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General Mihailovitch



One of the few photos ever taken of Gen. Draja Mihailovitch of Yugoslavia. Air rescue crews have brought 3,200 American airmen back from behind the enemy lines in Yugoslavia from July to December, 1944, with forces of General Mihailovitch aiding materially.

Funeral Services Held Tuesday For Miss Fanny Horsley

Funeral services for Miss Fanny Horsley were held Tuesday afternoon, February 13, at 2 o'clock at the First Baptist Church, with Rev. O. D. Carpenter, local minister, officiating. Interment was in Duffau Cemetery.

Miss Horsley was born March 3, 1877, at Sherman, Texas. She moved to Erath County, near Duffau, with her family about 1905, later moving to Hico where she has lived for the past 21 years. She was united with the Baptist Church at the age of 28 years.

She passed away Feb. 12 at the home place here in Hico, after a lingering illness. She leaves two sisters, Mrs. Lily Tate of Loop, Texas, and Mrs. Lou Steele of near Duffau; and three brothers, Mack of Hico, Charlie of Dallas, and Will of Carlton. Her mother preceded her in death five years ago, and her father 35 years ago. One sister, Margie Hill, died about seven years ago.

FRENCHS MOVE INTO THEIR MODERN APARTMENT OVER ROY'S PLACE OF BUSINESS

Mr. and Mrs. Roy French have recently moved into their new apartment in the upstairs section of the stone building which also houses the automobile repair shop and bus storage quarters, in the same location as that previously occupied by Roy's garage.

Also occupying the apartment, besides the Frenchs' younger son, Duke, are their daughter, Mrs. Jeanette Askey, whose husband is overseas, and small daughter, Anne.

While not yet as complete in every respect as they hope to have it after the war, on account of inability to secure some of the needed plumbing and other fixtures, the new home is most comfortable, they say. The outside appearance is most slightly and homelike, and the arrangement and finishings of the interior reflect a lot of thought which the justly proud owners have put into the project over a period of years.

A considerable part of the lumber was obtained from wrecking the old Catholic church, which Mr. French purchased. Other materials and labor were secured locally.

perfected organizations to such ends that all of the home town boys will be readily absorbed, with jobs awaiting them. These exemplary organizers made a count of their fighting men, enlisting all business concerns in their respective communities with commitments that will relieve returning soldiers of any uncertainty about finding work.

"If nation-wide effort were made to this end, even down to the rural communities, the bogie of unemployment would be effectively laid and readjustment would be relieved of shock and confusion. Business concerns and large corporations in the cities will have jobs waiting for all of the men who left them to fight for democracy. But servicemen from the little towns and farms, and men who are specialists in such vocations as small-town barbering, will not be thus provided for.

"Americans have mastered the technique of organization. Political campaigns have been won through organization down to the last precinct. And drives for worthy causes have scored maximum results through the creation and operation of a finely synchronized machine for their promotion. An even better job could and should be done to have welcome and work ready for Joe and Jane when they come home from the wars."

IF THE WORLD WERE FULL OF POLAS LIKE MRS. LITTLE, WOULDN'T IT BE NICE!

Answering a request on subscription notice sent to her at Stephenville for some news about her 100 per cent service family, Mrs. T. U. Little last Saturday took time to drop us a few items:

"Got several letters this week from Pfc. Richard written while he was on the boat, but have had no word since he reached port. From his letter, he wasn't so very thrilled over seeing Europe, but did say he'd be glad to feel Mother Earth again and be able to eat without feeding the fish. They had a storm at sea and he wondered how the soldiers kept from falling out of bed. I have wondered about that myself.

"This week I received a Purple Heart and an Air Medal from the Government, awarded to Albert Harold. I think it is a very small thing for the life of one's son. But that is not the idea, of course—just one of those things that war causes.

"I hope you two people don't hurt yourselves working. Just forget the V-Garden this Spring. Roland. The world needs the rest of our men that the war hasn't taken from us."

"Thanks for the information, Mrs. Little, and the sympathetic understanding. But don't feel too sorry for the NR family—they have it pretty soft now that almost everybody else has gone to work, too. No promises about the V-Garden. By the way, tell us and our readers some time about your other son, Dick, Aviation Chief Machinist's Mate in Naval Air Transport Service in the Pacific; and about your daughter, Lieutenant Willie Little, with the Army Nurses Corps, also overseas.

TWENTY-FOUR HOURS EACH DAY SEEMED TOO FEW FOR POLK BOYS WHILE AT HOME

Derwood and Wayne Polk, who found their leave spent at home pleasant but altogether too short, left early Tuesday morning for New Orleans, La., to be re-assigned. They returned to the States in January, following the sinking of their destroyer, the Reid, in the Pacific in mid-December.

Derwood, shipfitter first class, had been on the Reid in the Pacific for the entire four years of his service at sea, and Wayne, second class fire controlman, had served aboard the same vessel for three years. Derwood received flash-burns during the attack on his ship, which earned him the Purple Heart.

"The boys shoved off from Hico aboard a bus in the heavy fog that hung low the morning they left, a few pounds heavier but happy in having been allowed to visit back in their old home town. They had made some big promises about helping their dad and mother, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Polk, at their dairy, but found so many other things to do that they never got around to making very good hands with the cows. However the homefolks didn't expect them to do much except relax from their harrowing experiences, and seemed happy that they found so many things to occupy their time besides work.

We hope to have a report from them when they get their orders.

CAPT. H. V. HEDGES PATIENT IN McCLOSKEY HOSPITAL

Capt. Homer V. Hedges, who has been home since the middle of January on emergency leave from Pacific service in the Medical Corps, had the tables turned on him this week when he went to McCloskey General Hospital at Temple for a check-up. His wife visited him there Tuesday, and upon her return to Hico reported that he had been registered as a patient for an indefinite stay.

Emma Dee said that her husband, who was stationed in the Marshalls for several months, was a patient at Trippler General Hospital in the Hawaiian Islands for five months prior to his return to the States.

HENRY NEAL DECORATED

Henry Neal, who is somewhere in Germany, has received the Bronze Star Medal, according to word received here by Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Meador from the serviceman's sister in San Angelo. He also has advanced to the rating of Staff Sergeant.

The Meadors had a letter from Henry, written Dec. 19, in which he said he was receiving the Hico paper they keep going his direction.

WITH THE COLORS

TEXAN'S SHARE



By UNITED WAR CHEST OF TEXAS
Represented in Hamilton County by the following War Chest Officers:
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Names make news in war as elsewhere. This week these Texans made news on foreign battlefronts:

Capt. Don Teel, Texas bomber pilot, broke his fourth record within two weeks when he flew his Liberator from Sydney, Australia, to Auckland in five hours, 35 minutes.

Corp. Lawrence E. Cross, McAllen, complained because he received no mail for many weeks. One morning he hit the jack-pot when he received more than 60 letters at one time.

Pvt. Charles Phillips of Austin was revealed this week as a hero of fighting in France. When a shortage of mortar ammunition threatened to permit the Germans to advance, he held back the attack single-handedly, killing 19 Krauts and wounding one with his machine gun. He has just recently returned to the States and is a patient at McCloskey General Hospital, Temple, where he is recovering from wounds.

First Sgt. Greeley Aston, Corsicana, serving with the famed 38th "Texas" division, revealed this week that Donald, the GI duck mascot of his outfit, has lost his good conduct ribbon, been reduced in rank and otherwise disgraced for "conduct unbecoming a member of the armed forces." It seems that when the sergeant and other Texans found Donald a bride in France, he acted so ungalantly as to peck the Parisian lady duck on the head and walk away. Now he is in disgrace, although still a confirmed bachelor.

Lt. John Rose, Kerrville, has been awarded the Air Medal. His wife received the decoration, since her hero husband is now a prisoner of war in Germany.

S/ Sgt. Ally Hutchinson, Greenville, now wears the Bronze Star for heroism during heavy fighting in Italy.

And Charles Musselman, field representative of the United War Chest of Texas, has received great news. His son Jim, an army medical officer, was one of the many American prisoners rescued by the Rangers from a Jap camp on Luzon.

Mr. Musselman, however, will continue his work on behalf of the National War Fund, which sends relief supplies to war prisoners in enemy hands and finances 21 great war relief agencies.

Texans rescued from the Japanese after years behind enemy barbed wire include: Lt. Col Sawtelle, Corpus Christi; Capt. Ben E. King, Austin; Lt. Cecil H. Hay, Houston; Lt. Clifton H. Chamberlain Jr., Marlin; Maj. Emil R. Reed, Dallas; Capt. Raymond H. Knapp, San Antonio; Chief Warrant Officer Ralph E. Ellis, San Antonio; M/Sgt. Louis B. Albin, San Antonio; Sgt. Everett L. Reyes, Wolfe City; Sgt. Alfred O. Parr, Jasper; Pfc. Cecil Easley, Houston; Pfc. Ira W. Taylor, Lexington; Pvt. James A. Boyle, Joshua; Pvt. Joe C. Burks, Dumas; Pvt. Elbert A. Easterwood, Weatherford; John M. Cook, San Marcos; Leonard A. Gibbs, Willis; Raymond Osborne, Dayton; Alrein S. Stus, Pampa; Roy S. Hoblit, Gainesville.

HURRY HOME, CHIEF, AND GET SOME OF THAT HAM AND OTHER GOOD THINGS

"Mother thought you might like a slice of ham for supper," was the cheery note lying on a couple of generous slices of country ham left in the office one day this week by Mrs. Jim D. Wright's daughter, Mayme. And Mother was right! With fresh eggs and snake-eye gravy, that ham hit the spot and inspired the editor and his wife to make another try at getting out the weekly issue of the paper.

The NR force was out for coffee at the time the gift arrived, and formal thanks were not tendered in person. But herewith goes our eternal gratitude to the producers of that delicious edible, with assurance that it went to a good cause. We only wish that part of it could be enjoyed by Mayme's husband, Aviation Chief Machinist's Mate Geary B. Cheek, serving aboard a warship in the Pacific. And if the scuttlebutt we've heard is correct, Geary may be coming in one of these days soon, as he hasn't been home in two years.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Cheek Sr. have also been mighty considerate of the NR family, Mrs. Cheek bringing in a sack of crisply popped corn only recently, and chicken and other things from time to time. And the Chief's big red-headed brother, Sergeant S. J. Cheek Jr., is still smoking Bull Durham since being over-generous with his Chesties last Christmas.

Here's hoping Geary is lucky enough to get that deserved leave ham, popcorn, cigarettes, and everything he wants as early as possible. And if the ham is all gone when he gets here, the editor might be able to wangle enough red points for some of those big juicy steaks of which Geary's so fond. The editor too.

WE TELL ALL WE KNOW AND THEN MAKE UP

In renewing her subscription and changing her address from Haslet, Texas, to Route 6, Fort Worth, in care of Pool's Dairy, Mrs. G. R. French wrote, "I don't know how I'd get along without the paper to keep tab on my daddy and mother and those brothers of mine (Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Rogers and sailor sons).
Sorry, but we'll have to wait for information before telling much about Eldon and Geoffrey, Naval petty officers who recently returned to their ship at New York after spending separate leaves at home. They don't seem to be on speaking terms with the editor, but maybe their mother will include in her Salem news something about them and also about Marshall, a third son, electrician's mate on a Naval vessel in Pacific service.

MYRTLE ASH BACK IN STATES AFTER INJURIES IN FRANCE

Stark General Hospital, Charleston, S. C.
February 10, 1945
Mrs. Eva Mae Ash
Hico, Texas

My Dearest Mother:
Just a few lines to say "Hello There!" I am feeling fine and hope to stay that way. I guess you have been worrying quite a bit since I haven't been writing to you very regularly for the last few months.

I am now in the Stark General Hospital in Charleston, S. C. I think I will only be here a couple of days and then I will probably be stationed nearer to home.

Will write again as soon as I get to my next station.
Your son,
MYRTLE

(Pvt. Myrtle G. Ash)
WELBORN TWIN RADIONEN WRITE SOME NEWS; COME ON HOME AND MAKE SOME NEWS
Harrisburg, Pa.
February 4, 1945

Dear Mr. Holford:
Here are the twins again. Just thought I would let you know where we are. We were detached from the Feb. 1, 1945 and sent to Brooklyn, N. Y. to be placed on another ship. They never leave Navy Radionen on one ship very long—that is, as far as the Armed Guard is concerned. They will have to put some more back on as soon as the ship is ready to leave again. It's a lot of work for everyone concerned and I don't see why they do it, but you can't tell the Navy that. As long as Owen and I can stay together, I don't care what they do with us.

We accidentally got a leave through a secret procedure—I

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To Blast Birthplace



The unusual ambition of Capt. James E. Tague, USN, is to have a hand in blasting his birthplace off the face of the earth. He is a skipper of aircraft carrier which may be used to blast his birthplace, Kobe, Japan. His parents were American missionaries.

Reminiscent Articles In Farm Publication's Anniversary Issue

Many farmers of the Hico community in the next few days will receive a copy of the Golden Anniversary issue of "The Furrow", national farm publication, published by John Deere, Moline, Ill.

Marking 50 years' continuous publication, devoted to the interest and advancement of agriculture, "The Furrow" has been read by several local farmers for many years. Those from this community who have been readers the greatest number of years include Uncle Bob Parks of Fairly, said J. W. Richbourg, local John Deere dealer, and also have numbered the late J. W. Brummett, J. F. Broyles, R. C. Arrant and P. C. Clark, who have been on the mailing list for possibly 35 years, and into the homes of whose sons and families the publication still goes.

Articles in this special anniversary issue bring to the reader discussions on progress and advancement made in agriculture during the past half century. Modernization of farm implements through the years, leading to present-day power farming, and development of farm practices and methods relative to soil culture, planting and harvesting of crops, are featured. Also appearing in the farm publication are several articles, which are reminiscent of farms and living conditions of the "Gay Nineties."
"The Furrow", published six times a year, is mailed free to local farmers with the compliments of the local John Deere dealer. Many educational farm articles, written by authorities in the farming industry, are published in each issue.

C. W. Russell, Prominent Farmer, Buried Tuesday

Charles William Russell, prominent farmer of this community, died Monday morning, February 12, in the Stephenville Hospital following a brief illness.

Born October 23, 1884 in Butler County, Alabama, Mr. Russell had made his home around Hico for 24 years and was well known in this trade zone. He was married to Myrtle Frances Odom on October 22, 1911 at Milford, Texas. To this union were born five girls and four boys. He was preceded in death by an infant on Sept. 7, 1916, and by a son, Pfc. Odom Odell Russell, on July 2, 1943, who was killed in action in the Southwest Pacific. Mr. Russell had been a member of the Baptist Church since 1917.

He is survived by his wife and the following children: Pfc. R. J. Russell, who is in Belgium; T/5 Morris (Pete) Russell, in Luxembourg; Mary Frances Russell of the home; Mrs. Tommie White, McGregor; Mrs. Vernon Simpson, Gladewater, and Pvt. Charley Van Russell of Ft. Frances E. Warren, Wyoming, all of whom were present for the services except the two sons in foreign service.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the First Baptist Church, conducted by the pastor, Rev. O. D. Carpenter, who was assisted by Elder Oran Columbus of Fairly.

Pallbearers were Sgt. Truitt Coston, Bill Lackey, George Jones, L. J. Chaney, W. E. Cunningham and Orie Morrison.
Flower girls were Willie Smith, Ruby Mae Manning, Alta Mae Arrant, Neida Joy Cunningham, and Mary Alice Jackson, all seniors at Fairly High School and classmates of Mary Frances Russell.
Arrangements were directed by Barrow Funeral Home and burial was made in the Hico Cemetery.

Occupants of Truck Have Narrow Escape In Mishap Sunday

Bryant Lively, driver of E. C. Allison's trailer-truck, and Texie Dell Allison, occupant, escaped possible serious injury early last Sunday morning when the vehicle overturned 14 miles north of Mineral Wells on Highway 281 after a collision with an automobile. Lively received treatment at Stephenville Hospital immediately afterward, but returned to his home here that night. Young Allison son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Allison Sr. of Fairly, was reported unharmed, as were the five occupants of the automobile registered in Oklahoma.

The owner of the truck, accompanied by L. J. Chaney, went to the scene shortly after the accident. Allison reported that the driver of the car was charged in justice court at Mineral Wells with "driving on the left-hand side of the road" and paid a fine for same also making agreement for settlement of damage. Officers investigating the wreck, he said, found that the truck was side-swiped as its driver swerved toward a roadside ditch in an effort to avoid the collision.

The truck, loaded with household goods and other possessions of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Waldrop, and bound for their new home at Lockney, was considerably damaged, together with the contents on which an insurance settlement was reported to have been made.

Allison, who says he will continue his trucking business as soon as possible, expects to have arrangements made for repair or replacement of the damaged equipment by the middle of next week.

Funeral and Burial At Duffau Friday For Mrs. Russell

Funeral services were held last Friday, February 9, for Mrs. Zilpha Russell, 78, of the Salem community, who died in Stephenville Hospital at 9:30 a. m. the previous day. The rites were held at Duffau, conducted by Elder J. L. Collins, Church of Christ minister from Abilene, with burial in the Duffau cemetery.

Pallbearers were A. E. Stone and Neal Hatchett of Seldon, Ivan Jacobs and Johnnie Scott of Salem, Walter Winters of Fort Worth and J. C. Barrow of Hico.

Zilpha Ann Elizabeth Burt was born October 9, 1866, in Coffee County, Alabama. She was the daughter of the late John Burt and Harriett Elizabeth Burt. She spent her girlhood days in Alabama, and was married on December 13, 1888 to Nance Russell, who preceded her in death in 1917. Also deceased is one of the seven children born to them, Grover Cleveland Russell. Surviving are six children: Irby J. of the home, James B. Russell, Dallas; Otis W. Russell, Fort Worth; Pfc. Earlie N. Russell, with the Armed Forces in Europe; Mrs. Marvin T. Nolan, Fairly, and Sgt. George C. Russell, with the Armed Forces in the Philippines. She is also survived by eight grandchildren.

Mrs. Russell came to Texas with her family in 1907 and settled in Erath County, where she lived until her death. Her church membership was in the Baptist Church at Clairette.

Girl Scouts Will Hold Postponed Meeting Monday

The meeting planned for last Monday night to organize a Girl Scout troop in Hico was postponed on account of the inclement weather, according to Mary Nell Jones, who requested the News Review to make the following announcement: All girls between the ages of 10 and 18 who are interested in this organization are requested to meet at the Methodist Church Monday night, Feb. 19, at 7:30.

WEATHER REPORT

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

Date	Max.	Min.	Prec.
Feb. 7	70	43	0.00
Feb. 8	72	36	0.00
Feb. 9	89	41	0.00
Feb. 10	78	48	0.00
Feb. 11	65	38	0.00
Feb. 12	61	48	0.00
Feb. 13	60		
Total precipit year, 4.08 inches			

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Mr. and Mrs. ... have a son, I ... ship ... land ... been ... seen ... write ... brief ... the

Burma Road Officially Opened



Here is a view of a small section of the Burma road. Adm. Lord Louis Mountbatten has announced that the road, ground lifeline to China, is again open to traffic, closing a 14-month campaign. The road as it now operates runs from Ledo, Assam, in the west, to join the old Burma road in the vicinity of Mongya. The Burma town of Myitkina is the new springboard of the supply road.

her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ramsey, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harve Sawyer. Mrs. John Cooper visited a daughter close to Stephenville this week. Mrs. Pearl Hensley spent last Thursday in Stephenville with her daughter, Faye. Mrs. Brooks and daughter were in Meridian Saturday. Mrs. Della Phillips came in last Thursday to be with her mother, Mrs. Squires. Her home is in Crystal City.

Mrs. John Newsom visited her daughter, Mrs. W. J. Cunningham, this week, who lives east of town. Miss Faye Fallis, who worked in McGregor, is at home. James Phillips, who is a student in John Tarleton College at Stephenville, spent the week end at home.

Lt. Virginia Ramage, ANC, who is now stationed in Waco, visited her parents a short while Sunday. Miss Joan Hayden of Dallas spent the week end at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Anderson and young son, Leroy Lloyd, of Fort Worth spent Sunday with her brother, H. L. Mitchell, and family. They were accompanied by some friends.

Mr. Bob Marsalis is visiting his wife, the former Miss Rena Dickerson. Ray Hensley, a student at John Tarleton, spent the week end at home.

Pvt. Obie Dunlap has returned to camp in Oklahoma, after a furlough of 30 days with his family and other relatives.

Iredell and community have been blessed with another rain this week. Today (Monday) it is very rainy.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Pylant and sons spent the week end here. Mrs. Cokey Graves and baby of Waco spent the week end here.

Mrs. Kanuteson returned to her work in Fort Worth Sunday after spending her vacation with her parents. Her sister, Miss Dorris, also came Sunday and spent the day.

Word was received here Wednesday of last week that Pvt. Leon Gordon was killed in a vehicle accident. He was overseas. His aunt, Mrs. Allen Dawson and Miss Mittie Gordon, took him when he was a baby 4 months old. His mother had died. He stayed with Mittie and Fannie and Mr. Gordon for

several years. There were two other boys, Paul and Edward, Leon when he was a little boy could sing and would come to my parents' home and I remember how he could sing. He was a fine little boy and grew to be a model young man. He wasn't in the Army very long. He leaves a wife and two children, two girls. The oldest one is nearly 6 and the baby was born Jan. 13. He never got to see the baby. His wife and children live in Fort Worth. All the relatives have the sympathy of their friends.

Mrs. Ida Lundberg

Mrs. Ida Lundberg was born August 23, 1876, at Cranfill's Gap and passed away at Cooper, Tex., at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lloyd Lester. She had been ill for three months and everything was done for her that could be done. At the age of 14 she was confirmed in the Lutheran Church, living true to her faith until death came.

On Dec. 15, 1896 she was married to Oscar Lundberg and to this union three children were born: Mrs. Lloyd Lester, Cooper, Tex.; Mrs. Simon Ratliff, Texarkana, and Elmo Lundberg of Waco.

She spent some of her life in and around Iredell. She had many friends, was a good woman, and was a devoted wife to her husband who passed away 11 years ago, and was also a good mother to

her three children and looked after their interests. They will miss her very much.

I had the pleasure of knowing her and regarded her as a good friend and a good woman who was ready at all times to render aid to one and all.

The remains were brought here by Mr. Barrow and the funeral of this good woman was held Monday afternoon in the Baptist church with the Rev. Mr. Maakstad, the pastor of the Lutheran Church in Cranfill's Gap, bringing the funeral message. He was assisted by Rev. Potter. A very large crowd of relatives and friends were present to pay honor to her memory, for all loved her.

The floral offerings were large and beautiful and the following were flower girls: Mrs. Imogene Williamson, Mrs. Mickey Rice, Mrs. J. R. Johnson, Misses Charles Lundberg and Bobbie Warren. The pallbearers were Aubrey Lloyd Lester, Earl Lundberg, Gaston Lundberg, Vernon Rogstad, and Joe Lundberg. There was another one, but I failed to get the name.

Besides three children she is survived by seven grandchildren, three brothers, four sisters, and a host of other loved ones and many friends.

Interment was in the cemetery east of town by the side of her husband. Out-of-town relatives who at-

tended the funeral were Rev. and Mrs. Lloyd Lester and sons of Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Ratliff of Texarkana, Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Lundberg of Waco, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lundberg and Miss Alvora Lundberg of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lundberg of Cleburne, Mrs. Bill Sharp and Mrs. John Lundberg of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Lundberg of Eulogy, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Jermstad of Waco, Mr. and

Mrs. B. C. Rogstad and Mr. and Mrs. Martin Nicholson of Cranfill's Gap, Mr. and Mrs. James Williamson of San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Miller of Grand Prairie, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Knight of Meridian, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. White of Wichita Falls, and also some out-of-town friends.

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IREDELL ITEMS

by Miss Stella Jones, Local Correspondent

Mrs. Addie Plummer is in Crane with her children, some of whom are sick.

Mrs. Tom Strange and Nancy returned Monday night, Feb. 5 from Corpus Christi.

Mrs. C. A. Self and baby of De Leon are here visiting. C. R. also visited a few days.

Mrs. Ratliff's mother has returned to her home in Glen Rose after a visit here.

Mr. and Mrs. Hayden Sadler and Ann, Mrs. J. W. Clanton, Mrs. Billy Joe Fouts, and Mrs. Quince Fouts were in Waco Wednesday.

Mrs. Lou Buchan of De Leon is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jante Main.

Guy Frank Main, who has been in Notre Dame, Indiana, has been shipped to Florida. He is an ensign in the Navy and received his commission as an ensign a short time ago. His wife is with him.

L. G. Main, son of the late Guy Main and wife, has been sent from Dallas to Camp Elliott in San Diego.

Miss Grace Simpson of Dallas spent the week end here.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brannon of near Handley visited his cousin, Mrs. Joel Hudson, Monday.

A very large crowd was at the

auktion sale of the house and household things of the late Mr. and Mrs. Dearing. There was a large crowd of out-of-town people.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Powers of Fort Worth and Cpl. Jack Anderson visited Mrs. Powers' mother, Mrs. T. M. Davis, on Monday. Jack is on a furlough of 30 days, visiting all the relatives. He was from North Carolina.

Mr. Chester White, who is on a furlough with his mother in Valley Mills, is visiting his cousin, Mr. Joe White. He is a technician, fifth grade, and has served overseas two and one-half years. He has been wounded. He served all through Africa, Sicily and Italy. He will go back the first of March.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Carroll of Lamesa and Mr. and Mrs. Weaver Thomas, who live in California, visited here this week.

Mrs. Eva Gregory of Dallas was here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kennedy of Silsbee visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Thwell, this week.

Lt. Jimmie Ramage, who is in the Army, is on a leave with his parents.

Mrs. Lewis Sawyer, who is with

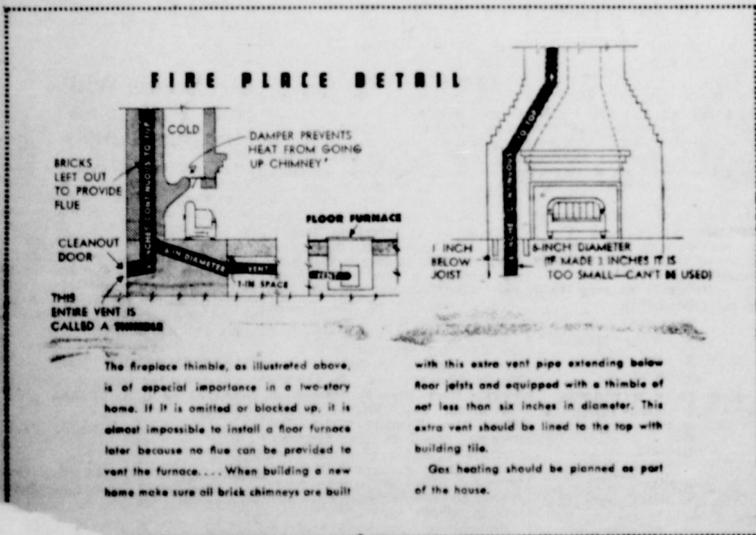
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ART EXHIBIT PRESENTED BY GRADE SCHOOL

The Hico Grade School opened an art exhibit to the public on February 8. It was located in the music room on the first floor. The exhibit was under the direction of Mrs. J. E. Lincoln, Art Teacher, and represented the work of sixth, seventh and eighth grade pupils. Many spectators found the display interesting. Children from other grades in Grammar School, High School students, parents and patrons of the school discovered the promising talent which Mrs. Lincoln is developing among these young art pupils. Judges were Mrs. Boyd Greenway, Mrs. C. L. Woodward and Mrs. H. N. Wolfe; they visited the exhibit on Friday afternoon, Feb. 9. Tea was served in the exhibit room which was attractively arranged to resemble an actual art gallery. Hostesses were Betty Jane Goughly, Jean McLarty and Pat Duzan.

Winners of Pen-Work Designs were: first, Fred Spinks; second, Charles Goughly; third, La Verne Parker; fourth, Frances McCullough. Prizes awarded for Free-Hand Cut Figures went to: first, Billy Jean Fulcher; second, Barbara Brooks; third, Imogene Elder; fourth, Barbara Munnerlyn. Winners of the Free-Hand Cut Letters included: first, Dorothy Lewis; second, Dean McLarty; third, Imogene Elder; fourth, Charles Goughly.

In the Free-Hand Pencil Sketches there were three divisions. Landscape winners were: first, Pat Meador; second, Imogene Elder; third, Wendell Burden; fourth, Valmer Norrod. Prizes for Human Figures went to: first, Pat Duzan; second, John Houston; third, Imogene Elder; fourth, Dean McLarty. The best sketches of animals were: first, Fred Spinks; second, Imogene Elder; third, Donald Davis; fourth, Benny Collins. A first

prize was also awarded to Barbara Brooks for an outstanding picture classified as Birds. Pastel, Charcoal and Still Life will be the phases of art work undertaken in the next few weeks. At the end of this time another exhibit will be held, allowing the public to estimate the progress attained. The three art classes sincerely wish to thank the judges who participated and all the spectators who helped to make the exhibit a success.

BASKETBALL

Last Tuesday the boys and girls went to Hamilton for a return game with Blue Ridge. Both games were fast and hard-played.

Starting line-up for the boys was Hefner, Keeney, C. Grant, Neel, and Angell. The only substitute was Leroy Bobo. Hico called time out twice in the first quarter and once in the last quarter. Hefner was high point man with 11 points. The final score was 35-26, in favor of Blue Ridge.

Starting line-up for the girls was Grimes, Hancock, Allen, Hyles, Land, and McLarty. Hyles topped the others with 16 points. The ending score was a victory for Hico: 24-8.

A tournament in Tarleton gymnasium was attended by the boys on Thursday and Friday. They returned with some badly-needed experience.

HOMEMAKING CHAPTER EDITS "NEWS-LETTER"

From other chapters in Area No. 5, news items were received last week by the Hico Chapter of Future Homemakers. Accumulating this news in one newspaper, the local chapter edited the well-known Home Economics "News-Letter." This sheet is published three times a year, by different chapters, and contains helpful suggestions for meeting community problems.

The "News-Letter" was stenciled, mimeographed and stapled. Hicos edition was sent to the 53 chapters in our area. It gave a good cross-section of events in many towns and clubs of our district, dealing especially with the interesting proposition of a "teen-age canteen. Appreciation is expressed by the Homemaking Department to Dale Randalls and Nelda Paul Fallin for their jobs with the cutting of the stencil.

SENIOR NEWS

The Seniors have been turning their thoughts to the various exercises and problems concerning the closing of school. Several class meetings have been held. We have chosen the class motto: "Wealth may seek us, but wisdom must be sought." This was our motto when we graduated from Grammar School. Our class flower is the white carnation and our colors are green and white. "Auld Lang Syne" is the class song. Plans for the Baccalaureate Service are under way. A group of high school girls are to be selected for the choir. They will wear the choir robes belonging to the school. Deposits have been made for graduation

Has Added Star



First official photograph showing Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, supreme Allied commander, wearing his new five-star cluster, insignia of his new rank as "General of the Army." Photo taken near Paris, France, as General Eisenhower made one of his many inspection trips.

tion invitations and cards; and soon we will turn our attention to the class play.

WHO'S WHO IN THE JUNIOR CLASS

Your Junior reporter had to chase Stella Barnett down the hall nearly to the office. (Please don't get the wrong impression—we were trying to interview her.)

Stella is tall, with light brown hair and blue eyes. She dresses well and is always neat. She is fond of John Hodiak and Ann Sheridan—that is, she likes their looks. (Your reporter prefers the Vera Vague type.) The movie she liked best was "Gone With the Wind."

Faith Baldwin books turn Stella's heart inside out. But we know she doesn't mind having her heart turned inside out because she reads so many Faith Baldwin stories.

Stella's favorite sport is baseball. She is going to be a business woman when she graduates from high school. She's pretty good in typing, too, so we think she will realize her ambition with lots of success.

Stella is our class treasurer and the Juniors don't possibly see how they could get along without her. She keeps the receipts right, she worries about how we are going to make more money and, above all, she's honest.

JUNIOR NEWS

In the Junior Class meeting Feb. 12, plans for the class play were discussed. It was decided that the final decision for the choice of the play would rest with the class as a whole, and that the high school faculty will be asked to cast it.

Deposits for class rings for next year have been mailed. As a means of raising funds it was decided to sponsor an evening of games in the gym, with people of the town participating. You will hear more of this later.

SOPHOMORE NEWS

Last week we gave you the ideal Sophomore girl and this week we give you the ideal Sophomore boy. We find the smile of Ralph Jazgars, the teeth of Wendell Stagner, and the eyes of Charles Grant. He has the appearance of Billy Jackson, the personality of Lee Roy Brooks, and manners like Frank Thompson. To top him off we have the alertness of L. R. Munsell. Put these all together and you have the ideal Sophomore boy.

FRESHMAN NEWS

We are very sorry that Louise Higginbotham is moving away. We know that we shall miss her very much.

The ideal Freshman boy has been picked and the following is what we think he would be like:

Upon first seeing our handsome swain, one would notice the manly physique of R. W. French and the smile and hair of James Lee Proffitt. When he is more closely observed, you would notice the beautiful eyes of Billy Ray Ables and the teeth of Royce Grimes. The clothes of Walter Latham and the complexion of R. W. French add leads to his looks, too. After talking with him you would be firmly convinced that he was perfect because he would have a personality of Billy Rex Jackson and the mental ability of Don Eakins.

REFLECTIONS

Welcome to Ernest Carl Bramlett, the new-comer in the home of our Agriculture teacher. We're betting he's like his father and when he gets a little older will find soil conservation and flock-culling right down his alley.

One day last week a Junior was seen wandering around the halls of H. H. S. mulling. "I forgot the carrots!" It seems Miss Hammons sent Jerry on an errand and it completely slipped his mind. Similar to the way that news has been doing every Monday, Corky? Glad to see you back after so long; don't ever stay away from The Mirror that long again, because the Juniors were getting impatient for some reporting of their doings.

The Annual Staff is breathing easily once more. Or perhaps it'd be better to say that they're just breathing once more. The final lot of copy for "Tiger's Lair" of '45 was put in the mail February 6. It took a little extra work to do it; in fact, the clock hands stood at five minutes to "quitting time" when the Staff fairly flew in the post office door and deposited the valuable parcel at the window. With tears in their eyes the members, both individually and as a body, invoked our local postal authorities to handle carefully the

evidence of long hours spent in tedious labor. They declared it would have been brought on a silver tray and a soft cushion, had there been time to secure such before shipping.

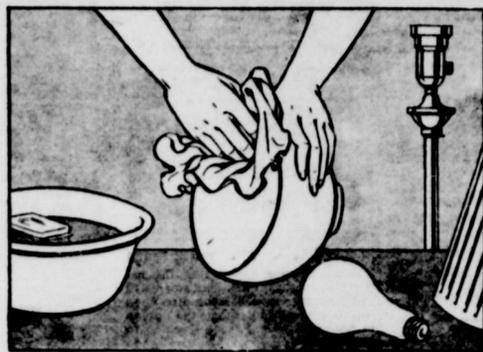
As it happened, the copy was contained in an ordinary brown envelope and all the way from here to Dallas and Taylor Engraving Co. mail clerks thought it was merely another piece of mail. The staff knows better, though; after nurturing it like a baby and watching it grow by their own direction, they are to be excused for thinking that envelope mailed on February 6 really carried something special. Now it's the study hall for the Annual Staff. Here they will find plenty of opportunity to consider their mistakes, relieve their moments of disagreement (many there were, too) and anxiously await the arrival of the finished Annual. It'll be a great day when those hundred issues come whistling into Hico on the 9-15.

Say, while we're on the subject, would you like to buy one? No box-tops, no letters of recommendation, only \$2.00. United States money. Ten copies are all that remain to be sold; so, if you have \$2.00 you must get rid of soon, someone on the Staff is who you're looking for.

Valentine Day has come and gone. Cupid's bow and arrow could be spied, taking its usual toll of victims. But, for some reason, cards and candies were hardly as numerous as sighs and winks. Might be on account of the latter are free-for-nothing whereas, in marked contrast, the former require some overhead. Don't worry, boys, the girls understand; slim pockets are a common condition nowadays.

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HOME-FRONT PSYCHOLOGY

A lot of our home-town soldiers and sailors may be coming home in the next few months. Some will be coming home to stay and others to enjoy a long-coveted thirty-day leave or furlough.

Naturally the people of this community will be eager to hear about their experiences. But we must be careful about plying them with questions. They will want our companionship and attention, but they may not want to talk about war.

We must remember that they are having a vacation from war and help make it a complete vacation unburdened by the countless questions which we would like to ask them.

Some will want to "get things off their chest"—and to them we will be eager to listen. But others will want to get as far away from war as they can and will resent constant cross-examination.

Good, common-sense psychology on the home front will mean much to these boys on leave. Let's not urge them to re-live the war unless they want to. It is our duty to help them enjoy a period of complete relaxation and rest.

TOMORROW'S JOBS

Where do jobs come from? There may be a lot of different ways to that question. Some one seem to be getting the idea, and more, that when the war over jobs will come from the government. Others think it is up to business to provide jobs for

at it seems to us that the many of new jobs should result, as always have in this country, from the initiative and ambition of individuals.

There is still plenty of room in our country for new businesses, large and small.

A woman in this very town may have a recipe for a delicious food item which, under proper direction, could be developed into a new food business. A local mechanic may have invented a gadget to defrost windshields which could be sold to every motorist in the country and create jobs for hundreds of people.

There is no limit to the number of jobs which could be created by a combination of inventiveness, ambition and capital. Big business today is merely a monument to the successful promotion of ideas of the past. There is no reason why

businesses of tomorrow, which are still wide open, should not be built by a better man than the man who built the

CLEAN DOOR

THE ENTIRE CALL OF NATURE

was expressed in this poem by the writer's hand. It is almost impossible to

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"And how?" The Optimist will say. "You darn tooting, it will work. Well, perhaps I am the Optimist, for I believe that World Peace is entirely within the realm of possibility. Once that man becomes afraid of his own destructive powers, peace will follow. Today we see a clear-cut picture of this folly called warfare. No nation can participate in it without feeling the disastrous effects of its aftermath.

Let's not delude ourselves, wars must cease, lest we wake up some day to find all of ourselves missing.

By PRINTIS A. NEWMAN.

Today and Tomorrow by DON ROBINSON

WORK . . . volunteers After hearing pleas over the radio and reading countless stories in the newspapers about the dire need for volunteers to help out the nurses in hospitals, Mrs. Jones decided to offer her services. When she made that decision she considered it to be quite a sacrifice. She had two children in school who needed her attention, she had a house to take care of, meals to get, and was already spending part of one day each week making bandages. But, after all, there was a war going on, and if she was needed so badly she decided that maybe she should do something about it.

So, after discussing her decision with her husband, she finally went to the Red Cross and told them she was willing to help. But instead of being welcomed with open arms, she was told that she would have to wait several months before she could be taken into a class. She was told that they would see, later on, what they could do to use her services. She left Red Cross headquarters in a huff—and was loud in her condemnation of the treatment she received. Here she had been willing to give her time to what she thought was a vital cause and they had treated her as though she were a job hunter!

And when any Mrs. Jones tells a story like that, other women are only too eager to join in and tell of similar experiences. Mrs. Smith may tell how the ration board begged for help and then told her they couldn't use her. Mrs. Bates is apt to relate how she agreed to work in a canteen and when she found there they made her feel as though she were in the way. The stories of the difficulties of getting into war work are endless. And in many cases the woman telling her story takes this attitude: "Well—I've offered to do my part and if they don't want me, I'm through!"

OBSTACLES . . . blame Those stories offer one of the most serious threats to home front morale. But most of the trouble is not with the Red Cross, or the ration board, or the canteen, or the hospital—but with the attitude of the women who are so quick to give up their noble effort as soon as they meet the first obstacle.

Too many of us feel that it is somebody else's war—that it is up to the government, or the heads of the volunteer war organizations to have everything running like clockwork, and to throw out the royal carpet if we decide to give them a helping hand. Actually, it seems to me, we ought to be enthusiastic in our appreciation of what the volunteer war organizations are doing for us, and, if we discover apparent inefficiencies, do what we can to help correct them.

To be more specific: Instead of leaving Red Cross headquarters in a huff because they couldn't immediately assign her to a nurses training course, Mrs. Jones could have done much more for her country if she had got together with her friends to discuss how more courses might be organized. She might have admitted the truth of the fact that nurses needed help, realized that there must be some obstacle in the way of training women in the hospitals in her section, and attempted to work out a plan to overcome the obstacles. Or, if she didn't feel capable of doing such organization work, she might at least have simply sympathized with the condition and sought some other war work where she could be useful.

CHARITY . . . thanks Bruce Barton, the famous advertising man, who has probably done as much canvassing to raise funds for worthy causes as any man alive, once said: "Whenever I ask a man for money for a charitable purpose I feel that I am offering him an opportunity to serve."

But all of us are familiar with cases where a man gives many hours of spare time to raise money for a good cause and is treated by some people as though he were a beggar. And the person who throws out the "Unwelcome" mat when a charity worker comes soliciting help exhibits the same type of misunderstanding as the woman who makes a hasty and almost impossible to

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HOUSE HOME BY MARY E. LEAGUE

OUR limited markets are making it necessary to use many of the fundamental foods over and over again. So in order to break the monotony of the inevitable repetition we must depend on clever seasoning.

Many seasonings are available in the dry state. Some of them, parsley for example, may be used green as garnishes or relishes in salads as well as in cooking. Success in their use depends more on the right combination of flavors than on any artful or painstaking preparation. The one exception is curry powder, which must be carefully and thoroughly cooked in a certain way to bring out its full zestful flavor.

Restraint must always be practiced in the use of seasonings. Only enough should be used to bring out and enhance the flavor of the food being prepared.

The way to use garlic in meat cooking is to rub the salt that is needed for the meat in a clove of garlic before seasoning the meat. Garlic is such a subtle flavor that never more than a suspicion of it is needed.

The leaves of tarragon have a hot, pungent taste. They are commonly used to flavor soups and salads, but a few finely minced leaves are very good in tartar sauce.

The leaves of dill are a flavorful addition to fish, egg, cheese and meat salads as well as "made" dishes of the heavier sometimes reminding one of anise. A few seeds add spice to fruit pies and baked fruits. The leaves, fresh or dried, often are used for seasoning fish.

Majorette is used either fresh or dry for flavoured soups and stews and in the stuffing for all meats and fish.

Sage ordinarily is used in poultry and meat stuffings but is surprisingly good in cheese dishes and vegetable combinations. The leaves, fresh or dried, often are used for seasoning fish.

Thyme and summer savory are used much the same as sage. Savory combines particularly well with horseradish in sauces.

Savory combines particularly well with horseradish in sauces. Like clove. It may be used in salads, tomato soups and sauces. Fruit punches are given a refreshing spiciness by the addition of the crushed leaves.

Our grandmothers knew the value of all these herbs and always had them in their gardens, so let's put them in our own. Both the annual and perennial varieties of herbs are easy to make grow and a few plants are all you will need.

THIS AND THAT BY JOE SMITH DYER

TIME TO RESIGN: Certain concerns have adopted an unyielding, inexorable, relentless rule of retiring employees at the age of 60 and that rule seems silly to me. There are young men who are old at 45 and old men who are young at 65 and even at 75. Age is always accompanied by the advantage of experience and training when it is not the convoy of a superannuated body and a senile mind and these conditions are not always the result of age. What if there had been a rule to stop Edison, Ford and all our great American achievers? Where would we be had these men been consigned to the scrap heap?

Michael Angelo did his best work at 89. At 70, Franklin was still going good. Tolstoy and thousands

of others were doing their best work when they were 60 plus. . . . And today people are living much longer than they were in those days. Destroy the scheme of seniority and you lessen the thought of loyalty.

Mark on the calendar a day when a man is to be considered no good and five years before that date rolls around that man will feel that he is finished and he will naturally slow down and consequently be ready ahead of time for his discard. Nature is full of freaks. There are mental and physical wrecks at an early age and there are strong minds and bodies in their older years. It is the individual's condition, not industry's calendar, that indicates the time to resign.

GENTLEMEN TALK OF PEACE

The above is the name of a BIG book. It is big because it deals with a big subject. It is an eleven-hour appeal for sanity and action. You will be shocked and shaken by parts of it because it takes you behind the wall of secrecy which hides the ideas that prompt the actions of the men who talk peace.

This is a fighting book about peace. It is the smashing indictment of the international intrigue which is said to be preparing the way for another world war. It was written at white heat and there are no soft words, no double talk, no twisting of facts to fit a scheme. It is a brutally honest picture of the forces at work in the world today.

The book has 530 pages and can be read in ten hours. It is written by William B. Ziff who is a noted military historian and authority on international affairs. The publishers are Giff-Davis, Chicago.

EXCEPTING TWO LINES

Farmers seldom grow their own seeds. They depend upon reliable seedmen to furnish the start for what they grow in garden and field. And that reminds me of Madeline S. Bridges' poem, "Life's Mirror" and of two lines in that poem:

"Give to the world the best you have And the best will come back to you."

The best we have may not always be good enough for the world, so go out and select the best the world has to offer—then you will be sure of scattering the seeds that the world needs.

It is always possible that our own stock of seed is pretty well sprinkled with paint-weed and thistle.

Baring those two lines, that beautiful poem is always practical.

GENUINE JUSTICE

While it may be counting chickens before the eggs are hatched, some individuals in America are already worrying about what to do with Hitler when the war is won. A proposal has been made that he be tried before an international court to be set up to hear what Hitler has to say about his war guilt charges. As far as I can see, there is no objection to the idea providing the jury is composed of buck private who have, at some time during the war, had 15-day furlough cancelled.

100TH ANNIVERSARY

On the 24th of May, 1944, the telegraph was 100 years old. On that day in 1844 "What Has God Wrought" was flashed by electricity from Washington to Baltimore, a distance of 40 miles.

It was the first sending of a telegram. It was a great achievement.

It paved the way for the telephone, the radio, radar, and many other uses of electricity. When this first message was sent, a group of skeptics was present and among them were Dolly Madison

and Henry Clay. Samuel Morse tapped out that first message, "What Has God Wrought?" and it was received in Baltimore to the admiration of another group of unbelievers and was then sent back to Washington. Today the telegraph links the continents and all civilized places as well as some that are not civilized.

On the 24th of May, 1944 those same words were flashed to battle-scarred warships, to beaches and to battlefronts all over the world and it was sent last year from the very same room in the Nation's Capitol from which it was transmitted exactly 100 years before.

The telegraph has justified all the faith which the believers in it placed in its future and today it is our finest, most dependable instrument of human communication.

The individual who is not cheerful soon creeps into jaundice and is, a little later, an inheritor of gout. The grouch ends up in a wheel chair of peevish, premature old age.

THE KNOTHALE By Elliott Pine

A comer in boxing who has just lately begun to attract attention is George Costner, 21, of Cincinnati, Ohio. He scored his 23rd straight victory in Chicago on January 19, when he dropped Richard (Sheik) Rangel twice in the first round. The second time Rangel went down he stayed there. Costner is a welterweight, a somewhat neglected division in public interest. Lee Oma, a heavyweight, is now leading contender among the big boys . . . weighing only 168, he beat out a decision over Joe Bakai, rugged 211 pound ex-miner. When Joe Louis and Billy Conn get out of service, one of them will probably be matched with Oma unless somebody better comes along in the meantime.

Pericles, the big race horse that cost William Helas \$66,000 as an untried yearling, hasn't run a single race yet. A bad foot interfered with his training . . . now the ban on racing has come along . . . he was going to be the sensation of this year's Kentucky Derby, but it looks like that is out. Bobby Jones, the grand old master of golf, may return to tournament play in April . . . the war bond competition at Atlanta is the attraction.

Pilot Officer Phil Marchildon, a pitcher with the Philadelphia Athletics before he joined the Canadian air force, had to swim for three hours before he was picked up when his plane was shot down off the Danish coast. Larry Wicklund, Waukegan football official, suggests a rule change; instead of eliminating the try for the point after touchdown, let the player who made the touchdown try to kick the point.

Auriluro Godoy, Chilean heavyweight and South American champion, has arrived in the United States by air. He hopes to do some successful fighting while here. His other two attempts met with defeat . . . Joe Louis slapped him down twice in 1940.

Neil Sheridan, formerly a star on the San Francisco Seals ball team, has been traded to the New York Giants for seven players, it is reported . . . he was a whiz at football when at San Francisco U. Right now he is loading meat in a Frisco packing plant.

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Nation to Observe Brotherhood Week

CHURCHES and civic organizations in more than 3,000 cities, towns and villages throughout the nation will participate in observances of Brotherhood week, February 18 to 25, according to Dr. Robert A. Ashworth, director of the 12th annual nationwide observance sponsored by the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

Brotherhood week will also be observed by military camps, service clubs, schools and colleges, business organizations, labor groups, fraternal orders, young people's organizations, veterans' posts, farm organizations, women's clubs, and religious schools, as well as by entire communities, under the direction of committees composed of prominent representatives of all religious and racial groups concerned.

President Roosevelt in a Brotherhood week message made public by the conference declared: "It is a solemn duty for us to keep our country free of prejudice and bigotry so that when our fighting men return they may find us living by the freedom for which they are ready to give the full measure of devotion."

The President's message contained the call, "In peace as in war—teamwork," which is the rallying slogan for the 1945 Brotherhood week observance. "We worship at different altars," President Roosevelt wrote, "and express this faith in many ways. But deeper than the differences is the spiritual unity that makes us one people."

In making public the President's message, Dr. Everett R. Clinchy, president of the national conference, said that the Brotherhood week observance which is celebrated each year during the week of Washington's birthday "enlists men and women of good will throughout the nation in the power of an idea—the idea of giving to others the dignity and rights you want to keep yourself. It is a dramatic, educational projection of this idea on a national

scale and thereby creates interest in the improvement of human relations throughout the year."

Sermons calling for racial and religious good will will be preached in Protestant and Roman Catholic churches and Jewish synagogues throughout the country. In addition, teams of inter-faith speakers consisting of a Protestant minister, Catholic priest and Jewish rabbi will address special gatherings. Several religious publications have planned special editions in recognition of Brotherhood week. The national conference has also issued a special Brotherhood week number of its publication, the magazine of human relations. In addition, other leading church journals will feature articles and editorials on the Brotherhood week observance.

A major contribution to the observance of Brotherhood week is also being made by the major radio networks and hundreds of local stations which are planning special broadcasts on the Brotherhood week theme.

ABOVE THE HULLA BALOO By LYTTLE HULL Congress—Keystone of Liberty

What lucky people we are! We live in an atmosphere of complete personal freedom—tempered during wartime, of course, by a certain amount of necessary governmental control. In normal times we can do about as we please just so long as we refrain from treading upon the toes of other free citizens.

But we have an immense country of many diverse interests, climates and nationalities, and therefore a very difficult and intricate one to manage. A law which might benefit one portion of this great conglomerate of interests, might on the other hand be harmful to others; so our clever "founders"—looking far into the future—devised a system whereby every portion of the nation could be represented at the seat of government to help make laws fair to one and all.

The representatives of the varied interests of the different parts of our land, naturally cannot always agree upon laws and procedures—for the simple reason stated above. Wordy battles frequently occur in the halls of our national Congress between members who are trying to represent properly the districts from which they come.

We can't all go to Washington to sit around and see that we get a "square deal" for ourselves—we agree locally upon a man to do it for us. He is us. Remove him from the seat of government and you remove us. Then what would we have? We would have a president and his subordinate officers to operate a nation of 3,733,993 square miles with a population of 130,000,000 people, and with necessarily but little intimate knowledge of the million varied interests of this vast, complicated, heterogeneous mass which we call the United States of America.

So the biggest job on earth would become the business of one man, and if precedent means anything, we would before long be following the same path which must necessarily be followed by nations whether place their affairs in the hands of a single individual. For no one man would be capable of making laws which would universally satisfy such a vast mixture as is ours; and only force could make us obey some of his rulings. And force means loss of freedom—that evil state of being which can best be appreciated by those who have lived under, observed, or studied the opposite in foreign lands.

And knowing all this—there are yet people who want to do away with the keystones of our personal liberty—that political unit which makes the difference between freedom and servitude—the Congress of the United States.

It wouldn't make much difference who the president was after that—he would have to be a dictator. We can call one-man rule by any name we like—but it is of necessity "dictatorship." Because if the citizens do not help him run the country through their representatives, he must do it alone, and as he sees best, and by dictation.

Those who sincerely believe Mr. Roosevelt could manage the nation best—alone; and those who for sinister reasons attempt to discredit our Congress to the point where the people will throw it out, should remember that Mr. Roosevelt cannot serve forever and that some day some one else will have to fill his place. And that "some one" may be a man of vastly different stripe; a man who would crush them after he had squeezed them dry.

Beware of those who advocate in favor of throwing out our Congress. We will be hearing more and more from them as time goes on. They are our enemies, the enemies of our state, and the enemies of our Chief of State.

Young Chinese-American Leader

David Chung occupies the "podium" at public school in New York Chinatown. The songs are both Chinese and American and he is made to suppress the children's Oriental heritage, but it is good to extend the culture of the new world to them, and through them their parents.

Personals.

L. Roberts of Hamilton visited in Hico Saturday.

Mildred Reilhan spent the week end in Fort Worth with her mother, Miss Jo Evelyn Reilhan.

Mr. J. H. McNeill of Waco spent week end here with her father, J. Smith, and with her sister, L. W. Weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Proffitt and Arthur Burden and son, Max, were business visitors in Waco Saturday.

Eric Boettcher of Clifton visited week end in the home of Jerry Gray and his sister, Mrs. May and son, Bobby.

Mr. and Mrs. Webb McEver spent Sunday in Hillboro with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Brice McEver.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Randals spent the week end in Fort Worth with their daughter, Mrs. Charles Elton, and family.

Miss DeAlva Hammans, home economics teacher in the Hico schools, spent the week end in Cox City with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hammans.

Mrs. A. J. Jordan returned home Monday night after spending the week in Brownwood with her mother, Mrs. David Sevier, who is ill with tonsillitis.

Mrs. Leslie Davis and son, Barlow of Brownwood came in Tuesday for a visit in the home of her aunt, G. S. Johnson, and Mr. Johnson.

Miss Isabel Herndon of Fort Worth and Miss Mickey West of Dallas were visitors Tuesday in local office of Community Public Service Company.

Mrs. C. D. Richbourg left Monday night for Fort Neches to be with her son, F. M. Richbourg, who is not doing so well after having tonsils removed several weeks ago.

Edna Shaffer and Tom Gandy of Dallas visited in Hico Tuesday morning. Mr. Shaffer, a former owner, said he was on a deal with Leath to move a house, but he came out to visit a while with many friends here.

Mrs. J. E. Thompson, who underwent an operation in the Holt hospital at Meridian Tuesday morning, was reported to be improving at first but as the News learned goes to press, it is learned she is not doing so well.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Funk are Mr. and Mrs. Frank of Houston; and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Tankersley and Mrs. Brenda Sue, J. B., and the, of Eastland.

Mrs. Cecil Segrist entertained a friends and relatives Tuesday in her apartment, honoring her husband on his birthday. Those present were Mrs. M. A. Cole, Mrs. Laves, Mrs. C. W. Stanford and Mrs. Sherrill, Miss Penny King, Richard Barnette, and Bessie Camp of Hamilton and Lula Stewart of Fort Worth.

And Mrs. J. H. Davis had a party of their children visiting Sunday. Those present were Raymond Davis from Camp Lejeune, and his wife and daughter, and Miss Lois and Mrs. Carl Mosmann from Fort Worth, Roy Davis and family of Hamilton, Mrs. Charice Parsonson of Hico, and Mrs. Wilson, who is spending a week here with her folks.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to our many friends and neighbors, who by their loving deeds and words of consolation, have helped us so much to bear the burden of our grief in the loss of our precious Mother.
May God bless and keep each and every one of you is our prayer.
J. I. RUSSELL
MR. & MRS. J. B. RUSSELL AND DAUGHTER
MR. & MRS. O. W. RUSSELL AND CHILDREN
MR. & MRS. T. M. NOLAN AND CHILDREN
PFC. EARLIE N. RUSSELL
SGT. GEORGE C. RUSSELL

Six-Inch Sermon

↑ REV. ROBERT H. HARPER ↑
Treasures of the Kingdom.
Lesson for February 18: Matthew 13:44-46; 16:13-21.
Memory Verse: James 1:27.
The parables tell of treasures got by two men—men unlike in one respect and similar in others. The first found a hidden treasure, the second was seeking the goodly pearl—each recognized the treasure's value and possessed it. Some are converted by gracious chance, as when a page of the New Testament fluttering from a train window awakened a Mexican. Some are long and earnest seekers. But all awakened men recognize the great value of the treasure and set it above all other values.
The lesson's second part shows Jesus meeting needs of the multitude seeking Him for treasures of health and soul. The occasion should give wholesome hints to those who are concerned in helping their fellows.
If you are concerned for others, behold the multitude in need today. If you would serve, do not ever say, "Let us call it a day," even as the disciples said, "The time is now past." Offer no excuse, pleading how little you have, when Jesus bids you serve. If you do offer excuse, you will disclose that the little is in you. And do not refuse to bring what you have to Jesus when you hear the voice that stilled the waves of Galilee and called the dead to life.
And remember the untold possibilities in what you may bring to the Lord. See how He fed a multitude with five loaves and two fishes! The value of a thing depends upon what is done with it. There is a vast difference between things consecrated to the Master's use and other things. Do, give, and be what you can; God will give all you can imagine, and returning a thousand-fold upon your own head.

LETTERS from Readers

HICO MAN VISITS AUSTIN AND REPRESENTATIVE
February 10, 1945
The Hico News Review
Dear Editor:
I was very glad to have Mr. C. A. Crouch of Hico visit me last week while he was in Austin in the interest of the Hico section and of Texas. I introduced Mr. Crouch to several of our friends in the Legislature who have the interest of the aged at heart. Also I took him to the State Welfare Department and had him meet Mr. John Winters who is head of this department.
I was glad to have Mr. Crouch and welcome any citizen any time it is possible for you to confer with me in Austin or by letter. I appreciate your help and know that it takes a united effort on the part of all to accomplish anything. Of course I know it is not possible for all to come to Austin, but you may be assured that your help is appreciated and that I will strive to represent you at all times.
I might add that since the visit of Mr. Crouch the House passed out a bill which will raise Old Age Assistance grants for the remainder of this year up to September about \$4.00 per month. The Senate must pass it and same must be signed by the Governor, which I think both will do soon as the Governor recommended this action in his message. I feel that our aged should be cared for and will do all possible along this line.
Sincerely yours,
EARL HUDDLESTON.

SENATOR BUSTER BROWN SAYS MR. CROUCH VISITED HIM
Austin, Texas
February 12, 1945
Mr. Roland Holifork
News Review, Hico, Tex.
Dear Mr. Holifork:
I will appreciate very much if you will send me your paper in care of the Senate Chamber in Austin, along with bill for same.
I will give you a news item if you care to run it. One of our local citizens, Mr. C. A. Crouch, was in Austin last week for several days in behalf of the people of our great State of Texas now receiving Old Age Assistance.
I can say this, that while Mr.

Crouch was here he contacted lots of legislators and made friends with all of them. His time was well spent while he was here and I assure you if more people would do the good work that he is doing all of the aged people of our state would be receiving enough money for them to live on.
It was a pleasure to have Mr. Crouch come by and see me.
Sincerely your friend,
BUSTER BROWN.

Millerville

— By —
Chas. W. Giesecke
Well, we had plenty of rain Monday, when from one and a half to two inches fell. Farm work will be delayed for several days.
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Shaffer and children of Unity spent Sunday afternoon with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Shaffer, and with his sister, Mrs. Albert Bullard.
Mr. and Mrs. Andy Runyon, who recently moved to their farm home from Dallas, have erected a new brooder house to care for baby chicks. He expects to raise one thousand.
Mrs. W. J. Nix, who has been with her sister, Mrs. J. A. Nix of Seymour, came home Saturday. The last report is that she is very little improved, and is critically ill. She is a sister to the Giesecke boys.
Mrs. Edra Lee Shaffer and little daughter came in last week end from Big Spring, where she spent the past two months with her husband's parents. Her husband is in service, now in Europe.
Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Giesecke and daughter, Mrs. Marilyn Mills of

Duffau, spent Sunday with his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Giesecke. They came after church services.
C. R. Higginbotham came in last Sunday morning from Midland. He has a good job out there, but finds no room in the inn, so he bought a trailer house. His wife and daughter returned to Midland with him Wednesday. They have a farm here, and expect to be back permanently when things get normal again.
C. H. Miller was up from Waco last Thursday.
H. J. Howerton was in Stephenville on business one day last week.
C. W. Giesecke is recovering the family home and doing some improving the past few days.

CARD OF THANKS

Words cannot express our appreciation to the many friends and relatives for their kindness, sympathy and beautiful floral offerings given in understanding of our bereavement at the death of our loved one.
MR. & MRS. MORGAN MOON AND FAMILY
MR. & MRS. S. L. MCCOLLUM AND FAMILY
MR. & MRS. BUDDY GREGGS AND DAUGHTER.
CARD OF THANKS
We wish to thank each and every one for the kindness shown during the loss of our loved one. We are especially grateful for the tribute of beautiful flowers and for the deliciously prepared foods. May God's richest blessings be with you always.
MRS. C. W. RUSSELL & CHILDREN.

DON'T FORGET The Little Tot

Have a picture made to send to Daddy in the Service.

THE WISEMAN STUDIO

HICO, TEXAS

Church News

Baptist Church
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.
Sunbeams, 3:00 p. m. G. A.'s, 4:15 p. m.
Wednesday — R. A.'s, 4:15 p. m.; prayer services, 8 p. m.
O. D. CARPENTER, Pastor.

First Christian Church
Preaching service each first and third Sunday mornings of each month at 11:00 o'clock.
Sunday School every Sunday morning at 10:00 o'clock.
You need your church and the church needs you. Come worship with us, your presence is greatly needed.
J. L. FUNK, Supt. Sunday School.

Methodist Church
Church School 10 a. m. Tyrus King, Supt.
Preaching 11 a. m. Subject, "The God of Fire."
Young People's Meeting 7:15 p. m.
Preaching 8 p. m. Subject "A Successful Failure."
Preaching at Fairly 9:45 a. m.
A cordial invitation is extended to you to worship with us.
Quarterly Conference 8 p. m. Feb. 21 at the Hico Methodist Church for Hico Methodist Church, Fairly, Duffau and Clarette Circuit. All officials and others are cordially invited to be present.
J. F. ISBELL, Pastor.

Palace Theatre

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"THE MAN IN HALF MOON STREET"
NILS ASTHER
HELEN WALKER
SAT. MATINEE & NIGHT—
"OUTLAWS OF SANTA FE"
DON "RED" BARRY
SAT. MIDNIGHT,
SUNDAY & MONDAY—
"MINISTRY OF FEAR"
RAY MILLAND
MARJORIE REYNOLDS
CARL ESMOND
HILLARY BHOORKE
TUES. & WED. (NEXT WEEK)—
"FACES IN THE FOG"
JANE WITHERS
PAUL KELLY
LEE PATRICK
THURS. & FRI. (NEXT WEEK)—
"OVER GIRL"
RITA HEYWORTH
SHOW STARTS:
Matinee 1:30 P. M.
Night 7:30 P. M.

MEAL PLANNING Is a Real Problem Nowadays!

SHOPPING AT MODERN WAY WILL HELP YOU A LOT—
You can shop through the store and take your time, choosing quality . . . comparing prices and sizes . . . determining point values . . . revising and checking your list. Shoppers find it easy and convenient to select their food at our store because of the variety to choose from. Remember, you are always welcome at Modern Way Grocery and Market.

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—by Mac Arthur



FARMERS FACE PRODUCTION MATERIAL PINCH

MACHINE, SUPPLY OUTPUT TO DROP BELOW DEMANDS

Manufacturers Experience Difficulty Meeting 1945 Quotas.

Asserting that "As long as the war continues, farmers will not be able to buy as much new farm machinery as they will need in order to maintain their facilities at greatest efficiency..."

At the same time, the War Food administration revealed that little improvement in general farm supplies could be expected over last year, with some items in abundance and others relatively scarce.

Although approximating the pre-war peak, scheduled production of implements and parts will hardly meet requirements even if quotas are fully met, it was said, what with the government calling for continued record output and the labor situation growing graver with the possible induction of substantial numbers of 18 to 25-year-old workers into the services.

quotas. When production fell behind in certain items last year, manufacturers were permitted to make up the deficits in succeeding months.

To illustrate how bottlenecks can develop in production, some manufacturers have had trouble obtaining castings because greatly expanded military demands have taxed the existing capacities of foundries, which have had difficulty in hiring workers for the burdensome work.

The industry's difficulty in meeting its 1945 schedule exists even without any increase in its quotas for the year. OWI said, as originally contemplated by the War Food administration to facilitate farm production goals.

In declaring that essential demands will not be met even if production meets schedules, OWI declared that "no more new tractors, side delivery rakes, combines or other haying or harvesting machinery will be available during the 1945 crop year than was available during the 1944 crop year."

In a review of 1944 farm production achievements that sounded like a formula for continued good work in 1945, the OWI said that more intensive use of existing machinery largely contributed to the banner output of last year, which was one-third higher than the 1935-'39 average.

Along with the maximum use of older machinery, the hard work of the American farmer played a notable part in the bumper output, what with production per person 28 per cent greater last year than in 1940.

Lumber—Critically short, but not causing too much difficulty, because farmers have little time for construction and maintenance work.

Metal roofing and siding—About as much as last year.

Copper wire—Supply getting tighter, but shortage of transformers may continue to limit demand for wire.

Electric motors of fractional horsepower—About the same as in 1944.

Hand tools—About same as last year. Tools and other miscellaneous supplies will continue to move to farms from stocks of surplus war property, but in uncertain quantities.

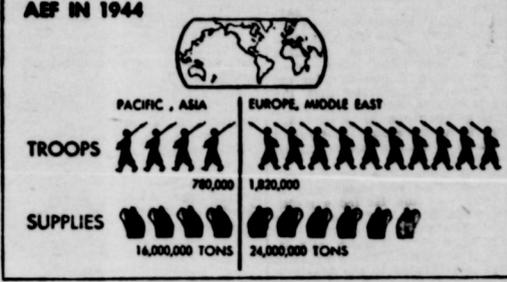
Fence wire and netting—Manufacturers authorized to produce at greater rate than before the war.

Wooden containers—Supplies will improve, supplies will be adequate, to reuse every second-hand container fit for re-use.

Bags and agricultural fabrics—Fabric bags not equal to demand. Same true of tobacco cloth and similar items.

Insecticides and fungicides—Supply of rotenone short, as last year. Very little pyrethrum. Severe infestations of bugs controlled with nicotine would cause shortage of this material.

TELEFACT



Carlton

Misses Marilyn Pierce and Loretta Whitehead spent the week end with Ella Jean Box of Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Curry Jr., J. B. Curry Sr. and Miss Mittie Walker visited Sunday with Fred Curry and family near Comanche.

Word was received Saturday from the War Department by Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus King stating that their son, Pfc. Travis A. King, had been slightly wounded in action in France the 25th of January.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Montgomery and children of Dallas spent the week end with his mother, brother, and other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Funk and children of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Adams of Goldthwaite spent the week end with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Clark were in Waco Thursday on business.

Mrs. Culmer Jordan is in Waco, where she is receiving medical treatment.

Pvt. Hal Sowell of San Antonio, his wife and daughter and mother, Mrs. R. J. Sowell Sr., enjoyed a fishing trip at the Buchanan Dam near Burnet over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker Bingham attended funeral services in Dublin Monday for her cousin, Dr. H. C. Eargle.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Whitehead and family of Dublin and Pvt. Loys Landes of Camp Hood and his wife of Dublin were visitors with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Whitehead, Sunday night.

Capt. H. L. Self of Camp Wolters and wife of Stephenville and Mrs. H. K. Self of Clairette spent Saturday night and Sunday with their brother and son, Dow Self, and family.

Mrs. R. D. Ford Jr. spent the week end with her husband in Waco.

Mr. and Mrs. Beryl Cozby and children of Fort Worth visited her mother, Mrs. Lilla Byrd, and Billy over the week end.

Everyone enjoyed immensely the singing here Sunday afternoon. A large crowd was present, and also many visiting singers.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Abel and family of Fair visited his sister, Mrs. Jim Byrd, Sunday and attended the singing that afternoon.

Mrs. Fred Geyer is visiting her daughter, who is ill.

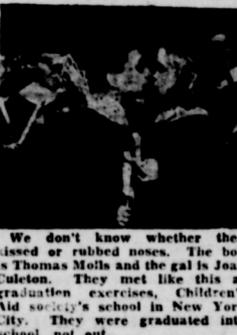
Mr. and Mrs. Dow Self and boys, Connie Mack and Freddie, visited Monday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Brown Johnsons of Valley Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Wright returned home Saturday from Stephenville.

The War Wives of the Carlton Community met at Mrs. M. J. Carmichael's and organized the "G. I. Jills Club." The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. M. J. Carmichael; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Damon Weaver; Vice-President, Mrs. Hubert Stuckey; Business Committee, Mrs. J. W. Jordan Jr., Mrs. Dock Lackey, and Mrs. Carmichael; Social Committee, Mrs. Jess Reeves, Mrs. Grady Littleton, and Mrs. Neims; Reporter, Mrs. Hal Sowell. They agreed to have two meetings each month, a business meeting in a member's home and a social outing. They plan to do Red Cross work at the business meeting, which was set for the third Thursday night in each month. No definite date was set for the social outing.

Mrs. Norma Wilson and son, J. C. of Dublin and Mr. Art Ward and Sam Turner visited Capt. Woodie Wilson at McClellan General Hospital Tuesday. He has recently arrived there, having been wounded in Germany.

Boy Meets Girl



We don't know whether they kissed or rubbed noses. The boy is Thomas Molls and the girl is Joan Culeton. They met like this at graduation exercises, Children's Aid society's school in New York City. They were graduated into school, not out.

Clairette

Rev. Arch Jones of Dublin filled his regular appointment here last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stipe and boys, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mackey and son, Royce Lea, visited Mr. Mackey's brother, Toy Mackey, and family at Mineral Wells Sunday.

Guests in the home of Mr. T. M. Lee Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. George Lee of Fort Worth, Mrs. Sam Wolfe and son, Sam Jr., of Dublin, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Lee and children of Fort Worth.

Mr. I. B. Havens returned to his work at Fort Worth Monday. He was accompanied over there by his son, Lt. Tull Havens of Hondo Air Field.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Alexander visited their son, Pvt. W. E. Alexander Jr., who is stationed at San Antonio, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Z. Carter, who have been making their home at Kerrville, Texas, have moved here to make their home at the Mrs. Mattie Carter farm home.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Mayfield and children of Fort Worth spent the week end here in the home of Mrs. Mayfield's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Wolfe.

Mr. Alton Partain of Fort Worth spent the week end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Harvey, with his wife and baby. Mrs. Partain is staying at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Harvey.

Sgt. Robert Partain of San Angelo visited friends and relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dow Self and children of Carlton spent the week end here in the home of Mrs. Ethel Self.

Miss Nila M. Alexander of Stephenville spent Saturday night and Sunday in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hub Alexander, and Elizabeth Ann.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hub Alexander Sunday night were Mr. Zeph Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Biri Havens, Lt. Tull Havens, and Mr. R. M. Alexander.

Little Mary Ogle of Hico spent the week end with Wilma Jean Sherrard.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Wolfe visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Quince Goughly of Pleasant Hill Sunday night.

Led Luzon Rescue

Lt. Col. Henry A. Mucci, who led the gallant American and Philippine commands group which rescued the Americans from Jap prison camp on Luzon.

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Duffau

With two inches of rain falling in the last 24 hours, farmers are jubilant over the prospects of a good grain crop.

Many of our citizens were shopping in Hico Sunday and attended the show at night.

The body of Mrs. Zilpha Russell of the Salem community was laid to rest beside that of her husband, Mrs. Russell, who died Thursday, was a pioneer citizen of the Salem community. Her husband, N. Russell, was buried in the Duffau cemetery in the year 1917.

H. H. Talley and daughter, Mrs. Wm. Power, visited in Stephenville and attended church there Sunday.

Paul Fallin is gathering census figures for the Agriculture Department.

Elder Stanley Giesecke preached at the Church of Christ Sunday and Sunday evening to a good audience.

Rev. J. F. Isbell of Hico preached at the Methodist Church here Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. C. B. Burgess is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Hubert Stone, of Corpus Christi, Texas.



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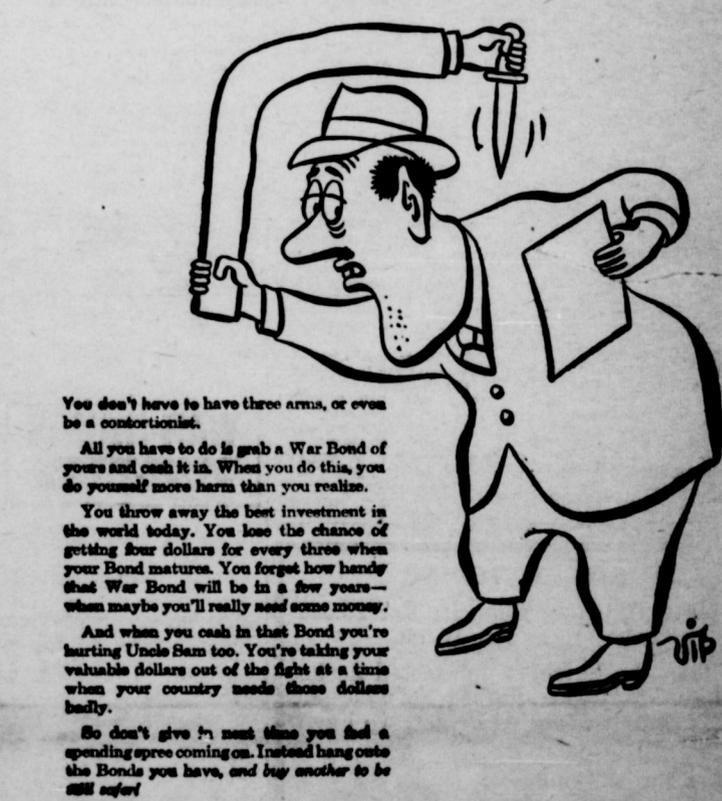
Why Proteides Foods Are Important

By Dr. J. B. Warren



Proteides foods—meats, eggs, fish, cereals—are important because of the nitrogen they contain; as nitrogen must enter into the formation of every cell in the body. Nitrogen supplies the material to build up the body in growing children and to replace worn out tissue in adults. Proteides foods must be eaten "every" day. A youngster must drink milk and an adult eat meat or eggs every day, if the body is to grow or have worn parts replaced. Fats and starches may be stored in the body as fat, not proteides.

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FOR SALE: Model B Allis-Chalmers tractor with equipment, Tip-top shape. D. R. Proffitt. 38-tfc

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FOR SALE: Large ice box in good condition. J. T. Jackson, Fairy. 38-4p.

FOR SALE: Two farms 5 miles south of Cranfill's Gap in Hamilton County. See E. H. Enger, Jonesboro, Tex. 38-4p.

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Salem

By Mrs. W. C. Rogers

We had a very fine rain here Monday, which will aid much in the gardening and spring planting.

Mrs. Eva Lambert is convalescing nicely at her home after a major operation in the Stephenville Hospital three weeks ago. A sister-in-law, Mrs. Herbert O'Dell of Dallas, is staying with her for a couple of weeks.

Mr. J. A. McEntire is improving, but slowly. We hope he will be completely recovered by Spring so he can see after his garden.

Mrs. Hugh Koonsman is at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Nep Connolly of Hico, who is in the Stephenville Hospital, where she underwent an operation last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Howard of Stephenville spent last week end in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eber McDowell.

Mrs. Durwood Golightly and children of Stephenville spent last Friday in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Littleton.

Miss Mollie Burgen of Duffau is reported as improving nicely. She is staying with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Robertson, and son Jimmy.

Mrs. Lucile Snyder of Hico spent several days last week with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Winfred Driver, and daughter, Mr. Elmore Dann of Fort Sill, Okla., spent several days with his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McEntire.

This community was saddened last Thursday by news of the death of Mrs. Zilpha Russell, who has lived in this community for many years. Her husband preceded her in death in 1917. She leaves six children to mourn her passing: Mrs. Marvin Noland, Fairy; J. B. Russell, Dallas; Otis Russell, Ft. Worth; Erbie, of the home; Pfc. Earlie, in France, and Sgt. George Russell, in the Philippines. She was laid to rest in the Duffau Cemetery Friday afternoon. This entire community extend sympathy to the bereaved children here and abroad.

Fairy

By Mrs. J. O. Richardson

A good rain fell in this vicinity today (Monday). Grain is looking pretty.

There has been quite a lot of illness here due to colds.

A pall of sadness spread over the community Monday when word was received that Mr. C. W. Russell had passed away in the Stephenville Hospital. He had only been ill a few days. The funeral arrangements for which were pending the arrival of a son, John, who is in the service and stationed in the States, was set for Tuesday afternoon, to be held in Hico. Mr. Russell has two other sons overseas and it will be remembered that he and Mrs. Russell lost a son, Odum, in action. The Russell family have resided in and near Fairy for a number of years. He served as a school board member for a number of years. He is survived by his wife and three sons. We extend sympathy to all those bereaved.

Mrs. Fomby has returned from Glen Rose and is at present visiting relatives at Naegdoches while recuperating. Rev. Ford of Cranfill's Gap is serving as faculty member of the school during her absence.

Misses Ovie and Cleoyne Parks of Kerrville are spending this week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Parks, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Wolfe and little son have moved to the Clyde Weatherby place (formerly known as the Hutton place).

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Whitson of near Red Hill community have moved to the residence vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Wolfe. Mrs. Whitson is employed at the school lunch room while Mr. Whitson works at the produce house.

Pvt. Carl R. Sellers of Camp Hood spent the week end with his wife and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Adams and children, Jimmy and Marlene, spent last Sunday visiting in the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Richardson.

Altman

By Mrs. J. H. McAnelly

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Montgomery and sons, Joe, Joy Gene and Jerry, of Dallas spent the week end visiting Mrs. R. J. Montgomery and son, Earl.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Ward and children, Bobby Ray and Don, of Gainesville spent the week end visiting her mother, Mrs. Ray King and children.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Bingham attended singing at Carlton Sunday afternoon.

Sgt. and Mrs. Vernon Jones are the proud parents of a baby girl born at the Dublin Hospital Monday, Feb. 5. They have given her the name of Verna Delores.

Mrs. R. J. Montgomery and son, Earl, were Dublin, Hico and Stephenville visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Norris and daughters, Frances and Ida Fay, of Palm Rose were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McAnelly Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. H. O. Partin came in Friday from McCamey for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Ray King, and children.

Mrs. Ray King and children and Mrs. Patsy Partain left Sunday for Gainesville, where they will make their home for the present.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Coneley and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Dittmore at Wilson Sunday.

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WITH THE COLORS (Continued from Page 1)

can't tell you now, but I will some of those days.

Maybe we will have time to visit you before reporting back to Brooklyn. It sure will be good to be home. This will be the first time Owen and I will be home together since joining the Navy. So it will be a happy homecoming for all of us.

Well, it is about time for us to catch the train so I will close. Hope this letter finds everyone well and happy. You can send our papers to us in care of Brooklyn.

Yours truly, COHEN AND OWEN.

(C. O. Weiborn, S 1/c RM)

P. S.: We caught a plane from New Jersey to Harrisburg, Pa. on our way home. The plane ride was not as exciting as riding our ship in a rough sea.

LATER—Owen and Odell came in to their home at Fort Worth early last week and visited in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Weiborn who took off a little time from their duties at Convair to entertain them. Friday they were accompanied to Hico by their mother, who is on vacation from her duties; by their sister, Margie, who also has been working at Convair, and by Mrs. Geary Cheek who had been visiting in the Weiborn home last week. They left Wednesday for Dallas to visit their grandmother, and then expected to visit again in Fort Worth before returning to Brookline for reassignment. For the big news about the wedding of one of the twins, see Page 5.—ED.

BILLY'S STILL GETTING THE REAL THROUGH AND REPORTING ON THE LOCAL LADS

Fleet Records Div., FPO San Francisco, Calif., February 8, 1945

Dear Mr. Holford:

I'm still here in San Francisco trying to help get mail overseas.

There were five of us boys who came here from San Diego together and all of the others are overseas now except me. So, you see where I stand.

I've seen Weldon and Wallace Houston quite a few times since I've been here. They live about 50 miles from here.

Baylor Parsons is out here in the Treasure Island Hospital, but I haven't gotten to see him yet. I hope to before he leaves.

Things are looking pretty good in the Pacific. Maybe it won't be long until we can all come home.

I had a letter from Lamoine Fuller, from Iredell, today. He and Dick Jo Burns are aboard a surveying ship in the Pacific.

I'll close for now.

Sincerely, BILLY. (Billy G. McKenzie, S 1/c MaM)

SEABEE COMING HOME FOR FIRST VISIT WITH HIS SON

Curtis Wright, second-class petty officer in the Seabees, has written home that he expects to arrive by the first of March for a 30-day leave. He has been in the Admiralty Islands, according to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wright, and it has been 25 months since he was home. He will visit at Fairy, where his wife lives with their young son, Curtis Glen, whom the father has never seen. Young Curtis was 15 months old Monday, Feb. 12th.

ARMY NURSE HOME ON LEAVE FROM OVERSEAS

Visitors here Saturday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Brown were Mrs. Dave Jones and daughter, Lt. Naomi Jones, and daughter-in-law, Mrs. Ardis Jones, of Hamilton. Lieutenant Jones, who has been in England with a hospital evacuation unit of the Army Nurses Corps for several months, was recently returned to the States and was sent to a hospital in Topeka, Kansas. She is at home now on a 21-day leave.

Mrs. W. R. Linch was proudly displaying a number of souvenirs this week that she received from her son, T/Sgt. W. R. Linch Jr., overseas with a bombing squadron. Included in the articles, which W. R. obtained at the Isle of Capri while at a rest camp there early last month, were a camera, necktie and bracelet, a letter, opener, and a couple of small robes supposed to have been taken from one of the ancient buildings in Italy. Also he sent along the Air Medal which was recently awarded to him, and of which his mother was particularly proud. Mrs. Linch said she thought her daughter, Marie, had an idea of wearing the necklace and bracelet, but would have to wait until Sunday as she wasn't going to risk the souvenirs, which are indeed beautiful, down there at the studio among all those old nasty chemicals.

Jimmie Ramage, second lieutenant in a truck company of a headquarters unit stationed at Camp Stoneman, California, near San Francisco, has been visiting for a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Ramage, at Black Stump Valley, and with friends in and around Iredell and Hico. He was traveling on orders, having attended a special course of instruction in highway transportation at New Orleans, La., since shortly before Christmas, and left Wednesday for Waco and San Antonio on his way back to camp. At Waco he visited with his sister, Virginia Ramage, second lieutenant in the Army Nurses Corps, who was recently transferred to WAAF from Victoria, Texas.

WRITERS FROM PACIFIC TO LEARN WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE WAR OUT THERE

USS c/o FPO, San Francisco January 21, 1945

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Brown Sr. Hico, Texas

Dear Mama and Papa: I hope you both are well. I haven't heard from you since Christmas Eve, and that is really a long time here. It seems like a long time since I have gotten any mail, but I am not the only one. All the other guys are the same way.

I am feeling fine and almost as bald-headed as I was a month ago. If my beard grew as slow as the hair on my head since I got it all cut off, I don't think I would have to shave but about once a month.

I suppose you heard about the Lingayen operation. I participated in it, but that is all I can tell you. I guess you know about everything anyway from the news.

Let me know what the newspapers said about it. If you have any clippings, please send them to me. I was lucky enough to get a piece of paper money that is not very commonly seen around home. In fact, I've never seen anything like it before. I am going to send it to Emogene if I can.

Has anything new happened at home lately? Are any of the men around there being drafted into service? Has Dub been transferred yet? I could ask you a full page of questions, but I know you will write me the news you know.

Ask Mr. Holford if he has gone back to the Pony Express to deliver his papers. I was only joking. I know they are on their way and I also know why they are so long getting here. I will get them soon, I hope, and I know I will enjoy reading them as I always did even before I came in the service. I have read several home-town papers, but I believe the News Review is the best one yet, especially for the service men.

Junior McKenzie has been within talking distance (with a microphone) of me for a good while but I haven't been able to go over and see him yet. Hope to soon.

My stomach tells me it's time for chow, and my eyes tell me it's time I should get some sleep, but the P. O. says to get to sweeping, so I will say so long for now.

All my love, ALBERT.

(Albert Brown, S 2/c)

GOT PURPLE HEART STOPPING THE GERMANS, BUT IT HADN'T STOPPED HIM YET

Luxembourg January 29, 1945

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Seago Hico, Texas

Dear Folks:

How does this find you? This leaves me okay. I have been on the front for several weeks now, but I'm still as healthy as ever, although I have been through some real rough things. I got the Purple Heart, and I got a little hurt, but it wasn't bad so it didn't stop me.

Have you heard from Billy lately, and how is he. Tell him I'm okay—but I still weigh about 170. I guess you are having some bad weather by now. It has really been cold and bad here in Luxembourg. I haven't seen the ground yet for the snow. Back in France it rained every day.

I guess you heard about the big push the Germans made. They can really put up stiff resistance, but we stopped them. News is pretty good from every front now almost. I hope it stays that way.

Well, I must close now and get a letter off to Billy in China, as I haven't heard from him yet. Would enjoy hearing from you.

Love, FRANKIE. (Pfc. Frank N. McNally)

S. E. Patterson, Gunner's Mate First Class, now has an address at Gunner's Mates School, Washington, D. C., according to his wife who declares that she hears from him real often. He has already reported for a special course of instruction at the Nation's Capitol. Allene is continuing her duties at the Backhorn Cafe following their marriage last month while S. E. was home on leave.

Sgt. Ismael Pirtle, who has been stationed at Camp Claiborne, La. for the past 18 months, visited here the first of the week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Pirtle. He was accompanied by his wife, who has been making her home with him at Alexandria, La. They returned there Wednesday, where she will remain, but Sergeant Pirtle is being transferred to Indiantown Gap, Pa.

A/S Jack Meador's sister, Mrs. Sarah Frances Reeves, left her young son, Danny, at home long enough Tuesday to visit the office and order a change in his (Jack's) address. It was changed from Tucson, Arizona, to Luke Field at Phoenix, in the same state, where Jack will take about nine weeks of advanced training preparatory to receiving his wings.

Mrs. Richmond Herrington and little son, Jimmie, returned home last week from San Diego, Calif., where they have been for the past ten months with their husband and father. Richmond is a Specialist Firefighter, Third Class, in the U. S. Navy and was recently transferred to Port Huene, Calif., for assignment.

S/Sgt. Harry F. Hodnett has been transferred from the Army Air Base at De Ridder, La., to Stuttgart, Ark.

SOME OF YOU GUYS AND GALS OUGHT TO WRITE TO THE HICO BOYS OFFICER

Luxembourg January 18, 1945

Dear Holford:

I guess you people were beginning to think I had forgotten you. Well, I haven't. I've been rather busy the past few weeks or months. If you will notice, you seldom hear from any of the home boys in these parts. We're now in the country of Luxembourg—I think—we've been in so many countries lately I'm rather mixed up myself.

Even though the snow is deep (in places) and the ground is frozen, it gets pretty "hot" sometimes.

I noticed the write-up you had in the paper about my buddy, Walter Ramey. It looks as if he has also been through the roughs. I can't write you my experiences, as it wouldn't pass the censor. But I assure you that we Hicoans over here aren't just eating and sleeping—we're strictly on the ball at all times.

I'm getting the paper regularly now, but they are a couple of months late. But still it is all news to me and the other boys. We give them to the other Hicoans when we finish them. I received a couple from Cpl. Claude Beck today, as he didn't know I was getting it.

It's been almost a year since we were last home, and believe me, we are ready to come back. I haven't seen Dewey's Needham or Worth Wren for about four months. I see Paul Lane pretty regularly because he's in my battery, and I see Claude about every month or two, but he usually has a needle about a foot long when he comes, but I'm still glad to see him.

I saw Pete Russell a while back, but didn't get to chat with him. Just said hello.

At last! The Tigers have won a game. I knew they could do it. It seems so funny to me for all those kids to be playing football—it seems unreasonable.

Say, why don't you put a few guys' addresses in the paper for us guys? (Sorry, Currie, no can do—the censor says no.—ED.) I don't know Walter's and that brat won't write me. And I've never heard from Milburn Knudson. But I received Christmas cards from the Weiborn Twins, but the letters got burned and there went their addresses. Raby Bruner doesn't write me any more and I don't have his address, and that darned Fred Jaggars, he got my address from Mother and said he would write, but never did. Just wait till I see some of these guys. Grrr!

I guess Mrs. Segrest and Mrs. Angell are still with H. H. S. I sure would like to see them. They are the two best teachers I know of; also Mr. Jackson at Grade School. I'd love to hear from all of them, but I guess I can't expect letters if I don't write them. Still I hope they have more time than I.

Say, would you happen to know what happened to our buddy, old Coach Levisay? (He's a leading merchant at Blanket, Tex. Currie, and visited in Hico about Christmas time.—ED.) I'd really like to hear from that guy. Would also like to hear from Captain Pinson. It sure is going to be hard to get used to the English language after we get home. We've been speaking French, Luxembourg, German, and a few other languages. We are now in Luxembourg and their lingo is more like English than any of the others. We're all pretty good at speaking French—those girls are real teachers. Ha! There sure are some nice girls here, but they aren't in the race with the Angereans (Texas) girls.

Well, Holford, I guess I've said too much already, so will close for now. I'll try and write a little more often. But don't forget these old Hico boys over here, because we're trying to do our part—and I really mean it.

Always a Hicoan, CURRIE.

(Cpl. Currie Polk)

Raby Bruner, seaman first class aboard a warship in Pacific service, will continue to have a paper sent his direction since his mother, Mrs. S. W. Bruner, was in last week to renew his subscription. His wife, Joyce, has been here visiting several days during a vacation from her work in Galveston. When Raby's ship went down in the Pacific over a year ago, he must have lost all his writing material, for he never writes the paper a word. How about a report, Raby?

Mrs. Sue Parr returned recently to Hico to make her home here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Langston. She spent several months in Providence, R. I., with her husband, Vyron C. Parr, who is a Machinist's Mate, Third Class in the Seabees, and is now in Hawaii. He writes that he is in the same barracks with Frank McClure, CM 2/c from Hico, and they share the News Review together.

In ordering a change of address on her daughter's paper, Mrs. H. G. Shields, Hico Route 3, writes: "Just received a letter from our son, Pfc. G. L. Shields, first letter since Dec. 20, and he says he is doing fine but seeing a right smart of action. Also wanting his dad to find him some cigars and send them to him. He is with the 9th Army."

Sgt. S. J. Cheek Jr., who has been stationed at the Army Air Base at Delhart, Texas in the post office department, has been transferred into an infantry regiment and is now stationed at Camp Livingston, La., according to his parents who ordered a change in his address for the News Review.

LT. JEWEL RAMAGE WRITES INTERESTINGLY TO PARENTS ABOUT THE PHILIPPINES

Philippine Islands January 21, 1945

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Ramage Route 2, Iredell, Texas

Dear Mother and Dad:

Enclosed are a two peso note and a half gulider or 50c Dutch bill. The peso note is worth \$1.00 in America and the Dutch gulider is worth almost 25c in the U. S. We used the Dutch money back at my old APO. We got paid yesterday with the new American-made Philippine currency. Both types are good back in the States. Just put this with my other things.

I have seen several American cars over here since our landing. Most of them are Fords and Chevrolets, but I saw one Champion like Ludie's, same model and everything except that it had right-hand drive. Down at the town we're moving to there's a Ford, Mercury and Lincoln sales garage, but I don't think they are in business now. Most of the automobiles are too expensive for the Filipinos just now as most of them lost most of their money in the States.

The people who lived out in the country were a lot better off than the villagers, as they could raise their own food whereas the people in town couldn't afford the higher prices of food and other commodities. They were paid very well by the Japs for their work, but everything was so high in the Japanese-controlled stores that they barely had enough for subsistence, while on the other hand the farmer or rural families had their hogs, chickens, gardens, etc. to live on. The Japs frequently took part of the livelihood of these commodities, but they were mainly interested in the commercially-grown crops such as sugar beets and rice.

Down at our new area, fish-raising is one of the rural enterprises. They raise a type of mud fish just like we raise hogs and chickens back home. The fish are grown in the dike areas where the water from the rice crop is stored. So they make use of the water in two ways. I don't know the growing period, or how long it takes to produce these fish, but I'm anxious to learn more about it. Maybe later I can give you more dope on this if you're interested. I imagine the fish are something like the carp that we had up in the tank at the Shoupe place.

The trees here in our present area are mostly coconut, but there are other types with which I am not familiar. They are something like the oak, but have different leaves. They have bamboo down in the low areas which is something like our sea-cane, only it's about 2 to 4 inches in diameter. They have a railroad here, but the gauge of the track is smaller and their cars are about half as large as ours. The track running by our area has been removed and the top has been graded down and is used for a road, which is very good. The bridges are all very well built and can take most any load. They are one-way, of course, and that's the only disadvantage. The other roads here are fine, almost like ours out there in the country. Some are surfaced, but most of them are gravelled.

Well, I suppose I have written enough for this time, so I will sign off and get ready for noon chow. I didn't have to work last night, so I'm feeling pretty good this morning. The Filipino orderly is now shining my boots and boy, do they shine! Send me your shoes and I'll have them cleaned up and shined for you.

Let me hear from you as often as possible.

All my love, JEWEL.

(Lt. J. C. Ramage)

January 22, 1945

Dear Mother and Dad:

Today is Sunday and I just got back from church. We had services out under the shade of the coconut trees, and there were about a dozen Filipinos in the congregation. They sang our songs and everything. It's kinda hot here today, but there's a cool ocean breeze and our tent is rather pleasant.

I had an interesting conversation with a Filipino boy yesterday. He was 12 years old and in the sixth grade. He had seen lots of American movies and his favorite movie star is Roy Rogers, cowboy actor. He thought cowboys were the thing and that they all came from Texas. He asked me about the Texas Rangers and said he liked Tarzan pictures and Dorothy Lamour. He knew all about George Washington and many other famous men in American history. He asked about Babe Ruth and Joe Louis. His ambition was to be a sailor in the U. S. Navy. His brother, is in the submarine service in the U. S. Navy now. His father is teaching accounting down in Manila and his mother runs a dry-goods store there. He grew up in an educated family and is the smartest kid for his age that I've ever talked with. He was very polite and when I told him to go over to the mess hall and get something to eat, he wouldn't go. He said he was ashamed to beg for food and would do without before he would beg the Americans for anything. He said that he was so ashamed that other Filipino boys and girls had to ask American soldiers for food and clothing. So I had some "K" Rations in my tent and fixed him a cheese sandwich and an orange drink. He didn't much want to eat it at first and I told him that when he went back to Manila to his father and mother I was coming to see him and eat with him. He smiled and began to eat. He said he didn't like cheese much, but would eat it anyway since I had fixed it for him.

Boy, I'm telling you, American

children don't know how lucky they are. The people in the U. S. still gripe about gas rationing, food rationing, etc., but if they were over here for a while they'd feel ashamed of themselves. It makes me appreciate the things I have back home.

The average American is wealthy compared to the average Filipino. All they have had to eat these last few months is rice and fish. Many have become sick from eating the rich American food that the GI's have given to them. A group of Filipinos who had just come down out of the hills were around behind our mess tent yesterday taking food out of the mess trays that the boys were going to throw into the garbage. As food won't keep down here, we usually throw all left-overs away so I gave them all of the scraps and they took some of it to their families. I never did think I'd live to see people that hungry. This common food that we gripe about is a luxury to them.

I suppose this is enough on this subject, so I will talk about something else for a change. I still haven't gotten any mail since I arrived here. The mail service hasn't started yet. Sure will be glad when it does, as I haven't yet received some of the Christmas packages that were sent to me. I miss your letters too, and have about run out of anything to talk about. Guess my letters are a shade boring at times, but I'm doing my best as you say you want me to write as often as possible.

What did you think of all the money I've been sending home? I'll sure be glad when we start using that old American dollar again.

In this letter are some Dutch coins—I thought you might like to see them.

Bye now, and write often.

Love, RAMAGE.

WELL KEEP ON TRYING

Mrs. A. I. Duckworth came in Tuesday afternoon, escorted by her young son, Charles, to have a slight change made in his daddy's address. Irvin has been all over the continent lately, in Luxembourg and Germany, and when heard from last was in Belgium. The sergeant, with an engineers' battalion, doesn't settle down long enough to get good service on delivery of his home paper, but Mrs. Duckworth wants us to keep trying for at least six months longer—then she hopes—well, don't we all?

Mart Burks, seaman second class serving on a battleship in the Pacific, thought to have been at Leyte, has been heard from recently, according to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Burks of Ireland, who with their daughters, Gayle and Betty, visited relatives and friends here last week end.

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