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# The Stanton Reporter

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## SNOOTER KNOWS

A LITTLE ABOUT EVERYTHING  
AND  
NOT MUCH ABOUT ANYTHING

IT has become apparent to the writer that Stanton is just beginning to feel the seriousness of the war. A few short weeks ago all seemed peaceable and serene among our citizens, aside, of course, worries we all had brought on by the war—how our boys "overthere" were falling in action, missing in action, etc. On the serious side of the picture the cotton grower has felt the severe sting of the war through the fact he has had to face a shortage of labor in gathering his crop, the result of which he has seen his crop severely damaged by falling winter weather. And cotton is his money crop.

Siding the cotton grower a close second in his difficulties and feeling the effects of the war is the renter of city property in Stanton. Folks' who's bank balances have become considerably buiged account of inflated war prices sought places to spend it and they, or rather some, invested it in city homes that called for the renter of the property to seek other rent quarters when there were none to be found. We were one of the unfortunate renters that had to abandon quarters we had rented for 14 years because of the sale of the property. The future, as far as renting a place in Stanton was dark for us. We could picture ourselves living in a tepee or making friends with the chickens that they might crowd over and give us space. But a silver lining on the cloud of despair showed up in such a way that a deal was made for the abandoned 2-story Catholic convent. To get moved to the new quarters was almost as difficult as finding living quarters. Local draymen were three weeks behind with their orders. But a good Samaritan came to our rescue. Earl Powell of the Bar X Ranch sent in his pickup with two of his hands, and moved us. Now we are just as comfortably domiciled in a spacious home whose walls are three feet thick, running hot and cold water, and surrounded by ground that covers two acres.

The heavy overflow on renters from the airfields at Midland and Big Spring added to an invasion of geophysical crews, sent rents sky-rocketing. The renter who didn't have to move because the property was sold from under him, was forced to pay an increase in rent or move.

This column doesn't blame anyone for getting all the money he can, either in boom times, or any other time, just so long as he doesn't knock somebody in the head for it. That's the way to accumulate a few dollars is to sell at a profit. The fellow who suffers in the "high cost of living" is the fellow whose salary remains at the before-war level or who has a business the revenue has not increased.

Sometimes its good for the renter to be forced to buy property. He has his own home and can do as he d—m pleases, just so he don't keep his neighbors from their sleep. We considered the remoteness of the property when we bargained for it. Some several hundred yards from the nearest neighbor, and having two acres of ground, there is not liable to be a neighbor in less distance. We are monarch of all we survey, living on Capitol Hill. The convent building was erected sometime in 1884. It was the only Catholic convent at the time between Fort Worth and El Paso. Students came from all parts of the state, and some out of the state. It is built of dobbie and lumber. The walls are three feet thick. Unless a cyclone is capering around on the outside, no wind is detected. The sight is the most

prominent in Stanton. Our home is located on a hill overlooking the town from all directions. Of course, the home is in need of much repair on the outside, but this will be done as time passes. The old Catholic church building will be torn down and removed from the sight, likewise the dobbie walls of another building will be felled.

It's not so much that the column seems to be boasting the pleasure and independence he feels that he publishes his late acquisition, but to show folks he has solved the rent proposition by hauling off and buying a place. We have named our new home "Capitol Hill." The reader will note we didn't spell it "Capital"—that we are uncomfortably short on.

We plan a great future for Capitol Hill. We plan to have hunting preserve, golf links, polo grounds, swimming pool. A rest camp for shattered nerves with noonday menu of fried pheasant, venison steaks, occasional elk roast, a variety of vegetables, peaches and cream and grapefruit, etc., all products of Capitol Hill.

Come up and see us sometime.

## JANUARY 15 LAST DATE TO FILE INCOME TAX DECLARATIONS

Joseph D. Nunan, Jr., Commissioner of Internal Revenue, reminds individual income taxpayers that Congress has changed from December 15, 1944, to January 15, 1945, the final date for filing declarations of estimated income tax, either original (as in the case of farmers), or amended, and paying of installments of estimated tax for the calendar year 1944.

Among the taxpayers affected by this change in dates are: Farmers who exercised their right to defer filing declarations last April 15; others who have really filed 1944 declarations but desire to change their estimates by filing amended declarations; all persons who owe the final installment of 1944 estimated tax.

If a taxpayer who would otherwise be required to file an original or amended declaration of estimated tax by January 15, 1945, files his annual income tax return for 1944 (on form 1040) and pays all tax due by January 15, his return will serve as both a return and declaration and he need not file the 1944 declaration.

Also, if a taxpayer files his final 1944 return (on form 1040) and pays the tax due on it by January 15, he need not pay the final installment which otherwise would be due on his estimated tax.

A bill from the collector for the final installment of 1944 estimated tax may be ignored by a taxpayer who files his annual return (on form 1040) and pays the tax due on it by January 15.

These changes will enable a taxpayer, if he desires to do so, to wind up all of his 1944 income tax obligations by January 15, but it does not affect the filing of his 1945 declaration which will be due March 15. Also, taxpayers who do not file their final 1944 returns by January 15 must do so March 15.

### Buy Filing Station

M. B. Anderson, son of John Anderson of Ackerly, has purchased the John Pinkston Filing Station. He has named it Andy's Filing Station.

Hurry! Buy war bonds now!!

## JOHN R. JOYNER, JR. WORLD WAR I VET DIED LAST WEEK

John R. Joyner, Jr., was born October 6, 1885 in Bastrop County, Texas. When he was a child he was christened in the Methodist Church. He moved to Martin County with his parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Joyner, in 1904. After working a number of years on ranches in Martin and Dawson Counties, he joined the Marines in World War I, in 1913, serving four years overseas with 44 months being spent on the Island of Guam. He married Mrs. Eva Henson in 1926 and remained in Martin County until his death December 5, 1944.

Mr. Joyner was taken suddenly ill at his home December 5 and rushed to a Big Spring hospital. At his bedside were his wife and sister, Miss Ida Joyner of Stanton.

Other survivors besides his widow and Miss Ida, are two sisters, Mrs. A. Weaver of Edmond, Oklahoma, and Mrs. C. W. Cook of Colorado City, all being present for the funeral. Other relatives and friends from Lamesa, New Mexico and Oklahoma, were present.

Rev. Claud Stovall, pastor of the First Baptist Church, conducted the services at the home and the V. F. W.'s, of which he was a member, and the American Legion, in which he held membership, had charge of the service at the grave. His body was laid to rest in Evergreen cemetery.

The beautiful words of Tennyson are a favorite of his wife and sister, Miss Ida:

Sunset and evening star  
And one clear call for me  
And may there be no morning  
Of the bar  
When I put out to sea.

Sunlight and evening star  
After that the dark  
And may there be no sadness of  
farewell  
When I embark.

For though from out of bourne  
Of time and place,  
The flood may bear me far,  
I hope to meet my Pilot face to  
face  
When I have crossed the bar.

—Contributed

### NOW SEAMAN FIRST CLASS

Ben Carpenter, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Carpenter of Stanton, has been promoted to Seaman First Class, he writes his parents. He's stationed on Hawaiian Islands with a construction battalion as draughtsman. He says he is carried a way with his job and the "chow is fine."

## WAR BONDS in Action



"The War Department regrets . . ." Some American home received a fateful telegram as a result of this happening after a Japanese air raid on Munda. This soldier's sacrifice cannot be matched by you, for he gave his life. All you are asked to do is to lend your money. Can you do less? Buy an extra War Bond today.

U. S. Treasury Department

## COWBOYS CHRISTMAS BALL BRINGS BACK THE FOND MEMORIES OF W. M. WILKINSON

CALLER FOR THE  
COWBOYS' CHRISTMAS BALL



"Uncle Bill" Wilkinson, as he appeared when he was the "Windy Bill" caller mentioned in Larry Chittenden's famous poem, "Cowboys' Christmas Ball," held at Anson, Texas,

"The leader was a fellow that came from Swenson's Ranch  
They called him 'Windy Bill' from Little Deadman's Branch.  
His rig was 'kinder keerless,' big spurs and high-heeled boots;  
He had the reputation that comes from 'feller shoots,'  
His voice was like the bugle upon the mountain' height;  
His feet were animated and 'MIGHTY MOVIN' SIGHT.  
When he commenced to holler, 'Neow fellers, stake yer pen!  
'Lock horns ter all them heifers, an' rassel 'em like men.  
'Saloot yer lovely critters; neow swing an' let 'em go,  
'Climb the grapevine 'round 'em—all hands do-ce-do!  
'You Mavericks, jine the round-up—jest skip her waterfall.  
Huh! Hit was gettin' happy, 'The Cowboys' Christmas Ball!'"

## REGISTER FOR DRAFT ON 18TH BIRTHDAY

The Selective Service Law requires young men who become 18 to register on their birthday at the draft board office, draft board officials pointed out Monday.

In several instances here lately, registrants have waited until after their eighteenth birthday to register. The officials are asking young men, nearing their eighteenth birthday, to bear in mind the Selective Service Law, in regard to registering and avoid violation of it.

### PARATROOPER GETS RING OF A GERMAN

Pfc. Melton McMorries, a paratrooper who was in the invasion of France, writes his mother Mrs. J. O. McMorries at Tarzan sending a gold band finger ring he got off a German.

The other son, Ray McMorries, who is attending State University at Norman, Okla., has finished his freshman course and goes into his sophomore year. He was head man in the basketball team of the boys training for service in the Army.

### Home From Naval Base

J. D. Poe and Bernard Houston, are home from their Naval bases in California. J. D. Poe is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Poe and Bernard Houston is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tode Houston. Bernard has been prowling around on the high seas on a U. S. battleship, and J. D. is still in training. The boys will return to California, accompanied by Mrs. Poe, who has been here on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tode Houston for several weeks.

Mrs. W. M. Wilkinson, still remains with us in her home in Stanton, though her husband passed over the Great Divide several years ago. A son, Sam Wilkinson and family live in Stanton, and another son, Eddie Wilkinson, has been overseas the past two years in the Army service.

A letter from Leona Barrett, chairman of the publicity committee for the Cowboys' Christmas Ball Association, Anson, enclosing two complimentary tickets to the Ball, was received by the Reporter this week. She stated the ball will be staged in the Pioneer Hall at Anson, on the evenings of December 20th and 23rd.

This season rounds out a decade of these re-enactments of cowboys doing the polka, the schottische, and the square in the folk style in Anson as they did them more than a half century ago. Proceeds will be invested in War Bonds," the publicity director stated.

The picture of "Uncle Bill" Wilkinson, was as he appeared back in the 80's while a cowboy on the Swenson Ranch in the Stamford area and at the time when he was the caller at the dance held at Anson and which gave Larry Chittenden the inspiration to write his famous poem, "Cowboys' Christmas Ball." Chittenden mentions "Windy Bill" in the following verse:

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### DEFY THE BOYS TO MATCH THE MARK

Shelton of the Rotan Advance and Pope of the Hamlin Herald, have been spouting off the amount of work each can do on his paper. Well, here's eight pages—all set up in type, all mats cast, all pages made ready for the press—all copies of the paper fed through the press—all metal melted and placed in pigs, with one man doing the entire job. No overtime, from his regular hours put in on the edition. The only difference the Reporter was printed Friday afternoon instead of the regular press day—Thursday afternoon.

That lone man happens to be the editor, who is crowded the 70 years of age mighty close.

And by heck he eats no spinach. He sleeps with a clear conscience, and doesn't cross words with his wife.

We don't claim the edit-a piece of artistic workmanship, nor flawless as to errors, but a pretty good week's work.

### CUB SCOUTS TO MET WITH PARENTS

Boys 9, 10, and 11 years of age interested in Cubbing, are invited to come with their fathers and mothers to the Methodist church at 7:30 p. m. Thursday, Dec. 21, for re-organization meeting.

Henry D. Norris, Boy Scout Field Executive, will be present with a speaker on Cub Scout activities.

Ira Williams  
Hurry! Buy war bonds now!!

## MEN OVER 26 MUST ASK FOR DEFERMENT TO AVOID DRAFT CALL.

Men between the ages of 26 and 38 were reminded Monday by Martin County Local Board officials if they do not wish to be called for induction, they must ask for deferment and must be regularly employed in essential work for the war effort.

Some men in the above age bracket are being called for induction. A few of these have expressed surprise they were called up as they were under the impression men over 26 were not being drafted any more.

Men between 26 and 30 can obtain deferment if they apply for it and if they are employed in essential industry. Those between 30 and 38 can obtain a deferment if they are working and apply for it.

The draft board attempts to fill its quota with those under 26 but if enough men under 26 are not available, then they must select some in the 26 to 30 age group.

### FORMER STATE SENATOR NOW SERVING IN ARMY WRITES REPORTER

Marshall Formby, former state senator from this district, who, in a civilian life, made his home in Plainview where he owns a newspaper, writes the Reporter a postcard bearing the picture of the Eiffel Tower, which, of course, is in London.

He is lieutenant and serving with the Headquarters Company in the United States Army. He says: "How is all my Martin County friends? I'm safe and o. k. Best wishes to all of you. I think of you often."

Before elected State Senator Formby was county judge of Dickens, clearing that county of all indebtedness when his term expired.

### ANNOUNCES ARRIVAL OF A SON

Comes announcement from Mr. and Mrs. Harold D. Haley of Beaumont, Texas, to the Reporter this week, of the arrival at their home a boy, whom they have named Donald Hundley Haley. He arrived December 5, and weighed 9 pounds and 10 ounces.

### MEDALS POSTHUMOUSLY AWARDED TO BE MADE AT BIG SPRING AIR FIELD

Air Medal posthumously awarded to two Air Corps heroes will be presented to their parents at a military review in their honor Saturday at 11:45 o'clock at the Big Spring Bombardier School.

Colonel Ralph C. Rockwood will make the presentation to Mr. and Mrs. James A. Hinson of Motor Route B, Lamesa, parents of Lt. James E. Hinson, and to Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Wood of Ackerly, parents of Sgt. Thomas M. Wood.

Lt. Hinson's medal was for "meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy from 2 May, 1944 to 7 May, 1944."

As member of a bomber crew, Sgt. Wood's medal was awarded for his participation in combat missions over Continental Europe. His parents already have received the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Avoid the rush



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the reserves . . . to hold them!

In the same way the profitable  
farm must have financial reserves be-  
hind it to be safe. No owner or tenant  
can operate satisfactorily when one  
crop failure, one crisis of sickness, ac-  
cident or weather, can push him over  
the edge of disaster.

For you, as for countless farsighted  
farmers and ranchers all over the  
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in farm security as well as an obliga-  
tion to your country.

While they are helping to equip  
our Armed Forces, your Bonds are  
also building up a backlog of strength  
for you against emergencies. Just  
when you'll be needing money most  
for vital postwar replacements, every  
three dollars you've invested will come  
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So put every War Bond you can  
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est point. Government expenditures for war  
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MONEY, individuals are not buying their share  
of War Bonds. America must correct this  
situation.
  3. War Bonds provide the farmer and rancher  
with the financial reserve he must have to  
survive the ordinary ups and downs of farm-  
ing as a business.
  4. Money will be needed urgently at a future  
date to replace and repair farm equipment,  
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  5. War Bonds are the safest investment in  
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post office, rural mail carrier or Production  
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(This is one of a series of War Bond Advertisements sponsored by the patriotically-minded firms and individuals listed above)

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Feed your family the right foods . . . quality foods that are high in vitamin content. Every member of your family has a job to do and needs energy to do it. You can be certain of getting only quality foods and at the lowest prices possible if you do your shopping at this store. If you are not already a customer of this store, we invite you to bring your next food list to us . . . we both will be pleased.

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PHONE ONE

Read the Advertisements in This Issue

**HUMBLE EMPLOYEES TO BE PRESENTED WITH MEDAL FOR WAR PRODUCTION ACHIEVEMENTS AT BAYTOWN**

Houston—The 14,000 employees of Humble Oil & Refining Company will be signally honored on December 14th at a ceremony commemorating the manufacture of a billion gallons of finished 100 Octane Aviation Gasoline at the Company's Baytown refinery. The ceremony, which is open to the public, will be held in the grounds of the refinery, adjacent to the main office building and will be attended by high ranking military officials, representatives of governmental agencies and civic and industrial leaders.

Representing Under Secretary for War, Robert P. Patterson, will be Major General Hubert R. Harmon, former commanding general of the 13th Air Force in the South Pacific and now commanding general of the newly-created AAF Personnel Distribution Command. Humble President, H. C. Wiess, will make a token presentation of the billionth gallon of finished 100 Octane Aviation Gasoline to General Harmon, who will accept it on behalf of our nation's armed forces. Rear Admiral William Ward Smith will represent Secretary

of the Navy, James J. Forrestal at the ceremony and voice the appreciation of the Navy for the achievements of Humble People in the production of vital war materials.

Mr. Wiess will also make a token presentation to employees of the medal which was struck especially for the occasion. The medal was designed by Rene Paul Chambellan, prominent American Sculptor and is cast in bronze, depicting various refining operations with a refinery worker in the foreground. The back side of the medal shows a squadron of flying fortresses dropping bombs, while below is printed a congratulatory statement to Humble employees from General H. H. Arnold, signed in his facsimile signature. The medal will be presented in a specially designed booklet which contains a message from the management of Humble, commending the employees for the war production achievements. Approximately seventy-five

employees chosen by lot from from the widespread operations of the Company will be in attendance as special guests of of the Company. Several thousand employees and members of their families who live in the vicinity of Baytown will likewise visit the refinery during the period of December 14 to 17th inclusive, at which time booths and exhibits depicting the Company's operations and displaying Army and Navy equipment will be open for inspection. Many Humble people, as well as the general public, will be visiting the plant for the first time. Motion pictures, accompanying the exhibits will also be shown to orient visitors to the refinery before they are taken on an inspection tour of the giant petroleum assembly lines. The celebration and all displays will be open to the general public and anyone desiring to visit the refinery may do so, according to Company officials.

**MARTIN-HOWARD SOIL CONSERVATION**

At a recent meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Martin-Howard Soil Conservation District held in Stanton, sixteen applications totaling 2,386 acres were looked over and approved. These plans totaled 23,946 acres.

Those present at the meeting were E. T. O'Daniel, chairman; Gordon Stone, secretary; Herd Midkiff, member, and J. H. Taylor, Soil Conservation Service.

Conrod Stokes is building terraces on Jim Burn's farm in the Ackerly community. He is using a Whirlwind terracer behind a Farmall M tractor. They are being constructed to a 15-inch settled height, 24-foot base width inside borrow pits at ground level, with a 4-foot crown. Plowing in to fill the borrow ditches and spread the terraces make easier cultivation and will be done in the near future.


The time is fast approaching when there will be numerous lines to run, terraces to build, plowing to be done, etc. Since our help will be limited, it is urged that farmers contact us soon if they want lines run this winter. Otherwise we may not be able to get around to everyone wanting us.

Preliminary engineering surveys have been completed on the following farms: Lee Burns, Arthur Reed, and Robert Dunn, all of near Ackerly, and U. D. Fortune, west of Lenorah. These surveys will be used in determining lines necessary for contouring or terracing and enable us to plan a better system.

**How Much Is a Billion Gallons of 100-Octane Gasoline?**



It's enough to fill 120,000 tank cars—a train 1,000 miles long.



It's enough to fill an 8-inch pipe line that would circle the earth three times at the equator.



It's enough to fuel 400,000 Flying Fortresses for a round trip flight from Britain to Germany.

That's a billion gallons of 100-octane gasoline! But it's more than that. It's the effort of the 14,000 men and women of Humble Oil & Refining Company, who are today celebrating the production of the one-billionth gallon of 100-octane aviation gasoline at Baytown refinery—a remarkable feat in the history of the petroleum industry.

It is one of the wartime contributions of the 14,000 men and women of Humble—scientists, drillers, roustabouts, stenographers, pipeliners, technologists, truck drivers, geologists, glassblowers, stillmen and those working in hundreds of other occupations.

Here is a partial list of their accomplishments to date:

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- FIRST** in the transportation of petroleum. The Humble pipe lines transport more oil than any other system, handle one barrel in every seven of the domestic supply.

These accomplishments climax a quarter century of development, planning and team work of a great organization. The men and women who made them possible are behind the billion gallons of 100-octane aviation gasoline. They are behind whatever America needs of them for victory.

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**WAR BONDS in Action**



Signal Corps Photo: American soldiers in the Admiralty Islands write a message and attach the container to the leg of a carrier pigeon. The pigeon "air force" does an invaluable job in communications in the difficult kind of warfare we are up against in the Pacific. Your War Bonds helped to train this "air force." Keep up your Bond purchases until G. I. Joe reaches Tokyo. U. S. Treasury Department

A FINE GIFT FOR SOME ONE



## THREATS TO REDUCE AAA PAYMENTS TO FARMERS AVERTED

Washington, D. C.—Rep. Geo. Mahon reports that the threat to reduce all AAA payments promised to farmers on the 1944 program has been averted.

The situation came about because farmers in Texas and some of the other Southern and Western states, in their enthusiasm to cooperate with their war production program, have earned soil conservation payments in excess of funds available to the Department of Agriculture. The fact that Texas farmers over-earned by 29% would mean a reduction in all AAA payments promised Texas farmers.

To meet the situation, the House of Representatives has now adopted a provision into law to provide for the full soil conservation payments as promised. Representative Tarver of Georgia and Mahon of Texas, both members of the Appropriation Committee, took an active part in securing favorable action by the House. Adoption of the provision by the Senate is expected before adjournment of this session of Congress later in the month.

## GORDON STONE GETS CATTLE IN MAGAZINE

A photograph of cattle on the ranch of Gordon Stone, eight miles southeast of Stanton, is used to illustrate sound soil conservation practices in the "1945 Feeding Practices" bulletin, just published by the Educational Service of the National Cottonseed Products Association.

Range improvement is combined with the production of grain and cotton to supply feed for cattle during winter months by Stone, reports the Soil Conservation Service, which took the picture. Proper stocking and other sound practices have materially improved the range and increased beef production.

Soil conservation and efficient livestock management and feeding are stressed throughout the 40-page bulletin, which is available from cotton oil mills or the Educational Service headquarters at Dallas, Texas. Feeding information for beef and dairy cattle, hogs, sheep and goats, horses and mules, and chickens and turkeys is based upon recommendations of Experiment Stations and practical experience.

Emphasizing the importance of soil conservation, the publication points out that civilization is founded on man's ability to use wisely a few inches of fertile depth. This soil is a loan from the ages and must be held in trust for future generations while it maintains those who live today.

Cotton and other cultivated crops that are essential to provide food, clothing and shelter for civilized man must be combined with livestock and soil conservation practices to maintain life and the productiveness of the soil.

The photograph taken on the local farm is one of more than forty illustrations selected to develop the bulletin's subject, "Livestock Guard the Land."

**Baby Girl to John Hamiltons**  
Boys, if you get water in your car for gas, and gas in your tires for air, skip it, John Hamilton has a new and only daughter at his home. The new arrival put in its appearance at a Big Spring hospital, Dec. 8th. The mother and babe have been brought home and placed in the care of Mrs. Payton's Home. The baby has been named Judith.

**Returns From Valley Trip**  
Cliff Hazlewood has returned

Remember . . .



# WANT ADS

from a trip through the Valley and a hop across the border. It was his first trip in that garden spot of Texas and the scenery made his eyes bug out. Cliff has just bought the farm of Mrs. Hattie Berry of Westbrook, located half mile west of Lenorah.

### ASKS FOR COMRADE TO COME SEE HIM

S/Sgt. Kenneth W. Casey with Patton's Army in Germany writes his mother Mrs. W. H. Wilson to tell Red White to hurry and join him. "We will assure him a white Christmas. He's probably used to all the mud and blood."

"I can't see why these d—m Germans don't quit, but they won't. A lot of them do and are glad to but most of them like Hitler. It looks like we are going to have to kill the whole generation. If that's the way they want it they will get it. Tell Bill I have a German watch for him that I took off of one."

**DEAD STOCK**  
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**FOR SALE 1941 model Farmall B**, good rubber and good condition. Clyde White. 6-4tp

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Bring back my Collie to me. M. W. Madison.

Two row Allis-Chalmers for sale. See Mrs. Clara Atchison.

**READ THE ADS**  
Along With the News

## WAR BONDS



Action on Kwajalein in the Pacific. Back up these Americans by stepping up your payroll savings. Every dollar you save in Bonds when our boys take over Tokyo but also store up fighting power for you in any postwar emergency. Sign up today for an extra Bond.

Buy War Bonds, Now!

## AMERICAN HEROES

BY LEFF



Pfc. William C. Kelly, of Silver Spring, Maryland, was an observer duty for his front line regiment in Italy. He spotted German mortar and gun emplacements, reporting to artillery observers to direct fire. Hastily visited the CP with compass directions in place of artillery technical third trial round hit squarely on the enemy. We must buy War Bonds and keep them with the same constant eye on the enemy.

## WAR BONDS

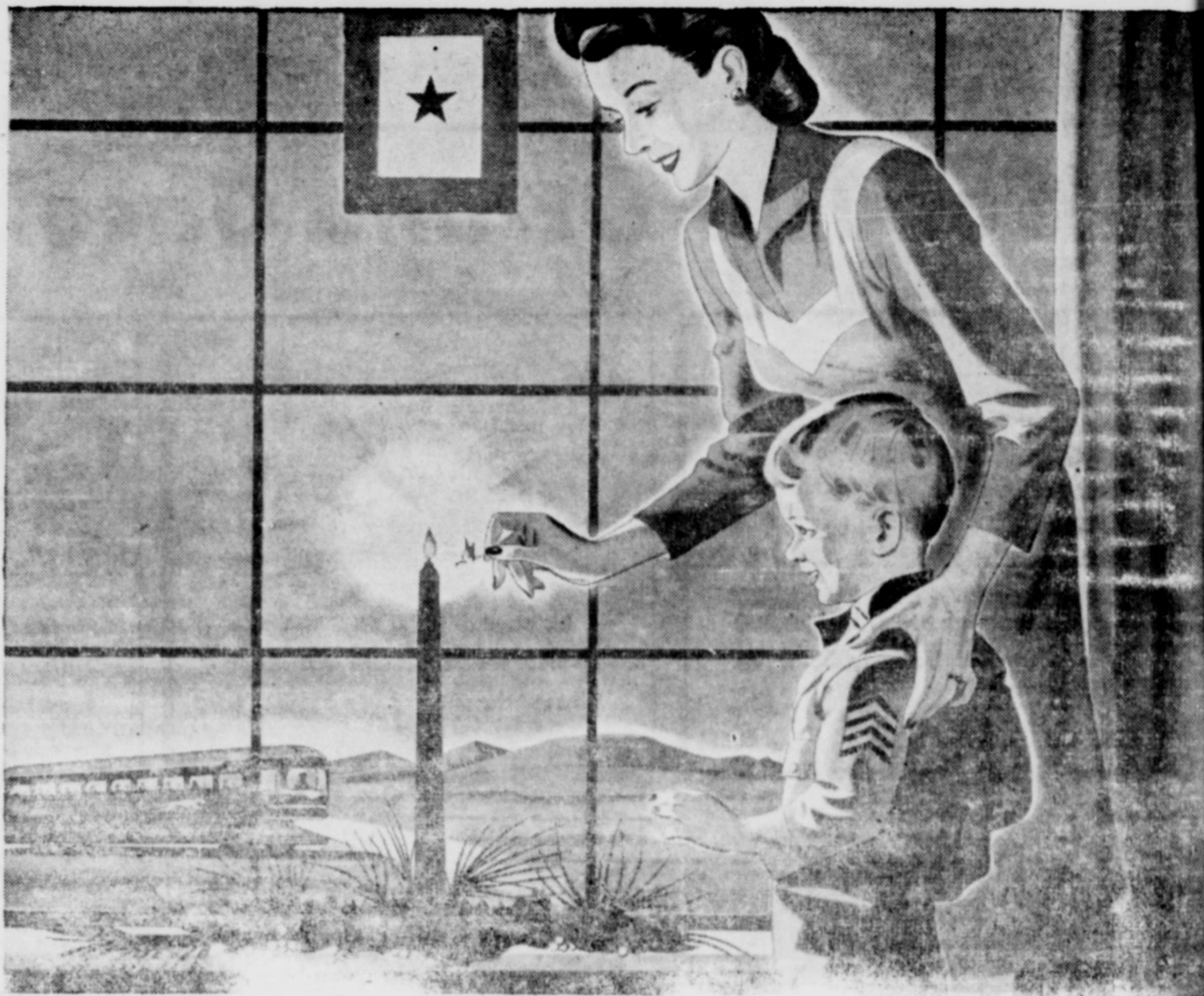


Fighting goes on a few miles inland, but the Marines bring ashore supplies and equipment to this Jap pier on Saipan. The bulldozer will soon be at work clearing landing strips for our planes. War Bonds bought this equipment. Are you buying more than before—and buying regularly?

## WAR BONDS



Exhausted from the strain of battle, this soldier of the Fifth Army drops on a roadside in Italy and falls asleep. This man has battle fatigue. You cannot afford to have War Bond buying fatigue. This soldier has done his duty in helping to liberate another town. Have you done your duty in backing him up with War Bonds? Buy an extra Bond today.



*"We'll keep it shining.. until he comes home, little soldier!"*

A lot of other lights are twinkling on again all over this battered old planet, little boy-at-the-window! This will be a Christmas of such hope and promise as our war-tired world has not seen for more years than you've had birthdays.

Lights from the headlamps of thousands of Greyhound buses reflect the hope that shines in the eyes of people everywhere—for Greyhound may well be a principal carrier of our victorious fighters, in the greatest home-coming of all time.

In the meantime, let's keep everlastingly at the jobs we're doing. Any let-up in our war assignments, now, may let down our men who are finishing the hard and grinding job that still remains.

Greyhound's special task, today, is carrying an enormous volume of war manpower. Its most pleasant job in post-war days will be to show America's millions the charm and beauty, the friendliness, of the land we have all been fighting for.

## GREYHOUND LINES



**They Are Buying War Bonds - Are You?**



This is Seaman 1/c Melachi H. Rich, of Quitman, Georgia. He is only 18 but a veteran of action in the Mediterranean. The destroyer escort on which he served was torpedoed and he was hit in the spine. For weeks he could not move his feet but now can move one foot pretty well. Four buddies are in the hospital. They were all rescued by a sister ship.



The going is tough in the jungles of Rendova in the Solomon Islands. Marine Pfc. David Phelps of Bridgeport, Conn., was thrown from a reconnaissance car and received a fractured right leg and compound fracture of the left. But he's doing all right as you can see here. Phelps is twenty-two.



A smile no Nazi torpedo can wipe off. Marion Porter, Steward 3/c, who hails from Spartanburg, S. C., was in the water three hours after his ship was torpedoed in the Mediterranean. A 20 mm shell case was thrown against his leg when the tin fish hit and fractured it badly. Now he is waiting for his injury to heal so that he can get another crack at the Axis.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We wish to thank our faithful friends who were so kind to us during the illness and death of our husband and brother. We take this means of thanking all of you for the beautiful flowers and other expressions of sympathy.

Mrs. John R. Joyner  
Miss Ida Joyner  
Mrs. A. Weaver  
Mrs. C. W. Cook

Buy War Bonds today!

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
EVERGREEN CEMETERY**

Sept 1, 1943 to Sept. 1, 1944  
Total Collections ----- \$591.99  
Total Disbursements --- 411.91  
Bank Balance ----- 433.51  
We spent \$225 for war bonds, the rest was spent on the upkeep of the cemetery.  
Officers for the new year are:  
Mrs. P. M. Bristow, II, president.  
Miss Ida Joyner, vice-president.  
Mrs. O. B. Bryan, treasurer.

Mrs. John Poe, secretary.  
Directors—Mrs. W. Y. Houston, Mrs. James Jones, Mrs. Bill Clements,  
Auditing Committee—Mrs. Susie Houston, Mrs. B. T. Hill.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We want to thank every one for the kindness and thoughtfulness shown us during the illness and death of our beloved daughter and granddaughter; we are sincerely grateful for everything that was done for us.  
Mr. and Mrs. Arvel Keele  
Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Keele



**HEARS FROM THEIR  
WOUNDED SON**



Technician Fifth Grade Geo. W. Munn, son of Mrs. Estelle Munn of Stanton, who was wounded October 4, in Holland, writes:

"I am getting along fine. I had a long rest spell in England. I had my feet mashed up a little but they are in pretty good shape again. I am able to get back to the front lines."

"I was the only one to get hurt when my tank was knocked out. I am in one of the best hospitals, the best doctors, and nurses and good food. We have a radio in every ward—get all the news on the German front and home front, too."

"I won't be able to send any Christmas cards—too hard to get in the combat zone."

"Tell everyone hello for me."

**Receives Small Jap Flag**

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Carr, this week, received a small Jap flag from their son, Oscar, who is serving somewhere in New Guinea. He stated Tojo would sure like to have it back, but wasn't man enough to get it.

**CHAPLAIN SENDS XMAS  
GREETINGS TO REPORTER**

The Reporter this week received Christmas greetings from Chaplain and Mrs. Wayne Cook from their address Redmond Branch, Oregon. It will be remembered Chaplain Cook was pastor of the First Methodist church here when he resigned to enter the service as chaplain.

**MILLARD HALL TO BE  
SECOND LIEUTENANT**

EDGEWOOD ARSENAL, Md.—Millard M. Hall of Stanton, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hall, is scheduled to become a Second Lieutenant at the graduation exercises of the Chemical Warfare Service Officer Candidate School here.

He was chosen from the ranks for this training by his superior officers because of his excellence in military record, education, and character.

Before entering the Army, he was a textile chemist and colorist with the Ciba Co., Inc., New York City.

**PFC. RALPH HEDRICK  
TEMPORARILY RESIDING  
AT MIRAMAR HOTEL**

From Santa Barbara, California, comes this news to the Reporter:

Private First Class Ralph D. Hedrick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert P. Hedrick of Stanton, Texas, is temporarily residing at the Santa Barbara, California Miramar Hotel while he is currently undergoing the army's orientation and classification program at the Western Army Ground and Service Forces Redistribution Station. The 28 year old Texas soldier has just

returned to the United States after serving for 27 months in New Guinea and New Britain as a Teamster in a Cavalry unit. For wounds received in action, Hedrick wears the Purple Heart.

While the Stanton veteran is awaiting reassignment at the Redistribution Center he will receive a minimum of army routine but will have sufficient time to devote to the Santa Barbara Station's well diversified and extensive recreational program which includes swimming, dancing, fishing, golf, tennis, horse back riding, and bicycling. He will also have several opportunities to view Hollywood stage shows which are frequently at the army installation.

Hedrick was inducted into the Army on January 29, 1941 at Fort Bliss, Texas.

**IN NAVY HOSPITAL  
RECOVERING FROM  
WOUNDS**



Corp. James H. Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jones, residing at Tarzan, is in a Navy hospital at Long Beach, California, recovering from wounds received in action on Guam.

Jones was wounded in the leg and arm.

He entered the service in June 1944.

**RED CROSS THANKS  
CONTRIBUTORS**

The Red Cross committee that packed boxes and sox for Christmas, wish to thank each one who so graciously gave and helped with these gifts for the Service Men. Those donations were:

- Methodist Church ----- \$31
- Sunbeams ----- 1
- W. M. S. ----- 5.
- W. M. U. ----- 12.
- Study Club ----- 5.
- Church of Christ ----- 15.
- P. T. A. ----- 5.00
- Beta Sigma Phi ----- 5.00

White Grocery a cartoon of cigarettes and a card of razor blades. The City Drug Store and Ben Franklin Store made a nice discount on articles purchased at their stores.

We wish to thank Mrs. Hambrick and her Home Economics girls for their help.

Red Cross Committee

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Tom Johnson  
Billy Charles Burns  
Harriett Echols  
Verna Mae Turner  
Mary Frances Hedrick  
Virginia Ory  
Jerry Fuqua  
Birda Hamilton  
Janie Graves  
Mary Sue Richie  
Evelyn Coggins  
Sandra Falls

**SECOND GRADE**  
Mrs. McPherson, Teacher  
Billie Roe Clements  
Jessie Larene Burns  
Ima Joy Williamson  
Bobbie Lee Graves  
Eva Mae Herrington  
Sara Louder  
Darlene Crabb  
Annie Bell Heckler  
Bennie Blizzard  
Peggy Timmons  
Wayne Cornelius

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Nolon Bell  
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**HOME  
DEMONSTRATION  
CLUB NEWS**

Miss Fern Hodge  
Home Demonstration Agent

**STANTON CLUBS  
ACHIEVEMENT DAY**

First to be visited on Stanton Home Demonstration Club's Achievement Day was the improved kitchen of Mrs. A. J.

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Graham. Some six feet more of cabinet space was added to the old kitchen cabinet that had already seen its best years of service. The extra cabinet added gives more storage and working space for Mrs. Graham. A handy part of the cabinet is devoted strictly to spices and measuring equipment.

Adjacent to the kitchen is a new pantry containing shelves that were already bulging with Christmas dainties. Connected with the pantry is a light that aids in seeing the desired article.

The pantry walls of the kitchen and the built-in cabinet all received a coat of white paint to add to the attractiveness. When the improvements were being shown, one did not have to ask what the improvements meant to Mrs. Graham, the twinkle in her eyes and the smile on her face told the story.

Mrs. Lee Eubanks was repair the house demonstrator for her club. This Mrs. Eubanks has done in every sense of the word. Repairs go all the way from a new front gate to some safe, good back door steps. The back doorsteps were the first improvement made. Others that followed are: removing undesirable trees, building front walk, repairing and adding two new screens and painting all screens, re-seating one chair, reupholstering on chair, repapering kitchen, adding new draperies, rods, and a wool rug and rug pad in the living room. Paint is on hand for all woodwork both inside and outside the house. Mrs. Eubanks did all the repairing improvement at a total cost of \$38.99. The wool rug was a gift from the children to their mother.

Along with the house repair goes sodding the yard, enlarging a back yard garden, and setting out trees for a windbreak. Some fruit trees are to be added later.

Mrs. R. L. Henson's home was the last one visited. Here visitors were shown that it pays to live at home. Mrs. Henson's garden and frame garden were still in high production. Besides using all the fresh vegetables she needed from her garden, Mrs. Henson canned and marketed the surplus. A variety of vegetables have been canned and the surplus was marketed for \$12.36. Having fresh vegetables to use at will, well-filled pantry, the amount of money from the surplus, makes the \$6.50 spent for labor seem quite small.

**GOOD TIME ENJOYED  
AT LEGION PARTY**

The party held by the American Legion and Woman's Auxiliary at the Odd Fellows hall last Friday night, was enjoyed by all attending. We will meet again Friday night for party of sandwiches and coffee and pop and games. Come and bring your dominos and tables.

George Davis, our vice-commander was absent.  
W. Y. Swain, Adjt.

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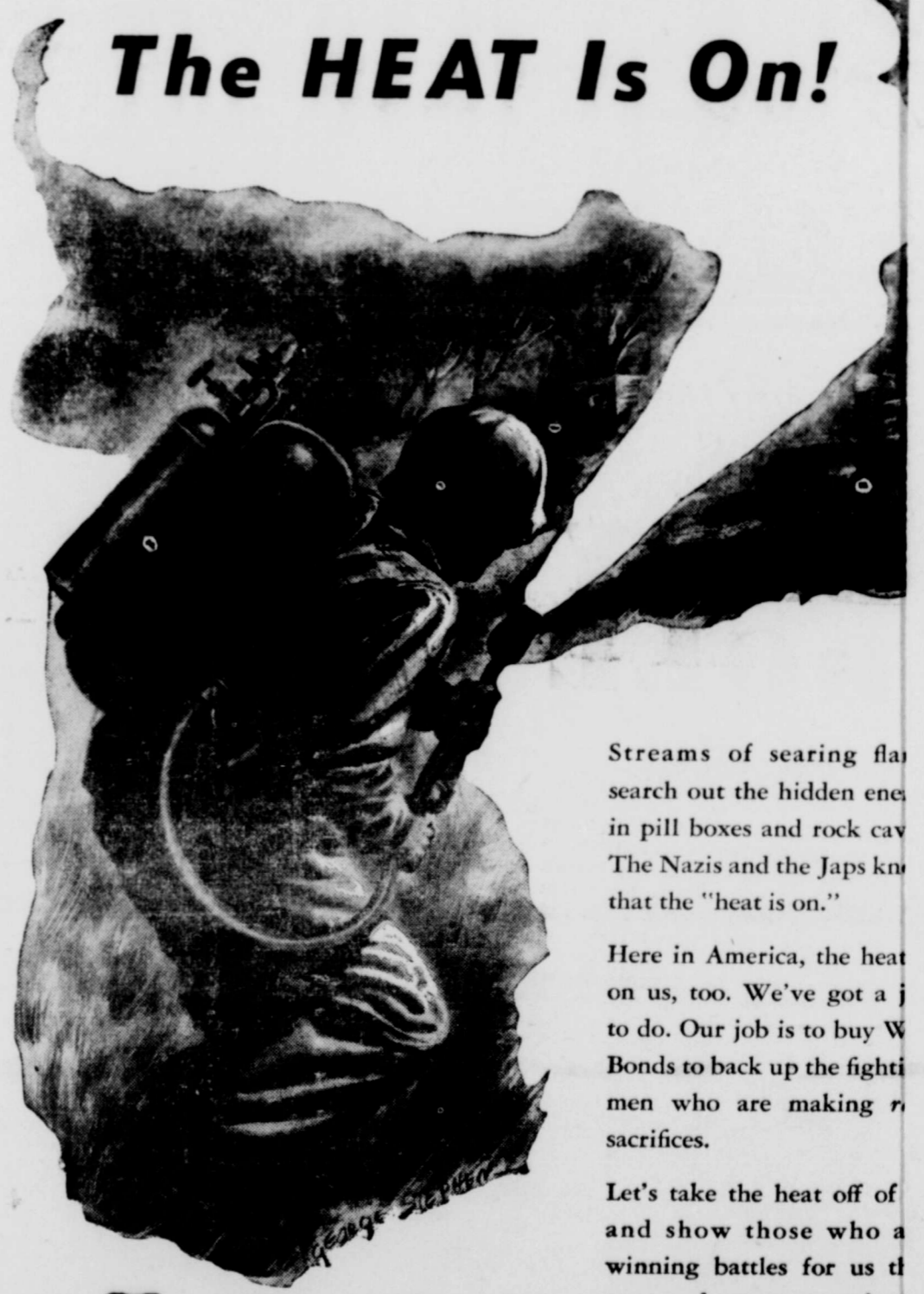
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Let's take the heat off of us and show those who are winning battles for us that we can do our part at home.

So let's buy that extra \$100 bond right now to help shorten the war!



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## AMERICAN HEROES

BY LEFF



Wounded when struck by antitank and artillery fire, Staff Sgt. George W. Mollett, Indianapolis, dismounted from his tank to assist a wounded crew member. Unable to stand because of his wound, he directed his vehicle to cover, crawled back to safety under heavy machine gun fire. He lives—and wears a Silver Star. We who are protected must buy more War Bonds than ever before!

U. S. Treasury Department

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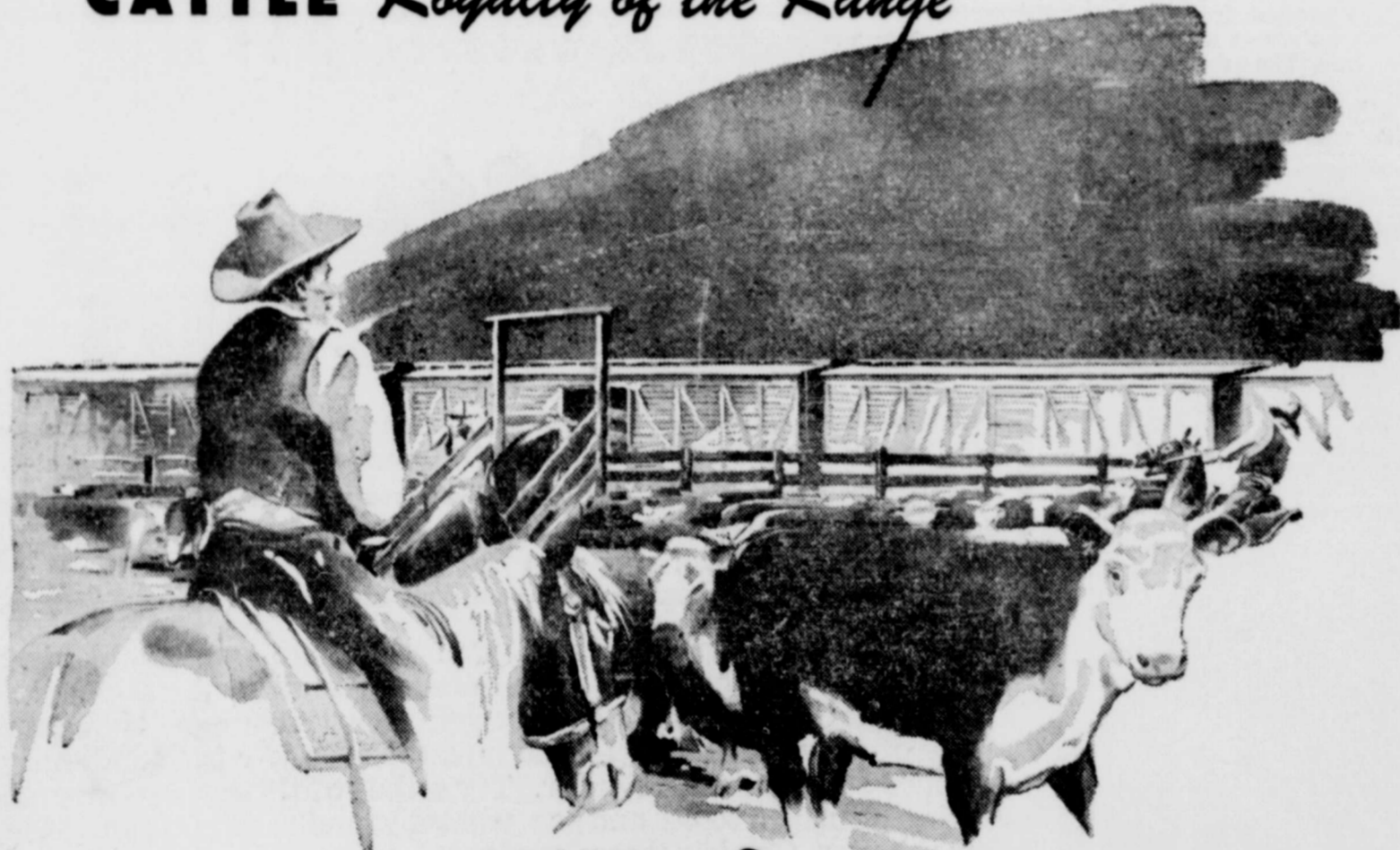
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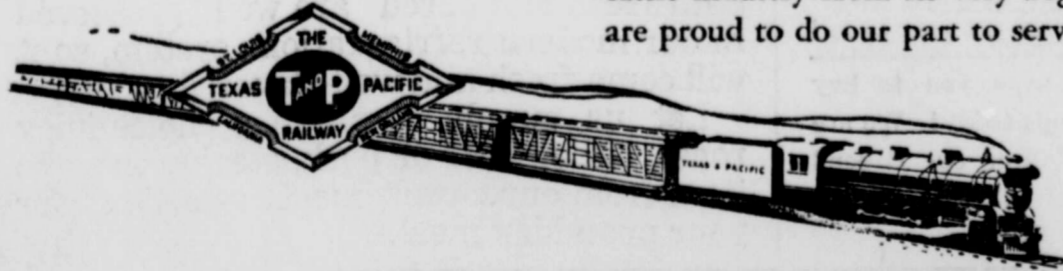
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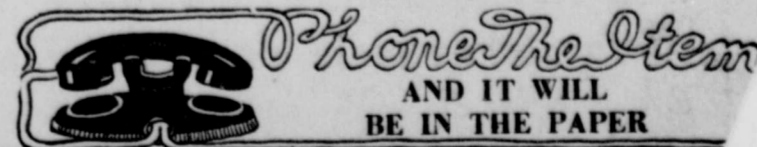
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**YOUR FAVORITE HOME REMEDIES**

Keeping healthy and active in wartime is essential to home front efficiency and due to the fact one out of three doctors have gone to war, the responsibility of treating minor ailments lies to a certain extent with you home-makers. Stock up on tried and true home remedies. Be sure your medicine cabinet contains everything you'll need to combat a cold, headache, cough . . . and be sure your first aid kit is complete.

**J. L. HALL, the Druggist**  
"In Business For Your Health"



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

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

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

Don't forget . . .



SHOP EARLY

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

The part about Texas going to war certainly is true, anyway. So many Texans are fighting in China that they threaten to upset China's ideas of geography. "The Texas boys have been teaching English to the little Chinese children," Captain Erismann explained. "If you stop a Chinese lad and ask him to name the capital of the United States, the odds are ten to one he'll say Austin, Texas"

Texans are fighting on other fronts, too. Captain Gerald Montgomery, of Littlefield, Texas, exploded three Nazi jet planes last week, barely escaped with his life from the scrap. So many American planes were in the fight that he almost collided with a fellow-flyer in a cloud bank.

In the same fight, Capt. Bill Anderson, whose parents live near Calvert, got two jet planes as did Lt. Carl Payne of San Antonio.

Mrs. Louise Walker Tomkinson of near San Saba, has received the Purple Heart medal won by her husband, Lt. Bob Tomkinson. He is recuperating from his wounds in a British hospital.

Pfc. Hilbert Mielke of New

**AMERICAN HEROES**

BY LEFF



Major Lyle J. Defenbaugh, Infantry, of Omaha, earned his Silver Star for gallantry in action in Tunisia. Under heavy machine gun fire aimed directly at his position, which silenced the radio, he disregarded all personal safety, and remained in full view of the enemy within close range to shout directions and orders to two of his companies. Our praise for his heroism is not enough, we must buy War Bonds and hold 'em. U. S. Treasury Department

Braunsfels has won the French Croix de Guerre with gold star for his combat work with a field artillery unit.

And a Flatonia boy, Coast Guardsman Oscar Hull, has finally returned after spending 14 months aboard an LST in the South Pacific. His job was one of the most dangerous of the war, landing army and Marine units on beaches under fire. Fine going, Hull.

Vernon Rosky of Chriesman, Burleson county, will have an unusual story to tell his grandchildren some day. Rosky was shot down over Germany and spent a long time in a Nazi prison camp. Then the Allies bombed the town, the Germans fled in panic, and Rosky quickly escaped. He made his way to Switzerland, then France, then Belgium. Cold, hungry, and homesick, he hadn't seen a piece of English literature in months when he ran across a copy of Outdoor Life. The first article he read was an article by Joe Small who now lives in Austin but who was born in Rosky's

home town of 120 population. Yes, it's a small world . . . and these Texans do get around.

**"SEED LOANS" NOW AVAILABLE TO FARMERS**

Emergency Crop Loans, generally known as the "seed loans" are now available to farmers of this county who need assistance in financing the production of 1945 crops, according to W. E. Farwell, manager of the Dallas Emergency Crop Loan Office of the Farm Credit Administration. An early installment of the loan may be advanced at this time for the purchase of feed or fuel oil for preparing the land, as well as fertilizer, seed and supplies, which may be needed now, Mr. Farwell stated. The Loan Manager also called attention to the fact that the War Food Administration is urging farmers, who use fertilizer, to

purchase it early and store it on the farm to relieve congestion in warehouses.

Applications for the loans in Martin County are being taken at the office of Charles Ebbesol in Stanton each Friday under the direction of John J. Mullin, field supervisor.

These loans have been made here for many years and have proven of great benefit to farmers whose cash requirements are small. Security for the loans is a first mortgage on the crops to be financed. As in the past, borrowers will be required to plant a large garden for home use and a balanced farm program of food, feed and cash crops is encouraged. Applicants

who can secure loans from banks or other sources are not eligible for the "seed loans." The maximum loan to an individual is \$400.

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