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He learns that all men have burnt toast for breakfast now and then, and that he shouldn't take the other fellow's grouch too seriously.

He learns that carrying a chip on his shoulder is the easiest way to get into a fight.

He learns that the quickest way to become unpopular is to carry tales and gossip about others.

He learns that buck-passing always turns out to be a boomerang, and that it never pays.

He comes to realize that the business could run perfectly well without him.

He learns that it doesn't matter so much who gets the credit so long as the business benefits.

He learns that even the janitor is human and that it does no harm to smile and say "Good Morning," even if it's raining.

He learns that most of the other fellows are as ambitious as he is, that they have brains as good or better, and that hard work, not cleverness is the secret of success.

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Warren's husband, who suffered several broken ribs, cuts and bruises in the same accident, was released from West Texas hospital, Lubbock, Tuesday. He was taken there Saturday night.

Other survivors are a son, Silas Jewell Warren of the U. S. Army, who is stationed in Louisiana; her mother, Mrs. Tearcy Barber of Crosbyton; four brothers, J. W. Mounger of Levelland, S. H. Mounger of Memphis, A. A. Mounger of Lubbock and W. D. Mounger of Seagraves.

Warren owns a tire shop in Spur and the couple was returning to their home in Crosbyton from Spur when the accident occurred.

Dick Hindman On Ship Sunk During Big Naval Battle

Mrs. Lee Hindman of Spur reported this week to The Texas Spur, that her son, Dick (Sonny) Hindman, P 1/c, was aboard the U. S. S. Mahan at Leyte in the Philippines which was reported by General McArthur to have been heavily damaged by enemy Aerial Torpedo on Dec. 8.

The crew, as was that of the Destroyer Transport Ward, which was also damaged, were removed and the two ships sunk by our own forces, he said.

Mrs. Hindman has not received any word from her son yet.

Pvt. Don Willis Gets 'Wings and Boots'

FT. BENNING, GA.—Pvt. Don Willis, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Willis of route 1, Girard, has won the right to wear "Wings and Boots" of the United States Army Paratroopers.

He has completed four weeks of jump training during which time he made five jumps, the last a tactical jump and involving a combat problem of landing.

In addition to producing jumpers, parachute specialist training is given to qualified men in Communications, Demolition, Riggers and Parachute Maintenance, vital skills for airborne troops.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Jennings spent Christmas day in Sweetwater visiting Mrs. Jennings's sister, Mrs. R. A. Stewart.



SGT. ELLIS POWER, above, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Power, who is here visiting his parents on a 30 day leave after having spent 34 months in the Southwest Pacific area. Sgt. Power wears the Unit Presidential Citation, Asiatic Southwest Pacific Ribbon, Good Conduct Medal and two Campaign stars. Sgt. Power paid high tribute to his superior officers in a short talk before the Spur Rotary club Thursday.

Spur Beats Peacock In Its First Basket Ball Tilt of Season

The Spur high school basketball team defeated Peacock in a basketball game 21 to 13, Thursday, Dec. 21. The game was played at Peacock. The Peacock team has played several games but this was Spur's first game.

The following boys, the position on the team and the number of points scored, composed the Spur team:

- Jimmie Draper, forward, 3 points; O. E. Byrd, forward, 2 points; W. C. Ruffield, center, 4 points; Lane Ericson, guard, 4 points; John Boone, guard, 8 points.

Other members of the team were: Dean Wright, Glen Williams, Wayne McCarty, J. D. Elkins, Dewey Watson, Billie Swarling, Billie Dyess.

Following is the schedule of games to be played in the high school gym:

- Spur vs. Dickens, Tuesday night, Jan. 2.
- Spur vs. Peacock, Tuesday night, Jan. 9.
- Spur vs. Floydada, Friday night, Jan. 12.

The Spur schools will reopen Monday, Jan. 1, 1945, after observing a two weeks Christmas holiday. C. F. Cook, superintendent, announced this week.

4 Cent Increase in Wheat Not to Affect Present Bread Price

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

Housewives of the Lubbock District, in which Spur is located, will continue to pay 10 cents for a standard-size loaf. Flour prices also will remain at their present levels until Dec. 31, at which time announcement will be made of a new subsidy rate to apply after Jan. 1. This rate will be based on wheat prices prevailing at the time under the new ceiling.

The 4-cent increase in wheat was necessary to fulfill the requirements of the Stabilization Extension act of 1944, and also will provide an average to cover possible future increases in the parity index.

Three Spur Girls on ACC Honor Roll

Misses Betty Jo Barnett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Barnett, Lavorse Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Lee; Beth Arthur, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Olen Arthur, and Rose Petty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Petty, have each had their names placed on the honor roll for the second six weeks at Abilene Christian College as the result of making grades of "Superior" in one or more subjects.

Betty Jo is a sophomore majoring in English. Lavorse is a senior majoring in home economics. Beth and Rose are sophomores with Rise majoring in art.

Roger W. Babson Says German Army Will Collapse in Spring; Predicts Stalin To Be World's Most Powerful Man in 1945

What will happen in 1945? There are none but who would like to know. The year, if forecasting of Roger W. Babson pan out to the 91 per cent correctness of his predictions a year ago for 1944, will bring about many changes. If Babson is correct, the greater part of Germany's army will collapse before German planting season opens in the spring of 1945. Before surrendering, Babson says, Germany will try poison gas.

Japan, Babson thinks, will not hold out as long as

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Look for these developments: Farmers' cash income will approximate that of 1944, which was \$20 billions. Both bituminous and anthracite mining will run 5% below a year ago. Petroleum output will be upped 5%. Iron and steel will decline 10%. A similar drop is in prospect for chemical manufactures. Lumber output will increase 5%. The paper and shoe industries will run along on the same levels as during 1944. Industrial employment will be 7% less and factory pay rolls will decline 10%. Greatest single expansion will come in the construction and building group, which will show an increase of 25% from the low levels of 1944's first six months. Look for a sharp drop in retail trade, especially in luxury items. Electric power output will be reduced 5% as war contracts are cut back. For basically the same reason railroad freight ton mileage will fall 15%.

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By ROGER W. BABSON

General Business

1. A year ago the United States Babsonchart Index of the Physical Volume of Business registered 148.6; today it registers 138, justifying my forecast of a year ago. The Canadian Babsonchart Index of the Physical Volume of Business registered 206.9 a year ago; today it registers 197. 1945 will show a reduction of more than 10% both in the United States and Canadian business. Furthermore, most of the following comments apply to both countries.

2. War production is already being cut back and this reduction will rapidly continue through 1945. Even those railroads and industries which expect to benefit from a long war with Japan will be disappointed.

3. The re-conversion of industry from war to peace business will increase during every month of 1945. Furthermore, time required for re-conversion will not be as great as most people believe.

4. Inventories quoted at their price values, rather than volumes, will continue, as a whole, during the 1945 about as during 1944. Raw materials piles will be larger, but manufactured goods will be smaller.

5. Population increases in the United States during 1945 will be about 700,000, but the birth of new babies will fall off somewhat.

6. Rationing will continue through most of 1945. During the early part of the year, I expect to see further restrictions especially in connection with meats, canned goods, etc.

7. The retail prices of most necessities and some luxuries will be higher during 1945 than at present. The prices of some of the luxuries, such as furs, have already collapsed.

8. Steel prices of goods needed for peacetime manufacture should be a little higher, but prices of the heavy war goods will decline. This applies also to the heavy chemicals.

9. The wholesale prices of raw materials in general may decline during 1945, but most consumer goods will hold firm or sell at higher prices. For both gasoline and bituminous coal, there may be price concessions.

10. The great question mark of 1945 will be how, to whom and at what price the government will dispose of its billions of dollars worth of unneeded supplies.

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Taxes

16. Taxes will not be increased during 1945 and some will be reduced; in fact, some nuisance taxes will be eliminated altogether.

17. The Federal Debt will continue to increase during 1945.

18. Whatever is done about taxes, the cost of living will continue to rise during 1945.

19. Providing jobs for returning soldiers will be the big political football of 1945. I am not now prepared to forecast what will happen in this connection.

20. Through a coalition of Republicans and Conservative Democrats, we should have "do nothing" Congress during 1945.

Retail Sales

21. The volume retail sales will show a decline during 1945. Prices of ladies' apparel and general luxuries will suffer, while grocery sales should be higher.

22. The total dollar retail sales should be about equal to 1944 with an increased demand for woolen and cotton textiles for civilian use.

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Explaining the move which invalidated certain stamps, Gholson pointed out that those who held coupons they didn't need could not be allowed to be a drain on available supplies, thus depriving those with currently valid stamps their fair share. "OPA's policy has always been not to invalidate stamps without giving the public advance notice but in this instance it was unavoidable," he stated.

In announcing the restoration of corn, peas, asparagus, green beans and spinach to the ration list of processed foods, OPA placed these point values for the popular No. 2 cans (1 lb. 2 oz.—1 lb. 6 oz.): corn, vacuum packed whole kernel, 30; other corn, 20; peas, 20; asparagus, 10; green beans, 10; spinach, 10.

Butter was raised to 24 points per pound.

The only sugar stamp that now is valid is no. 34. All others were invalidated, as well as all outstanding homecoming sugar certificates.

Red stamps that are now valid are Q5, R5 and S5. Presently valid blue stamps are X5, Y5, Z5, A2 and B2.

Five new red stamps—T5 through X5—will become valid December 31. Five new blue stamps—C2 through G2—will become valid January 1, 1945 and both blue and red will be worth 10 points each.



SGT. ELLIS POWER, above, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Power, who is here visiting his parents on a 30 day leave after having spent 34 months in the Southwest Pacific area. Sgt. Power wears the Unit Presidential Citation, Asiatic Southwest Pacific Ribbon, Good Conduct Medal and two Campaign stars. Sgt. Power paid high tribute to his superior officers in a short talk before the Spur Rotary club Thursday.

Spur Beats Peacock In Its First Basket Ball Tilt of Season

The Spur high school basketball team defeated Peacock in a basketball game 21 to 13, Thursday, Dec. 21. The game was played at Peacock. The Peacock team has played several games but this was Spur's first game. The following boys, the position on the team and the number of points scored, composed the Spur team:

Jimmie Draper, forward, 3 points; O. E. Byrd, forward, 2 points; W. C. Rumfield, center, 4 points; Lane Ericson, guard, 4 points; John Boone, guard, 8 points.

Other members of the team were: Dean Wright, Glen Williams, Wayne McCarty, J. D. Elkins, Dewey Watson, Billie Swearington, Billie Dyess.

Following is the schedule of games to be played in the high school gym:

Spur vs. Dickens, Tuesday night, Jan. 2.

Spur vs. Peacock, Tuesday night, Jan. 9.

Spur vs. Floydada, Friday night, Jan. 12.

The Spur schools will reopen Monday, Jan. 1, 1945, after observing a two weeks Christmas holiday. C. F. Cook, superintendent, announced this week.

4 Cent Increase In Wheat Not to Affect Present Bread Price

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

Housewives of the Lubbock District, in which Spur is located, will continue to pay 10 cents for a standard-size loaf. Flour prices also will remain at their present levels until Dec. 31, at which time announcement will be made of a new subsidy rate to apply after Jan. 1. This rate will be based on wheat prices prevailing at the time under the new ceiling.

The 4-cent increase in wheat was necessary to fulfill the requirements of the Stabilization Extension act of 1944, and also will provide an average to cover possible future increases in the parity index.

Three Spur Girls on ACC Honor Roll

Misses Betty Jo Barnett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Barnett, LaVorse Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Lee; Beth Arthur, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Olen Arthur, and Rose Petty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Petty, have each had their names placed on the honor roll for the second six weeks at Abilene Christian College as the result of making grades of "Superior" in one or more subjects.

Betty Jo is a sophomore majoring in English, LaVorse is a senior majoring in home economics, Beth and Rose are sophomores with Rose majoring in art.

Roger W. Babson Says German Army Will Collapse in Spring; Predicts Stalin To Be World's Most Powerful Man in 1945

What will happen in 1945? There are none but who would like to know. The year, if forecasting of Roger W. Babson pan out to the 91 per cent correctness of his predictions a year ago for 1944, will bring about many changes. If Babson is correct, the greater part of Germany's army will collapse before German planting season opens in the spring of 1945. Before surrendering, Babson says, Germany will try poison gas.

Japan, Babson thinks, will not hold out as long as

THUMBNAIL OUTLOOK FOR 1945

Look for these developments: Farmers' cash income will approximate that of 1944, which was \$20 billions. Both bituminous and anthracite mining will run 5% below a year ago. Petroleum output will be upped 5%. Iron and steel will decline 10%. A similar drop is in prospect for chemical manufactures. Lumber output will increase 5%. The paper and shoe industries will run along on the same levels as during 1944. Industrial employment will be 7% less and factory pay rolls will decline 10%. Greatest single expansion will come in the construction and building group, which will show an increase of 25% from the low levels of 1944's first six months. Look for a sharp drop in retail trade, especially in luxury items. Electric power output will be reduced 5% as war contracts are cut back. For basically the same reason railroad freight ton mileage will fall 15%.

most people think, and predicts the Nippon's fighting forces will collapse within six to twelve months after the fall of Germany. His prediction is, that if Stalin's health continues, he will be the world's most powerful man in 1945 and may dictate peace terms, especially in the Pacific. He will join (or threaten to join) the Allies sometime after April, but only after territory privileges and a huge loan.

By ROGER W. BABSON

- and in price, I am forecasting at least a 3% rise in volume.
15. Farmers will start in 1945 to work again for legislation on the parity program, due to fear of a collapse in all farm prices after the war.
- Taxes**
16. Taxes will not be increased during 1945 and some will be reduced; in fact, some nuisance taxes will be eliminated altogether.
17. The Federal Debt will continue to increase during 1945.
18. Whatever is done about taxes, the cost of living will continue to rise during 1945.
19. Providing jobs for returning soldiers will be the big political football of 1945. I am not now prepared to forecast what will happen in this connection.
20. Through a coalition of Republicans and Conservative Democrats, we should have a "do nothing" Congress during 1945.
- Retail Sales**
21. The volume retail sales will show a decline during 1945. Prices of ladies' apparel and general luxuries will suffer, while grocery sales should be higher.
22. The total dollar retail sales should be about equal to 1944 with an increased demand for woolens and cotton textiles for civilian use.
23. The best cities for 1945 business should be:
- Altoona, Pa.
 - New York, N.Y.
 - Cleveland, Ohio
 - Davenport, Iowa
 - San Jose, Calif.
 - Wichita, Kansas
24. There will be a great stampede in 1945 to get rid of the make-shift ersatz goods which have been made to take the place of good merchandise. Thus, 1945 will witness many "mark-down sales" of unrationed merchandise.
25. Wise will be those manufacturers, merchants, and consumers who realize that postwar competition will be terrific and, therefore, withhold purchases until 1946.
- Foreign Trade**
26. The United States will own 50% of the world's ships in 1945.
27. There will be an increase in free exports with the "Free Countries," but Lend-Lease exports will decline.
28. We will make England and Russia large postwar loans provided they spend the money in the United States.
29. Both the British Empire and Russia will go into the competitive foreign trade market during 1945; many cartels and government monopolies will be in operation. I, therefore, forecast higher prices for coffee, cocoa, sugar and many other articles for which we are absolutely dependent upon foreign countries.
30. No central bank will be organized nor will the stabilization of foreign currencies be attempted in 1945.
- Labor**
31. The Little Steel Formula will be amended during 1945.
32. Industrial employment during 1945 will be off 7% in hours and off 10% in pay rolls.
33. The building of a few new autos and new houses will be resumed during 1945.
34. Many new industries, now operating on a forty-eight-hour
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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

THE BASIS OF COURAGE FOR THE FUTURE

International Sunday School Lesson for December 31, 1944

GOLDEN TEXT: "Wherefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable,"

always abounding in the

work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not vain in the Lord."—1 Cor. 15: 58.

Lesson Text: Matthew 16: 13-20; I Peter 3: 14-18; I John 3: 1-3.

Our lesson for this last Sunday of 1944 is particularly fitting and a serious study of the scripture passages given for our consideration should lead the serious-

thinking Christian to have a strong foundation for optimism in the future.

After teaching and healing in the region about the sea of Galilee, where the ever-present crowds prevented his having any quiet times with his disciples, Jesus started northward to be alone with them. As they reached the neighborhood of Caesarea Philippi (now Banias), Jesus suddenly turned to his chosen followers and asked, "Who do men say that the Son of Man is?" Quickly, the disciples answered that some men thought him to be John the Baptist, some Elijah and yet others Jeremiah or some others prophet.

The people recognized in Jesus a very great Teacher, one who spoke with authority, even with the authority of the prophet, but the people, as a whole, had not yet recognized Jesus as the long-promised Messiah, although he fulfilled in every respect the prophecies concerning the Messiah.

Not satisfied with the answer of the disciples to his question, Jesus asked, "But who say ye that I am?" Surely, these men to whom he had been revealing himself by his words and deeds had learned the truth about him, Peter, the spokesman for the group, instantly and sincerely replied: "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." How pleased, even thrilled must Jesus have been with this answer. The revelation of himself to his disciples had been understood by them.

This great confession of faith, expressed by Peter for himself and for the disciples, and expressed in word and deed by millions thereafter, is the foundation stone, the basic fact of the Lord's Messiahship. Jesus commended Peter in the following paraphrased words: "Your name is Peter, which signifies a stone, something hard. And this truth to which you have given expression is also something hard, a rock. And a rock is good for foundation work. I will build my church upon it. The community of my disciples shall be es-

tablished on the truth of my Divine Sonship. And if this truth is from one point of view a foundation rock, it is from another a key which will admit into the kingdom where I shall reign. You have the key, it was given to you by revelation of God. You shall admit others, and give them the key by bringing them to faith in me, to admission into the church, to expectation of my kingdom."

One who has made the great confession of faith, who believes that Christ is the Son of the living God, will not be satisfied, but will, as Peter later exhorts, go on to growth in righteous living. As in the natural world, growth is necessary for continued existence, so must there be continual growth in the spiritual life or retrogression sets in. Susan Coolidge answers the question, "How Does the Soul Grow?" in some beautiful lines: How does the soul grow? Not all in a minute; Now it may lose ground, and now it may win it; Now it will resolve, and again the will faileth; Now it rejoiceth, and now it bewaileth; Now its hopes fructify, then they are blighted; Now it walks suddenly, now gropes benighted; Fed by discouragement, taught by disaster; So it goes forward, now slower, now faster; Till, all the pain past, and failure made whole; It is full grown, and the Lord rules the soul.

In order to accomplish this spiritual growth, the Christian should have a definite goal in mind and, like Paul, press toward the mark of your high calling. If Christians would ever keep in mind the act that they are now children of God and what a wonderful thing it is to be God's child, they would find it easier to live the Christian life. When temptations sneak in and sin would drag us down, let's say: "I am God's child, I cannot live a common life or do a mean thing." Let us follow the admonition of Paul, to the Christians at Corinth, as expressed in our Golden Text: "Wherefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not vain in the Lord."

spent the Christmas holidays with his mother in Wichita Falls, Texas and Mrs. Walker went to Greenville to visit with her sisters, Mrs. Marion McAlreith and Miss Rhodie Harrison.

Mr. and Mrs. James Reed spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Vermillion at Anna, Texas and came back through Dallas and visited a short while with her sister and Jimmy Harris.

Mrs. L. R. Barrett is sending The Texas Spur as a Christmas present to her son, Capt. Clinton

D. Barrett at the Station hospital, Victoria, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Wooten of Lubbock were Christmas visitors in the Ned Hogan home.

Miss Pauline Oliver of Ferris, Texas and Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hinman and children of Los Angeles, Calif. were visitors in the O. L. Kelly home for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Doil Hindman and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hindman returned Wednesday to their homes in Los Angeles, Calif. after spending the

Christmas holidays in the home of Mrs. Lee Hindman.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Lee spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Conner near Haskell, there also.

Mr. and Mrs. Odis Cash spent Christmas day in Abilene as guests of his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Snow.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar McGinty spent the holidays with relatives in Tahoka.

Mrs. Jewell McLaughlin spent the Christmas holidays in McAdoo in the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Dennis. Her son, Claud McLaughlin and Corp. Lee Suthers of Lubbock spent Sunday there.

Miss Zell Ellis of Ft. Sumner, New Mexico, spent the Christmas holidays here with her mother, Mrs. W. W. Ellis.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Watson and son, Patrick, of Duncan, Okla. were Christmas guests of the C. L. Love family.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stovall spent last weekend with relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Stovall of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Dunlap were honored Christmas day by the presence of all their children. They were: Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Dunlap of Texarkana; Mrs. Thelma Hodges and Mr. and Mrs. Claud McLaughlin of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Harris, Brownfield; and Mr. and Mrs. Boston Dunlap, Tahoka.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Walker

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New Year Greetings and BEST WISHES

To all my Spencer Clients, prospects and friends—and may the New Year be a happy and prosperous one.

Mrs. Stella Morrow



Another year is knocking at the door. Let us give it a royal welcome.

We look forward to 1945 with the firm belief in better things to come. And we want to express our deep appreciation to each of you for having contributed in such an important way to our continued success in this community.

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NEW FORD V-8—500 H. P. TANK ENGINE CONTRACT AWARDED TO

Ford Motor Co.

AT DEARBORN, MICH.

A new contract for \$28,000,000 worth of tank engines has been awarded to the Ford Motor Company, the Ford News Bureau and Army Ordnance Department announced Saturday.

The contract was given to the company soon after its 15,000th tank engine came off the assembly lines at the Lincoln plant.

The new contract calls for an increase in production of standard engines which the company has been making for more than two years, and includes the company's first large order for a new tank engine.

Developed by Army Ordnance and company engineers in 1941, the standard Ford engine has been produced for use in all military medium tanks. A V-8, with 500 horsepower, the engine's most important feature is the five major sub-assemblies that increase production speed and make easier repairs under combat.

NEW YEAR GREETINGS

● Right now, on the eve of New Year's, when 1945 is ready to make its bow, it is indeed a pleasure to extend hearty greetings and good wishes to the people of this community.
● We are at your service—always.

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**Duck Creek Soil Conservation District
NEWS NOTES**

RILEY WOOTEN, Chm. OSCAR McGINTY, Sec.
WILL WRIGHT TOM MURDOCK A. A. FRY

The Supervisors of the Duck Creek District met Thursday, Dec. 21, and besides transacting other business approved the conservation plans on farms owned by the following: B. R. Arthur, J. C. Owens, Jim Graves, Weldon McGeehee, A. S. Roberts, W. A. Oden, J. W. Waldrip, and Bill Underwood all in the Post Work Unit area; and Edd C. Brown, J. A. Parks, Tom M. Green, G. L. Delisle, Mrs. Anna B. McClure and Cal Martin all in the Spur Work Unit area.

An excellent stand of alfalfa was observed this week on the red Haile farm in conservation group 1, south-west of Dickens.

Mr. Haile and Mr. Willie Williams planted this plot, approximately 15 acres, about the middle of September of this year on a soil type called Miles fine sandy loam which is a deep medium textured permeable soil. In locating this plot of alfalfa the possibility of using it as a pasture as well as a meadow was considered and the plot was located so that the stock could be watered from an existing well, windmill and tank.

Terrace construction has been observed in several of the conservation groups and quite a number of district cooperators are maintaining their old terraces by proper plowing.

BABSON—

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week, will return to a forty-hour week during 1945.

35. Wage rates will not decline, but "take-home" income will be less.

War Outlook

36. The greater part of Germany's army will collapse before the German planting season opens in the spring of 1945. Before surrendering, Germany will try poison gas.

37. Japan will not hold out as long as most people think. Japan will collapse within six or twelve months after Germany collapses.

38. If Stalin's health continues, he will be the world's most powerful man in 1945 and may dictate the peace terms, especially for the Pacific.

39. Sometime after April, 1945, Russia will join (or threaten to) the Allies against Japan but only after the promise of territory privileges and a huge loan.

40. The markets may witness "communist scare" during 1945; but they should soon recover thereafter.

Stock Market

41. The rails will show the greatest decline during 1945, because the airplane and ship-building stocks are already pretty much deflated.

42. The heavy chemicals, steels and motors may hold their own during 1945; but consumer goods will do much better.

43. The safest stocks to buy—considering value, income and safety—will be the merchandizing stocks, especially the chain store stocks.

44. 1944 saw a large increase in the demand for peace stocks with a decline in war socks; but moving more or less together. Switching has been over-done in most cases.

45. 1945 will continue to witness creeping inflation, although the big movement toward in-

flation will not take place until the next business depression which will follow the postwar prosperity.

Bonds

46. Though bank loan rates will continue to have an upward tendency, interest rates in general will remain low through 1945, since the money supply is now 20% above normal and government controls will continue.

47. Anticipating the expected decline in Federal taxes, 1945 should surely see a falling off in the price of most municipal and probably other tax-exempt bonds.

48. The highest grade corporation bonds will decline during 1945.

49. Investors will give much more attention to diversification and staggered bond maturities during 1945.

50. More public utilities will be taken over by municipalities and "authorities" during 1945.

Real Estate

51. Suburban real estate will be in much greater demand with higher prices during 1945.

52. City real estate should hold its own, excepting in the congested war areas where declines may set in.

53. Small productive farms will increase in price; but large farms may sell for less in 1945 than in 1944.

54. Building will show a considerable increase. Contracts will be up 25%, but prices may be a little lower due to increases in lumber and cement production.

55. There will be no change in residential rents during 1945.

56. Real estate will be helped by Congress ceasing to induct any more men into the armed services after June 30, 1945.

Politics and Postwar Peace

57. The uncertain political factor of 1945 will be Mr. Roosevelt. People will soon fear that he may resign before the next Congressional Elections either on account of ill health or to become head of a Peace Commission or new World Organization.

58. Our foreign headaches will become worse and more frequent during 1945. What we are going through to reorganize Italy, will be repeated in many other countries.

59. The Latin American honeymoon has passed its peak. The attitude of Argentina will extend to other countries and our South American troubles will increase during 1945.

60. 1945 will see more religious interest, including more church-going, than did 1944. People gradually are realizing that without a Spiritual Awakening no peace or other plan will be much good. Nations cannot be depended upon to cooperate and stick to their agreements unless they recognize God as their real Ruler and Guide.

CARD OF THANKS

To our friends and neighbors of Dickens county we wish to extend our thanks and appreciation for your kindness and help when our home was destroyed by fire. Words cannot express our feeling of indebtedness to you, but we wish you to know our appreciation and thanks go out to you, one and all.
Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Benham and family.

CARD OF THANKS

May we take this opportunity of expressing our thanks and appreciation to each and every one for your kindness during our bereavement. Especially do we thank the American Legion for the splendid help and assistance it rendered.
Mrs. W. J. Potts,
Mrs. M. J. Gray,
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Dear Friends:

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1941—The tragedy at Pearl Harbor, our rude awakening from the ingrown feeling of security, the quickly answered call to the colors.

1942—The powers which had become our enemies were sweeping victoriously onward, leaving pain, anguish and suffering in their wake; the number of white crosses, marking the resting places of our men in foreign lands, became legion.

1943—New hope was born. Faith burned like a bright flame: We knew that the sacrifices of our gallant men were not made in vain. Day by day evil was being overcome—the fight was gradually, very gradually, being won.

1944—Twelve months of praying, hoping, buying bonds, moving forward mile by mile, liberating oppressed peoples, feeding the hungry, ministering to the sick—this is the story of the year to which we are now saying "good-bye."

1945—To this New Year we bid welcome! May it bring to you, good friends on the home front, and to your loved ones in the battle lines, greater courage, hope and faith. May it bring comfort to each one whose badge is a gold star. May it point the way to Victory and Everlasting Peace. To you, and all the world, we say gladly and reverently, **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**



As the clock strikes twelve let our hearts reciprocate the sentiment of Tennyson's New Year bells:

Ring out the old,
ring in the new,
Ring out the false,
ring in the true.



May Yours Be a Most Happy
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LOST: Pair glasses on highway near Duck Creek bridge. Leave at Slim Foster's cafe for reward. FREDDIE WARE. 1p

FOR SALE: Two second hand typewriters, fair condition. Seen at BRYANT LINK Co. 9-4p

LOST: Brown zipper purse containing about \$40.00. Mrs. A. F. HOLDER, Spur, Texas, Rt. 1. 1p

WANT TO RENT: 160 acres on 1-3 and 1-4, would buy tractor and equipment. Have force to work it. See W. W. STANLEY, one and one-half mile north Spur. 9-2p

FOR SALE: 5 burner Ivanhoe oil cook stove. Good condition. Also want to trade steer weighing about 800 pounds for milk cow and calf. See W. W. STANLEY, 1 1/2 miles north of Spur. 9-2p

FOR SALE: One pair new, average size, Duck feather pillows. See MRS. AL BINGHAM. 1p

WANTED: Office help. J. F. HUGHES. 9-2p

FOR SALE: Gray stucco duplex two blocks from town adjoining the J. H. Clay residence. Desirable rent property and home. Original cost around \$4,000. Sacrifice for \$1500. cash. Contact owner. S. T. TWADDELL, 531 Rockridge ave. Tucson, Ariz. 9-4p

FOR SALE: 7,000 bundles hegar, good heads. Going to army, must sell. See J. E. Nolan, 4 miles west of Dickens. L. S. PUTMAN. 1p

FOR SALE: One W.C. Model Allis Chambers tractor, good rubber and in good shape. 1 two row stalk cutter, 1 2-row go-devil 3 sections of harrow, 1 four wheel trailer and other implements. See MILLARD SMITH, 3 1/2 miles NE Gilpin. 8-2p

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FOR SALE: Three lots and two room house in good condition. Priced reasonably. See or write JOHN A. BURKS. 8-3p

WANTED: Farm hand for next year. B. F. MIDDLETON, 3 miles east of Afton. 8-4tp

FOR SALE: One nine-foot McCray meat case, meat blocks and electric scales. HENRY N. HEXT, Afton, Texas. 8-2p

FOR SALE: For 20 days only:

163 acre farm, sub-irrigated farm. Fine for stock farming. 2 1/2 miles east of town. L. C. PONDER. 8-2tp

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Training For Service With Merchant Fleet

SHEEPSHEAD BAY, N. Y.—The following men from Spur are now training for service with the merchant fleet at the U. S. Maritime Training station, here. The men, the ages and addresses are:

Douglas Henson, 22, Star Route 2.
Wendell C. Parker, 18, Spur.
Homer R. Smith, Route 1.

They will receive six weeks of basic training, including lifeboat work, fire fighting, breeches buoy, mess, sea rules and traditions, swimming, ship construction and equipment, gunnery and physical training.

After completing "boot" training they will be eligible for specialized advanced training.

THE TEXAS SPUR, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1944

Coxswain—Say, Chief, that seaman has been sitting there all day, doing nothing but wasting his time.

Chief—How do you know?
Coxswain—I've been watching him.

Something Missing
Mrs. Newlywed—Hurry up and carve the turkey, dear; you know how to do it now.
Hubband—Um— yes; but wherein the thunder are the dotted lines?

Construction Helpers NEEDED AT ONCE

—FOR—
L. O. STOCKER COMPANY
SEMINOLE OR BORGER, TEXAS

Constructing 100 Octane Aviation Gasoline Plant for Phillips Petroleum Company.

Transportation furnished enroute to job. Top wages—long time job—Now working 60 hours a week—Time and one-half after 40 hours.

LIVING QUARTERS AVAILABLE
Hiring to Comply with WMC Regulations.

APPLY AT ONCE
U. S. Employment Service Office
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Seasonal Agricultural Workers Accepted in Compliance with WMC and Selective Service Regulations.

NOTICE!

- We now have Everlay Feeds, 20% Protein in Pretty Print Bags.
- METAL BROODERS—Holds 300 to 500 Baby Chicks.
- A Few METAL FEEDERS—Priced RIGHT! See Us Now While They Last.

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Run Along, Little Man
Attorney (to woman witness after cross examination)—I hope I haven't troubled you with all questions?
Witness—Not at all; I have a small boy of six at home.

AT FIRST SIGN OF A COLD USE 666
Cold Preparations as directed

Will You Smile?

Back It Up
A little city boy was visiting his country cousin.
"What do you know about cows?" quizzed the country lad.
"You don't even know if that's a Jersey cow."
"I don't know from here, 'cause I can't see its license."
"Daughter," said her dad, "how does it come you go out with a different young man every night?"
"Oh," she yawned, "most of my boy friends have had their salaries cut, and they can't afford more than one date a week with me now."

Widening the Taxable Base
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SPUR THEATRE

"GUNS OF THE PECOS"
—with—
DICK FORAN

SHORT SUBJECT
Busy Buddies
(STOOGES)
SATURDAY ONLY

PALACE

FRIDAY-SATURDAY

CRIME By NIGHT
With JANE WYMAN

PREVUE-SUNDAY-MONDAY

"Lost in a Harem"
Bud ABBOT • Lou COSTELLO

TUESDAY ONLY

Bond Nite
\$500 BOND
\$25 BOND
Tuesday Nite Only

Mrs. Neal McCormick was awarded the \$100 Bond last Tuesday Night. Your Name May Be Called!

WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY

O'BRIEN MARINE RAIDERS

For Luck in '45 - SERVE BLACK-EYED PEAS ON NEW YEAR'S DAY

BUT REMEMBER—it takes more than just luck to balance your grocery budget, so shop at Safeway where you are assured of low shelf prices every day... every week... throughout the year.

Black-Eyed Peas
1-Lb. Cello 12¢ | 2-Lb. Cello 23¢

Other Grocery Values

Beans Great Northern Cello Pack	1-Lb. Pkg.	12¢
Bread Julia Lee Wright's Enriched, Dated	24-Oz. Loaf	10¢
Beverly Peanut Butter	Qt. Jar	35¢
Sorghum Harry's Pure Sorghum	No. 10 Can	79¢
Cane Syrup Singleton Ribbon Cane	No. 5 Can	45¢
Apple Juice Manchester	Qt. Bot.	20¢

DUCHESS SALAD DRESSING
16-Oz. Jar 19¢

LEED'S CHOPPED HAM OR KEM PORK LUNCHEON MEAT
12-Oz. Can 29¢

Safeway Quality Meats

OYSTERS Eastern Selects	Lb.	85¢
STEAK Grade AA & A Veal Sirloin	Lb.	33¢
STEAK Grade AA & A Veal Rib Chops	Lb.	36¢
STEAK Grade AA & A Veal Shoulder	Lb.	26¢
ROAST Grade AA & A Veal Shoulder	Lb.	26¢
ROAST Beef Shoulder (5 Pounds)	Lb.	26¢
GROUND VEAL Fresh Ground	Lb.	28¢
GROUND BEEF Fresh Ground	Lb.	24¢
PORK CHOPS Center Cuts (8 Pounds)	Lb.	35¢
LUNCH MEAT Assorted Loaves	Lb.	29¢
YOUNG HENS Dressed and Drawn Oven Ready	Lb.	48¢

FISH Whiting Lb. 21¢

COFFEE Airway Fresh Roasted 2 1-Lb. Pkg. 41¢
Edward's Rich, Robust 2-Lb. Jar 54¢
Coffee Nob Hill Luxury Blend 1-Lb. Pkg. 23¢
Beets Standard Quality, Cut No. 2 Can 11¢
Peas Tender Sweet Chubby Peas No. 2 Can 13¢
Greens Mustard or Turnip Standard Quality No. 2 Can 10¢
Corn Tender Sweet Cream Style No. 2 Can 12¢

Luxury Macaroni Lifesaver Tomato Dinner 4-Oz. Pkg. 5¢
SARDINES Tall Can 11¢
1/2 Point per Pkg. 4 Points per Can

Pork & Beans Van Camp 14¢
Shortening Swift's Jewel 4-Lb. Ctn. 75¢
Camay Soap 3 Reg. Bars 19¢
Toilet Soap Sweetheart 3 Reg. Bars 19¢
Oxydol Washing Powder 24-Oz. Pkg. 23¢
Water Softener Tops Reg. Pkg. 22¢
Ivory Snow Lge. Pkg. 23¢
Northern Tissue Reg. Roll 5¢

Fresh Produce

Oranges California 5 Lbs. 47¢	ONIONS Colorado Yellow 3 Lbs. 10¢
Oranges Texas Juicy Lb. 17¢	Grapefruit Texas Seedless Lb. 5¢
Grapefruit Foster Pink Lb. 7¢	Carrots Fancy California 2 Buns. 17¢
Apples Washington Delicious Jonathan or Winesap 2 Lbs. 23¢	Lettuce Arizona Firm Heads Lb. 11¢
Spinach Fresh Texas Lb. 9¢	Celery California Crisp Tender Lb. 14¢
Texas Yams Kiln Dried Lb. 9¢	Potatoes Idaho Russet 5 Lbs. 22¢

SAFeway

New Year Greetings 1945

1945 is just around the corner. All hail to the New Year! This is the season for new resolutions.

We have served you well in the past. Our aim is to serve you still better in the future. To this end we pledge our full devotion.

We want you to be happy this New Year's... and during the weeks and months that follow.

O. L. Kelley