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Spurlock 4-H Club Girl Will Receive Gold Star Medal

Christine Williams, of the Spurlock girls 4-H club, has been selected gold star girl for Sherman county, according to information released by Miss Mabel Martin, county home demonstration agent. To be selected a gold star girl is an honor, for a girl must do outstanding work in the 4-H club. She must be a leader, a good citizen and live up to the ideals of the 4-H club. She must have initiative and be a hard worker.

Christine is 14 years old and this is her fourth year of club work. A summary of her work for the past year is as follows:

Twenty-two garments were made and 5 were remodeled by Christine for the six members of the family. She does all of the family sewing. The cost of the garments made and remodeled was \$20.05 and the value of them when finished was \$42.60 or a saving of \$22.55. She canned 218 quarts and dried 207 pounds of food and helped cure two hogs.

Christine had a summer garden with beans, radishes, greens, okra, cucumbers, sweet peppers, tomatoes, pumpkins, melons and hot peppers. She also planted a fall garden in her frame garden and had greens, carrots and late beans.

In poultry, the flock of 167 birds produced 195½ dozen eggs up the middle of November, when records were submitted. The eggs brought \$610.60. The chickens have fed themselves and the family of six. \$190.85 has been spent for commercial feed and \$2.50 for oyster shell. Christine helped her father build a new 20x16 chicken house and also helped put a concrete floor and ventilators in the brooder house.

She and her father set out 25 Chinese elm trees and 47 cottonwood trees. The cost of all of this was 25 cents, for the Chinese elm cost one-cent each and the cotton woods were some she had rooted from branches from old trees.

To help with the labor shortage, Christine drove a tractor and took the place of an extra hired hand during harvest. She used some of the money made to buy defense stamps and bonds.

Before coming to school she cooks breakfast every morning and plans the other meals according to the Texas Food Standard, for she realizes that to keep well the family must have meals that are nutritionally adequate. She has made a recipe file to use in planning and preparing meals.

New Superintendent Rock Island Lines Panhandle Division

Effective December 10, C. C. Cunningham, Western Division Superintendent of the Rock Island Lines since January, 1942, has been appointed Superintendent of the Panhandle Division of the railroad with headquarters at Liberal, Kansas.

He will replace G. R. Branch who has been granted a leave of absence to enter military service.

Mr. Cunningham came to the Rock Island Lines as an instrument man at Topeka, Kansas in 1909. During the first World War, he served overseas as a Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, from December 1917 to Aug. 1919.

Following his return to the Rock Island, he was Division Engineer on the Missouri-Kansas Division and later Superintendent on the Cedar Rapids and Des Moines Divisions.

Eric B. Herdman, Assistant Superintendent of the Missouri-Kansas division, with headquarters at Trenton, will succeed Mr. Cunningham as Superintendent of the Western Division, with headquarters at Fairbury, Nebraska.

A native of Birmingham, England, Mr. Herdman began working for the Rock Island as a brakeman in 1918. He has been Assistant Superintendent at Cedar Rapids, and more recently, Superintendent of the Panhandle and Oklahoma divisions.

The present constitution of the State of Texas was written by convention which convened at Austin, Sept. 6, 1875, and adjourned Nov. 4, 1875.

CURRENT PROGRAM AT THE ROXY

Tonight, "BLONDIE FOR VICTORY" with the Bumsteads.
Friday-Saturday, "BELLS OF CAPESTRANO" with Gene Autry and Frog.
Sunday - Monday, "FOOTLIGHT SERENADE" with Betty Grable John Payne.
Tuesday, "I WAS FRAMED" starring Michael Ames and Regis Toomy.
Men in Service Admitted Free



The people of this community are interested in men who are serving in the armed forces. Families and friends are asked to cooperate with this paper by supplying news from these men.



HAROLD O'QUIN

Is now stationed at Alameda, California, and is in the Radio division of the armed forces. He attended the Stratford schools, also the college at Canyon, Texas. Before entering the service he was employed at the First State Bank at this place.

Eugene Wilson has been transferred from Nashville, Tennessee to a location in Florida for special training. Mr. Wilson enlisted this spring, and for a while was stationed at Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Armed Forces Take Foods; Half of 1943 Pack Is Reserved

Washington—The war production board ordered approximately one-half of the 1943 pack of popular canned fruits, vegetables, and juices set aside for purchase for the armed forces, lend lease, and other government agencies, thus reducing the supply available to civilians substantially below pre-war levels.

The order directed canners to set aside various percentages of their 1943 pack of 31 fruits and vegetables based on the amount packed in 1942 (citrus products, 1941-42 crop year), which range from 19 per cent of the grape fruit pack to 100 per cent of the blueberry, fig, blended fruit juice and carrot pack.

In 1942, canners were required to set aside about 35 per cent of their pack for the government.

WPB estimated the portion of the 1943 pack allocated for civilian use would amount to a maximum of about 33 pounds of canned foods per capita in 1944, when most of the 1943 pack will be consumed. This compared with an annual average per capita consumption of canned foods of about 48 pounds in the pre-war period, 1935-39.

Certificates of War Necessity Geared For Faster Service

Procedure handling appeals on Certificates of War Necessity has been streamlined for faster service to the commercial motor vehicle operator, N. F. Nelson, ODT Amarillo district manager for motor transport, said today.

The thirty-day waiting period originally required before an appeal might be filed has been suspended. Carriers are urged, however, not to appeal unless it is impossible to carry on necessary operations.

Operators may now send in their Certificates with a letter of explanation and are promptly furnished with the appeal form on which they may supply information to show their needs justify increased operations allowances. Farmers and ranchers should appeal through the Farm Transportation Committees of their County Agent's office. All other operators should write the district office at 1008 Pisk Building, Amarillo.

Personal interviews require more time for the staff as well as for the operator. Several hundred appeals could be handled each day if all were received by mail, Mr. Nelson said. If appeal forms are filled out completely and mailed in promptly, they can save time and also the tire mileage required to drive in to the office. The greatest cause for delay continues to be incomplete information from the applicant.

Applications are still reaching the office and on new applications a Certificate is mailed out the same day the application is received. Any operator who has not yet received his

Buckles Reports On Nat'l Farm Bureau Meeting Attended

Sherman County Farm Bureau has the highest percent of farm membership of any county in the Southern Region. R. C. Buckles announced on his return from the National Farm Bureau Convention in Chicago, December 8th-9th. Mr. Buckles brought back a certificate of award and \$1.00 in Defense Stamps which was presented to him for the county by Ed O'Neal, American Farm Bureau President.

Mr. Buckles reports that farm leaders attending the convention are well pleased with the prospects of keeping and improving the present farm program. "The farmers of America are being called on to feed the largest army that the United States has ever had and also to help feed many people throughout the Allied Nations. The Even Normal Granary is proving very effective and farmers are confident that they can meet the needs of the food requirements if the government officials will let up on the red tape and allow them gasoline and tires," Mr. Buckles stated.

Sherman County Boy Makes Big Profit On Hereford Steer

Dale Hamilton, Sherman county 4-H Club boy from Texhoma recently sold his beef calf at Kansas City making a profit of \$35.00. The calf, a Hereford steer weighing 800 pounds, was sold by the Ragland Commission Company for 15½ cents per pound.

Dale is twelve years old and this is his first experience in feeding beef calves. He bought the calf from his uncle, Rennie Hamilton and feed it home-grown grains and roughness by use of a chicken-proof self-feeder. He bought a protein supplement in order for the calf to have a balanced ration.

Dale considered all cost including home-grown feeds, the freight to Kansas City and commission charge for selling the calf, in arriving at the profit.

A. P. Bralley, county agent, reported that Dale had excellent possibilities as a cattle feeder if his interest continues. Other boys in the county who have calves on feed now are: Duane Mitchell, Jimmy Meyer, Homer Coffman, Robert Keenan, Destry Trainham and Neal Spurlock.

SUGGESTION FOR THE SHARE-THE-MEAT PROGRAM

Meat rationing is due to go into operation in a few weeks and many people are cooperating with the Share-The-Meat program by arranging to store their own meat. In connection with this activity Sherman County Agent Art Bralley has this suggestion to make:

"The government officials are anxious for people and especially farmers to raise and store their own meat supply. But they ask that you cooperate by killing only one or two hogs at a time. This makes the spare-ribs, liver, sausage or the variety of meats go farther and it also helps the locker plant operators who are generally overworked at this time of the year. For the best cured meats do not kill hogs that are too large. A 200 to 250 pound hog is preferred."

TRANSFERRED TO THIS PLACE FROM DALHART

The first of this week, L. F. Denny took up work with the West Texas Utilities Company in Stratford, being transferred to this place from Dalhart. Mr. Denny takes the place formerly held by S. J. Farris, who has moved to Dumas.

Mr. Denny has been in Dalhart only a short time, going to that place from Goodwell, Oklahoma, where he had been in business for himself, and also employed by the town of Goodwell for eight years as light, water and power superintendent. His family will not be moved to Stratford until after the first of the year.

Certificate may be assured his application has not yet reached the district office and will be handled immediately when it arrives.

The Amarillo district serves the following counties: Harding, Quay, Union, Beaver, Cimarron, Armstrong, Carson, Collingsworth, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Donley, Hartley, Moore, Oldham, Potter, Randall, Sherman, Gray Wheeler, Hansford, Hemphill, Lipscomb, Hutchinson, Ochiltree and Roberts.

More than fifty farmers have received 3100 mile Certificates of War Necessity in Sherman county, R. C. Buckles reports. These "3100" were received by many farmers throughout the nation, Mr. Buckles learned at Chicago.

"Buy Defense bonds to help the boys of 18 and 19 years old, finish the job of 1918."

ONLY SIX DAYS



There are only a few more days until Christmas, and the buying season for the year, will be over. During the next six shopping days, a lot of money will be spent by the people the trade territory for various kinds of merchandise.

During the past twelve months the home town merchants have been on the job, endeavoring to fill the needs of the people, and it has not always been an easy job as it has been hard to secure many lines of merchandise. Yet they have stayed on the job and battled it out for the home town.

They have not only gone the limit to get supplies and merchandise for the trade territory, but been helpful in everything that has meant anything to Stratford and surrounding country. They have contributed time and money, with many of them serving in the home town trenches in the war work. That took a lot of time, but they gave it gladly, along with thousands of dollars invested in war bonds.

During the next six days when many thousands of dollars will be invested in various kinds of merchandise, why not drop in on the home town merchants and make the investments. Four gallons of gasoline will of course take any one some where else to do that buying, but its patriotic to conserve and might be helpful all round to think of the home town first, and keep Stratford money in Stratford.

WOMEN ARE ASKED TO ENLIST IN THE WAVES

Dallas, Dec. 11—Since issuance of the executive order halting enlistments of men, more women than ever are needed for the WAVES, the Women's Reserve of the United States Naval Reserve.

Commander E. D. Walbridge, USN (Ret.) District Director of Naval Officer Procurement, announcement today that "since the marital requirements for WAVES' enlistment and procurement has been changed, an onrush of applicants is both expected and desired."

Commander Walbridge explained that heretofore a married woman whose husband was serving in any branch of the armed forces was not acceptable. "That rule has been changed," he said. "A married woman may now join the WAVES, even though her husband is in the service, provided that service is not the Navy or Naval Reserve. The woman's husband may be a soldier, a Marine or a member of the Coast Guard, and the woman will still be considered for the WAVES. However, if an applicant's husband is in the Navy, the WAVES applicant may enlist in the SPARS, the Women's Reserve of the Coast Guard. This change in WAVES requirements applies both to officers and enlisted personnel."

Commander Walbridge made an urgent appeal to Texas women.

"If you have been undecided about serving your country as a member of the WAVES," he said, "now is the time to reach your decision. New ships are being launched and commissioned constantly. These will be used to convoy merchant vessels, troop ships and supply ships. Thousands of men are needed to sail these new ships. And every woman who enlists in the WAVES releases a Navy man for sailing and shooting duty."

The Office of Naval Officer Procurement at 1430 Allen Building, Dallas, is open and waiting for "patriotic and fighting-mad" women who want to join the WAVES.

Mrs. J. T. Gibbons received a telephone message from her son, Howard, who has been stationed at Camp Roberts, California, saying he had received his honorable discharge from the Army due to his age. He is now in Burbank, California, with his sisters, Mrs. E. R. Kelp and Mrs. Bill Lollis. He expects to start to work soon in a defense plant.

Compliments are like perfume—to be inhaled but not swallowed.

FUNERAL RITES HELD TUESDAY FOR PIONEER STRATFORD SETTLER

Funeral rites were held Tuesday afternoon of this week for Marion B. Green, who passed away in the Loretto hospital at Dalhart, Monday, December 14th. He was born May 16, 1872 at Itasca, Hill county, Texas, and at the time of his death was 70 years, 6 months and 28 days, old.

Mr. Green with his family moved to Sherman county in 1911, where he engaged in farming until a few years ago, and since that time has resided in Stratford. When he was about 40 years of age he united with the Methodist church at Spurlock, Texas.

Funeral services were held in the Stratford Christian church Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock, being conducted by Rev. L. B. Chaffin, and assisted by Rev. J. W. Rosenburg, and interment was in the Stratford cemetery with arrangements by the Wilson Funeral Home.

He is survived by Mrs. Green, and six children: being Dudley Green, Hereford, Texas; Ozle Green, Spearman, Texas; Mrs. N. D. Kelp, and Mrs. Bonnie Tackel of Stratford; Mrs. Bill Rogers, Vallejo, California, and William Green, who is in the United States Navy.

SERVICE MAN INJURED WHILE ON FURLOUGH

Arlyn Halle, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Halle, of this place, was severely injured Monday of this week when helping his father move a herd of cattle. He had gotten off the saddle pony while he drove some of the cattle out of a field. Afterwards when he attempted to mount the pony and before he was settled with both feet in the stirrups, the pony started pitching. He was thrown to the ground hitting on his shoulder in such a manner that the shoulder was torn from the collar bone.

He was removed to the hospital at Dalhart for treatment, and will be returned to his home here this week.

Officers Elected Sherman County Boys 4-H Clubs For 1943

Each of the three Boys' 4-H Clubs of Sherman county have elected officers and are ready to start a new year club work after the holidays.

Officers of the Stratford Club are: Stanley Ullom, president; Jerry Frizell, vice-president, and Jim Sweny, secretary.

Officers of the Texhoma club are: Duane Mitchell, president; Wallace Bridwell, vice-president and Jimmie Meyer, secretary.

Officers of the Spurlock club are: Junior Adams, president; Irwin Cartrite, vice-president, and Junior Cox, secretary.

Among the men who assisted County Agent, A. P. Bralley with the Club boys as Adult Leaders are: Grady Pearson, E. A. Wooten, R. C. Buckles, Geo. V. Roberts, J. N. Bridwell, Harvey Spurlock, Richard Adams, and Superintendent Beane of the Sunray school.



Lieutenant Rose L. Smothers, Army Auxiliary Corps recruiting officer at the Lubbock Army Recruiting Station, believes in enrolling women in groups instead of singly.

Lieutenant Smothers enrolled the fifty (50) women in the Panhandle Rangerette Platoon and has now started on a second platoon from the South Plains area. The Rangerette Platoon is the first full platoon to be enrolled in the United States.

Until her entry into the service last July, Lieutenant Smothers was commercial teacher in the Drumwright, Oklahoma, High school. She has a degree from Central State College in Edmond, Oklahoma, and also has studied at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles. She received her commission in the WAAC last September.

Lieutenant Smothers, together with Lieut. Virginia F. Williams, has been stationed at the West Texas Recruiting and Induction District Headquarters in Lubbock since October 5.

The total annual expenditure by the Texas government for educational purposes exceeds \$58,000,000.

More Readers Renew For Star; Newsprint Cut 20 Per Cent

During the past several days a number of Star readers either called at the office or mailed in a renewal for the coming new year, and the publishers appreciate it very much.

Just what the new year will mean in subscriptions to a newspaper is to be seen in a very short time. Last week a twenty per cent reduction in print paper was ordered, in this country and in Canada, and while publishers knew it was coming, yet they have wondered how it would work out. The paper on which the Star is published is made in Canada, and is shipped to this country. Since the war both countries have been working together to conserve, and also to keep all industries moving, yet publishers are anxious to learn how it is going to work out.

The following have the thanks of the publishers for new year renewals: Dan Martin, R. F. Frei, R. W. Blackwell, Homer Smith, Roy Browder, Mrs. Lucy LaFrenz, W. A. Spurlock, Mrs. W. H. Bowen, S. J. Calvird, H. C. Mowrer, W. O. Bryant, H. H. Bryant, J. G. Clark, Mrs. Earl Smith, O. R. Blankenship, Anton Zimmer, G. N. Batterson, T. F. Baskin Jr., Minnie L. Jackson, Luther Browder, Mrs. A. L. King.

Texas Birth Rate Increased 21 Per Cent

Texas increased its birth rate last year to 21.2 per 1,000 population, signifying a sharp increase over births in 1940.

The department of commerce reported 136,291 babies were born in 1941 as compared with 126,687 the previous year. The rate was higher than the 18.9 for the nation as a whole.

Deaths in Texas declined as compared with 1940's rate. Last year there were 60,424 deaths, in 1940 there were 62,503. The drop in rate was from 9.7 per 1,000 population to 9.4.

The birth-rate increase over 1939 was even more marked. The rate three years ago was 19.1, based on 121,049 births.

TIRE AND TUBE CERTIFICATES

Tire and tube certificates were issued to the following for the weeks' November 21st to Dec. 5th.

Stratford—E. W. Butler, 1 tire and tube; W. B. Strother, 1 tire and tube; Guy McDaniel, pickup tire and tube; K. L. Eller, 1 pickup tire and tube; C. L. Cameron, 1 truck tire; J. P. Cameron, 1 truck tire; Walter Lasley, 1 tire and tube; W. L. Hanky, 2 passenger recaps; Lloyd Thompson, 2 passenger recaps; John Woodruff, 3 passenger recaps; Fern Miller, 3 passenger recaps; C. F. Gill, 1 passenger recap; Bob Jacobs, 2 pickup recaps; Peach Smith, 1 pickup recap; Ralph Keener, 2 pickup recaps; W. O. Parvin, 1 passenger tube; J. W. Garoutte, 1 passenger tire; G. C. Bryan, 1 truck tube; G. C. Dortch, 1 pickup tire; J. W. Flores, 2 pickup tires; F. D. Brannan, 1 truck tire and 1 tube; Arthur Cartrite, 1 truck tire and 1 tube; Peach Smith, 1 pickup tire; F. I. Reid, 2 tractor tires; Dick Diehl, 2 truck tires and 1 tube; Homer Blake, 1 truck tire and 1 tube; Walter Lasley, 4 recaps for pickup.

Texhoma—Omer C. Arnold, 1 pickup tire and 1 tube; C. M. Reynolds, 1 pickup tire and 1 tube; T. L. Marshall, 2 tubes (pickup); Arnold Husmann, 2 tubes (pickup); W. E. Hartman, 1 passenger tire.

Gruver—S. R. Cluck, 1 truck tire. Sunray—Arthur Cartrite, 1 truck tire.

One Million Men Now Overseas

In reading his quarterly report to Congress a few days ago President Roosevelt revealed that before the end of this month, this nation would have more than one million men overseas.

The Allied force which occupied French North Africa in November was the greatest single overseas expeditionary force in history.

The lend-lease report shows that assistance to our Allies totaled more than two billion, 300-million dollars for the three-month period. That's an increase of more than one-third over the previous quarter, and more than four times the lend-lease total for the three months immediately preceding Pearl Harbor.

The president also stressed the fact that this country needed more ships, tanks and guns before the nation could wage the offensive that would bring victory.

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:-SOCIETY:-

News under this heading is contributed by interested citizens who are interested in the social affairs of the community.

Embroidery Club

The Embroidery Club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Pendleton Thursday night, December 10th, for their annual Christmas party and supper. After the delicious chicken supper, gifts were exchanged, then the game of 42 was enjoyed by all until a late hour. Mr. Pendleton won high score.

The following members and guests attended: Messrs. and Mesdames, G. R. Garrison, W. E. Kelley, W. G. O'Brien, M. Dortch, E. W. Butler, G. L. Taylor, J. C. O'Brien, M. H. Harrison, J. R. Pendleton, Earl Shirk, M. Roberson, Mesdames Calvird, Arnold, Flores, Buckles, and Mr. H. E. Smith.

Mrs. Brooks and Mrs. Ed Brooks motored to Dalhart, Friday.

Mrs. Cleo Etheridge spent Sunday with her parents in Dumas.

Mrs. Lyle Murdock of Kerrick was the guest of Mrs. S. J. Calvird, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. King and Lloyd were in Amarillo, Monday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Parsons were in Dalhart Wednesday of last week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lovelace and son, Glendale were in Amarillo Tuesday of this week.

Rev. and Mrs. L. B. Chaffin and children were visitors in Guymon Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Diehl were in Amarillo Sunday, Monday and Tuesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Peach Smith were Amarillo visitors Monday and Tuesday of last week.

Bill Ross, Mrs. H. M. Brown and Mrs. Mynola Ross visited with Mary in Amarillo, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Knight and son of Conlen were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lovelace, Sunday.

R. M. Trainham, who is a student in Military College at Kerrville, Texas is expected home this week.

Peach Smith delivered 135 head of steers here Saturday which he sold to Ben Snyder of Denver, Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard E. Crutchfield of Amarillo spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. I. Crutchfield.

Misses Mildred Sangster, Frances and Margaret Douglas were weekend visitors in their homes in Texhoma, Oklahoma.

Mrs. Chester Guthrie, Misses Vondell Guthrie, Lenoir Alexander and Peggy Jean Wilson were visitors in Texhoma, Monday.

Dick Diehl was in Texhoma, Friday receiving 200 head of steers which he had purchased from Carl Carig of that place.

Mrs. E. Hill, Mrs. Lelah Boney, Mrs. Bessie Blazier and Mrs. Eva Ulom were business callers in Dalhart Thursday of last week.

Judge and Mrs. J. W. Elliott returned Saturday from Temple, Texas where Judge Elliott had been receiving medical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Price and son, William Leslie returned from Oklahoma City last Thursday. William is under the doctor's care and is responding nicely to treatments.

Miss Mildred Sangster of Washington, D. C., and daughter of Mrs. T. N. Pugh of Texhoma, Oklahoma has accepted a stenographical position at the Cactus plant at Etter. She is staying in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Diehl.

STRATFORD TEACHER MARRIED AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA, DECEMBER 5th

Miss Bonnie Mae Pendleton of this place was united in marriage to Lieutenant Henry F. Moseley on Saturday, December 5th at Atlanta, Ga.

The wedding was to have taken place in Stratford, but as Lieut. Moseley could not get time off from his duties in the army, Miss Pendleton secured time off from her teaching duties here, and they met in Atlanta where the wedding took place.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. Royal Pendleton and grew to womanhood at this place. Graduated from the Stratford schools, and also the Texas Tech at Lubbock. At this time she holds the position of Second grade teacher in the Stratford schools.

Lieut. Moseley's home is a Chillocothe, Texas. He graduated from his home town schools, and also Texas Tech at Lubbock. He is now stationed at Jacksonville, Florida.

Mrs. Moseley will return to this place to resume her teaching duties in the Stratford schools at the beginning of the new year.

D. R. Wilson, Bobby, and Peggy Jean were in Dalhart Saturday on business.

Miss Marijo Brown of Spearman is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brown.

Mrs. Burk Green returned Saturday from a months visit with her sister in Tucson, Arizona.

Mrs. F. A. Judd, Mrs. Arthur Judd and children and Mrs. Willie Belle Brannan were visitors in Dalhart, Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Price, Mrs. F. A. Judd, Misses Helen Gurley and Lucille Parsons were Amarillo visitors Wednesday of last week.

Miss Maxine Kidwell, who has been employed at the Palace Cafe for the past several weeks left Saturday night for her home in Martinsville, Missouri.

J. R. Marshall Sr. and Mr. Bell, both were in Amarillo the latter part of last week for surgical treatment at one of the hospitals. They returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Farris were notified last Wednesday that their house was completed. They have moved to Dumas where he is employed with West Texas Utilities Company.

Miss Kathryn Bonar will leave Moundville, West Va., Friday, Dec. 18th with her aunt, Mrs. H. A. Welmaker for Washington, D. C., where she will spend Christmas holidays with her cousin, Miss Josephine Welmaker.

Christian Church

L. B. Chaffin, minister
Bible school 10 a. m., W. O. Bryant, Supt.; Morning Worship 11 a. m.
Junior Endeavor 7 p. m.; Intermediate Endeavor 7 p. m.; Senior Endeavor 7 p. m.
Evening worship 8 p. m.
Bible class Wednesday evening at 8.

WANT ADS

FLOWERS: Call Mrs. H. M. Brown.
For Sale: Cane bundles 2½ cents; Hegari 4 cents in the shock. W. W. Steel. 3tc.

Rough Lumber \$25, \$30, \$35, f.o.b. mill. Jackson Bros. Saw Mill, Ocate New Mexico via Wagon Mound.

Lost—Glasses, rims across top in Dr. Porter case. Leave at Star Office. Reward offered. 1tp.

ON THE NORTHERN CONVOY ROUTE



AT SEA—Two members of a U. S. Navy gun crew are shown at their stations, befurred against the icy blasts that sweep down from the Arctic across the Northern convoy route to Russia. At left is David Riley, of Ludlow, Mass., and at right, James McPerrin, of Birmingham, Alabama.

Methodist Church

Rev. J. W. Rosenberg, pastor
Sundays school 10 a. m.; Morning worship, 11 a. m. Sermon subject, "The Church is Deathless"; Evening service 7:30 p. m. Sermon subject, "Childishness".
Choir rehearsal each Wednesday at 8 p. m.

Church of Christ

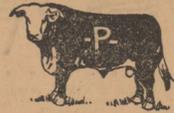
A. C. Huff, Minister.
Bible Study 10 a. m.; Preaching 11 a. m.; Communion 11:45 a. m.
Young Peoples meeting 7:50 p. m.
Preaching 8:30 p. m.
Song drill every Wednesday night.

Baptist Church

(Fern A. Miller, Pastor)
Sunday school 10:00 a. m., L. P. Hunter, superintendent. Morning worship 11:00.
Training Union 7:15 p. m., D. R. Wilson, director. Evening worship 8:00.
Mid-week prayer service Wednesday evening 8:00.

PRONGER BROS.

Stratford, Texas
Registered Hereford Cattle



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Ranch 8 miles south of Stratford

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Stratford, Texas



For Gifts that will please, and bring enjoyment, do your shopping at this drug store. You will find many items here that will delight the housewife, and give enjoyment the year around.

SIX SHOPPING DAYS LEFT

so center on this store for Billfolds, Cigarettes, Pipes, Cigars, and a lot of gifts that will please the men folk.

YATE'S DRUG

Fountain Service, Drugs and Sundries



Only six more shopping days to get your gifts. Come to this store for the Gifts that will delight the boys and girls. Toys of most all kinds, and priced right.

But Remember we also have Useful Gifts for the older folks.

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● SANTA FE TRAILWAYS—and all other bus lines—is doing double duty day and night to maintain uninterrupted transport over America's highways. Service men, war workers and business travelers use the bus to save tires, gas and essential materials. This year, vacationists who postpone their long scenic trips and invest in war bonds instead, are helping their country, its transportation systems, and themselves along America's road to Victory!

BUS DEPOT
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SLIPPERS
MOTHER FATHER
SISTER BROTHER

You can buy Slippers here for every member of the family, but you should buy now while you can make the best selections. Prices range from **\$1.00 to \$2.50**

Remember that we have a nice selection of gifts for her, such as gloves, slips, gowns, hose, dresses, that will make her happy.

VISIT THE STORE WHILE YOU CAN GET WHAT YOU WANT.

Ross Bros. Dry Goods

Suprise Gift Packages

You can secure Gifts that will surprise him by visiting this store. What about a Saddle Blanket, Riding Bridle, Quirts, Lariat Ropes, Stirrups, and Spurs.

Gifts like these are unusual and they are sure to please the man with a saddle pony.

VAN B. BOSTON
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SPECIALS Friday and Saturday

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Tomatoes Smith Brand Extra Standard No. 2½ Can	16	Tomato Soup Campbell's 3 Cans For	25
PINTO BEANS Divens 30 oz. Can	15	Tomato Juice CHB 12oz. cans 3 for	25
SWEET CORN Del Haven No. 2 Can 2 For	23	Pancake Flour White Swan 3 Lb. Pkg.	22
SARDINES Talc Can 2 for	27	Paper Towels, Scott, 2 rolls for	25
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The following list of men and women, boys and girls who have bought bonds at this place since the last publication in the Star shows that citizens here are backing up Uncle Sam to the limit.

The ones purchasing bonds so far in December are: Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ritchie, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brown, Miss Roberta Wray, Rowena Mc-Adams, Melvin Bachman, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Garrison, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Norvell, Nolan Wayne and Ernest Jean Cummings, Carl Hoeffliger, Peggy Jean Foster, Leonard Smead, Shirley Ann Lee, Grover Hampton, Bernard Moses, Gean Marshall, John R. Marshall, Arthur and W. A. Ross, Gene Ross, Mr. and Mrs. Van Boston, Mr. and Mrs. John Hoeffliger, Howard Norvil Green and Linda Ann and William Lee Riffe.

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Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Lyon, Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Everett, Mr. and Mrs. Arrell Cummings, Mrs. Bess Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Mowrer, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gibbins, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Yates, Vernon Carter, Evelyn Carter, Dwayne Carter, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Oquin, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cromer, Emmett J. Gladish, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jackson.

**Shasta Dam Will
 Help Dam The Axis**

Redding, California—The massive peace-time project of Shasta dam is a war job now.

Conceived as a giant water project, the dam's immediate importance is as an arsenal of electricity. California's fields are still thirsty for water but war industry is still thirstier for power.

Shasta will join Boulder and Grand Coulee dams as one of the three greatest concrete structures in the world. The other two already are firing kilowatts at the Axis.

Priorities have been granted for Shasta's big generators and for further installations at Boulder, Grand Coulee and other dams. When all these are in place perhaps a year from now the natural electric power generated in the twelve westernmost states will total 20,000,000,000 kilowatt hours a year.

Shasta, latest in this great series of peace-planned dams, is the key-stone of multiple-purpose development program for California's great central valley, 450 miles long.

Agriculture is to be the chief beneficiary, and although the whole development will cost \$264,000,000, the valley's crops for a single year exceed that figure.

Prime purpose of the dam is to conserve the water which each spring gushes out of the Sierra Nevada mountains as the result of rains and melting snows. At present two-thirds of it flows into the ocean, wasted, and at times causes heavy floods.

Shasta and several smaller dams will catch this run-off and distribute it in the dry season when water is desperately needed. The steady release of water from the 30,000 acre artificial lake behind the dam will turn the electric generators.

There are several important by-products of the plan. Today so little water flows through the wide delta lands of the Sacramento River that salt ocean water "backs up" and is ruining many fields. Virtually all the canned asparagus comes from this region.

The new water supply also will bring back into production thousands of acres of farm land in mild, year-round climate. Much fine soil has been abandoned because California has "over-drawn its account" on its ground water and natural streams.

**THINGS THAT NEVER
 HAPPEN IN CHURCH**

Ushers calling for help in carrying the offerings.

Ministers insisting that the people attend only one service each Sunday in order to make room for others.

A dozen people asking the minister for some really definite work to do during the week.

A dozen families asking the ushers to place them on the front seat.

Everyone in the audience reaching for a songbook, when the number is announced and then singing heartily. Every head reverently bowed during prayer.

A choir that does not find a single thing to whisper about during the service.

The minister saying, "I have rushed from one thing to another all week. I have spent less than three hours in revising this old sermon which is rather out of date, but I will endeavor to make it fit the occasion."

No whispering or reading in church.

The Missionary Society hoping that the preacher's wife will bring to the next meeting a long list of things that ought to be done in the parsonage at once.

The "old timers" graciously giving way to the "newcomers", confident that the newcomers will be able to do much better work than they have done.

No one getting up or moving about or leaving the room during the service.

The middle of the pews filled first. The name and address of all strangers handed to the preacher at the close of the service.

Each one speaking to the person next to him and inviting him to come again.—The Churchman.

GENERAL MONTGOMERY IN THICK OF THE FIGHT



CAIRO, EGYPT—This radiophoto sent from Egypt to New York showing General Montgomery, left, Commander of the British Eighth Army that is pursuing the German Africa Corps across the desert, sharing a pot of tea with members of one of his tank crews who have paused for a few moments rest. What appears to be wrecked vehicles show in the background.

**Our Christmas Shopping
 for Victory**

It all depends on which end you look through. Sure, there have been a few minor casualties in all lines since last December 7th.

But we still have left, with which to carry on, back orders arriving daily and even tho' this is "out", there's something else "in".

So let's just keep on shopping each day until the last. After all, by substituting, we Americans are mighty lucky!

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**WOMEN
 AT WAR**

Betsy

The little girl tugged gently at her mother's sleeve.

"Now, Mother?" she asked. "Now can't we write my letter?"

"Why, of course, Betsy," Mrs. Carson grinned. "Are you going to write it or am I?"

"Well," Betsy said. "Maybe you'd better kind of say it to me. Only I'd love to write it."

"All right, then, Miss Carson, take a letter," her mother said, walking slowly up and down the room.

"Ready?" Dear Mr. Morgenthau: The way I save money for War Stamp buying is to steer all the small household jobs toward my daughter, who is eight years old. She is so keen about buying War Stamps that I know all the money I might have paid to someone else for doing the jobs will go toward Victory when paid to her.

"Now make a list, Betsy. Windows washed, 60 cents. Apples picked from under the tree, 25 cents. Emptied trash cans, 4 cents. Sold string beans from the garden, 15 cents. Sold strips of spoiled film to children for sun-gazing, at one cent a yard, 20 cents. Total, \$1.24. Yours helpfully, I hope,—and then I'll sign it at the bottom."

Betsy was puffing like a grampus from her labors. The tall, painstaking letters tottered bravely across the sheet of paper. Gravely Mrs. Carson took the pen to sign.

"Mother, would it be the proper etiquette if I signed it too?"

"Perfectly proper, I think," Mrs. Carson said without a smile, and handed the pen back to Betsy.

(Letter from an actual communication in the files of the Treasury Department.)

Every member of the family should invest in America's future. Make certain at least 10 percent of the family's total income is pledged to victory no later than New Year's Day.

U. S. Treasury Department

J. W. ELLIOTT
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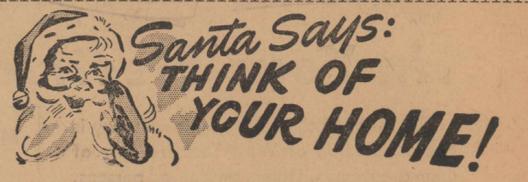
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The Stratford Star

Brown Ross, Owner
I. D. Divine, Editor

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How does a termite manage to subsist on wood—a non-living substance?

The dietary process of the termite works on a friendly cooperative plan. The termite carries within its alimentary canal a host of microscopic one-celled protozoa, and both the termite and the protozoa work to keep each other alive. The protozoa converts wood cellulose into carbon dioxide, hydrogen and acetic acid, and the termite then absorbs the acid as nourishment. At the same time, the termite helps the protozoa along by grinding up the wood for it, keeping away the oxygen which

would kill the protozoa and absorbing the acetic acid which would also be fatal. Do you get it?

L. O. Boney, who lives down near Morse, Texas, this week advised the Star publishers that he had been a reader of the Star for the past 36 years. He will also get the paper through 1943. Now that is a long time to be on the Star subscription list, yet there are a number who have been getting the paper for many years. During the past 36 years the Star has changed hands a number of times, yet Mr. Boney keeps right on keeping up with home town affairs by reading the Star. Thanks for your letter Mr. Boney.

It should be no embarrassment if you should be invited out to dine, and at the same time asked to bring your own meat, coffee, sugar. And if its a cocktail party, your own drink with the hostess furnishing the ice.

During the war period all of us, kid ourselves that we are getting the worst of it because we cannot get help to carry on the farms, the business houses, etc. There is plenty of people left in all the towns to carry on the work if they only wanted to work. That is the reason why in war times the different governments have to take charge of furnishing help to industries, business houses, and out on the farms—just make people work under military orders.

Henry Ford once said: "I can run my business better than any public official in Washington." How true this statement is in the light of the botch federal authorities are making of the job of trying to tell farmers

how to operate their trucks. Just how 2,000 office clerks tucked away in a Detroit building can pose as experts on truck transportation in every part of the nation is amazing. This is especially true when you realize that half of them have never been outside the boundaries of a big city. Such foolish things as this is causing a near revolt in the Southwest over the inequalities and inconsistencies of gasoline rationing.—Canyon News.

Give a Woman a dab of perfume over her ears, a bit of mink around her shoulders, and a pair of shoes with the toes cut out, and she will be perfectly comfortable on a windy street corner a zero day. Put her in long underwear, though, and she'll begin to squawk if the room temperature falls below 78.

Some readers may not know it, but space in this paper is all the publishers have from which to derive a revenue. Each week there is considerable space used by firms who advertise the sale and purchase of war bonds, and they pay for that space to sell government bonds to win the war, as they do space for the sale of their own merchandise, or services. Its a great contribution towards the successful prosecution of the war. The business firms are to be commended for their unselfish acts.

The common wasp used wood pulp to build his nest years before man discovered wood pulp for paper making. Today, man still uses this same material for the majority of his paper requirements. In 1035 A. D. paper was so common in Cairo, Egypt, merchants used it for wrapping. There are 86 paper mills in all

SHARING SWEETS



CHICAGO, ILL. — Yeoman Eric Rellis and Roslyn Nowak are enjoying themselves at a historical exhibit of Christmas candy. In 1816 the only candies available for Christmas dinners were stick candy, molasses taffy, lozenges, and gum drops, shown on first tier, rear. This year, men in service will be served thousands of pounds of these hard candies—shown in middle tier. And in foreground are exhibited candies included in emergency field rations—fruit drops, "D" bars, and malted milk dextrose tablets.

of South America. Of these Brazil has 40, Argentina 31. Argentina and Chile, each have two pulp mills. To the Chinese goes the credit for making the first paper, so many years ago that man cannot even set a date. Right now there is plenty of paper for everyone and every need, and enough trees standing to last 100 more years, without planting any more trees. More trees are being planted each year, so there should never be any shortage of wood or paper. However, there is a shortage of labor and transportation, and that is why restrictions are being placed on paper today by the government.

THE WAY OF THE NEW DEAL

Steve White, Cloud county, Kansas farmer took a load of penalty wheat to town the other day to sell at \$1.10 a bushel. While driving to town he noticed it contained a chicken feather. At the elevator, after the wheat was unloaded, he asked to buy a load of government chicken feed at eighty cents a bushel. He was directed to drive his truck back to the same spot at the elevator and some wheat was unloaded into his truck. In it, he noticed, was a chicken feather. "Isn't that the wheat I just unloaded?" he demanded. "Yes", said the elevator man. "I'll be damned," ejaculated White, wondering why he hadn't stayed home, kept his wheat, saved his tires and had the government send him a check for 30 cents a bushel.

In many cases the person who is worrying for fear he may lose his mind, wouldn't miss it if he did.

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus:
I've been a very good little boy, will you please bring me a train, dump truck, car and plenty of candy, nuts, oranges and apples. Please don't forget my baby brother, Karl. He wants a pup with a string on it, also candy and oranges. Your little friend,
Ray Dean Kirkwood.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a wagon for Christmas, a tool chest and some candy.
Bill Riffe.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a Xmas tree, a gun present (a little popping gun or a BB gun), a rocking horse or a real horse, a picture of Do-Do, a gun-belt, a leash for Pat with Jeanne's, Lelah's and my initials on it, a pretty book, a cowboy gun and one more thing.
I love you, William Leslie Price.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a rubber dy-dee doll, candy, and nuts and some books for my big sister. Lots of love,
Gaynell Parker.

Dear Santa:
I want a doll. I want some paper dolls. I have been a good girl.
Nella Beth.

Dear Santa Claus:
I have been a very good girl. Would you please bring me a doll, some story books, table and chairs, some candy, nuts and fruits. I want the other boys and girls to have some toys too. Your friend,
Julia Ann Crabtree.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me that big Doll I saw at White and Kirk's in Amarillo when I had my arm taken out of the cast. I also want some new dresses (any kind) for my Princess Doll at grandmother's and one new dress for my Dy-dee doll. I want a real small deck of cards like Don Riffe has, too, and some skates and house slippers. If you can get them, will you bring me two new tires for my bicycle?
Lovingly yours,
Kathryn Jeanne Price.

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read between the legal lines. Their survival from earliest times is no accident. They are important enough to deserve the attention of laymen as well as that of officials, attorneys and the parties immediately concerned.
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Humility is an element of greatness because it is a sign of knowledge of greater things yet to be attained.

New Merchandise Received This Week
Round Oak Gas Ranges
Bed Springs
Inner Spring Mattresses
Studio Couches with coil springs.
Knee Hole Desk and Chairs
Coffee Tables galore

HURRY IN
SLAY'S
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Stratford, Texas

LITTLE CHATS
OR
Public Notices

"AS OLD AS CIVILIZED MAN"

At least as far back as the Roman and other ancient peoples, the practice of publicly giving due Notice was well established. That long ago the necessity of posting such Notices in public places was widely recognized, and the effectiveness of the method proved.

Such Notices might be put up in the circus or some other public place. Sometimes they were put on the sides of buildings.

This may have been good enough for the Romans but it wouldn't meet today's needs. Cities are larger, nations are more populous, and life is generally more complex.

The modern newspaper is the chief reliance today for Public Notices of all kinds. Occasionally other media are used for special reasons, but the newspaper remains the surest and most effective medium for this purpose.

Read the Public Notices in your local newspaper. They are always important, either to individuals, to groups or to the community as a whole. This is because they involve private or public rights of some kind. Moreover, they are often interesting and many a dramatic story can be

IF YOU HAVE

not prepared your car for winter driving, better do it now.



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The list of stockholders in this company is a cross-section of West Texas. Many of them are women. Others are retired persons, and skilled technicians such as carpenters, electricians, mechanics. Some are farmers and stockmen.

Still others are architects, physicians, nurses, bookkeepers, librarians, stenographers, contractors, merchants, restaurant owners, teachers, salesmen, mailmen, firemen, policemen, railroad firemen, conductors, and ticket agents. Some are in the Army, the Navy, and the Marines.

Besides these direct investors, there are thousands more whose interest is indirect but no less real. Very likely your savings bank and other institutions such as lodges, colleges, churches or your life insurance company, for example, have put a large part of your money into sound electric securities.

In a very real sense, Your Electric Company represents the savings of the people it serves... people who have entrusted their savings to business management under public regulation — the same business management that has given the average West Texas home twice or three times as much electric service for its money in the last 10 to 15 years.

This company is assisting with the heavy burden on taxpayers by contributing \$1,200,000 in 1942 taxes to the various local, state, and federal governments. It is co-operating with America's many other electric companies, under free enterprise, to provide over 90 per cent of the Nation's vast supply of power.

West Texas Utilities Company

INVEST IN AMERICA!
Buy War Bonds and Stamps!

"When Government Goes Into Business"

(Excerpts from an editorial in the Southwestern Railway Journal)

A retired railroad man*, of Little Rock, Ark., invited 600 other stockholders of a local utilities company to attend a meeting to "see what we can do to protect our stock" following announcement that a hearing had been set on applications by two government projects to start a Federal power development program.

This man and the other 600 Little Rock stockholders are a small part of the total number of citizens owning stock in the established utilities affected by the hearing. Holdings of some of these no doubt represented the savings of a lifetime. They know that their securities are in jeopardy... This is FACT, not fancy...

... The point we want to make here is that government has gone too far in going big scale into business in competition with free enterprise through direct operation or through subsidization...

When government, through adventures into business destroy, properties, wipes out the savings of workers and the holdings of financial enterprises in which savings of workers and others are invested, it does seem that it is about time the people awaken to a realization that there is something wrong with the theory that the remedy for our economic ills is to destroy the enterprises which have made this the greatest country in the world...

—Southwestern Railway (Labor) Journal.

*Name on request.

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Spurlock 4-H Club Girl Will Receive Gold Star Medal

Christine Williams, of the Spurlock girls 4-H club, has been selected gold star girl for Sherman county, according to information released by Miss Mabel Martin, county home demonstration agent. To be selected a gold star girl is an honor, for a girl must do outstanding work in the 4-H club. She must be a leader, a good citizen and live up to the ideals of the 4-H club. She must have initiative and be a hard worker.

Christine is 14 years old and this is her fourth year of club work. A summary of her work for the past year is as follows:

Twenty-two garments were made and 5 were remodeled by Christine for the six members of the family. She does all of the family sewing. The cost of the garments made and remodeled was \$20.05 and the value of them when finished was \$42.60 or a saving of \$22.55. She canned 218 quarts and dried 207 pounds of food and helped cure two hogs.

Christine had a summer garden with beans, radishes, greens, okra, cucumbers, sweet peppers, tomatoes, pumpkins, melons and hot peppers. She also planted a fall garden in her frame garden and had greens, carrots and late beans.

In poultry, the flock of 167 birds produced 193½ dozen eggs up to the middle of November, when records were submitted. The eggs brought \$610.60. The chickens have fed themselves and the family of six. \$190.85 has been spent for commercial feed and \$2.50 for oyster shell. Christine helped her father build a new 20x16 chicken house and also helped put a concrete floor and ventilators in the brooder house.

She and her father set out 25 Chinese elm trees and 47 cottonwood trees. The cost of all of this was 25 cents, for the Chinese elm cost one-cent each and the cotton woods were some she had rooted from branches from old trees.

To help with the labor shortage, Christine drove a tractor and took the place of an extra hired hand during harvest. She used some of the money made to buy defense stamps and bonds.

Before coming to school she cooks breakfast every morning and plans the other meals according to the Texas Food Standard, for she realizes that to keep well the family must have meals that are nutritionally adequate. She has made a recipe file to use in planning and preparing meals.

New Superintendent Rock Island Lines Panhandle Division

Effective December 10, C. C. Cunningham, Western Division Superintendent of the Rock Island Lines since January, 1942, has been appointed Superintendent of the Panhandle Division of the railroad with headquarters at Liberal, Kansas.

He will replace G. F. Branch who has been granted a leave of absence to enter military service.

Mr. Cunningham came to the Rock Island Lines as an instrument man at Topeka, Kansas in 1909. During the first World War, he served overseas as a Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, from December 1917 to Aug. 1919.

Following his return to the Rock Island, he was Division Engineer on the Missouri-Kansas Division and later Superintendent on the Cedar Rapids and Des Moines Divisions.

Eric B. Herdman, Assistant Superintendent of the Missouri-Kansas division, with headquarters at Trenton, will succeed Mr. Cunningham as Superintendent of the Western Division, with headquarters at Fairbury, Nebraska.

A native of Birmingham, England, Mr. Herdman began working for the Rock Island as a brakeman in 1918. He has been Assistant Superintendent at Cedar Rapids, and more recently, Superintendent of the Panhandle and Oklahoma divisions.

The present constitution of the State of Texas was written by convention which convened at Austin, Sept. 6, 1875, and adjourned Nov. 4, 1875.

CURRENT PROGRAM AT THE ROXY

Tonight, "BLONDIE FOR VICTORY" with the Burnsteads.

Friday-Saturday, "BELLS OF CAPESTRANO" with Gene Autry and Frog.

Sunday - Monday, "FOOTLIGHT SERENADE" with Betty Grable John Payne.

Tuesday, "I WAS FRAMED" starring Michael Ames and Regis Toomy.

Men in Service Admitted Free



The people of this community are interested in men who are serving in the armed forces. Families and friends are asked to cooperate with this paper by supplying news from these men.



HAROLD O'QUIN

is now stationed at Alameda, California, and is in the Radio division of the armed forces. He attended the Stratford schools, also the college at Canyon, Texas. Before entering the service he was employed at the First State Bank at this place.

Eugene Wilson has been transferred from Nashville, Tennessee to a location in Florida for special training. Mr. Wilson enlisted this spring, and for a while was stationed at Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Armed Forces Take Foods; Half of 1943 Pack Is Reserved

Washington—The war production board ordered approximately one-half of the 1943 pack of popular canned fruits, vegetables, and juices set aside for purchase for the armed forces, lend lease, and other government agencies, thus reducing the supply available to civilians substantially below pre-war levels.

The order directed canners to set aside various percentages of their 1943 pack of 31 fruits and vegetables based on the amount packed in 1942 (citrus products, 1941-42 crop year), which range from 19 per cent of the grape fruit pack to 100 per cent of the blueberry, fig, blended fruit juice and carrot pack.

In 1942, canners were required to set aside about 35 per cent of their pack for the government.

WPB estimated the portion of the 1943 pack allocated for civilian use would provide a maximum of about 33 pounds of canned foods per capita in 1944, when most of the 1943 pack will be consumed. This compared with an annual average per capita consumption of canned foods of about 48 pounds in the pre-war period, 1935-39.

Certificates of War Necessity Geared For Faster Service

Procedure handling appeals on Certificates of War Necessity has been streamlined for faster service to the commercial motor vehicle operator, N. F. Nelson, ODT Amarillo district manager for motor transport, said today.

The thirty-day waiting period originally required before an appeal might be filed has been suspended. Carriers are urged, however, not to appeal unless it is impossible to carry on necessary operations.

Operators may now send in their Certificates with a letter of explanation and are promptly furnished with the appeal form on which they may supply information to show their needs justify increased operations allowances. Farmers and ranchers should appeal through the Farm Transportation Committees of their County Agent's office. All other operators should write the district office at 1008 Fisk Building, Amarillo.

Personal interviews require more time for the staff as well as for the operator. Several hundred appeals could be handled each day if all were received by mail, Mr. Nelson said. If appeal forms are filled out completely and mailed in promptly, they can save time and also the tire mileage required to drive in to the office. The greatest cause for delay continues to be incomplete information from the applicant.

Applications are still reaching the office and on new applications a Certificate is mailed out the same day the application is received. Any operator who has not yet received his

Buckles Reports On Nat'l Farm Bureau Meeting Attended

Sherman County Farm Bureau has the highest percent of farm membership of any county in the Southern Region, R. C. Buckles announced on his return from the National Farm Bureau Convention in Chicago, December 8th-9th. Mr. Buckles brought back a certificate of award and \$1.00 in Defense Stamps which was presented to him for the county by Ed O'Neal, American Farm Bureau President.

Mr. Buckles reports that farm leaders attending the convention are well pleased with the prospects of keeping and improving the present farm program. "The farmers of America are being called on to feed the largest army that the United States has ever had and also to help feed many people throughout the Allied Nations. The Even Normal Granary is proving very effective and farmers are confident that they can meet the needs of the food requirements if the government officials will let us on the red tape and allow them gasoline and tires," Mr. Buckles stated.

Sherman County Boy Makes Big Profit On Hereford Steer

Dale Hamilton, Sherman county 4-H Club boy from Texhoma recently sold his beef calf at Kansas City making a profit of \$35.00. The calf, a Hereford steer weighing 800 pounds, was sold by the Ragland Commission Company for 15½ cents per pound.

Dale is twelve years old and this is his first experience in feeding beef calves. He bought the calf from his uncle, Rentie Hamilton and feed it home-grown grains and roughness by use of a chicken-proof self-feeder. He bought a protein supplement in order for the calf to have a balanced ration.

Dale considered all cost including home-grown feeds, the freight to Kansas City and commission charge for selling the calf, in arriving at the profit.

A. P. Bralley, county agent, reported that Dale had excellent possibilities as a cattle feeder if his interest continues. Other boys in the county who have calves on feed now are: Duane Mitchell, Jimmy Meyer, Homer Coffman, Robert Keenan, Destry Trainham and Neal Spurlock.

SUGGESTION FOR THE SHARE-THE-MEAT PROGRAM

Meat rationing is due to go into operation in a few weeks and many people are cooperating with the Share-The-Meat program by arranging to store their own meat. In connection with this activity Sherman County Agent Art Bralley has this suggestion to make:

"The government officials are anxious for people and especially farmers to raise and store their own meat supply. But they ask that you cooperate by killing only one or two hogs at a time. This makes the spare-ribs, liver, sausage or the variety of meats go farther and it also helps the locker plant operators who are generally overworked at this time of the year. For the best cured meats do not kill hogs that are too large. A 200 to 250 pound hog is preferred."

TRANSFERRED TO THIS PLACE FROM DALHART

The first of this week, L. F. Denny took up work with the West Texas Utilities Company in Stratford, being transferred to this place from Dalhart. Mr. Denny takes the place formerly held by S. J. Farris, who has moved to Dumas.

Mr. Denney has been in Dalhart only a short time, going to that place from Goodwell, Oklahoma, where he had been in business for himself, and also employed by the town of Goodwell for eight years as light, water and power superintendent. His family will not be moved to Stratford until after the first of the year.

Certificate may be assured his application has not yet reached the district office and will be handled immediately when it arrives.

The Amarillo district serves the following counties: Harding, Quay, Union, Beaver, Cimarron, Armstrong, Carson, Collingsworth, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Donley, Hartley, Moore, Oldham, Potter, Randall, Sherman, Gray Wheeler, Hansford, Hemphill, Lipscomb, Hutchinson, Ochiltree and Roberts.

More than fifty farmers have received 3100 mile Certificates of War Necessity in Sherman county, R. C. Buckles reports. These "3100" were received by many farmers throughout the nation, Mr. Buckles learned at Chicago.

"Buy Defense bonds to help the boys of 18 and 19 years old, finish the job of 1918."

ONLY SIX DAYS



There are only a few more days until Christmas, and the buying season for the year, will be over. During the next six shopping days, a lot of money will be spent by the people the trade territory for various kinds of merchandise.

During the past twelve months the home town merchants have been on the job, endeavoring to fill the needs of the people, and it has not always been an easy job as it has been hard to secure many lines of merchandise. Yet they have stayed on the job and battled it out for the home town.

They have not only gone the limit to get supplies and merchandise for the trade territory, but been helpful in everything that has meant anything to Stratford and surrounding country. They have contributed time and money, with many of them serving in the home town trenches in the war work. That took a lot of time, but they gave it gladly, along with thousands of dollars invested in war bonds.

During the next six days when many thousands of dollars will be invested in various kinds of merchandise, why not drop in on the home town merchants and make the investments. Four gallons of gasoline will of course take any one some where else to do that buying, but its patriotic to conserve and might be helpful all round to think of the home town first, and keep Stratford women in Stratford.

WOMEN ARE ASKED TO ENLIST IN THE WAVES

Dallas, Dec. 11—Since issuance of the executive order halting enlistments of men, more women than ever are needed for the WAVES, the Women's Reserve of the United States Naval Reserve.

Commander E. D. Walbridge, USN (Ret.) District Director of Naval Officer Procurement, announcement today that "since the marital requirements for WAVES' enlistment and procurement has been changed, an onrush of applicants is both expected and desired."

Commander Walbridge explained that heretofore a married woman whose husband was serving in any branch of the armed forces was not acceptable. "That rule has been changed," he said. "A married woman may now join the WAVES, even though her husband is in the service, provided that service is not the Navy or Naval Reserve. The woman's husband may be a soldier, a Marine or a member of the Coast Guard, and the woman will still be considered for the WAVES. However, if an applicant's husband is in the Navy, the WAVES applicant may enlist in the SPARS, the Women's Reserve of the Coast Guard. This change in WAVES requirements applies both to officers and enlisted personnel."

Commander Walbridge made an urgent appeal to Texas women.

"If you have been undecided about serving your country as a member of the WAVES," he said, "now is the time to reach your decision. New ships are being launched and commissioned constantly. These will be used to convoy merchant vessels, troop ships and supply ships. Thousands of men are needed to sail these new ships. And every woman who enlists in the WAVES releases a Navy man for sailing and shooting duty."

The Office of Naval Officer Procurement at 1430 Allen Building, Dallas, is open and waiting for "patriotic and fighting-mad" women who want to join the WAVES.

Mrs. J. T. Gibbons received a telephone message from her son, Howard, who has been stationed at Camp Roberts, California, saying he had received his honorable discharge from the Army due to his age. He is now in Burbank, California, with his sisters, Mrs. E. R. Kelp and Mrs. Bill Lollis. He expects to start to work soon in a defense plant.

Compliments are like perfume—to be inhaled but not swallowed.

FUNERAL RITES HELD TUESDAY FOR PIONEER STRATFORD SETTLER

Funeral rites were held Tuesday afternoon of this week for Marion E. Green, who passed away in the Loretto hospital at Dalhart, Monday, December 14th. He was born May 16, 1872 at Itasca, Hill county, Texas, and at the time of his death was 70 years, 6 months and 28 days, old.

Mr. Green with his family moved to Sherman county in 1911, where he engaged in farming until a few years ago, and since that time has resided in Stratford. When he was about 40 years of age he united with the Methodist church at Spurlock, Texas.

Funeral services were held in the Stratford Christian church Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock, being conducted by Rev. L. B. Chaffin, and assisted by Rev. J. W. Rosenberg, and interment was in the Stratford cemetery with arrangements by the Wilson Funeral Home.

He is survived by Mrs. Green, and six children; being Dudley Green, Hereford, Texas; Ozie Green, Spearman, Texas; Mrs. N. D. Kelp, and Mrs. Bonnie Tackel of Stratford; Mrs. Bill Rogers, Vallejo, California, and William Green, who is in the United States Navy.

SERVICE MAN INJURED WHILE ON FURLOUGH

Arlyn Haile, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Haile, of this place, was severely injured Monday of this week when helping his father move a herd of cattle. He had gotten off the saddle pony while he drove some of the cattle out of a field. Afterwards when he attempted to mount the pony and before he was settled with both feet in the stirrups, the pony started pitching. He was thrown to the ground hitting on his shoulder in such a manner that the shoulder was torn from the collar bone.

He was removed to the hospital at Dalhart for treatment, and will be returned to his home here this week.

Officers Elected Sherman County Boys 4-H Clubs For 1943

Each of the three Boy's 4-H Clubs of Sherman county have elected officers and are ready to start a new years club work after the holidays.

Officers of the Stratford Club are: Stanley Ullom, president; Jerry Frizell, vice-president, and Jim Sweny, secretary.

Officers of the Texhoma club are: Duane Mitchell, president; Wallace Bridwell, vice-president and Jimmie Meyer, secretary.

Officers of the Spurlock club are: Junior Adams, president; Irwin Cartwright, vice-president, and Junior Cox, secretary. Among the men who assisted County Agent, A. P. Bralley with the Club boys as Adult Leaders are: Grady Pearson, E. A. Wooten, R. C. Buckles, Geo. V. Roberts, J. N. Bridwell, Harvey Spurlock, Richard Adams, and Superintendent Beane of the Sunray school.



Lieutenant Rose L. Smothers, Woman's Army Auxiliary Corps recruiting officer at the Lubbock Army Recruiting Station, believes in enrolling women in groups instead of singly.

Lieutenant Smothers enrolled the fifty (50) women in the Panhandle Rangerette Platoon and has now started on a second platoon from the South Plains area. The Rangerette Platoon is the first full platoon to be enrolled in the United States.

Until her entry into the service last July, Lieutenant Smothers was commercial teacher in the Drumwright, Oklahoma, High school. She has a degree from Central State College in Edmond, Oklahoma, and also has studied at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles. She received her commission in the WAAC last September.

Lieutenant Smothers, together with Lieut. Virginia F. Williams, has been stationed at the West Texas Recruiting and Induction District Headquarters in Lubbock since October 5.

The total annual expenditure by the Texas government for educational purposes exceeds \$58,000,000.

More Readers Renew For Star; Newsprint Cut 20 Per Cent

During the past several days a number of Star readers either called at the office or mailed in a renewal for the coming new year, and the publishers appreciate it very much.

Just what the new year will mean in subscriptions to a newspaper is to be seen in a very short time. Last week a twenty per cent reduction in print paper was ordered, in this country and in Canada, and while publishers knew it was coming, yet they have wondered how it would work out. The paper on which the Star is published is made in Canada, and is shipped to this country. Since the war both countries have been working together to conserve, and also to keep all industries moving, yet publishers are anxious to learn how it is going to work out.

The following have the thanks of the publishers for new year renewals: Dan Martin, R. F. Frei, R. W. Blackwell, Homer Smith, Roy Browder, Mrs. Lucy LaFrenz, W. A. Spurlock, Mrs. W. H. Bowen, S. J. Calvird, H. C. Mower, W. O. Bryant, H. H. Bryant, J. G. Clark, Mrs. Earl Smith, O. R. Blankenship, Anton Zimmer, G. N. Batterson, T. F. Basikin Jr., Minnie L. Jackson, Luther Browder, Mrs. A. L. King.

Texas Birth Rate Increased 21 Per Cent

Texas increased its birth rate last year to 21.2 per 1,000 population, signifying a sharp increase over births in 1940.

The department of commerce reported 136,291 babies were born in 1941 as compared with 126,687 the previous year. The rate was higher than the 18.9 for the nation as a whole.

Deaths in Texas declined as compared with 1940's rate. Last year there were 60,424 deaths, in 1940 there were 62,503. The drop in rate was from 9.7 per 1,000 population to 9.4.

The birth-rate increase over 1939 was even more marked. The rate three years ago was 19.1, based on 121,049 births.

TIRE AND TUBE CERTIFICATES

Tire and tube certificates were issued to the following for the weeks' November 21st to Dec. 6th.

Stratford—E. W. Butler, 1 tire and tube; W. B. Strother, 1 tire and tube; Guy McDaniel, pickup tire and tube; K. L. Eller, 1 pickup tire and tube; C. L. Cameron, 1 truck tire; J. P. Cameron, 1 truck tire; Walter Lasley, 1 tire and tube; W. L. Hanky, 2 passenger recaps; Lloyd Thompson, 2 passenger recaps; John Woodruff, 3 passenger recaps; Fern Miller, 3 passenger recaps; C. F. Gill, 1 passenger recap; Bob Jacobs, 2 pickup recaps; Peach Smith, 1 pickup recap; Ralph Keener, 2 pickup recaps; W. O. Parvin 1 passenger tire; J. W. Garoutte, 1 passenger tire; G. C. Bryan, 1 truck tube; G. C. Dortch, 1 pickup tire; J. W. Flores, 2 pickup tires; F. D. Brannan, 1 truck tire and 1 tube; Arthur Cartrite, 1 truck tire and 1 tube; Peach Smith, 1 pickup tire; F. I. Reid, 2 tractor tires; Dick Diehl, 2 truck tires and 1 tube; Homer Blake, 1 truck tire and 1 tube; Walter Lasley, 4 recaps for pickup.

Texhoma—Omer C. Arnold, 1 pickup tire and 1 tube; C. M. Reynolds, 1 pickup tire and 1 tube; T. L. Marshall, 2 tubes (pickup); Arnold Husmann, 2 tubes (pickup); W. E. Hartman, 1 passenger tire.

Gruber—S. R. Cluck, 1 truck tire. Sunray—Arthur Cartrite, 1 tractor tire.

One Million Men Now Overseas

In reading his quarterly report to Congress a few days ago President Roosevelt revealed that before the end of this month, this nation would have more than one million men overseas.

The Allied force which occupied French North Africa in November was the greatest single overseas expeditionary force in history.

The lend-lease report shows that assistance to our Allies totaled more than two billion, 300-million dollars for the three-month period. That's an increase of more than one-third over the previous quarter, and more than four times the lend-lease total for the three months immediately preceding Pearl Harbor.

The president also stressed the fact that this country needed more ships, tanks and guns before the nation could wage the offensive that would bring victory.

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:-SOCIETY:-

News under this heading is contributed by interested citizens who are interested in the social affairs of the community.

Embroidery Club

The Embroidery Club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Pendleton Thursday night, December 10th, for their annual Christmas party and supper. After the delicious chicken supper, gifts were exchanged, then the game of 42 was enjoyed by all until a late hour. Mr. Pendleton won high score.

The following members and guests attended: Messrs. and Mesdames, G. R. Garrison, W. E. Kelley, W. G. O'Brien, M. Dortch, E. W. Butler, G. L. Taylor, J. C. O'Brien, M. H. Harrison, J. R. Pendleton, Earl Shirk, M. Roberson, Mesdames Calvird, Arnold, Flores, Buckles, and Mr. H. E. Smith.

Mr. Brooks and Mrs. Ed Brooks motored to Dalhart, Friday.

Mrs. Cleo Etheridge spent Sunday with her parents in Dumas.

Mrs. Lyle Murdock of Kerrick was the guest of Mrs. S. J. Calvird, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. King and Lloyd were in Amarillo, Monday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Parsons were in Dalhart Wednesday of last week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lovelace and son, Glendale were in Amarillo Tuesday of this week.

Rev. and Mrs. L. B. Chaffin and children were visitors in Guymon Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Diehl were in Amarillo Sunday, Monday and Tuesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Peach Smith were Amarillo visitors Monday and Tuesday of last week.

Bill Ross, Mrs. H. M. Brown and Mrs. Mynola Ross visited with Mary in Amarillo, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Knight and son of Conlen were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lovelace, Sunday.

R. M. Trainham, who is a student in Military College at Kerrville, Texas is expected home this week.

Peach Smith delivered 135 head of steers here Saturday which he sold to Ben Snyder of Denver, Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard E. Crutchfield of Amarillo spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. I. Crutchfield.

Misses Mildred Sangster, Frances and Margaret Douglas were weekend visitors in their homes in Texhoma, Oklahoma.

Mrs. Chester Guthrie, Misses Vondell Guthrie, Lenor Alexander and Peggy Jean Wilson were visitors in Texhoma, Monday.

Dick Diehl was in Texhoma, Friday receiving 200 head of steers which he had purchased from Carl Carig of that place.

Mrs. E. Hill, Mrs. Lelah Boney, Mrs. Bessie Blazier and Mrs. Eva Ullom were business callers in Dalhart Thursday of last week.

Judge and Mrs. J. W. Elliott returned Saturday from Temple, Texas where Judge Elliott had been receiving medical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Price and son, William Leslie returned from Oklahoma City last Thursday. William is under the doctor's care and is responding nicely to treatments.

Miss Mildred Sangster of Washington, D. C., and daughter of Mrs. T. N. Pugh of Texhoma, Oklahoma has accepted a stenographical position at the Cactus plant at Etter. She is staying in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Diehl.

STRATFORD TEACHER MARRIED AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA, DECEMBER 5th

Miss Bonnie Mae Pendleton of this place was united in marriage to Lieutenant Henry F. Moseley on Saturday, December 5th at Atlanta, Ga.

The wedding was to have taken place in Stratford, but as Lieut. Moseley could not get time off from his duties in the army, Miss Pendleton secured time off from her teaching duties here, and they met in Atlanta where the wedding took place.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. Royal Pendleton and grew to womanhood at this place. Graduated from the Stratford schools, and also the Texas Tech at Lubbock. At this time she holds the position of Second grade teacher in the Stratford schools.

Lieut. Moseley's home is a Chilli-cothe, Texas. He graduated from his home town schools, and also Texas Tech at Lubbock. He is now stationed at Jacksonville, Florida.

Mrs. Moseley will return to this place to resume her teaching duties in the Stratford schools at the beginning of the new year.

D. R. Wilson, Bobby, and Peggy Jean were in Dalhart Saturday on business.

Miss Mario Brown of Spearman is visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brown.

Mrs. Burk Green returned Saturday from a months visit with her sister in Tucson, Arizona.

Mrs. F. A. Judd, Mrs. Arthur Judd and children and Mrs. Willie Belle Brannan were visitors in Dalhart, Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Price, Mrs. F. A. Judd, Misses Helen Gurley and Lucille Parsons were Amarillo visitors Wednesday of last week.

Miss Maxine Kidwell, who has been employed at the Palace Cafe for the past several weeks left Saturday night for her home in Martinsville, Missouri.

J. R. Marshall Sr. and Mr. Bell, both were in Amarillo the latter part of last week for surgical treatment at one of the hospitals. They returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Farris were notified last Wednesday that their house was completed. They have moved to Dumas where he is employed with West Texas Utilities Company.

Miss Kathryn Bonar will leave Moundville, West Va., Friday, Dec. 18th with her aunt, Mrs. H. A. Wellmaker for Washington, D. C., where she will spend Christmas holidays with her cousin, Miss Josephine Wellmaker.

Christian Church

L. B. Chaffin, minister
Bible school 10 a. m., W. O. Bryant, Supt.; Morning Worship 11 a. m.
Junior Endeavor 7 p. m.; Intermediate Endeavor 7 p. m.; Senior Endeavor 7 p. m.
Evening worship 8 p. m.
Bible class Wednesday evening at 8.

WANT ADS

FLOWERS: Call Mrs. H. M. Brown.

For Sale: Cane bundles 2½ cents; Hegari 4 cents in the shock. W. W. Steel. 3tc.

Rough Lumber \$25, \$30, \$35, f.o.b. mill. Jackson Bros. Saw Mill, Ocate New Mexico via Wagon Mound.

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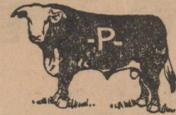
AT SEA—Two members of a U. S. Navy gun crew are shown at their stations, buffeted against the icy blasts that sweep down from the Arctic across the Northern convoy route to Russia. At left is David Riley, of Ludlow, Mass., and at right, James McPerrin, of Birmingham, Alabama.

Methodist Church

Rev. J. W. Rosenberg, pastor
Sundays school 10 a. m.; Morning worship, 11 a. m. Sermon subject, "The Church is Deathless"; Evening service 7:30 p. m. Sermon subject, "Childishness".
Choir rehearsal each Wednesday at 8 p. m.

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Song drill every Wednesday night at 8 p. m.

Baptist Church

(Fern A. Miller, Pastor)
Sunday school 10:00 a. m., L. P. Hunter, superintendent. Morning worship 11:00.
Training Union 7:15 p. m., D. R. Wilson, director. Evening worship 8:00.
Mid-week prayer service Wednesday evening 8:00.

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48 Lb. Sack	\$1.79	Jelly Imitation 2 Lb. jar	24
Peanut Butter Armours Star 24 oz. jar	32	PEACHES Water Pack No. 2½ Can	15
Tomatoes Smith Brand Extra Standard No. 2½ Can	16	Tomato Soup Campbell's 3 Cans For	25
PINTO BEANS Divens 30 oz. Can	15	Tomato Juice C H B 12oz. cans 3 for	25
SWEET CORN Del Haven No. 2 Can 2 For	23	Pancake Flour White Swan 3 Lb. Pkg.	22
SARDINES Tall Can 2 for	27	Paper Towels, Scott, 2 rolls for	25
K C Bak. Powder 25 oz. Can	19	SYRUP Karo Golden 5 Lb. Bucket	35
Magic Washer Large Size	22	Lighthouse Cleanser 3 Cans For	10
Toilet Soap Crystal White Bar	4		

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The following list of men and women, boys and girls who have bought bonds at this place since the last publication in the Star shows that citizens here are backing up Uncle Sam to the limit.

The ones purchasing bonds so far in December are: Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ritchie, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brown, Miss Roberta Wray, Rowena McAdams, Melvin Bachman, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Garrison, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Norvell, Nolan Wayne and Ernest Jean Cummings, Carl Hoeffliger, Peggy Jean Foster, Leonard Smead, Shirley Ann Lee, Grover Hampton, Bernard Moses, Gean Marshall, John R. Marshall, Arthur and W. A. Ross, Gene Ross, Mr. and Mrs. Van Boston, Mr. and Mrs. John Hoeffliger, Howard Norvil Green and Linda Ann and William Lee Riffe.

Carl Hoeffliger, Mr. and Mrs. Burk Green, O. P. Tharp, Alva Richard Albert, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Albert, N. F. Renner, Mrs. Mary A. Renner, Mrs. Verga J. Tharp, Mrs. Osa Gamble, Ira D. Divine, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Mullins, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Clark, Phillip Spruell, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Wheeler, Lowe & Billington, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Etheridge, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Craig, William W. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Ramond Keener, Edith LaVerne Henderson, Edwin Earl Henderson, Alva Deryle Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Smith, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Wiginton, Mrs. Leta Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lasley, Gerald L. Lasley, Walter Lasley Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Orland Lasley, Sam R. Lasley, Mr. and Mrs. Peach Smith, Dorless Ann Parker, Gay Nell Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Keener, Dean C. Sweny, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Ritchey, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Leonard, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Price, Mrs. Cassie P. Shoun, Martha Lynn Crabtree, Bernard Spruell, Mr. and Mrs. Irwin W. Wiseman, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Henderson, R. F. Frel, Mrs. Ida Donelson, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cartrite, Johnny L. Cartrite, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Slay, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Taylor, Mrs. Orel N. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Cowdrey, Mr. and Mrs. Hose Flores, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Lyon, Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Everett, Mr. and Mrs. Arrell Cummings, Mrs. Bess Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Mowrer, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gibbins, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Yates, Vernon Carter, Evelyn Carter, Dwayne Carter, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Oquin, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cromer, Emmett J. Gladish, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jackson.

Shasta Dam Will
Help Dam The Axis

Redding, California—The massive peace-time project of Shasta dam is a war job now.

Conceived as a giant water project, the dam's immediate importance is as an arsenal of electricity. California's fields are still thirsty for water but war industry is still thirstier for power.

Shasta will join Boulder and Grand Coulee dams as one of the three greatest concrete structures in the world. The other two already are firing kilowatts at the Axis.

Priorities have been granted for Shasta's big generators and for further installations at Boulder, Grand Coulee and other dams. When all these are in place perhaps a year from now the natural electric power generated in the twelve westernmost states will total 20,000,000,000 kilowatt hours a year.

Shasta, latest in this great series of peace-planned dams, is the keystone of multiple-purpose development program for California's great central valley, 450 miles long.

Agriculture is to be the chief beneficiary, and although the whole development will cost \$264,000,000, the valley's crops for a single year exceed that figure.

Prime purpose of the dam is to conserve the water which each spring gushes out of the Sierra Nevada mountains as the result of rains and melting snows. At present two-thirds of it flows into the ocean, wasted, and at times causes heavy floods.

Shasta and several smaller dams will catch this run-off and distribute it in the dry season when water is desperately needed. The steady release of water from the 30,000 acre artificial lake behind the dam will turn the electric generators.

There are several important by-products of the plan. Today so little water flows through the wide delta lands of the Sacramento River that salt ocean water "backs up" and is ruining many fields. Virtually all the canned asparagus comes from this region.

The new water supply also will bring back into production thousands of acres of farm land in mild, year-round climate. Much fine soil has been abandoned because California has "over-drawn its account" on its ground water and natural streams.



GENERAL MONTGOMERY IN THICK OF THE FIGHT

CAIRO, EGYPT—This radiophoto sent from Egypt to New York showing General Montgomery, left, Commander of the British Eighth Army that is pursuing the German Africa Corps across the desert, sharing a pot of tea with members of one of his tank crews who have paused for a few moments rest. What appears to be wrecked vehicles show in the background.

Our Christmas Shopping
for Victory

If all depends on which end you look through. Sure, there have been a few minor casualties in all lines since last December 7th.

But we still have left, with which to carry on, back orders arriving daily and even tho' this is "out", there's something else "in".

So let's just keep on shopping each day until the last. After all, by substituting, we Americans are mighty lucky!

LET US HELP YOU.

BONAR PHARMACY
 YOUR REGISTERED STORE—PHONE 29

Your Grain Business

Handling of grain is our business and we give every possible service

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Its hard to obtain coal, so conserve the supply you have on hand—make it go as far as you can. Shipments are uncertain, and a number of mines have been shut down. We will do our best to get coal, but in the meantime conserve your fuel supply.

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KEEP 'EM ROLLING

YOUR CAR IS A NATIONAL ASSET

Keep your car rolling for the duration with frequent check-up and repairs when necessary. Our repair department gives you genuine Ford replacement parts, with the work being done by experienced mechanics.

Cars and tires must last until the war is over, so play safe, keep the car fully repaired, and the tires checked every week.

Lowe & Billington Motor Co.
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We Furnish Quick, Efficient Service On Short Notice

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 Sherman County National Bank Building

THINGS THAT NEVER HAPPEN IN CHURCH

Ushers calling for help in carrying the offerings.

Ministers insisting that the people attend only one service each Sunday in order to make room for others.

A dozen people asking the minister for some really definite work to do during the week.

A dozen families asking the ushers to place them on the front seat.

Everyone in the audience reaching for a songbook, when the number is announced and then singing heartily.

Every head reverently bowed during prayer.

A choir that does not find a single thing to whisper about during the service.

The minister saying, "I have rushed from one thing to another all week. I have spent less than three hours in revising this old sermon which is rather out of date, but I will endeavor to make it fit the occasion."

No whispering or reading in church.

The Missionary Society hoping that the preacher's wife will bring to the next meeting a long list of things that ought to be done in the parsonage at once.

The "old timers" graciously giving way to the "newcomers", confident that the newcomers will be able to do much better work than they have done.

No one getting up or moving about or leaving the room during the service.

The middle of the pews filled first.

The name and address of all strangers handed to the preacher at the close of the service.

Each one speaking to the person next to him and inviting him to come again.—The Churchman.



ANGEL AT WAR

Betsy

The little girl tugged gently at her mother's sleeve

"Now, Mother?" she asked. "Now can't we write my letter?"

"Why, of course, Betsy," Mrs. Carson grinned. "Are you going to write it or am I?"

"Well," Betsy said. "Maybe you'd better and of say it to me. Only I'd love to write it."

"All right, then, Miss Carson, take a letter," her mother said, walking slowly up and down the room.

"Ready? Dear Mr. Morgenthau: The way I save money for War Stamp buying is to steer all the small household jobs toward my daughter, who is eight years old. She is so keen about buying War Stamps that I know all the money I might have paid to someone else for doing the jobs will go toward Victory when paid to her."

"Now make a list. Betsy. 'Windows washed, 60 cents. Apples picked from under the tree, 25 cents. Emptied trash cans, 4 cents. Sold string beans from the garden, 15 cents. Sold strips of spoiled film to children for sun-gazing, at one cent a yard, 20 cents. Total, \$1.24. Yours helpfully, I hope,'—and then I'll sign it at the bottom."

Betsy was puffing like a grampus from her labors. The tall, painstaking letters tottered bravely across the sheet of paper. Gravely Mrs. Carson took the pen to sign.

"Mother, would it be the proper etiquette if I signed it too?"

"Perfectly proper, I think," Mrs. Carson said without a smile, and handed the pen back to Betsy.

(Letter from an actual communication in the files of the Treasury Department.)

Every member of the family should invest in America's future. Make certain at least 10 percent of the family's total income is pledged to victory no later than New Year's Day.

U. S. Treasury Department

J. W. ELLIOTT
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The
PALACE CAFE
 will be
 closed
 all day
CHRISTMAS DAY
 December 25th

We want to have one day in the year at home.

Palace Cafe
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GIFTS
 for Everyone on Your List

You can find Gifts from our large line of goods suitable for every member of the family. Work Clothes make wonderful gifts for the man who works, and our stock of

Leather Jackets, Sweaters, and Shoes
 will always please.

The last minute shopper will find a splendid array of Gifts for the ladies. However, don't forget that we carry items for the home, which every member of the family can enjoy.

Blankets, Pillowcases, Towels, etc.
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Santa Says:
THINK OF YOUR HOME!

FURNITURE MAKES IDEAL CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Give something that will make the entire family happy. Furniture is useful every day in the year, and money spent for chairs, tables, living room suites, and the bed rooms, is money invested to give pleasures for many years to come.

MAKE YOUR SELECTIONS TODAY FOR CHRISTMAS DELIVERY.

TRADES — TERMS — BUY OR SELL — Phone 5

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 Stratford Texas

They have been busy during the past year feeding the world, and they did a good job.

Next year they must do the same kind of a job, and they know John Deere Implements are dependable, and give service the year around. Keep them repaired by the use of genuine John Deere parts.

Buy War Bonds And Sell Scrap Iron to Win The War.

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Salute to America's Farmers

The Stratford Star

Brown Ross, Owner
I. D. Divine, Editor

Entered as second class matter at the post office at Stratford, Texas, under the act of March 3, 1879.



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How does a termite manage to subsist on wood—a non-living substance?

The dietary process of the termite works on a friendly cooperative plan. The termite carries within its alimentary canal a host of microscopic one-celled protozoa, and both the termite and the protozoa work to keep each other alive. The protozoa converts wood cellulose into carbon dioxide, hydrogen and acetic acid, and the termite then absorbs the acid as nourishment. At the same time, the termite helps the protozoa along by grinding up the wood for it, keeping away the oxygen which

would kill the protozoa and absorbing the acetic acid which would also be fatal. Do you get it?

L. O. Boney, who lives down near Morse, Texas, this week advised the Star publishers that he had been a reader of the Star for the past 36 years. He will also get the paper through 1943. Now that is a long time to be on the Star subscription list, yet there are a number who have been getting the paper for many years. During the past 36 years the Star has changed hands a number of times, yet Mr. Boney keeps right on keeping up with home town affairs by reading the Star. Thanks for your letter Mr. Boney.

It should be no embarrassment if you should be invited out to dine, and at the same time asked to bring your own meat, coffee, sugar. And if its a cocktail party, your own drink with the hostess furnishing the ice.

During the war period all of us, kid ourselves that we are getting the worst of it because we cannot get help to carry on the farms, the business houses, etc. There is plenty of people left in all the towns to carry on the work if they only wanted to work. That is the reason why in war times the different governments have to take charge of furnishing help to industries, business houses, and out on the farms—just make people work under military orders.

Henry Ford once said: "I can run my business better than any public official in Washington." How true this statement is in the light of the botch federal authorities are making of the job of trying to tell farmers

how to operate their trucks. Just over 2,000 office clerks tucked away in a Detroit building can pose as experts on truck transportation in every part of the nation is amazing. This is especially true when you realize that half of them have never been outside the boundaries of a big city. Such foolish things as this is causing a near revolt in the Southwest over the inequalities and inconsistencies of gasoline rationing.—Canyon News.

Give a Woman a dab of perfume over her ears, a bit of mink around her shoulders, and a pair of shoes with the toes cut out, and she will be perfectly comfortable on a windy street corner a zero day. Put her in long underwear, though, and she'll begin to squawk if the room temperature falls below 78.

Some readers may not know it, but space in this paper is all the publishers have from which to derive a revenue. Each week there is considerable space used by firms who advertise the sale and purchase of war bonds, and they pay for that space to sell government bonds to win the war, as they do space for the sale of their own merchandise, or services. Its a great contribution towards the successful prosecution of the war. The business firms are to be commended for their unselfish acts.

The common wasp used wood pulp to build his nest years before man discovered wood pulp for paper making. Today, man still uses this same material for the majority of his paper requirements. In 1035 A. D. paper was so common in Cairo, Egypt, merchants used it for wrapping. There are 86 paper mills in all

SHARING SWEETS



CHICAGO, ILL. — Yeoman Eric Rellis and Roslyn Nowak are enjoying themselves at a historical exhibit of Christmas candy. In 1816 the only candies available for Christmas dinners were stick candy, molasses taffy, lozenges, and gum drops, shown on first tier, rear. This year, men in service will be served thousands of pounds of these hard candies—shown in middle tier. And in foreground are exhibited candies included in emergency field rations—fruit drops, "D" bars, and malted milk dextrose tablets.

of South America. Of these Brazil has 40, Argentina 31, Argentina and Chile, each have two pulp mills. To the Chinese goes the credit for making the first paper, so many years ago that man cannot even set a date. Right now there is plenty of paper for everyone and every need, and enough trees standing to last 100 more years, without planting any more trees. More trees are being planted each year, so there should never be any shortage of wood or paper. However, there is a shortage of labor and transportation, and that is why restrictions are being placed on paper today by the government.

THE WAY OF THE NEW DEAL
Steve White, Cloud county, Kansas farmer took a load of penalty wheat to town the other day to sell at \$1.10 a bushel. While driving to town he noticed it contained a chicken feather. At the elevator, after the wheat was unloaded, he asked to buy a load of government chicken feed at eighty cents a bushel. He was directed to drive his truck back to the same spot at the elevator and some wheat was unloaded into his truck. In it, he noticed, was a chicken feather. "Isn't that the wheat I just unloaded?" he demanded. "Yes", said the elevator man. "I'll be damned," ejaculated White, wondering why he hadn't stayed home, kept his wheat, saved his tires and had the government send him a check for 30 cents a bushel.

In many cases the person who is worrying for fear he may lose his mind, wouldn't miss it if he did.

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus:
I've been a very good little boy, will you please bring me a train, dump truck, car and plenty of candy, nuts, oranges and apples. Please don't forget my baby brother, Karl. He wants a pup with a string on it, also candy and oranges. Your little friend,
Ray Dean Kirkwood.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a wagon for Christmas, a tool chest and some candy.
Bill Riffe.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a Xmas tree, a gun present (a little popping gun or a BB gun), a rocking horse or a real horse, a picture of Do-Do, a gun-belt, a leash for Pat with Jeanne's, Lelah's and my initials on it, a pretty book, a cowboy gun and one more thing.
I love you, William Leslie Price.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a rubber dy-dee doll, candy, and nuts and some books for my big sister. Lots of love,
Gaynell Parker.

Dear Santa:
I want a doll. I want some paper dolls. I have been a good girl.
Nella Beth.

Dear Santa Claus:
I have been a very good girl. Would you please bring me a doll, some story books, table and chairs, some candy, nuts and fruits. I want the other boys and girls to have some toys too. Your friend,
Julia Ann Crabtree.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me that big Doll I saw at White and Kirk's in Amarillo when I had my arm taken out of the cast. I also want some new dresses (any kind) for my Princess Doll at grandmother's and one new dress for my Dy-dee doll. I want a real small deck of cards like Don Riffe has, too, and some skates and house slippers. If you can get them, will you bring me two new tires for my bicycle?
Lovingly yours,
Kathryn Jeanne Price.

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LITTLE CHATS
OR
Public Notices

"AS OLD AS CIVILIZED MAN"

At least as far back as the Roman and other ancient peoples, the practice of publicly giving due Notice was well established. That long ago the necessity of posting such Notices in public places was widely recognized, and the effectiveness of the method proved.

Such Notices might be put up in the circus or some other public place. Sometimes they were put on the sides of buildings.

This may have been good enough for the Romans but it wouldn't meet today's needs. Cities are larger, nations are more populous, and life is generally more complex.

The modern newspaper is the chief reliance today for Public Notices of all kinds. Occasionally other media are used for special reasons, but the newspaper remains the surest and most effective medium for this purpose.

Read the Public Notices in your local newspaper. They are always important, either to individuals, to groups or to the community as a whole. This is because they involve private or public rights of some kind. Moreover, they are often interesting and many a dramatic story can be

read between the legal lines. Their survival from earliest times is no accident. They are important enough to deserve the attention of laymen as well as that of officials, attorneys and the parties immediately concerned.
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Humility is an element of greatness because it is a sign of knowledge of greater things yet to be attained.

New Merchandise

Received This Week
Round Oak Gas Ranges
Bed Springs
Inner Spring Mattresses
Studio Couches with coil springs.
Knee Hole Desk and Chairs
Coffee Tables galore

HURRY IN

SLAY'S
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IF YOU HAVE not prepared your car for winter driving, better do it now.



Have it gone over for defective spark plugs, check, ignition points and have that battery charged for a quick start to save gasoline.

LET AN EXPERIENCED MECHANIC CARE FOR YOUR CAR

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The First State Bank

You can give someone you love a future of Freedom for as little as \$18.75. And in ten years, Uncle Sam will pay her \$25 in cash to buy something she really wants. Be a Bond Santa!

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"Produce more Food" is the cry today!

That's every American farmer's most important defense job. And you can produce more with better equipment. Come to W. T. Martin's today.

America needs the farmer and the farmer needs the best tools to help him with his work.

We carry genuine I. H. C. parts which fit better, last longer, and retain the original economy and performance of your equipment.

Come to us and satisfy your Hardware and Farm Implement needs. We offer undisputed quality.

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Whose Savings Are Invested



..in Your Electric Servant?

The list of stockholders in this company is a cross-section of West Texas. Many of them are women. Others are retired persons, and skilled technicians such as carpenters, electricians, mechanics. Some are farmers and stockmen.

Still others are architects, physicians, nurses, bookkeepers, librarians, stenographers, contractors, merchants, restaurant owners, teachers, salesmen, mailmen, firemen, policemen, railroad firemen, conductors, and ticket agents. Some are in the Army, the Navy, and the Marines.

Besides these direct investors, there are thousands more whose interest is indirect but no less real. Very likely your savings bank and other institutions such as lodges, colleges, churches or your life insurance company, for example, have put a large part of your money into sound electric securities.

In a very real sense, Your Electric Company represents the savings of the people it serves... people who have entrusted their savings to business management under public regulation — the same business management that has given the average West Texas home twice or three times as much electric service for its money in the last 10 to 15 years.

This company is assisting with the heavy burden on taxpayers by contributing \$1,200,000 in 1942 taxes to the various local, state, and federal governments. It is co-operating with America's many other electric companies, under free enterprise, to provide over 90 per cent of the Nation's vast supply of power.

West Texas Utilities Company

INVEST IN AMERICA!
Buy War Bonds and Stamps!

"When Government Goes Into Business"

(Excerpts from an editorial in the Southwestern Railway Journal)

A retired railroad man*, of Little Rock, Ark., invited 600 other stockholders of a local utilities company to attend a meeting to "see what we can do to protect our stock" following announcement that a hearing had been set on applications by two government projects to start a Federal power development program.

This man and the other 600 Little Rock stockholders are a small part of the total number of citizens owning stock in the established utilities affected by the hearing. Holdings of some of these no doubt represented the savings of a lifetime. They know that their securities are in jeopardy... This is FACT, not fancy...

...The point we want to make here is that government has gone too far in going big scale into business in competition with free enterprise through direct operation or through subsidization...

When government, through adventures into business destroys properties, wipes out the savings of workers and the holdings of financial enterprises in which savings of workers and others are invested, it does seem that it is about time the people awaken to a realization that there is something wrong with the theory that the remedy for our economic ills is to destroy the enterprises which have made this the greatest country in the world...

—Southwestern Railway (Labor) Journal.

*Name on request.