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## Highway Department Gives Information On 1945 License Plates

AUSTIN, Jan. 23.—Under the authority conferred upon them by House Bill 273 of the Forty-Eighth Regular Session of the Texas legislature, the Texas Highway Commission has passed an order stating that the legal motor vehicle registration insignia for 1945 registration year will consist of one full-size metal license plate to be attached to the rear of all series of vehicles with the exception of truck tractors, which are to have the plate attached to the front. All plates have black numerals and letters on a gold background.

A new numbering system is used whereby four numerals are the most used on any one plate and these are preceded by two control letters; for example, A over A-18 and A over D-9999. Under the old system of numbering, each hundred thousand over a million was identified by a letter of the alphabet and it was necessary to use seven or eight letters. Under the new system, in each ten thousand registrations or each time a control letter changes, there are hundreds of plates with three numerals or less. For all series of plates except passenger, the type of series is embossed on the plate.

## Pellagra Causing Health Officials Great Concern

Austin, Texas, Jan. 22.—Pellagra, although not a communicable disease, is one of great concern to public health officials in Texas for many people die of pellagra in this state every year. The disease is caused by the lack of certain essential foods, and as it comes on slowly may not be recognized until the victim begins to have the more serious symptoms such as sore mouth, stomach trouble, and reddening and scaling of the skin.

## Sincere Salute



There's questioning in the dark eyes of this little Filipino waif of war. There's a mixture of sadness and wonder in the child's expression, and there's pathos in the sincerity of the salute, which was his own idea.

## The American Legion

OH YES! OH YES! — All persons who have served in World Wars I and II are called to meet in Firemen's Hall, Hico, Texas, on the 26th day of January 1945, at 8 P. M. This is an SOS call and any veteran who fails to heed the call will fail to be a charter member of this organization.

JEFFERSON F. ISBELL,  
Past - Department Chaplain,  
Past Commander of Post No. 21,  
Officer in Post No. 36.

WITH THE COLORS

## RECEIVES MEDAL AND OTHER SOUVENIRS FROM HUSBAND IN ITALY

Mrs. Sarah Frances Reeves and son, Daniel Bryson, received a package last week from Corporal Reeves, containing the Purple Heart recently awarded him for wounds received in action last fall. He was hospitalized for some time, but has recovered sufficiently now to go back into action. The wounds were received in one of the three major battles in Italy in which he was engaged.

Also included in the package was a medal commemorating the entry into Naples by American troops. A number of foreign coins, a ring and other articles were among the other things Sergeant Reeves sent home to his wife and young son. Sarah Frances renewed her husband's subscription for another six months, muttering under her breath at the time that she hoped to thunder she'd get cheated on that particular deal by Cecil's return before his subscription expired. She said she wouldn't even grieve if that did happen, but she'd probably send Hanny around which would be all right. We're hoping with her, even if she didn't name her baby after the editor.

## ROBERSON RECEIVE TWO MORE COMMUNICATIONS FROM SON IN PRISON CAMP

Following the receipt last week of the first letter in some time from their son, Ted Roberson, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Roberson have gotten two more communications with undisclosed dates of mailing. A letter received last Wednesday stated that he was in the best of health and was being treated very good. He acknowledged receipt of letters written in December of 1942. On a typewritten card received here Tuesday of this week Ted said he was working in a factory, and was in the best of health. Young Roberson, Coxswain in the Navy but attached to the Marines at the time, was taken prisoner by the Japs at Wake Island early in the war, and has been interned since in war prisoner camps. The return on the latest communications gives his rating as that of Boatswain's Mate.

## MRS. ASH HEARS THAT HER SON, MYRLE, IS IMPROVING

Mrs. Eva Mae Ash received the following letter Thursday concerning her son, Pfc. Myrle G. Ash, who was recently wounded in action in France:

Washington, D. C.  
January 22, 1945

Dear Mrs. Ash:

I am pleased to inform you that the latest report states that your son, Myrle, was making normal improvement on Dec. 24. You will be notified immediately when additional information is received.

Sincerely yours,  
J. A. ULIO, Adj. Gen.

Enclosed in the letter was a form for Mrs. Ash to fill out, giving room for five words. The General explained that this was a late form the Department had fixed up in order to send a message of cheer by radio to the wounded boys. She immediately filled out the form and remailed it.

James O. West received a letter this week from his nephew, Sgt. James Mitchell, who is in a replacement camp in France, saying that he had just recently received his promotion.

## DERWOOD POLK ARRIVES TO HELP KEEP WAYNE OUT OF TROUBLE WHILE ON LEAVE

"It's sure nice to be home, even if there isn't much going on around here," was the cheerful reply of Derwood Polk when questioned this week if he was getting bored. Derwood, first-class shipfitter, was on the destroyer Reid which was sunk by enemy action in Pacific waters. Stopping over in California for a short visit after his return to the States, he was preceded here by his brother, Wayne Polk, second-class fire controlman whose period of service on the same ill-fated destroyer lacked only a year of matching Derwood's four years on the Reid.

Derwood is entitled to wear the Purple Heart for flash burns on his leg when the vessel was attacked. He says the injuries were not serious. Wayne escaped uninjured. Both boys lost all of their possessions they had with them. Wayne said he'd rather not go into details about their decorations, for Derwood had it on him there. And besides, he said, it was not yet clear just what the official custom allowed, but he thought they had annexed the right to wear about five stars in their Southwest Pacific ribbon to denote a similar number of major engagements.

"It's a pretty serious matter to lose the ship you've been on for so long," Derwood said, "especially when she had carried us through so many tight places." He was on the Reid at Pearl Harbor when the Japs attacked, and since then has been through a lot of action, all in the Pacific, which he thought they had annexed the right to wear about five stars in their Southwest Pacific ribbon to denote a similar number of major engagements. Wayne recalls that there were a lot of points on which the Reid was distinguished, among them the return of the first Japanese war prisoners to the States for internment. Both boys remember her as a "happy ship" but feel that fate was kind to them in view of their oldest man in her. He was seventh oldest man in point of service among the Reid's crew when she went down.

## WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—Casualties on the destroyer Reid, lost off Leyte in the Philippines Dec. 11, were high, Comdr. Samuel A. McCormock of Iron River, Mich., her skipper, reported Saturday.

A total of 150 survived, twenty-eight of them injured, McCormock said, in a report released by the Navy Department. Her total complement was not disclosed. The normal peacetime complement of a ship of her type is twenty-four officers and 178 enlisted men, but wartime complements run much higher. Loss of the Reid, a 1,480-ton vessel commissioned in 1936, was announced by the Navy Jan. 5. "She took three direct hits in succession, then blew up and sank in two minutes," Commander McCormock related in describing the Reid's encounter with Japanese planes. "She exacted a high price in her last violent five minutes under attack by ten or eleven planes. All our guns were blazing away. Bombs were coming down all around us—as well as Jap planes our men brought down."

Pvt. Almon D. Shipley, formerly stationed at Camp Hood, Texas, is here on a visit with his parents during a delay en route to a new assignment.

## JUNIOR JAGGARS EXPECTED HOME AFTER ROUND WITH APPENDICITIS WHILE AT SEA

South Pacific  
January 8, 1945  
Mrs. Fred Jaggars  
Route 4, Hico, Texas

Dear Mom:

Well, I guess you are wondering why I haven't written, but one thing, I just haven't had time. There is no use in your worrying when I tell you this. I would have been in the States about the 9th, but I took appendicitis and with no doctor aboard I had to stay on for four and a half days. Then the lieutenant wired in for a plane. Instead there was a Navy troop ship coming this way, so when it got close enough I was transferred to it, which has some doctors aboard.

I will be in the hospital here for several days and then I may be home. I haven't got any mail in over a month now. So I don't guess there is any use writing, because I wouldn't get it until I got back to the States.

So I will close now, hoping to see you soon.

Love,  
JUNIOR  
(Fred J. Jaggars S 1/c)

## A later letter from Junior, written from a Naval Base Hospital, said he was recovering nicely but would like to have letters from the "kids around home" while there. Mr. and Mrs. Jaggars will be glad to furnish his address to anyone desiring to write.

## INTERESTING REPORT FROM HICO BOY WITH OUT TROOPS ON THE WESTERN FRONT

December 16, 1944  
Dear Mr. and Mrs. Holford:

There have been several disturbing reports lately about personal letters reaching the "Colors" column, and that always makes me worry a little, especially as I can never remember what I wrote. Not that I mind too much, but the mystery to me is how the liotype operator ever deciphered them. Not only that, but if Miss Sarah Lee Hudson, my English teacher in Hico High, were to see them, she would pull her hair out.

Today is Saturday and a perfect football day, and one of the best days, as far as weather goes, that we have had. There is no stadium nor football game, however, but there are planes for a change, and that means support for the ground forces—and that means a quicker ending to the war. Of course that is what we all want, both here and at home. Now that Christmas is almost here, every G. I. is homesick and thinking about home and all that it means. Some of the fellows are sweating out this rotation plan, but Marriage counts nearly as much as time overseas, so I may as well get my sun-tans out and prepare for the Pacific again. One of the boys got a letter from his dad the other day, and he said: "Son, you have now been overseas longer than all the other fellows in the neighborhood. Keep up the good work!" The G. I.'s remarks were quite funny, but censorable.

I have never been very good at foreign languages, so I don't care according to travel books this country is a scenic wonder. I don't know much about cows, with the exception of the old Jersey I used to stake out on the vacant lots in

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By DON WELDON

The famed 36th "Texas" Division which fought so heroically in Italy, is picking up new laurels in France, where it already has taken more than 17,000 German prisoners—an average of more than one and a half prisoners for each member of the Division. The figures count only live Nazis actually in the hands of the Texans, and not the several thousand killed outright.

Most recent news reports say the 36th is in a new offensive. Apparently the Texas boys just don't know how to retreat! And speaking of Texas boys, here is a tip that may help you make them mighty happy at little cost: send them your home-town newspaper. Better still, enter a subscription for your son, husband or friend, so that the paper will go to them direct from the newspaper office each week. Nothing makes a better gift, for every soldier wants to read all the home-town news. The boys abroad would rather have the home-town weekly than the New York Times plus all the current magazines!

But back to the 36th Division—Sgt. Fred Hall of Mansfield, Texas, who weighs 292 pounds and is the biggest man in his headquarters battery, recently was forced to sleep in a baby crib while fighting along the Seventh Army front in France. It was the only available sleeping place in the house where he was billeted. . . . and Fred reports that it was lots more comfortable than a fox-hole in the cold!

S/Sgt. Rector Schnahals of Bastrop, recently was awarded the Soldier's Medal for heroism in helping extinguish a crashlanded bomber. He did the job despite constant danger that several bombs still left in the ship might explode. The official citation pointed out that his deed constituted "heroism at great risk of life."

S/Sgt. Cy Key, whose farm is near Crowley, recently won the Combat Infantryman's Badge for outstanding service with the 2nd Infantry in France.

And from Leyte comes word from another scrapping Texan who knows what it is to be lucky. He is Pfc. Jim Pavlicek of West, who has fought through two of the toughest campaigns of the war without being scratched. "I guess God has been with me," Jim told a war correspondent who talked with him recently. He has been in service four years, and has fought the Japs on several Pacific Islands.

Another West resident, Marine Corp. John Stepan, has earned his "M" with a Marine football team in the South Pacific. The former Texas University guard plans to coach football after the war, and he's keeping up with the game even while fighting the Nips.

Also in the Pacific is Russell Cole of Brownsville, who believes in working when there are no Japs around to fight. While waiting for a new combat assignment after several months of front-line service, Cole volunteered to work with a construction unit building Quonset huts on the island.

Incidentally, Texans at home are going to receive a lot of national publicity when the final report on the recent War Chest drive is made. Details aren't ready for publication yet, but Wayland D. Towner, United War Chest of Texas general manager, has let slip the fact that Texas generosity came through again!

## Now Bagging Ducks



Marine Major Joe Foss, seen pilot of Sioux Falls, S. D., is now bagging ducks and geese, while recuperating from tropical ailment. He expects to return to Pacific action soon.

## Safety Record of Lone Star Gas Co. Is Outstanding

A record of performing company operations during the 12 months of 1944 with only one disabling injury has been made by employees of Lone Star Gas Company's Corsicana division of distribution, which includes Hico, according to Frank V. Williams, division superintendent. The 12-month period represents 149 employees in the 92 towns composing the division's nine districts who worked 249,988 hours with but two loss-of-time accidents.

The Athens district, with a total of 98,600 hours, and the Waxahachie district, with 180,560 hours, will receive framed certificates for ten years of company operations without a disabling injury. The Cleburne, Corsicana, Ennis, Hillsboro, Garland and Mexia districts will receive awards for no disabling injuries in 1944. Presentations will be made at regular employment meetings.

"Those safety records are particularly outstanding at this time," Mr. Williams said, "because they have been accomplished under the stress of manpower shortages and other war restrictions, and when the company has been called on to meet the greatest demand for gas service in its history. The records are a result of Lone Star Gas Company's constant program to train employees in the importance of safety in their lives and the lives of men, women and children they serve in performing company operations."

Mr. Williams pointed out that throughout the company's entire distribution system of 275 towns, there were only 16 disabling injuries during the year. This represents 1,385 employees working 2,868,136 hours, he said.

## Thompsons Succeed Waldrops As Local Texaco Distributors

This week the News Review is authorized to announce the details of a deal which has been in progress for some time. The Thompsons succeeded M. E. Waldrop as Texas Company consignee at Hico. The transfer was completed this week, and Mr. and Mrs. Thompson have taken over the operation of the business.

Moving to this section in 1939 from Kent, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson are well and favorably known throughout the community. While they were engaged in ranching near Chalk Mountain, Mrs. Thompson was on the faculty of the Hico schools. She has been teaching recently at Cranfill's Gap, where Johnny had been engaged in farming and ranching, but they say they have always considered Hico their trading point since they came to this section of the State. In a display advertisement in another part of the paper they announce that they will make every effort to continue the good service that has been synonymous with the Texaco name at service stations in this territory, adding that they will especially stress service to tractor-gas customers and others who deal direct with the warehouse.

The Waldrops announce that it is with genuine regret that they have closed out their business interests and sold their home in Hico to the Thompsons, but break for their successors a continuance of the consideration they have always received at the hands of the public. However they have made a deal for a farm in West Texas, their lifetime ambition, and expect to conclude their arrangements and announce their new address within the coming month. Both Mr. and Mrs. Waldrop have lived in and around Hico and Carlton practically all their lives, and lose them as citizens, but who wish for them success and happiness in their new home.

## Hico Senior Class to Sponsor Cake Auction Saturday, Jan. 27

At 8:00 on the night of Saturday, January 27, the Senior Class of Hico High School will sponsor a cake auction. The place is the main street of Hico, in front of Barrow Furniture Store.

Everyone is invited to come and participate. Many delicious cakes will be offered in a Chinese Auction. This affair is to help raise money for the Senior Fund and also to furnish Hico people and those from other communities an enjoyable time. Come and win a cake for Sunday dinner.

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All you who contributed so generously can be sure that you have helped toward victory. . . . and you have helped make life better for our fighting men, too!

**Fairy**

By Mrs. J. O. Richardson

We have had quite a bit of rain since our last writing, and farming is at a standstill just now.

We extend sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Kilgo, who live near Fairy, in behalf of their son, Jim Kilgo, who has been wounded recently in action in France. He has been brought back to a hospital in England. He was with the 1st Army.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Brunson visited Wednesday of last week with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Noland and family of the Blue Ridge community.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Edwards entertained last Friday with a dinner honoring their brother-in-law Dalton Driver, who returned last Saturday to service with the Navy after a 30-day furlough here with his wife and other relatives. Those present for the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Wolfe, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Wolfe and baby, Mr. and Mrs. Clancy Blue and little son, Dorsey Dwain, of Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Driver and the honoree, Dalton Driver, and wife. We hope they may have the privilege of many more such meetings.

C. D. Dickerson of Cleburne and his uncle, Pete Dickerson, of Billings, Montana, came down Tuesday of last week for their aunt and sister, Mrs. Brittle Little, who returned with them and spent until Friday. They brought her back Friday. Her brother remained until Sunday for a visit with her. It had been twenty-five years since Pete had been here. He walked into his sister's yard and she immediately recognized him and went to the door to meet him. He tried to play a joke on her by denying his identity, but when she protested that he was her brother, he had to admit his identity. He recalls there have been many changes since he left.

It looked quite natural to see Gene Tinkle in his car pulling a trailer the first of the week, and when we saw him pass, we just wondered if we were seeing things, but later in the day we learned he was here on a ten-day furlough and is helping his dad, Cliff Tinkle, on his farm and ranch. Gene is stationed at Camp Forest, near Tyler, and his wife, who is making her home at present with their grandmother, Mrs. Tinkle, at Corsicana, is also here with him. Well, we just hope it won't be long until all our dear boys can return home, for they are surely missed with the farm and ranch work.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Hoover spent

**Barber Wins Ski Tournament**



Repeating his triumph of last year, Merrill Barber of Brattleboro, Vt., former national four-event champion, won the annual ski jump tourney here recently. Barber is seen making his jump of 139 feet to win the tourney.

the week end in Fort Worth with their daughters, Misses Daphne and Patsy Ann. While there they enjoyed a few hours' visit with their nephew, Dorsey Enger of Brady, Texas, who was on his way home for a few days' visit. Dorsey is in the Navy and stationed in Virginia. He only had ten days and a portion of that time was spent in transit, so would have only a few days at home with his mother, Mrs. Myrtle Enger, and his sister, Mrs. Richard Smith, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Brunson visited with Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Richardson last Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Walker and little son, Jimmy, visited Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. Printis Newman.

Dr. King of Waco has been a recent visitor of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Jones.

Leslie New has recently had a nice red tile garage erected at his home, which adds to the appearance and convenience of the home.

KEEP ON BUYING WAR BONDS

**HICO GIRL AMONG TSCW MIDWINTER COMMENCEMENT CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES**

Denton, Tex., Jan. 22—Graduation exercises for fifty-two mid-winter degree candidates at Texas State College for Women will be held Feb. 8 at 1:30 p. m. in the college auditorium with Dean E. V. White in charge of the program.

Dr. L. H. Hubbard, president of the college, will make the commencement address and award diplomas. Dr. Robert Griswold, associate professor of organ, will play the professional and recessional and a violin solo, "Liebesfreud," by Kreisler, will be given by Miss Dorothy Hart, senior violin major from Beaumont, accompanied at the piano by Miss Mary Lee Gunstead, senior student from Pilot Point.

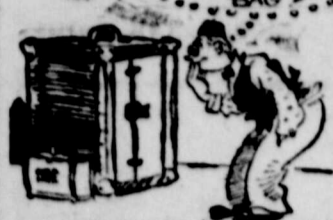
Miss Priscilla Rodgers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Rodgers of Hico, is a candidate for a bachelor of science degree in Institution Management. She is a member of the Mary Swartz Rose Club and the Alice Freeman Palmer Literary Society, and served on the House Council in Brackenridge Dormitory her junior year.

**HEALTH WITH A SMILE**

Reception Hospital and Psychiatric Clinic

By Dr. J. B. Warren

WHY MISS IF I PACK MORE THAN THAT OVERNIGHT BAG?



The reception hospital, sometimes called the psychiatric clinic, treats many early mental or behavior cases so that they do not have to become inmates of mental hospitals. These patients come to the clinic of their own accord and even if they have to enter a mental hospital for prolonged treatment they and their families have not the dislike or fear of mental hospitals as before the clinics were established.

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HICO, TEX.

**In Other Words— TAKE CARE OF THE THINGS YOU HAVE**

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**Follow These Tips on Appliance Care**

- Oil motors regularly according to manufacturers' directions. (Some motors are enclosed in hermetically sealed units and need no oiling.)
- Never immerse an appliance in water. It may result in a short circuit, damaged appliance or both.
- Don't drop appliances and don't knock them around. Treat them with care.
- Don't tinkor. Unless you know exactly what you're doing, have an expert serviceman handle your repairs.
- Treat cords carefully. Don't kink, knot or allow to rub on sharp edges. Keep away from oil, moisture, hot appliances. Don't yank to disconnect.
- Keep appliances clean. Wipe carefully after each using. Dirt, dust, food, crumbs, can cause trouble.
- Tighten nuts, bolts and screws at the first sign of looseness.
- Watch out for loose connections. If appliance sparks or motor stalls, disconnect instantly and have checked.

Ask Us for Suggestions on the Care and Use of Specific Appliances

**COMMUNITY PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY**

# AMERICAN HEROES

by JULIAN OLLENDORFF



While the SS William T. Coleman was moored beside an ammunition vessel, enemy planes set the latter afire. Radio Operator, James C. Huett, volunteered to sever the lines that held his ship as bursting bombs and blazing gasoline endangered the Coleman. Quickly he completed the hazardous operation for which he was awarded the Merchant Marine Distinguished Service Medal. His ship moved off to a safe distance; the ammunition ship sank. War Bond purchases pay for ships so badly needed to carry on this war.

*U. S. Treasury Department*

there. They lived in Waco. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Blue of near Iredeil.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Worrell were in Meridian one day the past week on business.

The little Craig child, who has been very ill in the Stephenville Hospital, has been brought home and is getting along nicely.

Mrs. Bud Mitchell continues very ill in the Stephenville Hospital. She isn't doing very much good. Her friends are sorry, and hope she will recover soon and come home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Blue received a letter from their son, Milton W. (Tony) Blue that he had passed his test and is now Seaman First Class. Tony entered the service August 15, 1944. He took his boot training at San Diego. After his leave home he was sent to Ft. Emory Detachment Landing Craft School at Coronado Heights, California. He was there about three weeks and then was sent to the United States Naval Training Base in California, where he is now finishing his training. Mr. and Mrs. Blue have another son in the service, Herman C. (Harry) Blue, who has been overseas since May, 1944.

Mrs. Cavett has returned to her home in Stephenville after a visit of a week with her daughter, Mrs. Lasswell.

Mrs. C. R. Self Jr. and baby of De Leon visited relatives here this week.

Marian Benson Jr. of Louisiana is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Oldham, and other relatives.

Mrs. Eselle Bryant of Big Spring and W. R. Newsom of Arkansas have been at the bedside of their father, Mr. John Newsom, who died Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Jackson of Camp Branch community visited his parents Sunday.

Mrs. Norma Lee Gray of Dallas spent the week end here.

Mrs. Bert Hughes and Miss Clara Hughes were in Dublin Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Varnell, Mrs. Margie Wily and two children, and Miss Ellen Wily of Hico, and Mrs. Emma Jackson and son of Chalk Mountain spent Sunday with Mrs. Tazelle and family. Mrs. Varnell and Mrs. Jackson are her daughters.

Dorothy Rae Clepper of Fort Worth spent the week end with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Tidwell.

Mrs. Clanton got a telegram Saturday that said that her brother,

Mr. Hensley, had died in Boston, Mass. The body will be sent here for burial.

Bobby Ogle left Sunday for Fort Worth to work.

The work is progressing nicely on the new church building which the Church of Christ people are erecting.

Misses Jamie Lou Erby and Wanda Yochum were in Meridian Sunday afternoon.

The W. M. U. ladies had a Bible study Monday afternoon. The Methodist ladies were invited, and two were present. The study is sure interesting and all are invited to meet with them every Monday at 2 p. m.

Mr. Virgil Erby left Monday for Odessa, where he will work.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Tidwell of Dallas were here Monday.

### FORMER HICOGAN SURPRISED IN FT. WORTH ON BIRTHDAY

W. B. Prater of Fort Worth was very much surprised Sunday to see his folks all come driving in at the same time. His wife had prepared a surprise birthday dinner for him.

Those present were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Prater, and his brother, J. C. Prater, and family of Hico; Mr. and Mrs. Louie Sonntag and little daughter, Meridian; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Cox and children, Bridgeport.

Everyone seemed to have a nice time and to enjoy the dinner very much. Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Lambert came in the afternoon.

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## REDELL ITEMS

by Miss Stella Jones, Local Correspondent

Mrs. Gip Lane of Meridian is visiting her sister, Mrs. Mollie Graves.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davis sold their cafe to Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Davis have moved back home.

Word was received here by relatives of the death of Mrs. Mollie Lingus Tidwell, who lived in California. She died suddenly. She had been here for many years and was well known here. She died the first of the month.

Mrs. J. C. Prater and Mrs. Ambie and another lady of Hico were here Saturday.

Pvt. Obie Dunlap is here on a furlough to his family and other relatives. He will be here for 30 days.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Tidwell and children of Littlefield spent from Saturday till Sunday with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tidwell, they also visited in Hico.

Rev. and Mrs. Willingham of Walnut Springs were here Saturday.

Miss Kathleen Hughes, who works in Fort Worth, is on her way here to visit her parents.

Word was received here Saturday, Jan. 20, of the death of Jack Cavness, who was in India. He was the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Derry Cavness, and was born and raised here. He had many friends who are sorry of his death and extend sympathy to the bereaved ones.

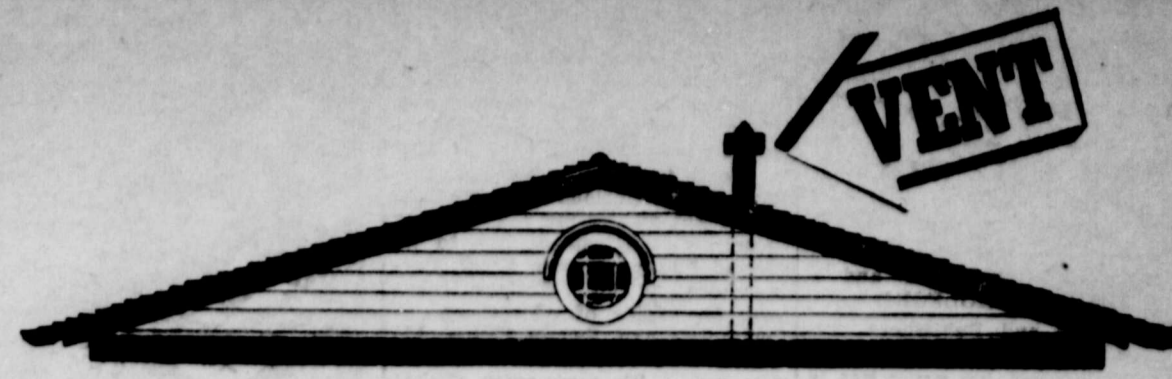
Mr. and Mrs. Pat Polnac of De Leon were here this week.

Mrs. Eva Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Thompson, and Miss Dorothy Jacque Weeks of Dallas spent the week end here with friends.

James Polnac, who is with the Navy, is here on leave.

We have had some rain, which no doubt will put a fine season in the ground. Friday was a beautiful day, but Saturday was a very rainy day. It would be fine if the days would be bright for a while so the farmers could do some field work.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Crabtree have moved to Midland, where he will be foreman of some housing project



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HICO, TEXAS



# Personals.

Mrs. Page Barnett of Fort Worth in last Thursday for a visit with her mother, Mrs. C. W. Hilton, and other relatives.

Mrs. Louise Angell and children, and Frances, spent the week in Carrizo Springs, visiting in Piedras Negras, Mexico.

Charles Gross, who has been in so since before the Christmas holidays, departed last week for Fort Worth and points north.

W. Richbourg underwent a major operation at the first of the week in the Stephenville Hospital. A last report Thursday from his mother, C. D. Richbourg, was that was getting along nicely.

Best wishes to you folks and of our old friends in and around here. Mrs. J. W. Doherty from Cleburne in renewing her subscription for another year. "We enjoy reading the home paper so much," the note adds.

The following clipping was published in the Dallas Morning News: "Miss Juanita McKeage, 23 Madera, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert N. McKeage, Stephen, was married to Harry Hill alliance, son of Mrs. Charles N. Mendenhall, 4647 Cole Ave., at 7:00 p. m. Monday at the First Presbyterian Church. Dr. Frank C. own officiated in the presence of relatives and close friends of the couple. Mr. and Mrs. Wallace made their home in Dallas."

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## Church News

### Methodist Church

Church School, at 10 a. m. T. H. ng, superintendent. Are your children in Sunday School? Our teachers devote many hours in the preparation of the Sunday school lesson for the following week so that your boy and girl may be better fitted to battle the temptations of this life. These sacrificing teachers are ready to serve you and your family. Bring your children Sunday school. Study the Bible systematically. It is the most popular book in the world.

Our preaching service will interest you, also. The subject, 11 m. "The Power of Moses in Prayer." Do you pray? Are your prayers answered? Do you want your prayer life to be on a more substantial basis? Would you like to know what a Chaplain has said thousands of men and women of the service?

Sunday, 8 p. m. subject "How Succeed in A Christian Life." We invite you to worship with us. J. F. ISBELL, Pastor.

### Baptist Church

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIAL Friday night, Jan. 26th, there will be a Young People's Social in the home of Mrs. S. F. Battershell. All the boys and girls from the Sunday School of the Baptist Church are invited to come. Be here at 7:45. Don't fail—we want you.

MISSIONARY FROM BRAZIL Bro. S. S. Stover, a returned Missionary from Brazil, is to occupy the pulpit Sunday morning. Another Carpenter urges all the members of the Baptist Church to come hear this dear man of God. Bro. Stover and his family plan to leave shortly for Brazil.

SUNDAY SERVICES Sunday school, 10:00 a. m. Preaching, 11:00 a. m. Training Union, 7:00 p. m. Preaching, 8:00 p. m. Tuesday—W. M. U. 3:00 p. m.ubeams, 3:00 p. m. G. A.'s, 4:15 p. m. Wednesday—R. A.'s, 4:15 p. m.ayer meeting, 8:00 p. m. Adult choir practice, 7:30 p. m. Friday. 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.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Criswell returned to their home in Corpus Christi Wednesday after a few days visit here with her sister, Mrs. Sam O. Elder, and family.

Rev. and Mrs. V. L. Sherman and children, Dorothy and Billy, returned last Saturday to their home in Del Rio after a few days' visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hedges, and with her brother, Capt. H. V. Hedges, who is home on leave from Hawaii.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Duzan moved Monday to Fort Worth, where he will be employed at the Convaair plant. They leased their place between Hico and Carlton to Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Battles, who have been making their home near Cranfill's Gap for the past several months.

### HONORED ON BIRTHDAY

J. T. Connally was honored with a dinner on his seventieth birthday by his daughter, Mrs. H. B. Rucker, of Irredell, Texas.

Those present for the dinner were Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Connally and grandson, H. C. Connally, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Greene and family, Mrs. Herman Kilgo and daughter, Patsy Ruth, Mrs. Alfred Burcham and daughter, Mary Rachel, all of Hico; Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Connally, also Treessie Cottrell of Comanche.

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### WITH THE COLORS

(Continued from Page 1)

Hico, but this is a great dairy country, and they have plenty of cattle. You have a tendency to think that all the people are collaborators, but that is due to the language. Most of the G. I.'s are saving their candy rations each week for a Christmas party for the kids. They are just as mean and provoking as the ones in the States, but you can mumble at each under your breath and never know what the other is saying. There are no stocks in any of the stores or shops, but the people seem to have plenty to eat, with the exception of coffee and sugar. I am sending you a copy of the "Stars and Stripes" as I thought you might like to see it. It has grown from a one-page daily, printed about D Plus Two, to an eight-page paper. They are also going to start printing a Sunday

edition, but I doubt if it will have the colored pages of comics like the papers in the States. It is our main source of news from home, outside of letters and home-town papers.

I have a hard time convincing these fellows that Hico is not pronounced "Hicko" but I never stop helping the Chamber of Commerce.

The holidays are probably over by now, but I hope that you have had a Happy Christmas, and that the New Year will be a prosperous one. With regards, and Best wishes.

BEN E. C. JR. (S/Sgt. Ben F. Chenuit Jr.)

HOPE THIS "HEADACHE" IS THE WORST ONE J. D. WILL HAVE ON THAT TRIP OF HIS USS c/o FPO, San Francisco January 17, 1944

Dear Holford: I guess it's time I was writing again, don't you? I have a little change in my address, still in care of the Fleet Post Office at San Francisco, and would like for you to send my Hico Headache on.

I'm getting ready to go down South any day now, so you see I couldn't do without it. Excuse the shortness of this letter, but I'm very busy now.

As ever, J. D. (J. D. Jones Jr., S 1/c)

NEWS OF YE ED'S LAZINESS GETS AROUND TO SERVICE MAN IN SOUTHERN FRANCE Southern France January 6, 1945

Hello, Holford: I just tonight received my first paper since being overseas. It was the October 6th issue, but even so I was sure glad to get it. Here's hoping that they will come regularly now. Mother tells me that she gave you the letter I wrote her about my trip to Paris, so will skip that and just say that I really did enjoy my trip to the city.

I am now supposed to be in the Playground part of France, but I think it must be the windy part for the wind sure blows here. I can't say that I like any part of France that I have seen, and I have seen quite a bit of it.

I just knew that I would get to see my brother when I moved down here but he and I just happened to be on the move at the same time. And the worst part of it, I met him on the road and never knew it. I really felt bad after not seeing him in three years and then meeting on the same road but not knowing it. By the way, he is up in Belgium now and he says the weather is plenty cold up there and there are some other things which aren't so cold. I haven't as yet run into any of

the home town boys, but I know there must be quite a few of them over here some place.

I hear from my dad that my cow herd is slowly increasing and that they are doing fine. I am looking forward to the day when I can come back to take care of those cows and take up my life as a Hico farmer.

I will stop before I get kicked out, but before I do I want to say that you and Mrs. Holford are doing a grand job with the paper. I bet though that Mrs. Holford is doing most of the work.

Wishing both of you the best of luck.

So long for now, LAWRENCE. (Sgt. Lawrence Shipman)

DUFFAU BOY BACK FROM OVERSEAS AND HIS FATHER REALIZE WAR'S SERIOUSNESS Duffau, Texas January 22, 1945

Dear Mr. Holford: It is with a humble heart and thanks to Almighty God that he has watched over my dear boy and spared his life and allowed him to come home once more, that I send you this letter. While he was pretty well done up both in body and mind when he returned the first of November on a 20-day furlough, he rested up and has got in pretty good shape again. He will have been in the army three years the 12th day of next month, and served overseas in the South Pacific 27 months and 6 days, and reported at Tampa, Florida, for duty and is now at Esler Field, La. We have just received a letter from him that you may print if you wish.

I thank my God that he has not had to go back across the water so far, as it looks like he has about done his part over there. Many of the Duffau boys are still over there, and others are going. Many of them will never return. But let's hope and pray that God will spare their lives and give

them health, strength, and courage to bear their trials in this world, to make good soldiers, and to fight the battle through until the victory is won and when they return, help us to not forget the sacrifices they have made for us and to do everything we can to help them to cheer up their lonely hearts and to let them know we are praying for them.

This boy says that people here don't realize what the boys are going through with Over There, so let's write the boys and show them we are thinking of them and praying for them, and may God bless every one of them. Respectfully, W. D. ELKINS. Esler Field, Louisiana Friday, Jan. 19, 1945 Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Elkins Duffau, Texas Dear Folks: This is my day off, so will drop you a few lines. Hope you are both getting along fine. Guess you have (Continued on Page 8)

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Floral print in button down front model. Bodice trim.

**J. W. Richbourg**

THE HOUSE OF HAZARDS



—by Mac Arthur

THEY DIED TO MAKE THEM FREE



This poignant picture made by an Army Signal Corps photographer shows a kneeling Roman mother and her child gently and reverently placing flowers over the still forms of two American boys who paid the supreme price to liberate them from the Nazi and Fascist grip. Look at their faces and you will see that both mother and child realize that these Americans died for them. Remember this picture when you are asked to buy an extra War Bond during the Fifth War Loan.

The Farmer and War Bond Purchases

by Charles W. Holman, Secretary

The National Cooperative Milk Producers' Federation

AMERICAN farmers have a great deal more at stake in purchasing War Bonds than simply a patriotic urge to assist in financing the war so that it may be prosecuted to an early and victorious conclusion. Modern war demands governmental expenditures far in excess of those which may be met by current revenue receipts. This means Government borrowing. If a large part of this borrowing is through commercial banks additional inflationary spending power is created through the expansion of credit. On the other hand, if the borrowing is largely from individuals much of their excess funds are drained off. Hence, the pressure on prices resulting from unusually large funds bidding for limited amounts of goods and services is relieved, and thus inflation retarded.

A tremendously increased agricultural production and some increase in average prices received above those paid by farmers have raised the net income of all United States farmers from the 1935-39 average of \$4.7 billion to \$6.2 billion in 1941, \$9.4 billion in 1942, and an estimated \$12.5 billion in 1943. With available supplies of farm machinery replacements and building materials limited, agriculture has a fund available for either debt retirement, savings readily liquidated for future purchases of machinery, buildings, etc., or for present investment in land.

A marked decrease in farm mortgages in recent years indicates that much of this fund has been properly applied to debt retirement. However, activity in land sales and a very marked increase in land values demon-

strate that farmers are probably diverting a large part of this fund into land purchases. From March 1, 1943, to March 1, 1944, average land values per acre rose 15 percent, with the larger part of the rise taking place in the last four months of the period. The increase during this four-month period was the highest on record, being 20 per cent greater than the average monthly rate of increase for the 1919-20 boom year. Average values per acre have increased more than one-third in the past 3 years. In the 1919-19 period the rise was about the same.

It appears that an overcapitalization of probably temporarily high farm commodity prices is in process just as in World War I. Large mortgage debts incurred now, at high levels of income, will prove disastrous when both total agricultural production and prices fall. Land values are based on the net return to land. With the end of the war in sight and with the prospect that farm labor and other costs will require a relatively larger return leaving the return to land less, the logical course for land values at present would appear to be downward rather than upward.

Therefore, it appears that farmers would do well to invest every available dollar, beyond that needed for debt retirement, in Government Bonds. These can be held against the day when necessary farm replacements will be available and when farm land values will have become more stable. In this way the individual farmer may assist in hastening the day of return of his son, and also have capital available to help finance him in ventures of his own choice. U. S. Treasury Department

War Bonds as Investment for Farmers

by Warren W. Hawley, Jr., President  
New York State Farm Bureau Federation

IN CHECKING figures of the Farm Credit Administration, I find that farmers are paying off mortgages faster than at any other period in the history of the Federal Land Bank.

At the same time, farmers are building up cash reserves, but the wise investment of this money is an extremely hard job for farmers to undertake. The temptation is to try and obtain as high an interest rate as possible.

Many of us see no reason why we should not get as much interest on our money now as we had to pay the bank when we were forced to borrow during the depression.

The answer is that today money is cheap—"expanded", as the bankers express it. Therefore interest rates are low except in very speculative securities. Naturally no farmer wants to risk losing his hard earned cash.

We farmers know our own business and we can invest money in it safely because we understand it. However, when we branch off

into other fields, especially the highly technical field of investments, most of us encounter sad experiences.

In these days it is virtually impossible for farmers to put their surplus cash back into the farm. War-time conditions prevent us from repairing buildings, and buying new machinery, automobiles, trucks and other equipment we must eventually have if we are going to stay in business.

So the smart thing for farmers to do is to invest their surplus money in War Bonds where it is as safe as a dollar bill. These bonds increase in value the longer they are held; they can be cashed after sixty days in case of need, and they will provide a reserve for investment after the war in the business the farmers know best—the business of farming.

I confidently predict that if farmers will do this, the dawn of peace will signalize a new day for agriculture. U. S. Treasury Department

MRS. WILLIE ANGLE VAN PATTEN PASSES AWAY AT PANGBURN, ARK., DEC. 22

The following account of the death of a frequent visitor to this section, was submitted by a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Bennett Van Patten, through the W. H. Browns of Hico:

Mrs. Willie Angle Van Patten, aged 84, died at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Q. Adams of Pangburn, Ark., Dec. 22, 1944, after a long illness.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church in Pangburn, December 23, at 3 o'clock, with the Rev. C. Guice and the Rev. Wade conducting the services. Floral offerings were bountiful, which was a testimony to the esteem and respect in which she was held by her host of friends.

pallbearers were her grandsons and grandsons-in-law: Richard Adams, S. I. C. Leon Van Patten, T. S. Irvin B. Van Patten, Donald Glenn, Wayne Marsh, Troy Haile, and Leonard Davis. Interment was in the Henderson cemetery, by the side of her husband who preceded her in death 35 years.

Willie Angle Joyce was born near Heber Springs, Ark., August 2, 1859, only 15 miles north of Pangburn. She moved with her parents to Pangburn at the age of five years, where she lived the remainder of her life, except the few years she was with her daughter in Searcy during her illness. She was married to William J. Van Patten on November 25, 1879. To this union seven children were born. One son, Merrell, preceded her in death by several years. She was a faithful member in many ways, of the Pangburn Methodist Church for 71 years, and the last charter member of that church. Mrs. Van Patten was bed-fast for two years and nine months, but bore all of her afflictions with patience and cheerfulness. She was with Mrs. Adams in Searcy most of the time, but enjoyed visits in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Wesley Marsh, and son, Bennett Van Patten, for several months each since she was ill. She was a half sister of the late Mrs. Mollie Johns of Hico Route 2, and a step-sister of the late Mrs. Amanda Brown of Hico.

She is survived by one sister, Mrs. Mishie Porter of Pangburn; six children, Mrs. Edith Marsh, Mrs. Bertha Glenn, and Bennett Van Patten, all of Pangburn; I. B. Van Patten and Mrs. Gertrude Adams, Searcy; and Clark Van Patten of Bald Knob; 22 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. One grandchild, Merrell Dean, son of Bennett Van Patten, and one great-grandchild, infant daughter of Ernest Glenn, preceded her in death several years ago.

Nine grandchildren were unable to attend the funeral, namely: Oleta Marsh, Washington, D. C.; John Marsh, New Britain, Conn.; Sgt. Lloyd Marsh, overseas; Cpl. Clark Marsh, overseas; Van Glenn, Little Rock, Ark.; Ernest Glenn, MoMm overseas; Alton Van Patten, Fort Worth; Lt. Mary Adams Denver, Colo.; and Pfc. Dale Van Patten, overseas.

CONTRIBUTED

Duffau

By Elmer Glesecke

C. W. Daugherty, who has been visiting homefolks for several days, went to Texarkana to spend a few days with his wife's parents. C. W., who spent several years on foreign soil, is now in camp at Pueblo, Colorado.

George Bowls, who fractured a pair of ribs last week, is able to be up.

Aubrey and Shorty Duzan and families, also Mrs. Clara Duzan visited Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Elkins Sunday.

There was preaching at the Baptist church Sunday and Sunday night by the pastor, Rev. Tipton, of Fort Worth.

A. L. McAnally was in our midst Monday, looking after farm interests. The latest information is that Mr. McAnally rented his farm to Messrs. Cavett, Madden, Scales and Stagner. We don't know whether these gentlemen compose a syndicate, corporation, or what-have-you, but I'm sure they can handle the situation.

The most important thing out here just now is a desire for some sunshine and better roads.

We might say a few words of praise for our efficient mail carrier, Mr. Jesse Bobo. He has done a marvelous job of getting through these mudholes, and we are sure our new commissioner will do something about fixing our roads.

Clairette

By Mrs. H. Alexander

Mrs. Lee Havens of Houston visited a few days last week in the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Turner and little son, Mrs. Turner and son returned to Houston with Mrs. Havens for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Havens Mr. and Mrs. Havens both have work in that city.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Williams and family of Gatesville spent the week end here visiting Mrs. Ellen Williams, who is ill.

Miss Lila Sherrard of Mineral Wells spent the week end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Sherrard, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bunn and daughter, Loreta, and Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan of Rotan spent the week end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Haley and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ragsdale and son, Bill, of Clifton visited this week at the bedside of Mrs. Austin Harvey, who is ill. They also visited other relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Haley are the proud parents of a baby girl who arrived at the Dublin Hospital last Thursday. They gave the young lady the name of Ora Kathryn.

Mrs. Cecil Ballow and children of Little Rock, Ark., are visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Mayfield, while her husband, Captain Ballow, is in school at San Antonio.

Mrs. Luther Hudgens received a

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ALL CITY TAXES WERE DUE AND PAYABLE ON OCT. 1st, AND IF NOT PAID BY FEB. 1st WILL BECOME DELINQUENT — AT WHICH TIME PENALTY AND INTEREST ARE ADDED.

Pay Now and Avoid Penalties

EVERY LOYAL CITIZEN OF HICO SHOULD MAKE A SUPREME EFFORT TO TAKE CARE OF CITY TAXES AT THIS TIME. THE CITY NEEDS THE MONEY BADLY TO TAKE CARE OF OBLIGATIONS AND TO KEEP UP VARIOUS SERVICES AFFORDED BY YOUR CITY GOVERNMENT.

YOUR CO-OPERATION IS SOLICITED IN HELPING KEEP OUR HEADS ABOVE WATER

PROMPT PAYMENT OF CITY TAXES NOT ALONE WILL HELP THE CITY — BUT WILL HELP YOU AVOID PENALTY AND INTEREST CHARGES WHICH MUST BE ADDED AFTER JANUARY 31st, BY LAW.

City of Hico

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Soph. Reporter . . . . . Betty McLarty  
Fish Reporter . . . . . Joan Gollightly  
Sports Editor . . . . . C. L. Colbert Jr.

### TIGERS DOWN BULLDOGS

Last Friday night the Hico Tigers, seeking revenge on the Hamilton team for beating us in football, went to Hamilton to win the basketball game. Losing only one game so far this season, the Tigers wanted to keep that record.

Resembling very closely a football game, the game was fast-paced and rough at times. It was like rubbing Hamilton the wrong way for Hico to win over them. They fought very hard to keep the score down, but the Tigers took the score to 26 and the opposing team mustered up a low score of 18, with a few lucky shots.

The Hamilton Bulldogs tried to bring their reserves in enough to keep a fresh team on the floor, but from my point of view, as soon as one would come in he needed replacing. The Tigers were all hot under the collar, but some of the Bulldogs were rushing around and getting in the Tigers' way.

By the time this appears, the Hamilton team will have played the Hico team again. Those who missed the Hamilton-Hico game at the county seat really missed something.

All in all, Jack Neel, Donald Hefner, Clovis Grant, Wendall Seago, and Billy Keeney really had to fight for the game, but they did think it was worth it.

Another exciting part was the girls' game. Neither team had won a game up to last Friday night. Louise Hyles, Ada Lee Grimes, Betty McLarty, Mildred Trammel, and Margie Nell Land were the starters for the Hico Tigresses.

Louise Hyles made the six points for Hico. The fact that there were only six girls presented a problem of no substitutes for the Hico girls. The game ended with Hamilton 19, Hico 6.

### HOME ECONOMIC COTTAGE

#### SCENE OF RED CROSS WORK

Monday afternoon, January 22, the local chapter of Red Cross workers met in the Home Economics Cottage. The object of the meeting was to begin progress on Hico's quota of replacement bags for men in the armed forces. Hico's portion of Hamilton County's quota is one hundred kit bags.

These bags are made of khaki material and are constructed on the sewing machine after careful measuring. They are sent across and filled on foreign battlefields. Then they are given to boys who have previously lost theirs in combat. The women who reported for work Monday afternoon were engaged mostly in making patterns and getting the project started. The Homemaking girls will make sixteen.

Ten women donated their services on this occasion. They were: Mrs. W. H. Greenslit and Mrs. E. H. Randals, Production Chairmen; Mrs. E. H. Persons, Mrs. J. B. Ogle, Mrs. S. J. Cheek, Mrs. H. N. Wolfe, Mrs. D. F. McCarty, Mrs. D. C. Beck, Mrs. J. D. Corrie, and Miss De Alva Hammond.

### NEW COURSES OFFERED

Two courses are being offered this semester which are relatively new in comparison with others taught. They are Texas History which has not been offered here in two years, and Solid Geometry, which was taught year before last.

These courses are principally for Juniors and Seniors. The Texas History Class is composed of three Juniors, one Sophomore, and nine Seniors. Mrs. Angell has promised plenty of excitement in the form of a nice theme. The Solid Geometry Class has one Junior and six Seniors. Mrs. Segrest promises them plenty of excitement—period.

hope that they make good ones. We have a new girl in our room, Mildred Ellis. Mildred, we are glad to have you back and hope you enjoy being with us.

### REFLECTIONS

Half of the year has passed. It is hard to realize that the end of January is here, bringing with it a new term. How fast the first term slipped away and how much faster the last one will go!

Let's take inventory, as we stand between Yesterday and Tomorrow, looking backward and forward. The first four and one-half months, in the way of school work, saw credits obtained in English, Math, History, Science, Typing, Home Economics, Vocational Agriculture, and Civics. Freshmen have grown accustomed to high school life; Seniors have beamed upon them in a dignified manner, secretly wishing they were Fish once more.

Extracurricular activities include two parties for the Juniors and two for the Sophomores. (The gay existence, you know.) Seniors and Freshmen have had one each. (More conservative.) Many educational picture shows and interesting assemblies have also been enjoyed. The record tells that numerous football games and several basketball games have been well attended, considering this is wartime. The school has sponsored a Rhythm Revue, two contests and an Annual for '45.

The next four and one-half months will see more parties, more assemblies, a Junior play and a Senior play. There will be a Junior-Senior "shindig" and then graduation, which will be composed of a Baccalaureate and Commencement program. We are eagerly anticipating the coming days.

Home on leave and anxious to see how things had changed in his absence, Wayne Polk could still find his way around H. H. S. Any sailor who's seen as much of the world as he has can be confident of finding his way around anywhere. Wayne is brown, lank and healthy in spite of all the narrow escapes he has had. And when he grips a person's hand in a friendly greeting—oh, the boy must have muscles of iron.

### SENIOR NEWS

When mid-term examinations are over, a student is usually left relieved or distressed. (That is, he either passed or failed.) With pride the majority of Seniors report good grades. We hope to be one class finishing from H. H. S. that will not have to worry about making an extra credit or two at the last minute.

Anita Oakley, a student at John Tarleton College, sailed down from Stephenville to spend a few days with old school chums. We're glad to have you, Anita, and hope that you will spend more of your leisure time with us.

### WHO'S WHO IN THE SENIOR CLASS

Our latest "interviewance" (that word from Reilhan Dictionary) is our double-threat editor, Patsy Pinson, editor of The Mirror and editor of The Tigers' Lair.

Her brown-hair and eyes naturally indicate an interest in blondes—Van Johnson, preferably. Tennis, doughnuts, and tailored clothes complete the picture of her decided likes. Patsy dislikes rude people, chalk dust, and windy days.

Working on the annual was the answer received when I asked Patsy what her hobby is. However, she really doesn't have much choice. When asking for cooperation and getting the wrong results the editor quotes her favorite expression, "The world, dear Agnes, is a strange affair."

After graduation Patsy plans to enter Texas University. Before her experience with The Mirror, she wanted to work with some newspaper, but now I believe a slight change of mind has been made.

### JUNIOR NEWS

Who is this we see coming toward the Junior room? Is it Superman? Is it Captain Marvel? No, it is the ideal Junior boy.

As he nears the door, we see H. C. Connally's hair, the eyes of Leroy Bobb, Don Griffith's mouth and Wendall Seago's nose. Behind the smile of James Rainwater, we discover Jerry Dowdy's teeth. At another glance, we find the physique of Donald Hefner, dressed in Billy Keeney's clothes.

After we come to know our ideal man better, we discover he has a personality like C. L. Colbert's, Jack Neel's disposition and the mental ability of Max Hill.

Put these all together and you get Superman. (At least, the Juniors think so.)

### SOPHOMORE NEWS

The Sophomores feel as if a big load has been taken off our minds since we have finished our mid-term examinations. However the happy thought that the school year is half over keeps popping into our minds.

Wonder Why? Margie Nell is so mad at Charles Wallace . . . Wendell Knight is not crazy about Clifton . . . Dale Haggard looks so pretty today . . . Billy Jackson likes to tease . . . Betty wants to play Fredell again . . . Louise is such a good basketball player?

Bobby Wren has left our class and gone to work in another town. We were sorry to see you go, Bob. Good luck.

### EIGHTH GRADE NEWS

We elected new officers Monday. They are: President, Wanda Jean McLendon; Vice-President, Jimmie Lea Barnette; Secretary, Maidee Ash; Treasurer, Norma Joy Jackson; Reporters, Charles Gollightly and Margie Nell Grimes. We are glad to have these new officers and

follows. It is his way of saying "goodbye" to the readers he could not otherwise contact.

"This edition is the last in Hico for your Sports Editor, I say this regretfully because I have enjoyed to the fullest extent my stay in Hico with the good people in school and in town. Some of you got acquainted with me through the Mirror. I hope I have served you in some small bit by bringing you the adventures of a mighty swell bunch

of boys, the Hico Tigers. It would not be right not to mention Coach Parker. He has helped the boys through many tight spots. I want to thank all of you for the favors done me and I hope to see each of you again soon."

One more little item before we sign thirty on this. If Mrs. Segrest looks happier lately, it's because she's a grandmother. She says we have to begin paying her more respect.

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