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SNOOTER KNOWS
A LITTLE ABOUT EVERYTHING
AND
NOT MUCH ABOUT ANYTHING

LINOTYPE "JAG"

We want our readers to see how a linotype acts up when its going out of commission at the point where the letters are distributed down their proper channels. The operator hits the "o" and gets an "l", hits the "d" and gets an "l", and so on. This is the reason the Reporter is a day late and in a h—ll of a fix until a Big Spring linotype machinist comes over and gets us out of it.

A Happy New Year just the same.

**H. G. EASTRIDGES
CELEBRATE THEIR 50TH
WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**

The Chandler Heights Weekly published at Chandler Heights, Arizona, had the following write-up of the 50th wedding anniversary of the parents of Mrs. E. F. Polson of Stanton:

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Eastridge celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Wednesday with a large family dinner. Fifty-three people were present and many others were unable to attend. There are 54 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren living.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Avery Eastridge and children, Mrs. Oveda Templeton and baby all of Odessa, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Polson and family of Casa Grande; Mrs. Iva Armstrong and daughter, Mrs. Doyle Polson and son, Mrs. Delores Lusk and two children, and Hershel Baxter all of Chandler; Mr. and Mrs. Ermit Terry of Mesa; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Coeber and baby of Coolidge; Heights, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Jones and family, Mrs. Batty Eastridge and children, Mrs. Thedus Standard and baby Milam Eastridge and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Lusk and family.

After dinner E. Hargis and Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Farmer called to congratulate the couple.

Roy Easteridge, a son who is now in Pixlep, Calif., gave his parents a large turkey for their anniversary dinner before he left.

Mr. and Mrs. Eastridge were married Dec. 20, 1894 in Union County, Ark., and reared 12 children to adulthood. Their youngest son, Winefred, is with the army overseas. Their eldest son, Talmage, recently returned to the States from the Alutians where he spent a year with a construction company.

Six grandchildren are in service. They are Travis and Coy Eehridge with the armed forces overseas; Hubert Polson with the Navy; Earl Doyle and Wayne Polson in the service in the States.

Mrs. E. F. Polson of Stanton was unable to attend her parents' wedding anniversary.

**A/C JAMES A. BROWN, JR.
MARRIES AT STAMFORD**

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Brown of Stanton, received word this week their son A/C James Alvin Brown, Jr., and Miss Frances Wyatt of Aboca, Texas, were married Sunday at Stamford.

Cadet Brown is training at the Frederick, Okla., air field.

**SINGING CONVENTION
SUNDAY, DEC. 31**

The Martin-Howard and Midland County Singing Convention, meets Sunday, December 31, at the Assembly of God church in Midland. Everyone welcome.

S. E. Cross, President

Here From San Antonio

Miss Lela Boyd came in Wednesday morning for a short visit with her mother Mrs. Chas. Ebbersol and Mr. Ebbersol.

Five Killed In MAAF Air Crash

Midland Reporter-Telegram
A twin-engined bombardier training plane from Midland Army Air Field crashed 18 miles northwest of Stanton on the C. M. Houston Ranch about 6:05 a. m. Wednesday, killing the pilot, bombardier instructor and three cadet bombardiers. The five airmen were on a regular combat training flight, and all next of kin have been notified.

The dead as announced by Colonel John W. White, Commanding Officer of the bombardier training group, are: John D. Jones, pilot, husband of Juanita Louise, who lives at the base; Flight Officer Cannon Courts in Odessa, Texas, and son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Jones of Chouteau, Okla. He completed his training at Brooks Field, Texas, and received his wings and commission in February, 1944.

First Lieut. Alvin R. Wong, bombardier instructor, nephew of Mrs. Jessie Ming, of 3000 Prospect Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. Lieut. Wong recently returned from the Central Pacific Area where he had completed 51 combat bombing sorties, winning the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with seven Oak Leaf Clusters.

Three Cadets
Cadet Elbert E. Wood, son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Wood of Fort Sumner, New Mexico. He was a graduate of Fort Sumner High School and attended New Mexico A. & M. College.

Cadet Walter J. Woyick, son of Mrs. Mary Woyick of 20 Monroe Street, Valparaiso, Ind. He is a graduate of Valparaiso High School and attended Valparaiso University, and both schools were quite prominent in sports.

Cadet Joseph N. Yorkey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas J. Yorkey, of 3139 Tasket Street, Philadelphia, Pa. He is a graduate of Southeast Catholic Boys' High School.

The accident is being investigated by a board of qualified Army Air Forces officers, to determine the exact cause, stated Colonel White.

WHOLE FAMILY IS INJURED SERIOUSLY IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Mr. and Mrs. Arlo Forrest and little daughter and son, of Dallas, and Mrs. Forrest's aunt, Mrs. Ona Johnson of Merkle, were in a bad car wreck on the Itaan Flatt, east of Big Spring, the day after Christmas.

They were returning home from a Christmas visit in the home of Mrs. Forrest's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bart Smith, pulling a trailer. The highway was icy coated and the car and trailer slipped and turned in such a way as to seriously injure all occupants of the car.

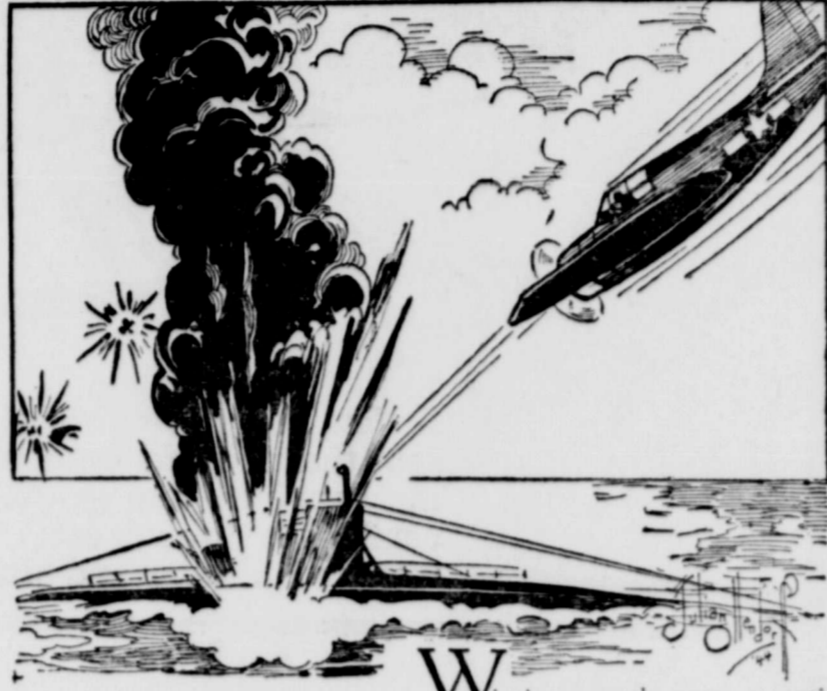
Mrs. Forrest was most seriously injured receiving a compound fracture of the nose and one arm. Mr. Forrest and both children received fractures of the nose and Mr. Forrest a chest injury.

All the group are in a Big Spring Hospital.

The car was not overturned but in righting itself caused a severe jolt to all occupants.

AMERICAN HEROES

by JULIAN OLLENDORFF



Wing over the ocean on anti-submarine patrol, Lt. Comdr. (now Commander) Charles W. Brewer, U.S.N., 33, sighted a surfaced enemy. Pouring machine-gun fire, a thousand rounds, on the conning tower, he prevented the manning of anti-aircraft guns. Then came a violent explosion; flames filled the conning tower and enveloped the superstructure. Comdr. Brewer was awarded a Gold Star for the attack. Buy War Bonds to supply more planes to continue such action. U. S. Treasury Department

REA CO-OP ANNOUNCES PLAN FOR POSTWAR EXPANSION PROGRAM ON 5TH. ANNIVERSARY

Plans for immediate postwar resumption of its construction program to provide electric service to an estimated seven hundred farms and other rural consumers in this area are being formulated by the Cap Rock Electric Cooperative, Inc., Stanton, according to O. B. Bryan, manager. The Cooperative this week enters its fifth year of operation.

"We have many potential users of electricity along our lines, patiently waiting for the necessary materials to be released so that their connections can be completed," Mr. Bryan said. "Farmers within reach of our existing lines whose applications for service are approved by the County USDA Conservation Committee under the War Production Board's regulations permitting connecting of farms able to use electricity effectively in livestock, dairy or poultry production, will be connected as rapidly as possible."

Mr. Bryan said three hundred farms have been connected to the Cooperative's lines since the War Production Board inaugurated the wartime farm service program in January, 1943, in order to encourage needed food production. A recent survey showed that these three hundred farm families are using sixty-seven water pumps, twenty-two milking machines, two hundred fifteen chicken brooders, and many other appliances that help increase production or replace manual labor.

Mr. Bryan said: "We consider a postwar program involving construction of five miles of line to serve nine hundred new members is entirely possible for our system."

The Rural Electrification Administration had allotted \$557,000 to the Cooperative for construction loans as of September 30, 1944. Against this amount the Cooperative has drawn \$279,478, leaving the remainder available for immediate use when line-building is resumed on a peace-time scale.

The Cooperative's first lines went into operation December 11, 1940 with three hundred twenty-four consumers. It now operates four hundred miles of line serving nine hundred forty-five farms and other rural consumers.

The Cooperative has fulfilled all obligations in making regular payments on its REA loans and, in addition, has made payment of \$5,000 on principal in advance of the due date. It has also invested \$29,000 in War Bonds as a reserve for emergency and for later maintenance.

One of, if not the most valuable assets to Stanton and Martin County to go into the new year that REA was responsible for, is the building of a \$30,000

freezer-locker plant. The capacity of this plant is a 500 locker boxes. It's a most valuable food preservative institution for the citizens of Martin County. Many hundreds of pounds of beef and pork and other farm production items are stored in the locker plant. A very handy proposition. One who has beef or pork stored in his locker and his appetite craves a piece of beef or pork he goes to the plant and has the kind he wants prepared right on the spot and takes it home for his dinner meal.

Spend Christmas At Colorado

Mr. and Mrs. Son Powell and son Frank, spent Christmas in the home of Mr. Powell's parents Mr. and Mrs. Lay Powell at Colorado City.

Spent Christmas in Austin

Earle Powell spent Christmas week with his family at Austin.

Bonds Over America



SAKOKAWEA

Credit for the success of Lewis and Clark's great expedition across the Rockies to the Pacific has long been attributed to Sakokawe, wife of a French interpreter. The Shoshone Indian girl with a baby on her back acted as guide, cook and emissary to the Indian tribes that murderously roamed the dangerous trails from Stanton, North Dakota, to the West Coast. Her statue adorns the State House lawn at Bismarck, serving as a constant inspiration to North Dakotans fighting to defend the great lands she opened to white men. Japs might already have a foothold on that land but for the supplies furnished American service men through the purchase of War Bonds.

U. S. Treasury Department

STANTON BOY, MEMBER OF CREW THAT SAVED THEIR SHIP FROM A WATERY GRAVE

"The Navy proudly struck the U. S. S. Alchiba, battered and torn cargo vessel from the list of lost American ships yesterday. The Alchiba, officially reported as lost through enemy action December 11, has returned to a United States port and is under final repairs," so read the report contained in a Washington, D. C., dispatch dated December 11, 1942.

The Alchiba crippled into port for reconditioning and unloaded its crew, a member of which was Bernard T. Houston SC2/c. son of Mr. and Mrs. Tode Houston of Stanton.

On a visit to his parents this month now drawing to a close, Bernard wouldn't give out any information of his starfaring experience floating around on the waters of the Pacific for military reasons, except to say he was still a member of the Alchiba crew and experienced some pretty "hot" times aboard. One thing Bernard did do before he returned to his California base two weeks ago, he turned over to the writer his scrap book and told to help himself.

A brief history of the Alchiba, will give some inside light of the cargo vessel on which Bernard calls home when on duty.

As the writer scanned the pages of the scrapbook one account gave the Alchiba as the "wounded ship crippling into port fire-blackened, twice-torpedoed" with Capt. Jas. Freeman of Jasper, Alabama, and Commander Howard E. Shaw of Sandown, N. H., in command. Bernard paid these two officers a glowing tribute, as one whom the whole crew idolized. They were decorated for their part in saving their ship. Freeman received the Navy Cross, and Shaw was awarded the Silver Star.

On August 7 and 9, 1942, the Alchiba participated in the initial landing operations in the Solomon Islands. On November 28 the vessel made its fourth trip into the Solomons area and just after dropping anchor off Guadalcanal it was torpedoed. Through the superior seamanship of Freeman and Shaw the vessel was beached although gasoline tanks and ammunition were blowing up as a result of the damage caused by the torpedoes.

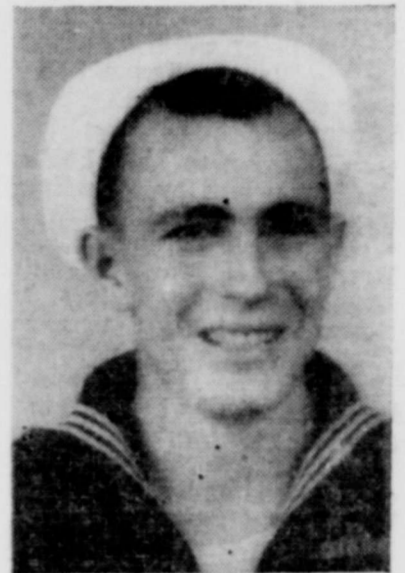
One correspondent put it: "Ripped open by three Jap torpedoes, afire for five days with a cargo of gasoline and explosive aboard, she limped 6,000 miles to port—with her back broken in two places." The writer imagines the gala time Bernard had during the torpedoing of his ship, fighting the fires set off, and his voyage of 6,000 miles.

"By all odds she would have gone to a watery grave," said the correspondent, "and indeed, the Navy reported her lost. But her crew wouldn't let her die. She fooled the Navy and the Japs," the correspondent continued. Only two or three men had been killed and a few injured.

In speaking of the work of his crew after the torpedoing of the Alchiba, Commander Freeman said: "The crew worked like mad unloading ashore what hadn't been thrown overboard. Twelve of them acted as firemen. For five days and nights they fought the blaze. All of them worked 20 and 22 hours at a stretch and finally unloaded the cargo and extinguished all of the fires." Altogether they put ashore 1,300 out of 2,200 tons of cargo.

"They worked hard, terribly hard," said "Pop" Shaw. "I'm proud of that crew. It's the best crew I ever had in my whole 25 years' service."

In making a statement to a correspondent who interviewed him, Commander Freeman said: "For gosh sakes, when you write this up, give all the credit to the men. They fought the fire, they did the work which



BERNARD HOUSTON

kept the ship alive. All I did was direct them."

The U. S. S. Alchiba, Navy cargo vessel was awarded the following Presidential Unit citation:

"For the outstanding performance in the delivery of vital war supplies through Japanese-controlled waters in the South Pacific, August to November, 1942, torpedoed by a hostile submarine, the ALCHIBA, exploding and aflame, was successfully beached while her ship's company berthed ashore nine days and nights, salvaging cargo and fighting fire. Just when their task seemed finished and their ship restored, a second torpedo blasted the engine room and struck out the power. Once again, however, by the gallant determination of her officers and men, tider but undiscouraged, her damage was sufficient repaired to get underway—saved to resume her hazardous roll in the war effort."

There were three U. S. cruisers sunk in the August 8-9 protecting the landing of Marines on the Solomons. They were the heavy cruisers Quincy, Astoria and USS Vincennes, attacked by Japanese cruisers and destroyers.

The scrapbook contains many photographs of islands in the South Pacific the Alchiba has touched on its cargo voyages and pictures of pretty girls both of native and American extraction—just how Bernard came in possession of these of course, is his secret, but the writer can guess. Also photographs of his Alchiba while burning, and pictures of the three USS cruisers that went to a watery grave at the time the Alchiba was torpedoed.

Bernard passed through a fiery ordeal at sea when all seemed lost, and is a member of a crew that performed a heroic task that saved a ship that was a blazing furnace and seemed doomed to destruction.

But what else could one expect of a boy raised on a ranch whose pastime was playing hide-go-seek with jackrabbits around the cactus bush, and picking up rattlesnakes by the tail and snapping their heads off by swinging them around his head and giving them a jerk. Hard as nails, and sharp as tacks, these ranch boys, and pity the Jap that gets in striking distance of one of them.

Happy New Year, Bernard, on your stately old battle-scarred ship the Alchiba and is prowling the Pacific again following a double fracture of the back and other wounds.

Midland Visitor

Miss Dorothy Hamilton of Midland, spent Christmas with her mother Mrs. Nobby I Milton.

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**MRS. WILMA WOOLSEY
PASSES AWAY**

Mrs. Wilma Woolsey, wife of W. A. Woolsey died at the family home at 1001 W. 2nd St. Big Spring, at 11:55 p. m., Wednesday, December 20.

Mrs. Woolsey was born in Calahan County, near Baird, Texas, March 30, 1907. She and Mr. Woolsey were married in 1926 in Stanton, Texas. She was a member of the Baptist church in Stanton.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by two daughters, Lucille and CherryLou Woolsey; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Edwards of Lenorah, Texas; three sisters, Mrs. Howard Reed Big Spring, Mrs. Kermit Fortune, Knott, Mrs. Travis Gotcher, Kermit, and five brothers, all of whom are in the armed forces overseas. They are T. P. and C. M. Edwards, in India, Veston and Donald in the Pacific, and Leston Edwards in England; five nephews, Bobby Gene and Jimmy Gotcher of Kermit, Donald Howard Reed of Big Spring, Pat Fortune of Knott, and James Phillip Edwards of Midland; four nieces, Wanda Sue Gotcher of Kermit; Ella Vonne, Charlene and June Fortune of Knott.

Her parents-in-law Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Woolsey of Stanton; three sisters-in-law, Mrs. C. M. Edwards, Jr., Midland; Mrs. Veston Edwards, Mason; Mrs. Jewel Wren, Midland; three brothers-in-law, Doyle Woolsey, Blanco; Lewis Woolsey, Midland; and Clyde Woolsey of Stanton.

Funeral services were held at the Baptist Church in Stanton, at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon, with the Rev. Claud B. Stovall, officiating and Eberly-Currie Funeral Home, Big Spring, in charge.

Burial was in Evergreen cemetery beside the graves of her two sons who died in infancy.

Pall bearers were Lewis Wren, Charlie Wise, Marshall Parker, Harry Echols, Curtis Fisher, and O. Robinson.

Baby Born At Mrs. Payton's
Juan and Maria Reiz, who live on the Earl Powell ranch, are the parents of a baby son born, December 24 at Mrs. Peyton's nursing home. They named him Davis, and he is their second son.

Odessa Visitor
Ira B. Cocherham of Odessa, spent Christmas with his sister, Mrs. Nobye Hamilton. Ira was an old timer in Martin county until he moved to Odessa. He renewed his subscription to the Reporter while here.

**NINETY MILLION
TO BE INVESTED
IN MOTOR COACHES**

Six thousand motor coaches, presenting an investment of \$90 million, will be ordered by the nation's intercity bus lines as soon as the lifting of wartime priorities permits their manufacture. In addition, a program of rehabilitating all present equipment will provide employment for tens of thousands of automotive workers. These were the findings of the National Association of Motor Bus Operators as the organization completed a survey of the industry's postwar needs.

"Normally, the country's intercity bus lines require upwards of 2,000 motor coaches a year," said Arthur M. Hill, association president. "Because transportation is vital to the war effort, the manufacture of a limited number of buses has been permitted in the past three years, but far less than the actual requirements were met. Furthermore, these are Victory models that lack the comfort and luxury features postwar travelers will demand.

"While the intercity bus industry's requirement of 6,000 motor coaches may appear small in comparison with the projected market for passenger cars," Mr. Hill explained, "it should be remembered that highway buses, with new luxury appointments, will average \$15,000 in cost and will require a correspondingly greater number of man hours for manufacture. Even when the pent-up demand is met, the anticipated postwar boom will send requirements for subsequent years above previous levels."

The plans of nearly all bus companies also provide for the complete rebuilding of a major portion of their fleets when manpower and parts are available. This will offer employment for thousands of ex-service men.

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THE civic leaders and business firms of Stanton, singly and collectively, join hands here in extending New Year Greetings to their many friends and patrons.

A New Year dawns bringing with it the hopes of all citizens that their fellowmen, and all, may enjoy a lasting happiness and gain a greater sense of security and confidence through cooperation in all working to a common end, a happy and prosperous nation.

<p>May your year be replete with the deepest satisfaction of life. And may your happiness in the New Year be as certain as my wishes are sincere.</p> <p>WILSON VARIETY STORE</p>	<p>To our loyal patrons we extend the best wishes of the season's good wishes for a bright and</p> <p>HAPPY NEW YEAR</p> <p>L. H. WHITE GROCERY</p>	<p>Happy New Year to our many clients who will read this message and our assurance of our determination to give the best service possible.</p> <p>BLOCKER OIL CO.</p>
<p>Joy be with you this happy season. We are mindful of our debt to our friends who have favored our business, a debt of gratitude we can never repay fully.</p> <p>SHEILA SHOP</p>	<p>HAPPY NEW YEAR May the days to come be filled with joy and inspiration, never hum-drum, never dreary. Thank you for the patronage the past year.</p> <p>COURTNEY GIN A. W. Heckler</p>	<p>SUCCESSFUL NEW YEAR Let's give wings to Victory Buy more Bonds! Work Your Best! Let us serve you in 1945!</p> <p>Happy and Prosperous New Year to all our customers and friends.</p> <p>GULF SERVICE STATION</p>
<p>Right out in front of the parade of good wishes that are bound to come our way, count ours the drum-major of the all in hearty "Happy New Year." What more can we wish you?</p> <p>BEN FRANKLIN STORE</p>	<p>Just a New Year How-Do You Do, and a wish for your happiness all the year through. Our sincere thanks goes out to our many customers.</p> <p>J. D. RENFRO Jeweler</p>	<p>HAPPINESS health and an entire year full of bounteous blessings. These are the things we wish for you and yours throughout the new year 1945.</p> <p>GIBSON FEED & HATCHERY</p>
<p>May the New Year bring you all Fortune, a wealth of Good Luck and Happy Days.</p> <p>CO-OP. GIN</p>	<p>We take genuine pleasure in laying aside the routine of business to send our many friends the heartiest wishes for the New Year.</p> <p>LYNN WHITE FILLING STATION</p>	<p>On the threshold of 1945, it may be appropriate to envision a Better World in which to live. May God speed the day of World Victory and bring Peace on Earth Good Will toward men.</p> <p>B. F. WHITE County Judge</p>
<p>TO ALL OUR FRIENDS—old and new, past, present and future—we say: A Happy and Prosperous New Year.</p> <p>LENORAH B. EPLEY County and District Clerk</p>	<p>All of us should be filled with unbounded Gratitude and should thank God that we are Americans. We wish you a Happy Holiday Season.</p> <p>H. M. ZIMMERMAN Sheriff, Tax Assessor-Collector</p>	<p>During the year now drawing to a close you have been good friends of mine, and at this season I wish to take this means of extending to you my sincere wishes for a happy and prosperous new year.</p> <p>GARLAND BREWER County Treasurer</p>

TAYLOR SHOPS TO POST CEILING PRICES

Every dry cleaning or pressing establishment in the Lubbock District of the Office of Price Administration is required to have a ceiling price poster displayed by January 15, 1945, to show the maximum legal prices for cleaning and pressing cer-

tain men's and women's wear, according to J. B. Mooney, District Price Executive. An additional requirement is that the poster must be displayed in a conspicuous part of the establishment plainly visible and customers are urged to check the ceiling prices each time they pay for such service.

FAMILY REUNION FOR ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Howard will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary December 29 with a family reunion at their home at Tarzan.

All of their children will be present. They are Messrs. C. L. Howard, Homer Howard and A. J. Howard, Mrs. T. Lindsay and Miss Jettie Howard of Stanton, Mrs. Ira Howard of Midland, Mrs. C. H. Wolcott of Fort Worth, and Capt. P. N. Howard of AAF.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard have lived in Martin County for the past 20 years. Both are natives of Tennessee and married there before moving to Texas.

Spent Christmas With Family

Henry Herzog of Monahans, spent Christmas with his wife and son, Robert. Henry is carpentering at Monahans, and says there is more building going on there than ever, and the best part of it they are building substantial structures.

Returns From Kemp

Ector Thornton has returned from Kemp where he spent Christmas with his father.

Try a Reporter Want Adv. It will pay you.

THANK YOU

The Stoeger-Estes Post 429 and the Woman's Auxiliary wishes to thank our friends and Buddies for the nice present sent to the Veterans of War I on Christmas Day. We wish for every one a happy New Year.

Your Commander,
Ed Stanford
Adjutant W. Y. Swain

Here From Fort Worth

Miss Mary Dell Davis, who is a riveter in Consolidated at Ft. Worth, spent Sunday and Monday in Stanton with home folks. Miss Mary Ruth Renfro, who also works in the office of Con-

solidated also spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Renfro.

DEGREE TO CONFER

Stanton Lodge 951 AF&AM called meeting for Saturday evening December 30. Work in M. M. degree. Members and visitors are urged to be present.
Edgar Standerfer,
WM. Pt.

Miss Tidwell Home

Miss Beryl Tidwell is home from Corpus Christi to spend the holiday season.

We have a host of friends in this area whom we would like to see personally in order to extend a personal New Year's greeting

We may not get around to everyone so we ask that you consider this as being a genuine expression of good wishes to each of you and a hearty thank you for past courtesies.

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STANTON HOME AND AUTO SUPPLY

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To our friends and customers we thank them for the nice business they have given us for the short time we have been in business. A Happy New Year to all.

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FIVE IMPORTANT RATIONING CHANGES ANNOUNCED TODAY

OPA's recent action making five important changes in the rationing program was taken overnight because present supplies, according to the supply agencies will permit use of currently valid stamps only, Howard R. Gholson, District Director of the Office of Price Administration announced today.

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

In announcing the restoration of corn, peas, asparagus, green beans and spinach to the ration list of processed foods, OPA placed these point values for the popular No. 2 cans (1 lb. 2 oz.—1 lb. 6 oz.): corn, vacuum-packed whole kernel, 30; other corn, 20; peas, 20; asparagus, 10; green beans, 10; spinach, 10. Butter was raised to 24 points per pound.

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

Red stamps that are now valid are Q5, R5, S5. Presently valid blue stamps are X5, Y5, Z5, A2, and B2. Five new red stamps—T5 through X5—will become valid December 31. Five new blue stamps—C2 through G2—will become valid January 1, 1945 and both blue and red stamps will be worth 10 points each.

DAWKINS-HILDRETH

Virgil Dawkins and Myrtle Hildreth were married December 23 at 6:30 p. m. in the home of D.G. Dawkins in Midland. Rev. A. W. Smith of Calvary Baptist Church officiated.

The bride wore a teal-blue 2-piece suit trimmed with rhinestone buttons and blouse of la e. Her Flowers were of the traditional white.

The room was decorated with banks of pink flowers and white tapers.

Immediately following the ceremony a wedding supper was served the bride and groom the bride's sister, Miss Lily Mae Hildreth and Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Dawkins.

Mrs. Tom Houston Here

Mrs. Tom Houston and baby son, are the guests of the baby's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Houston for a part of the Christmas holiday.

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POEM ON CAPITOL HILL

All the way from Jefferson, Texas, comes a poem on our "Capitol Hill" home, by Mrs. Bettie Hobbs of Stanton, who is visiting relatives at that place. And Mrs. Hobbs, the editor and wife wishes you a new year full of health and prosperity. Mrs. Hobbs says:

Editors of the Stanton Reporter, greeting,
I heard that you gave old Hard Luck a good beating,
Instead of moving into your locker to freeze
You just moved up where you could get a better breeze.

Capitol Hill sounds very aristocratic,
But Liberty Hill would sound more patriotic,
But you just call it what you please, it's your ground
And it makes no difference about the sound.

But the great improvement and mansion you've planned
Will be an addition to Stanton that is grand.
You still seem to be a booster of the city
But no one will even think you are gritty.

So you just go on until you make yourself famous,
That's just what happened to Andy and Amos.
I can see by the ads. that you are on your way
And if you get there, well I guess you will stay.
—Mrs. Bettie Hobbs

LOCAL SOLDIER AWARDED COMBAT DECORATION FOR FIGHTING IN ITALY

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, ITALY—Private First Class James A. Roberson, son of Mr. Carter F. Roberson, of Stanton, Texas, has been cited by the 6th Armored Infantry Battalion of the First Armored Division and awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge for actual participation against the enemy with Lieutenant General Mark M. Clark's Fifth Army in Italy.

Standards for the badge are high. The decoration is awarded to the infantry soldier who has proved his fighting ability in combat.

The handsome badge consists of a silver rifle set against a background of infantry blue, enclosed in a silver wreath.

Ingrams Visit Parents

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Ingram and children, Glea and Bill, divided the time Christmas week visiting Mrs. Ingram's mother at Sterling City and Mr. Ingram's parents at Winters.

RED CROSS CHRISTMAS PACKAGES FOR POWS ARRIVE IN GERMANY

American Red Cross Christmas packages for the prisoners of war have arrived in Europe for distribution to captive Yanks in German prison camps. Basil O'Connor, chairman of the American Red Cross, announced today.

The packages were shipped from Philadelphia in August in order to arrive in time for Christmas despite delays in transportation through war areas, O'Connor said. A large reserve was included to allow for men who might be captured during the months between August and December.

The packages contain turkey, plum pudding, sausage, strawberry jam, nuts, fruit bars, dates, canned cherries, chewing gum, deviled ham, cheddar cheese, butter, bouillon cubes, tea, honey, cigarettes, smoking tobacco, a pipe, a washcloth, playing cards, a game, and two pictures of American scenes.

The American Red Cross has instructed the International Committee in Geneva to distribute the regular weekly food parcel to American prisoners of war in addition to the Christmas package, the national chairman stated.

NO INCREASE IN PRICE OF BREAD

District Director Howard R. Gholson of the Office of Price Administration said today that there will be no increase in the price of bread despite the increase of 4 cents a bushel in wheat, which OPA recently granted.

Housewives of the Lubbock district will continue to pay 10 cents for a standard-size white loaf. Flour prices also will remain at their present levels under December 31, at which time announcement will be made of a new subsidy rate to apply after January 1. This rate will be based on wheat prices prevailing at the time under the new ceilings.

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

Bonds Over America



GORGAS HOUSE

Because pioneers in Alabama did not have wives and children with them, education received little attention until statehood was achieved in 1820. Poor and middle-class children attended the public schools while children of planters and other well-to-do families attended private schools up to the War Between the States. The University of Alabama was opened at Tuscaloosa in 1831. Gorgas House, built in 1829 and occupied by the famous Confederate General while he was president of the University, stands as a splendid tribute to education's rapid rise in the State. It is worth buying War Bonds to supply U. S. service men who are fighting to protect educational advantages such as Alabama has attained. U. S. Treasury Department

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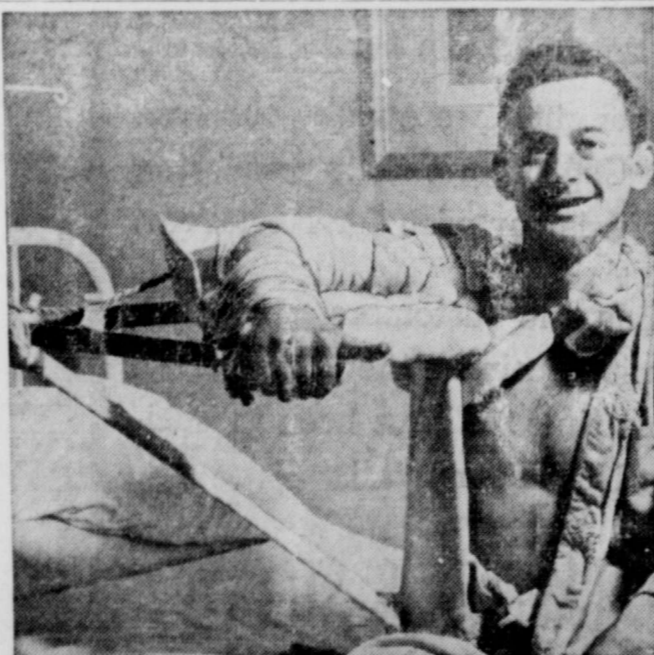
REAL VALUES IN FOODS for the THRIFTY HOUSEWIFE...

Seasons no longer limit selection of foods. Winter months make special demand that meals be properly balanced. Thrifty housewives of Stanton have learned that the widest selections and best prices can be found at this store. Our aim for the new year is to keep our stock of groceries and meats as complete as possible with standard quality merchandise. We will make every possible effort to maintain service that will be both prompt and efficient. Whatever may be our mistake during the coming year rest assured it will be from the head, not of the heart.

A very Happy and Prosperous New Year to all our friends and customers.

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They Are Buying War Bonds - Are You?



Men must have what it takes in full measure when ordered into a machinegun nest as first scouts. Pvt. Birtchell Linwood of Weld, Me., can tell you all about it for he didn't come through unscathed. The other side fractured his humerus bone but he will get back to near normal as a result of funds available for hospitalization from War Bond sales.



Pfc. Tom Burrade, 20-year-old Noxapater, Miss., boy, hit while on an ammunition truck in France, regained consciousness in England, his jaw fractured and lips cut to the chin, but thankful for War Bond sales.



Lt. Leo Klein, 27, Scranton, Pa., hospitalized with burns and compound fracture of both legs, was a B 17 bombardier-navigator with 14 missions accomplished when ordered to a rest home. The train on which he was riding figured in a wreck near London and he suffered wounds that had passed him by on dangerous missions. War Bonds funds are mending his hurts.