duties which we are called upon to perform. When we graduate from H. H. S. we will leave a bit of our personalities, a bit of ourselves behind. Would it not be good to know that small portion was one of the right spirit, one of the proper attitude?

Clifford Herrington was a visitor in H. H. S. this week. He is a Bluejacket home on leave. He was a Junior in 1938. We were glad to welcome him, as we are all glad to see him back in Hico.

Nineteen hundred and forty-five has been officially rung in. We won't mention any names but numerous yawns had to be stifled in classes Monday morning.

Carlton

By Mrs. Fred Geyer

Culmer Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Alfonso Morgan, Mrs. Lynn Holley and baby, Lynn Jr., visited Sunday at Gorman with Mrs. Culmer Jordan, a patient in the hospital there. Her daughter, Martha, is staying with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McDaniel of Taylor spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. McDaniel.

Mrs. Rena Stidham and sister, Miss Pattie Lynch, returned home Sunday from San Angelo after a visit with her sons, Sgt. Pete Stidham and Pfc. Wayne Stidham, and their families.

Pvt. Hal Sowell returned Monday to Springfield, Mo., after a visit with his wife and daughter and other relatives.

After a visit home, and before reporting for further duty, Easton and Mrs. M. J. Carmichael left last Thursday for McKinney to visit her mother, Mrs. Anna Brown.

Kenneth Brimer, EC 2/c, returned Friday to Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, after a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Brimer.

Mrs. Bettie Fisher is visiting in Johnson City with her sister and husband, Rev. and Mrs. Jim Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Chesley Kennedy and two little girls of Longview visited during the holidays with their parents, Dr. and Mrs. P. P. Kennedy and Mr. and Mrs. Rance Sowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Gerald of Sherman were holiday visitors with her mother and sister, Mrs. J. H. Tull and Mrs. Lillie Anderson.

Chester Brimer of Pasadena, Texas, visited the past week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Brimer. His son, John Robert, returned home with his father after a visit with his grandparents.

Visitors during the holidays with their half-brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Burns, and Ted Moore were Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Moore and son, Larry, and Mrs. Ted Moore of Fort Worth. Mrs. Pat Moore and son, Waymon, Brownwood, and Pvt. Pat H. Moore of New Orleans, La. This was the first time these brothers had been together in eleven years. Other visitors in the Burns home Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Dunsworth of Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Sowell and baby returned Thursday to their home in Sherman after a visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus King and Mrs. Robert Sowell, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Hobdy Thompson and children, Don and Shirley, spent Sunday at Abilene with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Thompson. His mother is ill and confined to her bed.

Mrs. L. C. Vaughn and son, L. C. Jr., returned Sunday to their home in Waco after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Upham, and at Dublin with her sister, Mrs. Frank Osborne and family, and her niece, Mrs. Stewart Partain.

Mr. and Mrs. Truett Gibson and children and Ernest Gibson of Lubbock visited during the holidays with their parents, Rev. and Mrs. R. H. Gibson.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Moore and two little girls of Baytown were holiday visitors with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Moore.

Mrs. Hubert Stuckey and daughter, Helen Jean, returned home Sunday from Cisco, where she visited her sister, Mrs. Willard Williamson, and cousin, Mrs. Eva Laws and son, Joy Dean.

Miss Marile Lowe returned Sunday to her school in Amarillo, and her cousin, Miss Mereda Hickerson, returned Sunday to her home in Nachitoches, La., after spending the holidays with their mother and aunt, Mrs. J. B. Lowe.

Mrs. Will Barnett and daughter, Latrelle, returned home Saturday after a week's visit in Fort Worth with her daughters, Mrs. Azatha Prater and Mrs. Page Barnett.

Rev. R. H. Gibson is ill and confined to his bed.

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Millerville

By Chas. W. Glesceke

Mr. and Mrs. Burks have moved from the Bob Finley ranch to a vacated house on the N. M. Colwick farm.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Miller made a business trip to Stephenville last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Runyon of Dallas are spending a few days on their farm.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Land and Mrs. J. D. Lane of Dallas were visiting relatives Christmas week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cauder and daughter have returned from visiting his parents in Mills County.

E. E. Glesceke of Duffau was in our community Tuesday assessing taxes.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Lively recently had visiting them their son, Calvin, and family of Gustine, Mr. and Mrs. Rube Lively of near Hico, and Stacy Conner and family of Seymour, who also spent a day with the Livelys.

Miss Annie Hukel who died in Abilene was buried in Millerville Wednesday. One sister, Bettie, of Austin survives, and three brothers: Elder D. L. Hukel of Stamford, R. D. Hukel of Stephenville, and Sam Hukel of San Angelo. She was 74 years old, and was a pioneer of this vicinity.

"RUSH IT UP A LITTLE"

Mr. and Mrs. A. Rierson have sent in their renewal subscription from Dallas, along with their best wishes for their many friends in their old home. August advised that he didn't like to do without the Hico paper, but suggested that we get it in the mails earlier so he could have it to read over the week ends. "Just rush it up a little," he said. Wish we could.

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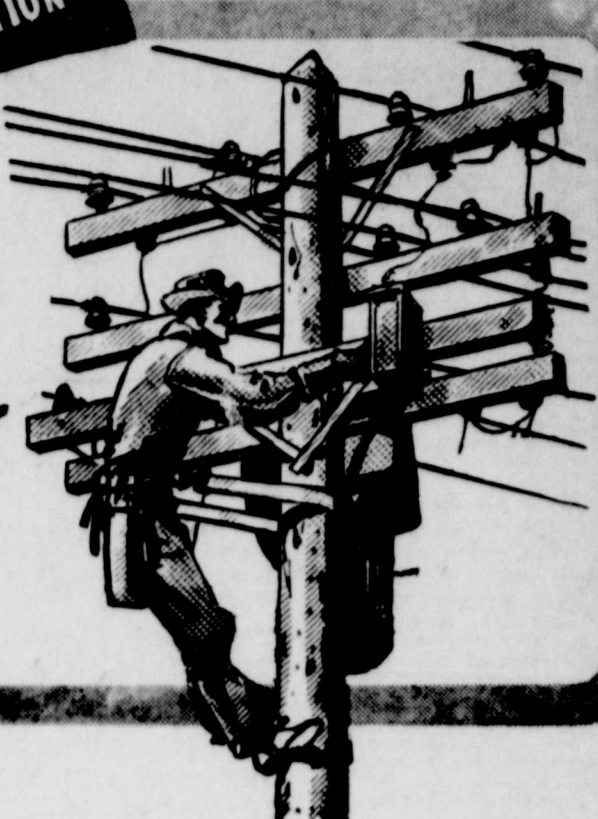
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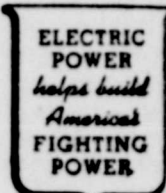


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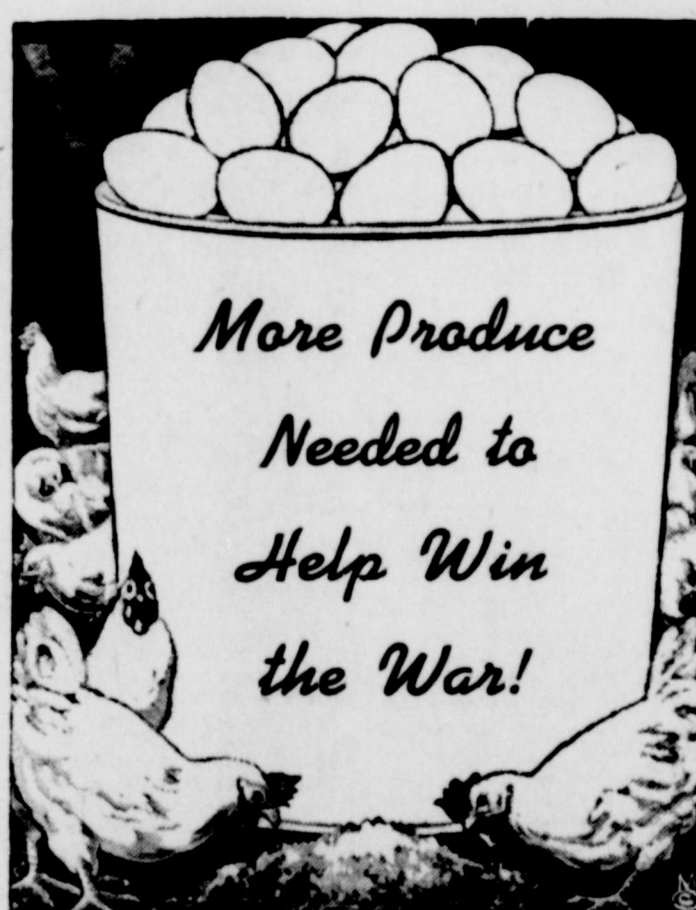


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Why Farmers Should Buy & Keep War Bonds

by R. R. Renne
President
Montana State College



BUILDING financial reserves, paying off debts, helping to fight dangerous inflation, and patriotism, are all good reasons why farmers should buy and hold War Bonds.

A good financial reserve is an important part of sound farm management. War Bonds are safe investments and are almost as liquid as cash. Thus, they comprise an excellent financial reserve for unexpected needs and emergencies. After the last war prices fell rapidly, as they have after every major war, and thousands of American farmers lost their farms because they could not weather the economic storm. No other factor is more essential for continued satisfactory farm operations, through good years and bad, than adequate financial reserves.

In addition to unexpected needs or emergencies, farmers need adequate reserves to finance repairs, replacements and improvements around the farm. Difficulties in obtaining needed materials and labor for these expenditures use farm buildings and equipment to wear out faster during the war period than in peacetime. Farmers can wait until some time after the war ends to make repairs and improvements, but their dollars should go farther than they will immediately following the war, and better quality materials will probably be available. Moreover, too rapid or forced selling of War Bonds immediately after the war could create a serious situation and contribute to post-war inflation. Also, holding bonds to maturity makes it possible for the farmer to increase his investment by one-fourth through accumulated interest. Still another reason for having a good reserve in the form of War Bonds is that funds will be available for boys when they return, to assist them in getting established in lifetime pursuits.

Many farmers still have long-term mortgage debt outstanding against their prop-

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FARM SCHOOL

An eight-session school for young men who are now farming and who expect to make farming a lifetime occupation has been organized in Medina, Ohio, by the county agricultural extension office.

The theory behind this intelligent community effort is that the opportunity of a lifetime lies ahead for the young farmer who knows modern farming methods and learns what makes a farm pay a good profit.

Among the topics which will be discussed are efficient utilization of labor, power and equipment; farm layout; arrangement for greatest efficiency; rotations and cropping practices; and economical farm management.

A school for farm women, sponsored by a local 4-H club, will run concurrently and sometimes jointly with that for the men.

As so much farm training is being neglected on account of the war, the communities which are encouraging farm education are showing real foresight.

By the time GI Joe's of this war begin to return to the farms, a helpful training program will be already established for them. Here is a program which might be wisely followed by all farm communities.

LOOKING AT BOTH SIDES

With the recent successes of our forces in the Far East, what is happening in China is becoming more and more important to the United States.

Unfortunately, our advances coincide with increasing difficulties and discouraging defeats in China.

The loss of air bases, the recall of General Stilwell, and the much publicized Communist issue have given rise to widespread American criticism.

The tendency is to say that everything is China's fault.

There are many factors in the Chinese situation which are ignored. China has resisted a seven-year large-scale Japanese attack.

Her consistent refusal to be daunted by Japan's attack, in spite of a great shortage of supplies and well-trained troops, has thwarted Japan's plan to consolidate her position in Asia and conduct a vast racial war uniting the Asiatics against the Western world.

Repeatedly Japan has offered China peace on condition of joining the great aggression—but China has refused to listen.

In our country, this situation must be met with understanding and not mere fault finding. Public opinion needs to be more generous on the Chinese issue. Let us get the record straight and not be too quick to condemn.

THE CIGARETTE SHORTAGE

Like their breakfast coffee and their newspaper, many Americans want their cigarettes and are grumbling over the present shortage.

They want to know why it occurred and who is getting the vast quantity of cigarettes being manufactured.

Estimates show that the United States armed forces overseas smoked about one-sixth of America's total cigarette production during 1943; and during the seven-month period from January 1, 1944 to July 31, 1944, our soldiers and sailors smoked slightly more than one-fourth of the supply.

In actual figures, during the first seven months of 1944, civilians and soldiers in the United States smoked 6.94 billion packs and the remaining 2.56 billion packs went overseas.

Actually, the number of cigarettes being manufactured for civilian and soldier consumption is

the greatest in the history of the tobacco industry. But war jobs and abnormal strains have caused more civilians than ever to smoke. Also, as cigarette manufacture is not an essential industry, it suffers from lack of manpower. Black markets may have some effect, too, but many investigations are under way to quell these activities.

The shortage puzzle is still partly unsolved. But although civilians are having difficulties in buying cigarettes, we at least are reasonably sure that the men abroad are getting all they need. Knowledge of this fact should compensate for at least some of our inconveniences.

Wee Bits of GESTURE

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

Well, folks, it's Board Chairman Sewell Avery in the news again. As was the case of last April, Mr. Avery is again defying the WLB in its decision concerning labor disputes between Ward's and Union Workers. Mr. Avery insists that his company is carrying on a "non-war" business. Who ever heard of that kind of a business? "Why ain't he in the Army?" There I go, now picking up that habit. I must try to control myself. After all, I have nothing but the highest of respect for my elders, and this is augmented still further by the fact that I am no "spring chicken" myself. I never hear the harmonious notes of "Silver Threads Among the Gold" without having my emotions go into a general shake-up.

More over, I once could see eye to eye with Mr. Avery on these issues. But you see, folks, in my way of looking at it, one's mind is a lot like an automobile. It's not worth a hoot if you don't have a good reverse on it. Trying to go through life in "high gear" has got many a person in the ruts. And while I wish to emphasize strongly that I refer to no one in particular, I would say that those of us who would knowingly try to make wrong win out over right are not doing anything that Japan does not do with her "face-saving" policy. We cannot buy any better insurance than that we get when we back the war effort to our fullest ability.

Unfortunately, we have among us in this country and throughout the world, those who if they could possess the entire world, would complain of its smallness. Such selfishness and greed when fully analyzed, disclose the roots of war itself. We find in manifested in the so-called "German Culture." We have felt the sting of its tentacles reaching to us from across the Pacific. And today we wage war against it, the greatest enemy of all mankind, in order that all liberty loving people may survive its curses upon this earth. It can never be condemned from this world. We, the people, have right within ourselves, the one and only weapon to combat it with, namely, "Let our lights shine so bright, so that others may see them."

To my readers, wherever you may be, may this year of 1945 bring you many blessings.

By PRINTISS A. NEWMAN.

Home Not Always Safest Place, but Caution Will Help

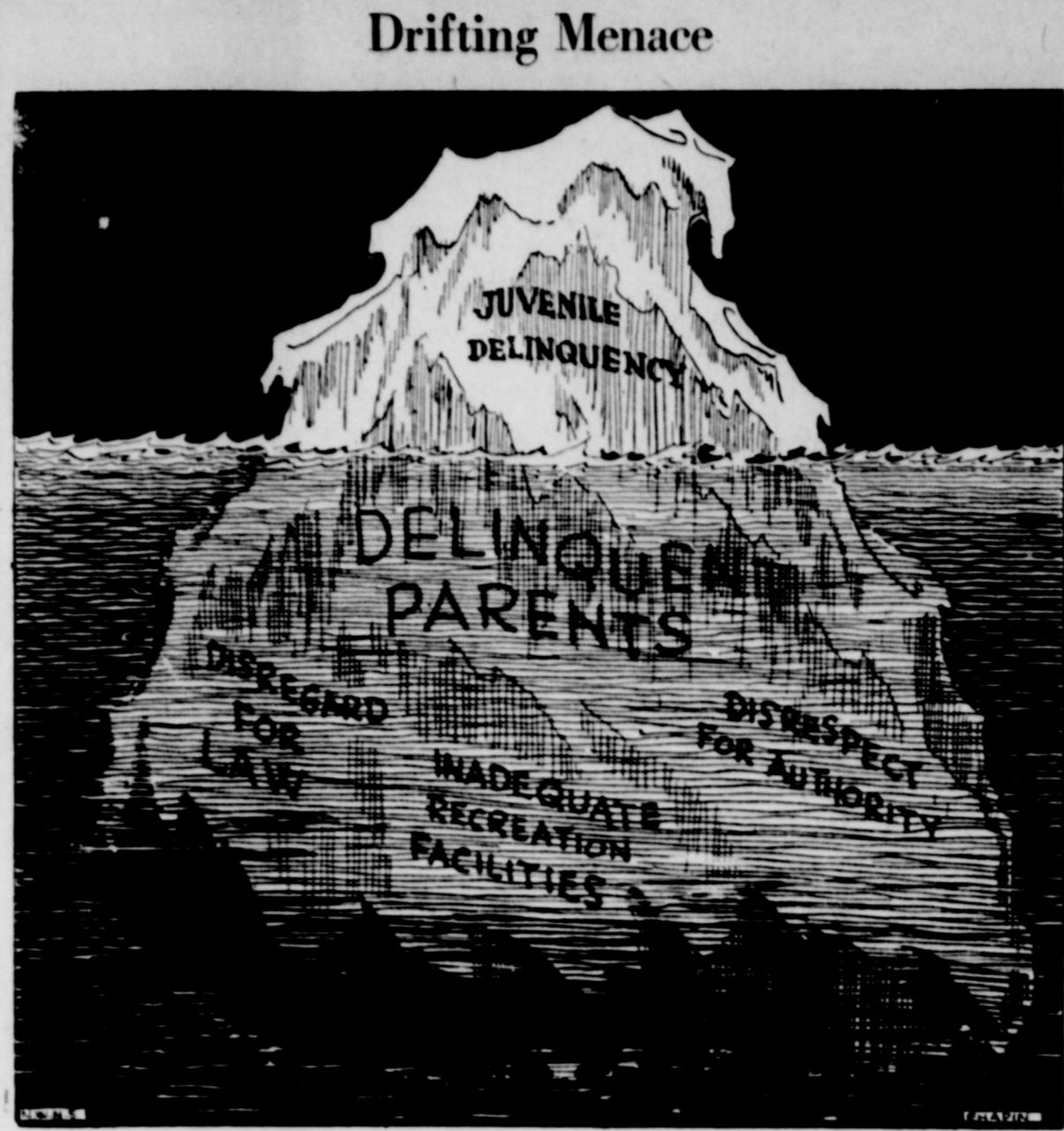
Austin, Texas, Jan. 2.—In America it has long been thought that home is the safest place an individual can spend his time. The facts, however, prove that far from being one of the safest, it is often one of the most dangerous places. This condition need not exist if proper attention is given to making our homes safe.

In commenting on the urgent need for the protection of life and limb in the American home, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, today declared that accidents in the home are the cause of as many deaths as diphtheria, scarlet fever, whooping cough, and measles combined; of more than appendicitis; of nearly as many as diabetes; of over two-thirds as many as automobile accidents; and of over a third as many deaths as tuberculosis.

"Slippery floor surfaces, lack of handrails on cellar steps, absence of protective gates at the top of stairs in homes where there are small children, toys left on stairs, unanchored small rugs on polished floors, and the careless storage of poisons, sharp tools, and firearms are some of the more prominent hazards resulting in home accidents," Dr. Cox said.

"However," he added, "in the last analysis, the problem boils down to one of reasonable individual caution. When we consider that most accidents result from carelessness, we cannot view complacently the more than 30,000 deaths annually from this cause. These deaths, chargeable to remediable carelessness, can and should be reduced."

Dr. Cox declared that such a needless and profitless loss of life is deplorable at any time, but to permit such a condition to persist now in view of our national crisis, is a neglect that cannot be condoned, and one which can seriously cripple our war effort.



HOUSE AND HOME By MARY E. DAGUE

CHRISTMAS 1944. And the world at war. Can we force our lips to repeat the gay old words, "Merry Christmas?" Many of us have dreaded to see this day come. We've felt the memories of other Christmases would be more than we could bear. So let's forget our own past family days and remember that first Christmas centuries ago when the Star guided the Wise Men to the Manger. We know the story, every card tells it and we've sung and heard those carols year after year, ever since we were children. We must hear them this year with a deeper understanding.

When the Christmas gifts have been opened it would be a good idea to decorate a Christmas tree for the birds. Choose a sturdy shrub close to the house and near a window so you can watch the birds. Suet, bits of fruit, popcorn and seeds fastened to the branches of the tree will make a Christmas feast for the tiny feathered creatures.

In the evening when the family feels the need of food again, serve the Christmas supper in the living room. A fruit salad with sandwiches and a hot drink with Christmas cookies answers the problem. This salad may appeal to you. It requires little forethought and the youngest members of the family can share it with the grown-ups. Orange and Date Salad.

Peel oranges and cut in slices about one-fourth inch thick, allowing five slices for each serving. Arrange on a bed of lettuce or endive. Remove pits from dates and stuff with a mixture of chopped nut meats and Philadelphia cream cheese. Allow five dates for each serving and put them between the orange slices. Instead of dates you might use prunes, pitted and filled with peanut butter.

Serve the salad with fruit mayonnaise. One cup mayonnaise or a smooth light cooked salad dressing, and 1/2 cup grated apple.

Choose a crisp tart apple such as a Winesap. Wash but do not peel, and grate on a coarse grater. Add to mayonnaise and mix lightly but thoroughly.

Assorted sandwiches, including plain bread and butter, are good with this salad. Be sure the butter or margarine is softened until perfectly spreadable and that the knife for cutting the bread is very sharp. These simple precautions make sandwich-making easy.

Hot cocoa is an ideal drink for such a supper, particularly if children are present. Grownups might find greater enjoyment in their beverage if a tablespoonful of brandy is added to their cups at serving.

REPRESENTATIVE LEAVING FOR AUSTIN JANUARY 8TH

Earl Huddleston of Oglethorpe, in a letter this week to the News Review, made the following announcement:

"I will leave for Austin Jan. 8, to attend the 49th session of the Texas Legislature. I intend to do my best to serve the people of my district and State, and invite every citizen to feel free to confer with me on any subject at any time."

"My address at Austin will be House of Representatives, Austin, Texas. I will try to let you know through the local paper what is going on as much as possible."

NEWS REVIEW WANT ADS FOR RESULTS!

Drifting Menace

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New Procedure to Permit More Prompt Mailing of Rations

Jess Brown, chairman of the local War Price and Rationing Board at Hamilton in an endeavor to permit more prompt mailing of rations to the public has installed a new streamline rationing procedure designed to cut down the present heavy Board workload.

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Calling attention to the fact that Board members are all volunteers and not only receive no pay for their services but have business of their own to operate, Mr. Brown urged that no applications be taken to a board member by a consumer. Such action will only tend to delay issuance besides taking up the valuable time of the board member.

Under the new arrangement in effect, all approved rations will be mailed out and the only rations which will be mailed over the counter in the future will be those where hardship would result or in the cases of emergencies or furlough rations for service men.

To prevent possible inconvenience, clerks at the local office suggest that applicants try to anticipate their needs and file their applications for gasoline and the other commodities a few days in advance of the time actually needed.

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Personals.

Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Isbell have been visiting several days in El Paso.

E. L. Roberts of Beaumont spent Christmas here with his mother, Mrs. Kate Roberts, in the home of her sister, Mrs. C. L. Woodward.

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Moon and children, Jarrell Douglas and Judy Carol, of Camp Hood visited here last week in the home of his mother, Mrs. C. E. Lester.

Mrs. Fannie Sears returned home Sunday after a two weeks' visit in Abilene with her daughter, Mrs. John Guley, and family.

Mrs. Norman Johnson returned at Friday to Dallas, after a holiday visit here in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ford.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bobo and daughter, Mildred, and sons, James and Le Roy, spent Sunday in Hico visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Hurschel Williamson and daughter, Billy Jean, spent the New Year holidays in Dallas with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Elkins and Mr. and Mrs. Toy Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Johnson have been in Stephenville several times during recent weeks with Mrs. Johnson's father, W. R. Stevens, who has been in the hospital there.

Visitors during the holidays in the home of Mrs. Sue Segrist were Mrs. Locille and Loraine Segrist, of Dallas, and her son, Kal Jr., of Dallas.

W. H. F. Haught returned to Hico Sunday after a few days' visit here in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Haught, with other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Leeth and children of Dallas spent the holidays here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Leeth and Mrs. C. B. Segrest.

Frank Hobbs and children, and Cissy, returned to their home in Hillsboro Monday after a visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. McCarty.

C. L. Woodward went to North Friday and attended the funeral Saturday of Dr. P. M. Sr., who died after a long illness.

Dodd, who has been ill at home here since the first of the year, was carried to Gorman by Mrs. Dodd for a trip in the Blackwell Sanitarium.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Davis had their children with them during the Christmas holidays. One of them, Miss Annie Stephens, of Knox County and also in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie O. Davis and family of Brownwood were here Christmas day with Mrs. G. S. Johnson. They returned to Stephenville later. Mrs. Davis is a niece of Mrs. Johnson.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Stanford were Dr. H. C. Stanford and Mrs. Wynnell Stanford of Fort Worth.

Mr. Ernest Jennings of Hico spent the holidays here with his mother, Mrs. Mattie Seale. Lieutenant Jennings had returned from overseas after a year's service in China.

Mildred Bobo left early for Wink, where she is employed, after a two-weeks' holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Bobo, and brothers, Le and James Ray.

End visitors in the E. A. home were relatives, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Cunningham and Mr. and Mrs. Joe, and Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham and daughter, of Seminole, Texas.

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Wellborn and Jo Reilhan, employed at Fort Worth, came to Hico Saturday for a week-end visit and went home Sunday with Wellborn, who came down day.

Mrs. Roy Massingill and her family of Phillips, all of Fort Worth, made a trip to Hico to visit her parents and to get their cars which were delayed on route.

Mrs. E. T. Paddock and her family of Hico spent the week-end with their parents, Mrs. W. R. Paddock and Mr. W. C. Paddock, who were Mr. and Mrs. Paddock's parents.

Mrs. W. B. Hines of Hico spent the New Year holidays in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hines, who visited her and other relatives in Hico. They returned to their home Sunday night.

Mrs. E. P. Herrick and daughter, Catherine Laverne, of Fort Worth visited several days last week here with her sister, Mrs. L. J. Chaney, and family, and with other relatives and friends in and around Hico.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Blackburn and daughter, Jane, through the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Blackburn and children, Sonny and Helen, of San Antonio; Pvt. James T. Blackburn, who is stationed at Amarillo Army Air Field at Amarillo, Texas, and Wendell Blackburn of Fort Worth.

Church News

Baptist Church

Sunday, Jan. 7, 1945.— Sunday School, 10:00 a. m. Preaching, 11:00 a. m. Training Union, 7:00 p. m. Preaching, 8:00 p. m. Don't forget the Youth Revival Meeting, Jan. 7-14, announcement of which is carried elsewhere in this issue of the paper. O. D. CARPENTER, 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.

Miss Annie Hukel Buried Wednesday At Millerville

Miss Annie Hukel, 74, who died in Abilene on January 1, was brought by burial coach from Stamford Wednesday to the Millerville Cemetery where services were conducted at 10 a. m. by Eld. Stanley Giesecke. Miss Hukel was born September 10, 1870 in Missouri and had spent most of her life in the Millerville community. For the past several years she has been an invalid. She was a faithful member of the Church of Christ.

She is survived by three brothers: D. Lee Hukel, Stamford; S. C. Hukel, San Angelo, and R. D. Hukel of Stephenville; also one sister, Betty Hukel of Austin.

Lose Ration Book And You May Have to Diet for Thirty Days

Stephenville, January 2.—A. J. Spangler, chairman of the Erath County War Price and Rationing Board, in a statement issued today, called attention of all ration book holders to the fact that board regulations make it mandatory on the Food Panel to delay issuing of duplicate ration books to replace lost books for a period of 30 days.

Mr. Spangler pointed out the fact that there had been a material increase in reports of lost, stolen or mutilated ration books in recent months, and that the district office had issued instructions to all board food panels to follow the 30-day rule of issuing duplicates in these cases.

Persons who have filed applications with the local board for duplicate books and who have not received them will understand the delay is caused by the new ruling and not by any negligence on the part of the local food panel.

Too Late to Classify—

LOST: Lady's black patent leather slipper. Finder please return to News Review office. 33-1tp.

Youth Revival At Baptist Church January 7th - 14th

Rev. O. D. Carpenter, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Hico, has announced the opening next Sunday, Jan. 7, of a Youth Revival at his church, which will continue through the following Sunday, Jan. 14. He has submitted the following article for publication:



Robert W. Randall, pastor of the Edgemont Baptist Church, Dallas, is to be the preacher and pianist. He will also render special music on the trombone, Vibrachord and piano.

The music will be under the direction of Rev. O. D. Carpenter, pastor of the local church. Brother Carpenter plans a Young People's Choir. All the young people of Hico are invited to attend this meeting and are urged to feel free to take part in the choir. Brother and Mrs. Carpenter are having a fellowship meeting for the Young People, Intermediates, and Juniors in their home Friday night, Jan. 5. Please consider yourself an invited guest. Popcorn and sandwiches will be among the refreshments served. Come and bring a friend at 7:30 p. m. Brother Randall is an outstanding young man, very talented, and you will surely miss a great opportunity of hearing some good music and preaching if you fail to come and attend this meeting.

Mrs. J. B. Russell and daughter, Glenna Maude, of Dallas spent the holidays here with her parents, Mayor and Mrs. J. C. Barrow. Mrs. Barrow accompanied them home last Saturday for a visit and became ill, and was carried to the Methodist Hospital for treatment. Mayor Barrow was in Dallas the first of the week to be with her, returning home Tuesday. He reported her to be doing very well.



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\$16.95 and \$14.95 Values, Special Price	\$10.95
\$10.75 and \$9.95 Values, Special Price	\$ 6.95
\$4.75 Values, Special Price	\$ 3.65
\$3.75 and \$3.49 Values, Special Price	\$ 2.49

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25	.50	.75	1.00	1.25	.25

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Wanted

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Two work horses and harness for sale. Claude Herrin, Rt. 1, Hico. 33-2p.

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Fairy

By Mrs. J. O. Richardson

All were glad to see some fair weather after more than a week of inclement weather.

Wallace Edwards has been off the job at his garage the past few days due to an infected hand. He is up and able to be about, but the doctor has ordered a rest from work for a while.

Our school opened again Monday after the Christmas holiday week.

There has been quite a lot of illness in this and surrounding communities due to colds and severe coughs.

Clair Brunson has been very poorly for several weeks.

Mrs. Ila Ruth Smith and baby, Marianna, have returned home after spending the holidays with her husband's parents and other relatives near Abilene.

Cpl. and Mrs. Charles Price of Austin visited recently with her parents. Corporal Price has been transferred from Orlando, Fla., to Washington and left Austin January 1st to report to Washington.

Mrs. Price is the former Miss Marcelle Cox.

Miss Daphne Hoover spent from Friday until Monday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Hoover. Her sister, Patsy Ann, accompanied her home, after spending the school holiday week here with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Truitt Turner have moved to the Parks place recently vacated by the Mandorf family.

Mr. and Mrs. Beck and small son of near Cranfill's Gap have moved to what is known as the Jim Leeth home place. We welcome them to this community. They have been attending church here for some time.

Lt. and Mrs. A. L. Betts and little daughter are here for a few days visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Betts.

Mrs. Betts, who is employed in Fort Worth, is here also during their visit. Lieutenant Betts has recently returned from overseas, where he had been stationed since early in September.

Pvt. Carl Ray Sellers of Camp Hood spent the week end with his wife and homefolks. Mrs. Sellers accompanied him to Gatesville late Sunday and spent the night in the home of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Heyroth, returning home New Year's Day.

Mrs. W. E. Goyns resumed her work Tuesday as a faculty member of the Cranfill's Gap school, after the Christmas and New Year holidays.

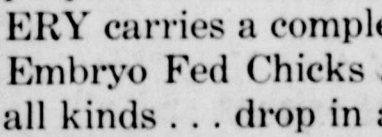
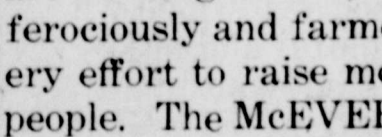
Col. and Mrs. Elton Massencole of Ohio were expected in the first of this week to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Brummitt, and other relatives.

V. H. Heyroth of Gatesville was a business visitor in this community Saturday night. He returned home Sunday morning by way of Hamilton where he visited with his brother, Lewis, and sister, Mrs. Beatrice Ozlesby, of near Hamilton.

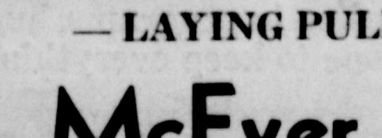
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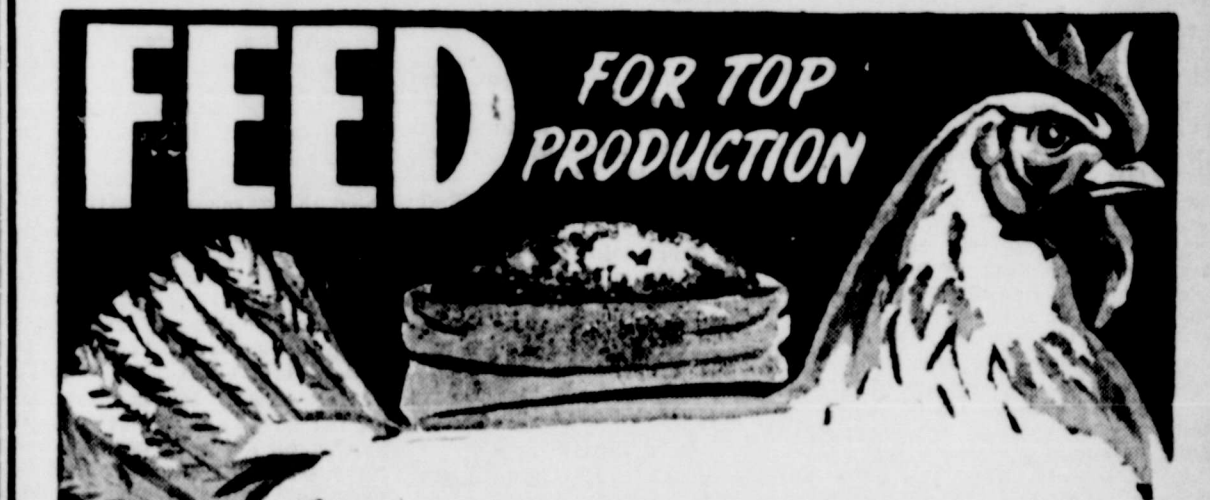
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**SAT. MIDNIGHT,
SUNDAY & MONDAY—**
"BOWERY TO BROADWAY"
MARIA MONTEZ
SUSANNA FOSTER
JACK OAKIE
TURHAN BEY

TUES. & WED. (NEXT WEEK)—
"THREE LITTLE SISTERS"
MARY LEE
RUTH TERRY
CHERYL WALKER

THURS. & FRI. (NEXT WEEK)—
"UP IN MABEL'S ROOM"
MARJORIE REYNOLDS
DENNIS O'KEEFE
GAIL PATRICK
MISCHA AUER

WITH THE COLORS (Continued from Page 1)

partment of a Union bus that was parked on the highway. The lieutenant said something while the fire whistle was blowing about maybe making his home here after the war—but it may be that the editor heard him wrong.

WE CAN'T RUN THE PICTURE, BUT HERE'S A GOOD STORY ON LOCAL YOUTH

15TH AAF IN ITALY.—Sgt. William R. Litch, 19-year-old, engineer-gunner with a heavy bombardment group stationed in Italy, is shown in a photo by S/Sgt. J. Pappas, sitting astride one of the powerful engines that brought the bomber back from an attack on the oil refineries at Vienna, Germany.

"I saw a string of bombs land squarely among a group of buildings," he recalled. "After that all I could see was jet black smoke billowing thousands of feet skyward."

Sergeant Litch, of Hico, Texas, has been overseas for the past three months, and has flown more than 15 combat missions. He possesses the Air Medal, and is authorized to wear the Distinguished Unit Badge. In addition to the European-Middle Eastern-African Theatre Ribbon with two battle stars.

TWO STORIES IN ONE—THE EDITOR MAY HAVE TO CHANGE ONE OF 'EM

Bill Leach was running around Thursday grinning like the cat that ate the canary, and waving a telegram from her husband, T/S Willard Leach, at Fort Lewis, Washington. Some of the war widders that drink coffee with her daily said they found out Willard had told Bill to do something or other about the service station, the house, and the pick-up, and that there was something else in the telegram about Okmulgee, Okla. But we'll have to wait until things happen and we find out exactly what it is before giving a full report. The only thing the editor saw on the telegram was the first statement, and it was kinda personal so he stopped reading.

A letter Bill received from Willard a few days ago told about the hospitable treatment he received from a family living on a large estate at Spanaway, Washington. He and some buddies accepted an invitation to Christmas dinner, and enjoyed every minute of the time they spent there, especially the excellent meal where a 24-lb. turkey was served, along with all the trimmings. In the afternoon Willard had his portrait penciled by Jack Gail, 19-year-old son of his host, and he sent this along to Bill who thinks it an excellent likeness of her husband.

Lt. L. H. Hudson, officer of the Armed Guard on a merchant vessel, is back in port in Philadelphia. He called his wife, the former Pud Fairley, the first of the week and said he would try to make it home in two or three weeks, if possible. Mrs. Hudson, who underwent a major operation in the Scott & White Sanitarium at Temple several weeks ago, is recuperating nicely here at the home of her mother, Mrs. J. W. Fairley.

Mrs. Ella Bullard has ordered the paper sent to her son, S/Sgt. Winston G. Bullard, with a cannon company of an infantry regiment now in France. We are hoping to have luck in getting delivery on his paper—also that going to his brother, Cpl. Gail B. Bullard, who has been overseas since last August but hasn't yet acknowledged receipt of any of the copies mailed out to him each week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Loden received a letter Wednesday from their son, Sgt. Tom H. Loden, saying that he had arrived safely in England. He also added that the country over there sure didn't look like good old Texas.

Pvt. C. B. Price from Camp Wolters came in last Sunday for a visit home with his family before going to his new station at Fort Meade, Maryland.

Form Ihsoby Club in France



Charter members of the Ihsoby (I Haven't Seen Our Baby Yet) club compare pictures of their offspring at the Britany Red Cross club somewhere in France. Left to right: Pvt. Fred D. Davis Jr., Pine Bluff, Ark.; Corp. Gustave Stewe, Deerfield, Wis.; Sgt. James W. Mason, Emley, Ala.; and Pvt. Robert S. Anderson, St. Petersburg, Fla.

HICO GIRL RECEIVES POEM WRITTEN BY HER HUSBAND, NOW OVERSEAS

"To Mary, the best who ever waited," is the dedication line below a poem sent to his wife, the former Mary De Alva Brown of Hico, by Sgt. Richard D. Smith, who is with a field artillery unit in Germany. The poem has been read over the air and printed several times in other publications, according to Mrs. Smith. She plans to leave this week for Toledo, Ohio, for a visit with her husband's mother.

WE MAY MISS SOME OF 'EM BUT WE JUST GOTTA TRY TO MENTION ALL GREETINGS

In the rush connected with getting out the papers during the holiday season, a number of greeting cards and letters came in from servicemen. The efficient red-headed office manager has tried her best to keep them separate from other mail, so that we'd know something about the boys and girls, so if any have been overlooked, blame it on her. But don't blame her too much, as she's doing most of the work around this joint.

THOSE WHO WAIT

As we passed a spot by the side of the road
I saw men shake their heads
In pity, it seemed, for those who had fought
But now lay still and dead.
I knew what they felt as they passed this place
Where some mother had lost a son.
The hell on earth was finished for him—
For her it had just begun.
No, they pitied him not, or the way he died.
For his was a soldier's fate.
Their hearts went out across the sea
To those who would now vainly wait.

They are the ones who go unsung
In this war with its fury and hate.
His pain in dying was naught to compare
With the pain of those who must wait.

This war will be won, the time will come
When I will go home to forget.
To thank the Lord that He answered my word
And my loved ones are not waiting yet.

But my mind will come back to the side of the road,
Where the soldier today met his fate.
And I'll wonder how long the war will go on
For the woman who must always wait.

Mrs. H. A. Wieser, employed in a public relations office of the U. S. Army at Big Spring, stopped off in Hico for a short visit last Saturday afternoon while returning from a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. McDowell, at Emley, Jennie Mae, who recently had a letter from her husband, Lt. Henry Alex Wieser, written in July from a prisoner-of-war camp in Germany, planned to spend the week end in Hamilton with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Wieser.

Private Ephraim Kirkland has been reported missing in action since December 1st in Germany, according to a note from his sister, Mrs. L. L. Brewer, at Stephenville. "My brother visited in Hico last year and made a lot of friends on his visit, and I would like for them to know this," Mrs. Brewer added. "His wife is a Hico Baptist Church member."

The name of Kathleen has been given to the little daughter born to Pvt. and Mrs. Joe Adams Saturday, Dec. 30, in the Hamilton Hospital. Mrs. Adams, the former Edna Connally, is making her home in Hico while Private Adams is stationed at Camp Hood.

Pfc. H. D. Hamrick, previously stationed at Laredo Army Air Field, has been here several days visiting his wife, the former Ercall Bullard, and children, Jerry and Kendall. He is on a delay en route to a new station in California.

Pvt. Valden Lake sent his wife, the former Margie Hall, a beautiful Christmas card from Luxembourg, along with an appropriate greeting. He is with an infantry unit, and has been overseas some time.

John J. Havens has been promoted to captain and transferred from China to India, according to his mother, Mrs. I. B. Havens of Claiborne, who was in to change his address this week.

Pfc. Noel Spaulding was up last week end from Camp Swift, and said he might let us know pretty soon about a change in address.

lost him since he left Camp Polk, Louisiana.

Zella and Irvin Poff wished us a Joyful Happy Holiday Season and a Very Happy New Year, on a card from Pecos, where Lieutenant Poff is stationed after completing a tour of missions from a B-17 base in Italy, shuttling to Russia frequently.

Geary and Mayme thought up a cute verse with loads of Christmas wishes. Mayme, nee Wright, is staying here while her husband, Chief Petty Officer Geary Cheek, is helping Uncle Sam's Navy settle a score with the Japs somewhere around the Philippines.

"Friendly Christmas Greetings" with a wish that would be wonderful if it should come true, adorn a V-Mail message from Cpl. Ray Cheek, who ought to write us another letter and tell us if he is still in the upper portion of Australia.

Lt. Ray D. Brown, who backs up his message with solid stuff, is a close reader of Vignettes in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. Ray, a former school superintendent at Hico, is joined in his season's best wishes for Hico folks by Tena, his wife, Betty, and Bill, the children.

"In the Bag" this time refers to a Jap sailor has sacked up in his sea bag, in a picture on the V-Mail greeting from W. M. Ross, Seaman Second Class, doing Radar work on a Pacific Island.

"We Are After Them" is the note on a V-Mail from O. W. Hefner Jr., Chief Yeoman submarining around in the Pacific.

"If you get this in time, wish everyone a Merry Christmas for me," requests Walter W. Houston, Ship's Shoe Cobbler, Second Class, who adds a note that he has been assigned to a ship in the Pacific. It's a little late, Wayne, but it wasn't your fault. So here goes—Merry Christmas, everybody.

The Unsinkable Raby Bruner, on a ship in the Pacific, sends V-Mail greetings. Raby got his feet wet last time he went to sea, and a lot of the rest of himself, when his ship very ill-mannerly got sunk. Better luck this time.

Holiday greetings from a battleship in the Pacific came on a V-Mail from H. L. McKenzie Jr., First-Class Seaman.

Cpl. Edward H. Henry, who has sold his show and moved his wife out to Spokane, Washington, to be near him at Geiger Field, added a short note on his greeting: "Mrs. Henry and I arrived here O. K. I had to leave that same day for SF but was there only two hours so am now back in Spokane. We have a nice place to live but I do hate to build that fire each morning when the weather is 15 above and they burn coal here. Wish you'd pipe a little of that Hico gas up this way." We will, Henry, if you will continue gassing with us.

Nita Price, wife of Tech/Sgt. E. M. (Mutt) Price, whom she

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Notice to Theatre Patrons

THE PALACE THEATRE HAS BEEN SOLD TO MR. I. A. MORGAN, FORMERLY OF GUSTINE, WHO ASSUMED ACTIVE MANAGEMENT THIS WEEK.

● We wish to thank the public for every consideration shown us while operating the local theatre. Without this splendid cooperation we could not have succeeded in any measure, and we bespeak for our successor a continuance of the patronage and good will which we found so helpful and enjoyable. We shall continue to be interested in Hico and community, and at the beginning of this New Year extend best wishes and all hopes for continued growth and progress.

CPL. & MRS. E. H. HENRY
S. J. CHEEK, Mgr.

● In assuming ownership and management of the local theatre, Mrs. Morgan and I hope to become citizens in every sense of the word. We are not new in this type of business, and expect to provide high class entertainment and conduct an enterprise that will merit your continued respect and patronage. For the present it will be run along the same lines as in the past, but as time passes and conditions change we promise to keep in step with progress. Come out to the show as often as you can.

I. A. MORGAN, Owner-Mgr

PLEASE ACCEPT OUR APOLOGIES for temporary confusion in programs, but this is all ironed out now and we hope to keep everything running smoothly.

THE PALACE THEATRE

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