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Muenster's Gold Star Boys Local Service Flag Displays 221 Stars, Nine Of Them Gold



—ENS. ROBERT WEINZAPFEL, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Weinzapfel, a dive bomber pilot, was Muenster's and Cooke County's first casualty in World War II. He died for his country while he was on duty as a member of the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Lexington, San Antonio, in 1940. While at St. Mary's, he received his elementary aeronautical training under the Civil Aeronautics Authority and after graduation joined the Navy Air Corps, winning his wings and commission in May, 1941, after which he was assigned to the Lexington in the dive bomber squadron. He gave his life on December 9, 1941.



—LT. M. J. ENDRES, JR., lost his life in a bomber crash on the west coast in August, 1942. He graduated from Corpus Christi Academy, attending Texas A & M. College and North Texas State Teachers College, enlisting in the Army Air Corps as a cadet in June, 1941. He received his primary training at the Allan Hancock College of Aeronautics, Santa Monica, Calif., took basic training at Moffett Field, Calif., and advanced training at Luke Field, Ariz., where he received his wings and commission in January, 1942. He served as a ferry pilot and made several trips to Hawaii and Australia. Burial with full military honors was held here.



—ERIC RICHARD C. FETTE, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fette, was killed on January 20, 1944, at the San Diego, Calif., Naval Air Base when a Navy Liberator bomber on which he was co-pilot crashed and carried its 13 passengers to their death. Eric attended the local schools, graduating from the Public High School in 1937. After that, he spent four years on a sightseeing expedition leading him through most of the Central and Western States and Alaska. He volunteered in the Navy Air Corps and was accepted in June, 1942. He trained at Balboa and received his commission as Ensign in March, 1943, at Corpus Christi, Texas. He was assigned to duty on the Liberator in San Diego in November, 1943. Memorial services were held here.



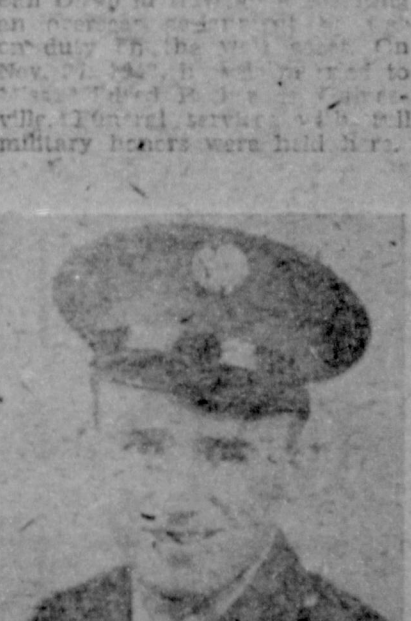
—PFC. AUGUST J. FENNELL, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fennell, was Muenster's first native-born son to give his life for his country while actively engaged in combat on foreign soil. He was a member of the famous 32nd Infantry Division and was killed in the Cassino sector, Italy, on February 2, 1944, on his 25th birthday. Gussie, as he was affectionately known by his friends, attended Sacred Heart school, assisted his father in farming, and in January, 1941, enlisted in the army. He began his training with the 36th at Camp Bowie, was then at Camp Blending, Fla., and at Camp Edwards, Mass., going overseas with the Division in April, 1943. He was stationed in North Africa and was with the 36th when Italy was invaded at Salerno, continuing with his unit until he gave his life for the principles for which he fought. Memorial services were held here.



—LT. CLARENCE M. KOEHN, son of A.T. Hoehn, who at 22 was a veteran of World War I and who wore a blue check with seven ribbons as awards for gallantry in action at Lae, New Guinea, and other South Pacific war zones, was the victim of an airplane crash at Gelveston on April 29, 1944, when the P-47 fighter-bomber he was piloting crashed and burned. "Bud" as he was best known by his friends, attended the local schools, graduated from the Public High School in 1938, and enlisted in the army on Nov. 1, 1940. He trained for a runner with the Army Air Corps and served overseas with the famous 16th Bombardment Group. He was seriously wounded over Lae, New Guinea, in July, 1942, and underwent a delicate brain operation. He received nationwide publicity during this period of his career and came to Muenster on convalescent furlough. Anxious for a return engagement with the Japs he volunteered for pilot's training in May, 1943, and received his wings and commission in January, 1944, at Foster Field, Victoria, Texas. He was then sent to Florida for special training and had been at Gelveston less than a month when he crashed. Funeral services with full military honors were held here.



—SGT. ROBERT W. HERR, son of Fred Herr, died on September 14, this year, from injuries received in the line of duty at Camp Hood, Texas, four days previously. Death came at the Clokey General Hospital, Temple. Sgt. Herr was born in Muenster and spent his entire lifetime until he entered the service here. He enlisted in the army in September, 1940, trained with an infantry division at Fort Warren, Wyo., and Portland, Ore., and went overseas in July, 1941. He spent 33 months at Dutch Harbor, Amchitka, Attu and other islands of the Aleutian group, where he went through 13 bombings and almost as many shelling by the Japanese. Paroled in April, this year, he returned to Muenster, his first return home in four years, after which he was sent to Camp Hood as an instructor at the Infantry Recruit Training Center. The injuries which caused his death were sustained while on bivouac, and consisted of two fractured vertebrae and other spinal and head injuries. Funeral rites with military honors were held here.



—PFC. JESSE EPPS, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Epps of Mynra, formerly of Muenster, died in France on June 11, 1944, of wounds received in action against the Germans the previous day. He entered the army from this city in October, 1942, and trained at Camp Rucker, Ala., and at Camp Pickett, Va., going overseas in February. He was stationed in England until the invasion of France in which he participated as a member of a tank battalion. Memorial services were held at Liberty Baptist church in the Rays community on October 15.



—PFC. HAROLD PEMERKOE, son of Mr. and Mrs. A.M. Pemerkoe, and husband of Mrs. Blanche Cochran Pemerkoe, was killed in action in France on August 27, 1944. He was a member of an infantry division. He was born and educated here and engaged in farming and dairying until his entry in the service on January 19, 1944. He trained at Camp Pickett, Texas, then transferred to Fort George G. Meade, Maryland, and embarked for overseas duty on June 29. He arrived in England and a week later, on June 16, went into action in the combat zone in France. His wife and two children, Marjorie Ellen and Lewis Paul, reside north of the city. On the 11 of this month his wife received the Purple Heart award, which was presented posthumously to her husband.

Thirty Serve, Are Honorably Discharged

Thirty residents of this community answered Uncle Sam's call, served as they were needed, many on foreign soil, but have since been honorably discharged. They are:

- Roy Burkhart
- Adolph Schumacher
- Werner Cler
- Gus Lutkenhaus
- Virginia G. Carter
- William Knabe
- Joe Paulter
- Gerald Stelzer
- Anton Hesse
- Alois Vogel
- Earl Swinger
- Vincent Felderhoff
- Win Lutkenhaus
- Frank Hoedebeck
- Leo Klimpt
- Jack Tugle
- Louis Nieball
- C.B. Fowler
- John Huchtons
- Raymond Hess
- Ed Rohmer
- Eugene Schmitz
- Hugh Jackson
- T.P. Frost
- Earl Walterscheid
- Elton McEntire
- Earl Otto
- Arnold Rohmer
- Albert Stoffels
- Jerome Pagel

Muenster's honor roll for World War II has grown steadily since Pearl Harbor and today lists a total of 221 names. There is hardly a family in the community who hasn't given either a son or daughter to the service of Uncle Sam, and many families boast of two, three and even more stars on their service flags.

The two gold stars on the community flag of last year have multiplied during 1944 and now total nine. Blue stars jumped from 176 to 212 during the same period of time.

Muenster is proud of her gallant boys and girls, stationed on every battle front of this global war. Her bluejackets are on duty on the seven seas, her air force men fly in every combat zone, her soldiers are battling in every foreign country where U.S. forces are engaged against the enemy.

But there aren't any complaints from Muensterites, who are steel-ed to war's hardships and sorrows. Many have spent suspense-filled weeks, waiting for word from loved one; others have borne up bravely under life's greatest sorrow. Todate nine young men have made the supreme sacrifice and one is reported missing.

Muenster has one five-star family, the Joe Lehnertz's; there are three families with four sons in the service, The Joe Swirczynski's, John Yosten and John Miller, while ten families have three members of the household in the service: Herman Luttmir, Henry Trachta, Frank Martin, Mrs. O. J. Huchtons, Mrs. Annie Trachta, John Felderhoff, A.T. Hoehn, Ben Luke, Sam Epps, Ralph Richards, and Barney Voth. Dozens of families have two sons each in the service.

In this issue The Enterprise carries some 130 pictures of service men and women. No history of their activity accompanies the photographs because it was almost impossible to write a story on soldiers moving so constantly and keep it up to date. Brief outlines are given only on the gold star boys. In addition to those listed with pictures there are 71 of whom this newspaper does not have photos. They are:

- S. Sgt. Leonard Schmitz
- Pvt. Joe Fletcher
- Arthur Felderhoff, PFC
- Roy Schumacher, SIC
- Gerald Trotter
- Pvt. Owen Harrison
- Joseph Tempel, S2C
- C.N. Myrtle Friske
- L.W. Mitchell, SIC
- Pvt. F.E. McLeod
- Pvt. Claude Cannon
- Lt. Mary A. Bernauer
- C.N. Evelyn Wiesman
- Pvt. F.A. Kathman, Jr.
- Pvt. Ernest Miller
- Nurse Rita Voth
- Pfc. Hugo Wild
- Pvt. Tony Hacker
- Pvt. Justin Hess
- Pvt. Dave Lehnertz
- Pvt. Ray D. Ramsey
- Pvt. C.L. Williams
- Pvt. Arthur Hess
- Pvt. A.J. Huchtons
- Pvt. Andy Stelzer
- Pvt. Arnold Wimmer
- Pvt. Wilfred Walterscheid
- C.N. Florentine Trubench
- Frank J. Haverkamp
- W.O. Henry Miller
- M. Sgt. Leon Hellman
- Lt. Terrell Harrison
- S.Sgt. Clem Cole
- Bill Branham
- Joe W. Gregory
- Christopher Miller, SIC
- Cpl. Charles Miller
- Pfc. Lester Epps
- Pfc. Vernon Epps
- Pvt. Ray Fuhrmann
- Cpl. Richard Trachta
- Pvt. Ted Voth
- Pvt. Raymond Lutkenhaus
- Pfc. Lawrence Sicking
- Earl Fisher, V3C
- Pvt. Henry Paulter
- Saman Fred Cooke
- Cpl. Arnold Schilling
- Col. E.B. Roberson
- Giles M. Lehnertz, FC3C
- Vincent Luke, EM3C
- Sgt. Charles Clayton
- Lt. Bob Mack Cooke
- Col. Leroy Stelzer
- Pvt. Morris King
- Deward Martin
- Lt. Coursey
- Pfc. Albert Steinberger
- Sgt. W.P. Bratcher
- T. Sgt. Anton M. Koesler
- Pvt. Otto Walterscheid
- Pfc. Lawrence Knabe
- S. Sgt. Herbert McDaniels
- Gilbert Ramsey
- J.E. Owen
- Sgt. Steve Fette
- Charlie R. Owen
- Agnes Stormer, Y1C
- Pvt. A.T. Tugle
- B.H. Schumacher, S2C
- Pfc. John Paulter

—CPL. CECIL COLE, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.A. Cole, met his death in action with an armored tank division on July 11, 1944, in France. He was born at Saint Jo, but moved with his parents to this community when a lad and entered the army from this city in January, 1942. He received his basic training at Fort Knox, Ky., and Camp Polk, La., went to Rice, Calif., for desert maneuvers, and was then at Camp Pickett, Va., and Indiantown Gap, Pa., where he embarked for England and thence to France and the field of action. His parents moved to Gainesville sometime ago and recently received the Purple Heart, awarded posthumously to their son.

—SGT. LLOYD PATRICK, formerly of this city, was killed in action on October 9 somewhere in the Southwest Pacific. He made his home in Muenster for some ten years prior to his entry in the army. He served with an infantry division. His father, J.H. Patrick, is a chief machinists mate with the Seabees stationed in the European theatre of war, and he has a brother, Marine Sgt. Rolland Patrick, now in Virginia after spending 28 months on duty in the Southwest Pacific theatre of operations. His mother resides in Oklahoma City.

—S. SGT. JACK NEEDHAM, son of Mrs. Ruth Needham of Mynra, is a prisoner of war interned somewhere in Germany since February 23, this year. He served as an aerial photographer with the 5th corps. He enlisted in the service in Dec. 1940 and went overseas in August, 1942. He was among the first men to invade Africa and took part in the occupation of Pantelleria Island in June and July, 1943, and served in Sicily before going to Italy.

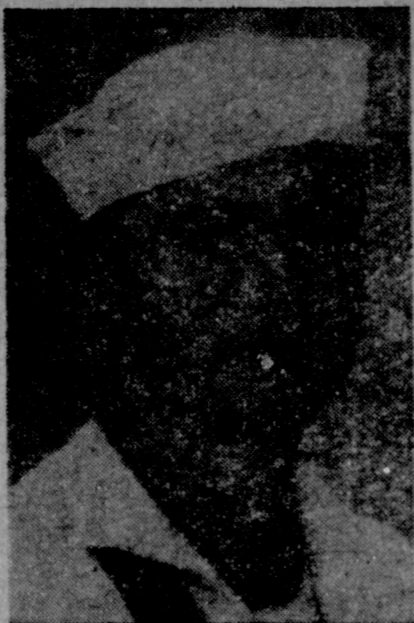
—FRANK MOSTER, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Moster, died of wounds received in action as a member of the 36th Division on December 9, 1943, in Italy. Born in New York, he came to Muenster as a youth, attended Sacred Heart School, then moved to Wichita Falls. In 1933 he returned to Cooke county, making his home in Gainesville. He enlisted in the Service in February, 1941, trained at Camp Bowie, Camp Blending, Fla., and Camp Edwards, Mass., and went overseas with the 36th Division in April, 1943. He was stationed in Africa and from there on took part in all battles the 36th engaged in the time of his death. He was a member of a reconnaissance company. Frank was known throughout the country having received nationwide publicity when he and his brother, Tony made two trips across the country on bicycles, pedaling 8,480 miles. Memorial services were held at St. Mary's church in Gainesville.

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Th Air Medal for meritorious achievement in aerial flight has been posthumously presented to 1st Lt. M.J. Endres, Jr., his mother, Mrs. M.J. Endres, learned Monday.



Pfc. Ray J. Wilde



John N. Wimmer MoMM-3c



Joe Yosten, MM-1c



S.-Sgt. Ferd Yosten



Seabee Earl Swingle



Pvt. Richard Wimmer

Merry Christmas



We cherish the thoughts of the fine friendships that have been ours in the past and we desire to take this means of expressing our genuine thanks for your courtesies.

We wish you the best of good things for Christmas and the New Year.

Main Hotel Coffee Shop

MÜNSTER



Pvt. Larry Yosten



Cpl. Andrew Yosten

Good Humor For Health
A sense of humor is a valuable business and social asset. It is also an important ally of health.

A famous physician tells us that laughter is a most healthful exercise and a great help to digestion. He adds that the custom among the earlier rulers of exciting laughter at the table by jesters and buffoons was founded on true medical principles. Yes — good cheer makes every dish a feast!



to All Our Friends

AND SINCERE GOOD WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR

Al Walterscheid

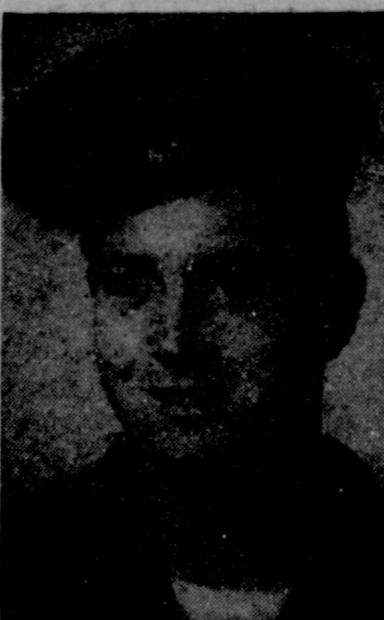
Machine Shop



Cpl. Paul Yosten



Pvt. Richard Yosten



Tony Yosten, MM-3c

A school teacher tells about a little boy whose coat was so difficult to fasten that she went to his assistance. As she tugged at the hook, she said, "Did your mother hook this coat for you?" "No, was the reply, "she bought it."

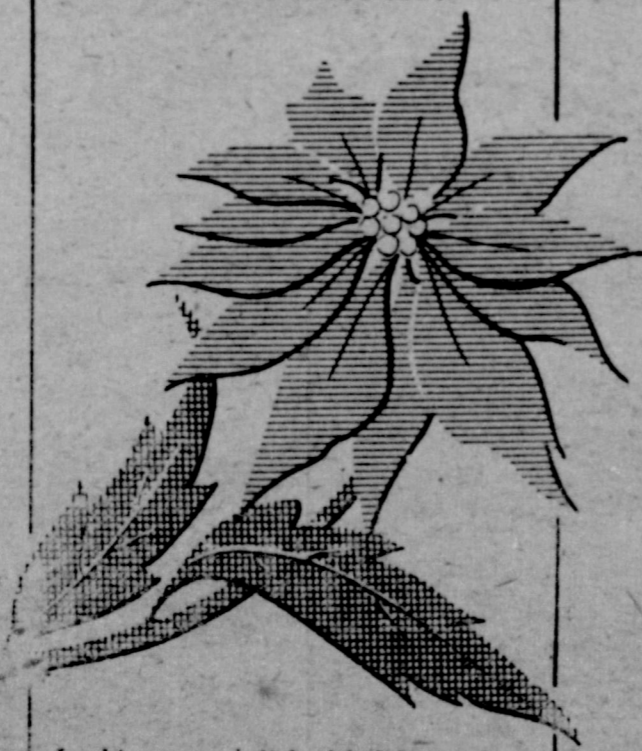
When light heads meet the bright lights, lights, lightning strikes.

THE YULETIDE SEASON

BRINGS

JOYOUS GREETING

TO ALL OUR CUSTOMERS



In this most cheerful of holidays, when joy prevails everywhere, may we bring a message of Good Cheer to each of you, and express a sincere wish that the coming year holds the realization of your fondest hopes and ambitions.

The First State Bank

GAINESVILLE

CANDLES OF THE YULETIDE

May your Christmas candles burn brightly with happiness, and may your every wish come true.

We cannot bring back the past but we can take a great deal of pleasure in reminding ourselves of the fine things that have been ours to enjoy because of your thoughtfulness and consideration. And with these splendid remembrances we look forward to the future with enthusiasm and anticipation.

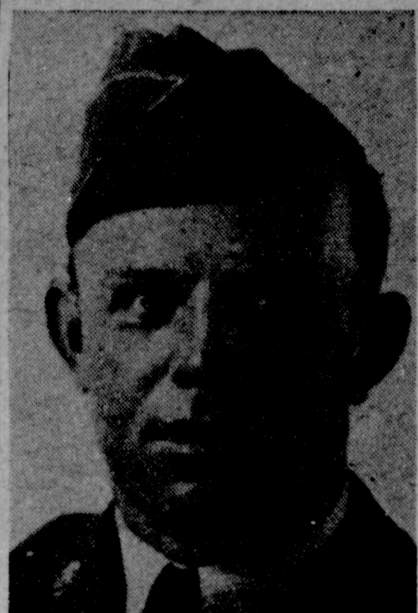


SEASON'S GREETINGS

RELAX THEATRE



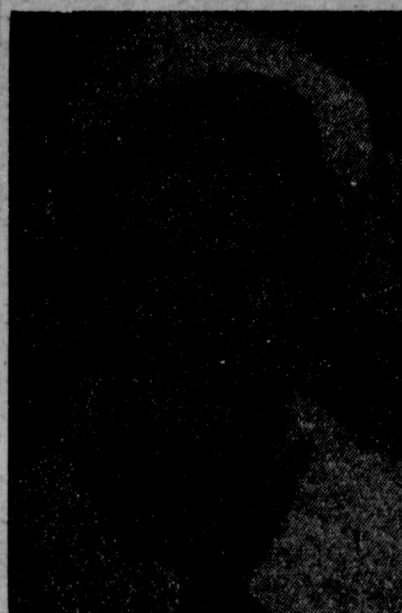
Pfc. Alphense Felderhoff



Sgt. Frank Felderhoff



Lt. R. N. Fette



Jack Gallaher, SK-3c



Pvt. Vincent Felderhoff



Sgt. Elmer Fette



Pfc. Harry Fisher



Dick Gallaher

Blame Pop

Two modern little girls on their way home from Sundry school were solemnly discussing the lesson.

"Do you believe there is a devil?" asked one.

"No," said the other promptly. "It's like Santa Clause: it's your father."

A weed is a plant whose virtues have not been discovered.

High Finance

"I tell you, all I've been doing all day is running around trying to get something for my wife."

"Well, have you had any offers?"

A traffic signal is a green light that changes to red as you approach an intersection.

When women get together, only the courageous will leave first.



Seabee T. P. Frost



Sgt. Anton Feltman

WITH THE
BEST OF GOOD WISHES

FOR CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR
FROM EACH OF THE MEMBERS OF THIS
FIRM TO EACH OF YOU.

Henry J. Luke

Muenster



As Christmas, the year is coming we welcome the fine spirit of friendliness that goes with it, and are desirous of sending this Greeting to all those we serve and those whom we hope to serve.



DIXIE DRUG STORE

MUENSTER

**Cordial
Christmas
Greetings**



and
**A Happy
New Year**

This firm extends to its friends and patrons its best wishes for a Happy Christmas and trusts that our services will merit the continuance of your good will.

The loyalty of our friends has been of material benefit in bringing us a little closer to our goal of achievement.

We are glad that this particular world in which we live, has friends... and
CHRISTMAS!



**MANHATTAN
CLOTHIERS**

LEO M. KUEHN

GAINESVILLE, TEXAS



*** Greetings ***

Our Christmas message is best expressed by our sincere wish that you may have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Kathman's Cafe

Lunches — Cold Drinks
Pool



**MERRY CHRISTMAS
and
HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

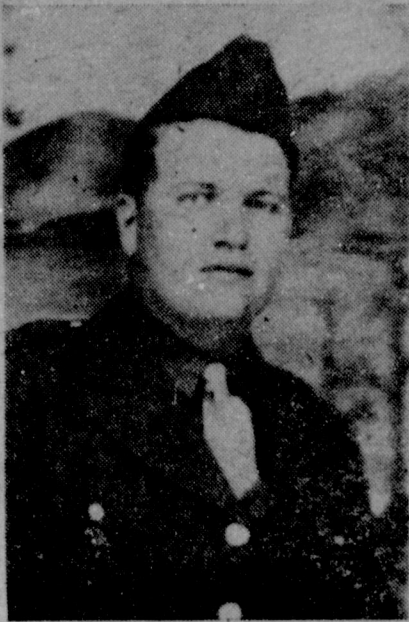


And may we add our sincere thanks for the many kindnesses that you have shown us in the past.

Because of your consideration the past year has been an enjoyable experience, one in which we have had the confidence and esteem of the people whom we serve. We only hope that we may continue to merit your good will and patronage, so that our policy of friendly, helpful service to all may be maintained.

THE LADIES SHOP

Mrs. J.P. Goslin — Mrs. J.F. Brown — Mrs. Emmett Lawson
Miss Maurice Thomas



Pvt. Andrew Luttmir



Pfc. Edward Martin



Pvt. Lawrence Martin



Sgt. Melvin Morrison



Richard Martin, S-1c



Cpl. Steve Moster



Pvt. Arnold Muller



Pfc. Linus Morgan



Pvt. Walter Morrison

Christmas Wishes



Every good wish for your happiness at this joyous Christmas Season. We have enjoyed the past year with you and are appreciative of your consideration.

Bohls Store
GAINESVILLE

MERRY CHRISTMAS

And may the Happiness of the Holiday Season be yours through all the coming—



NEW YEAR

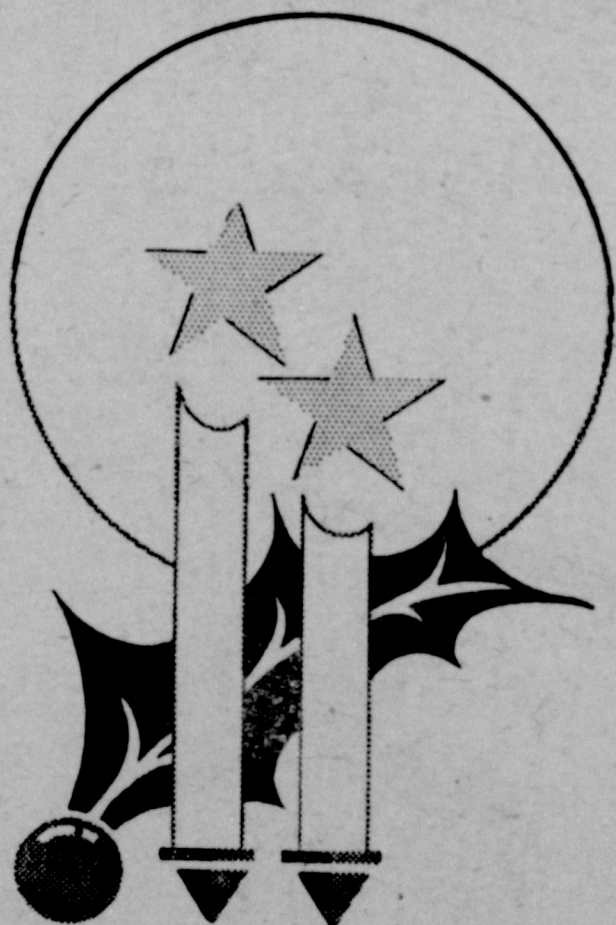
FEDERATED STORES
W.G. Morrow Gainesville

A Joyous Noel

We sincerely hope your Christmas will be filled to overflowing with happiness and good cheer and may the New Year be one of Health, and Prosperity



H. M. Schmitz
Blacksmith Shop



GREETINGS!

With grateful acknowledgement of your courtesies and the evidences of your good will that have made the past year a pleasure to us, we wish you a Christmas of great joy and a New Year of Happiness and Prosperity.

We pledge ourselves to an even greater and more efficient service than ever before and in keeping with this policy, we respectfully solicit your continued friendship and patronage.

Gainesville National Bank
GAINESVILLE

Not Sure
Patient's wife: "Doctor, is there no hope for my husband?"
Doctor: "I'm afraid he won't recover, but to make sure I'll call in another physician."

A lie is a poor substitute for the truth, but it is the only one so far discovered.

MAY THE LIGHTS ON YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE BURN BRIGHTLY

And sparkle with the joy and happiness that we wish for you and yours at this glad time of the year.

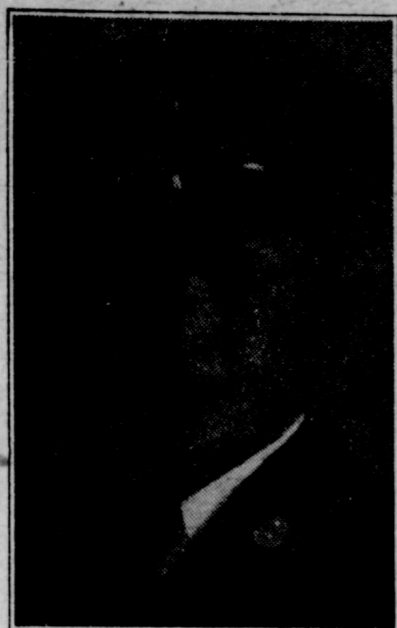
It has been a pleasure to serve you in the past and we are at your service in the future. Please call on us at any time as we deem it a distinct privilege to serve in whatever manner we can. We cordially invite your continued patronage.



Merry Christmas
AND A VERY
Happy New Year

C. D. Shamburger Lbr. Co.

MÜNSTER



S-Sgt. Walter Huchtons



Eugene Klement, S-1c



Sgt. Martin Klement



O. C. Gene Lehnertz



Pvt. Adolph Knabe



M.-Sgt. Jimmy Lehnertz

MAY JOY THIS



CHRISTMASTIDE

attend you and may new found blessings make the New Year more bright.

We gratefully acknowledge your consideration during the past and solicit your continued thoughtfulness.

WAPLES PAINTER CO.
MUESTER



Pfc. Roman Klement



S.-Sgt. Earl Lehnertz



Anthony Klement, CM 2c

Mistletoe Loses Its Charm When Berries Are Gone

In the language of flowers, Mistletoe means "give me a kiss". This has its basis in a Scandinavian myth. And from this old tale we derive our custom of kissing under the mistletoe. As it hangs upon the chandelier or in the doorway, each lad may claim a kiss from the maid who chances beneath it with this provision: that the lad remove a berry to give to the maid, until, at last, when no berries are left, the bough loses its spell and no more kisses are then available. The story continues "that the maiden who receives no kisses under the mistletoe will not marry that year." EX.

Men who know each other well neither idolize or hate. Circumstances that rule the weak are but instruments of the wise. The wise man knows when it pays to be ignorant. There are few women lawyers because women prefer to lay down the law rather than take it up.

CHRISTMAS

... brings to each of us an appreciation of those fine friendships and memories which make life worth living. And so at this glad Holiday Season, we extend to you our cordial greetings and wish for you both health and happiness throughout all the coming year.



Palace Drug
Dorothy and Joe
MUESTER

Here's a Christmas Gift for You

● Not much, to be sure, but with the sincere appreciation in our hearts for the many kindnesses that have been ours to enjoy, we extend this little package of Christmas Greetings to each of you.

● The goodwill of our friends we value immeasurably because we well know that without them life in itself would be empty indeed.

● As we wish you the Joys of Christmas and every Happiness throughout the New Year, we add our heartfelt thanks for all past favors.



SEASON'S GREETINGS

COFFEE POT

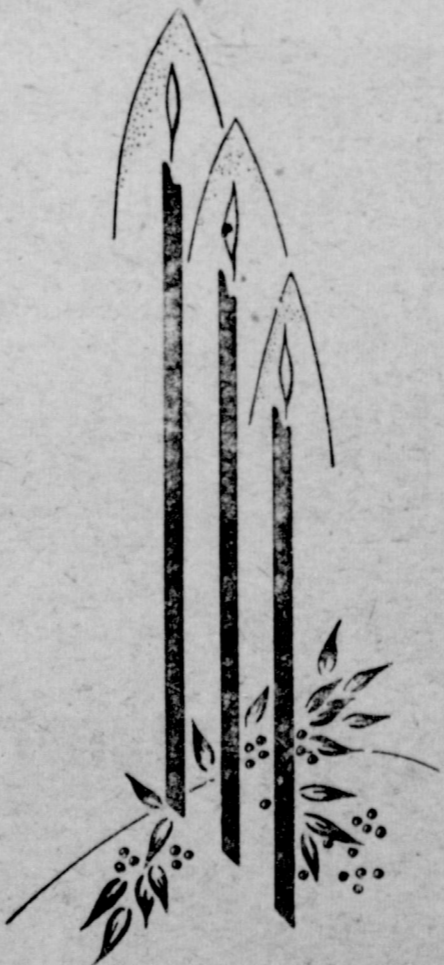
Gene and Milton Tutt Gainesville

Greetings!

The spirit of the season prompts us to express to you appreciation of our pleasant business relations during the past year and to most heartily wish you a very Merry Christmas and Happiness and Prosperity for the New Year.

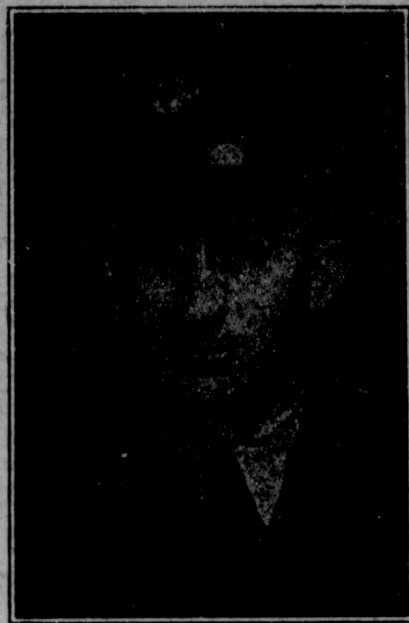
Lone Star Cleaners

J.P. Goslin Gainesville





1st Lt. Patrick Stelzer



Pfc. Peter Stoffels



Pvt. Paul Streng



Pvt. Arnold Swirczynski



Cpl. Joe Streng

H'mm!
What occurs twice in a moment
once in a minute and not once in
a thousand years?
The letter "M".

First Neighbor: "I wonder if
his bride is a good housekeeper."

Second Neighbor: "I'm afraid
not. The day I dropped in she was
trying to open an egg with a can
opener."



Pvt. Henry Stoffels

Husband: "I'm glad, dear, that
you're impressed by all the ex-
planations I have been giving
about banking and currency."

Wife: "Yes, darling. It seemed
wonderful that anyone could know
as much as you do about money
without having any."

When the angry man's anger
subsides he becomes angrier at
himself than he was angry when
his anger began.



Cpl. Norbert Tempel



Sgt. Paul Tempel

Not Lonesome
"Paw, does bigamy mean that
a man has one wife too many?"
"Not necessarily, my son. A man
can have one wife too many and
still, not be a bigamist."

Important Day
New Year's is the biggest festi-
val of the year in China. All the
people — rich and poor alike —
have to dress up and go out in the
streets and see the circus or fair.



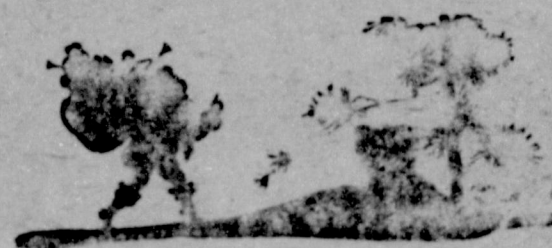
Sgt. Ray Swirczynski



S.-Sgt. Ed Swirczynski

Santa Won't Forget

You can take our word for it
—old Saint Nick won't forget
such good people as you.
Somehow we just know that
you are going to enjoy a
happy Christmas and we are
glad. We sincerely hope that
everything you desire may
come true and that the New
Year will be one of real happi-
ness for you.



PAUL WALTERSCHEID

Petroleum Products

MÜNSTER



The Season's Cheer to Everybody

Because we are proud to number you among
our friends we send you these Christmas
Greetings. May this Christmas bring added
pleasures of true health and happiness to
every one of you.

May the coming New Year bring you every
happiness, and the fullness of success reward
your efforts in all your undertakings.

**Babcock Brothers
Auto Supply Store**

Mason Winters

Gainesville



MAY THE JOYS OF
THE CHRISTMAS
SEASON
REMAIN
WITH YOU
THROUGHOUT
THE
COMING YEAR

Geo. Gehrig, Hdwe.

MÜNSTER



Christmas comes and reawakens the appreciation
of happy relationships . . . rekindles the warmth
of friendships made during the time it has been
our privilege to serve you

To those whose friendly support has contributed so
greatly to our welfare, we extend our most cordial
appreciation.

Best wishes for the Christmas Season and the
New Year



Muenster Refinery, Inc.

Lindsay Honor Roll For World War 2 Totals 79

Lindsay — From this community have gone 79 young people to answer their country's call and today Lindsay is represented by a native son on all fighting fronts of the global war.

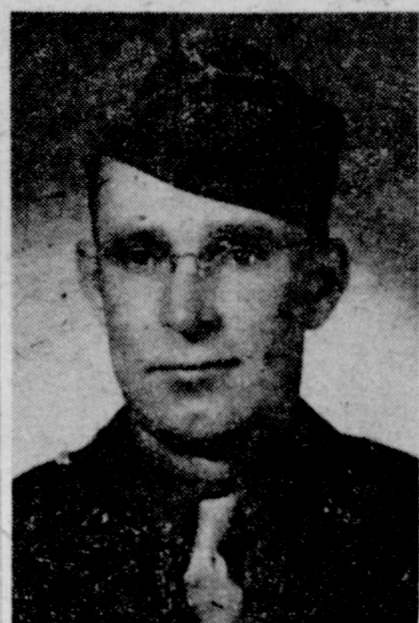
The community service flag which occupies a place of honor in Saint Peter's church bears 75 blue and 4 gold stars.

Sgt. Randolph Gruber, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Gruber, was this community's first casualty. He was killed in action in the Pacific area in August, 1943. The second gold star was affixed to the flag the latter part of the same month when Pvt. Ulrich Arendt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Arendt, died in Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C., after serving in the Army for seven months. On January 26, this year, the third gold star was added when Lt. Joe Zwingski, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Zwingski, lost his life in a plane crash at Bowman Field, Ky., and the fourth gold star represents Cadet Ray Berend, son of Mrs. Mary Berend, who was killed at Aloe Army Air Field, Victoria, Texas, on May 22, 1944, in an airplane accident.

In addition to pictures of Lindsay men carried in this issue of the Enterprise, the honor roll for World War II lists the following:

- Mr. Paul Arendt
- Pvt. John Arendt
- Pvt. Nick Arendt
- Lt. J. L. Bengfort
- Pfc. Hugo Bengfort
- Pfc. Florence Bengfort
- Carl Beyer, H. D.
- Pvt. Lambert Beyer
- Walter Bezner, H. D.
- Pfc. Raymond Fuhrmann
- Cpl. Joseph Fuhrmann
- Cpl. Paul Fuhrmann
- Sgt. Julius Gieb
- Robert Gieb, H. D.
- Pvt. Bernard Gieb
- Lt. Lonja Gieb
- Harold Gruber, H. D.
- Col. Gregory Hundt
- Sgt. Joe Hundt
- Richard Hoberer, MM-2c
- Seabee John Kuntz
- Col. Fred Loerwald
- Cpl. Alvin Loerwald
- George Luby, H. D.
- Pvt. George Luttmer
- Pvt. Leonard Luttmer
- Pvt. Joe Luttmer
- Mr. Albert Leux
- Col. Raymond Leux
- Alois Messer, H. D.
- Clarence Metzler
- Pvt. George Meister
- Pfc. Lawrence Meister
- Pvt. Henry Reinart
- Henry Sandmann, H. D.
- Mr. Lawrence Sched
- Walter Schmitz, H. D.
- Walter Schmitz
- John Schmitz
- Alois Voth, H. D.
- John Weiss

(H. D. denotes honorable discharge)



Pfc. Robert Beyer



Pfc. Aloys J. Benz



A-C Hubert Bezner



Cpl. C. H. Albers



Sgt. Joe Bezner



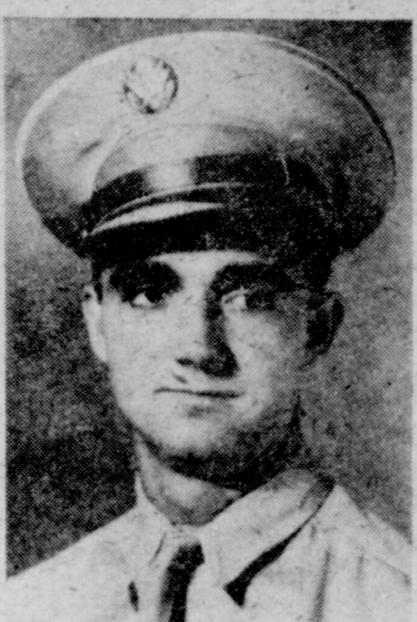
S.-Sgt. Ernest Arendt



Lambert Bezner, SK-1c

Attractive V-Mail greeting cards arrived this week from Cpl. Albert Hoelker, somewhere in the Southwest Pacific theatre, who reports that he is mighty fine and asks that his best wishes be extended to all his friends and former customers for an enjoyable holiday season.

Mrs. Anton Dieter and daughters, Unida and Donna have gone to California to spend Christmas



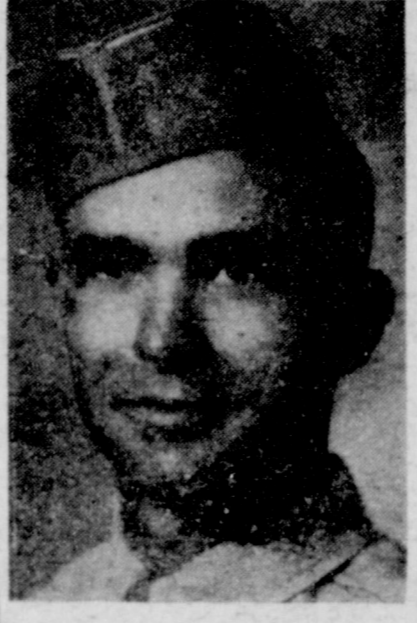
Cpl. Wilfred Bezner



Francis Dieter, F-1c



Hugo A. Bezner, CCM



S.-Sgt. John Fuhrmann



A-C Herbert Bezner



Pfc. V. L. Fuhrmann



Lt. Ray Bezner



Sgt. Vincent Fuhrmann



Ralph Bezner



Cpl. Albert Hoelker

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Fuhrmann, Mrs. Jake Bezner and Mrs. Herman Zimmerman have returned from San Antonio, where on Dec. 8 they attended religious rites at which time their daughters, novices at Our Lady of the Lake Convent, received their capes. The novices are Clara Mae Fuhrmann, Elfrieda Zimmerman and Evelyn Bezner.

Pfc. Sam Phyliss of Camp Swift was the weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Hoberer.



Pvt. Andrew Kupper



Cpl. Mike Kupper



S.-Sgt. Ray Kupper



Clarence Metzler, CM-1c



L. W. Schmitz, Mo MM-3c



Capt. F. A. Zimmerman



Pfc. Bruno Zimmerman



Paul Zimmerman, C.C.S.



Sgt. Leonard Schmitz



S.-Sgt. Freddie Schmitz

S.Sgt. Ernest Arendt is now stationed at Camp Wolters after being transferred from Fort Riley, Kansas, recently.

Mrs. Lena Schmitt has been at the home of her son, Johnny Schmitt, at Sherman. Johnny's wife had an operation for the removal of her appendix and is making a normal recovery.

The following young men from here took physical exams for the army on Dec. 21: Valentine Dieter, Berthol Fuhrmann, Damon Fuhrmann, Rufus Bezner and Gene Gieb.

Pfc. Aloys Bezner, formerly on duty at a POW camp at Mexia, was recently transferred to Dallas. His wife is here for a visit with Al's mother, Mrs. Joe Bezner.



S.-Sgt. Frank Zimmerer



Lt. Joe Zwinggi



Sgt. Bernard Zimmerer



Capt. Frank Mosman



T.-Sgt. Oscar Zwinggi



S.-Sgt. Leonard Zwinggi



Pvt. Kenneth Zwinggi



C. W. Mosman, S-1c

Pvt. Vincent Wiese, youngest son of Mrs. Anna Wiese, has been visiting here on a 19-day furlough, accompanying him to this city were his wife and four children who make their home in Fort Worth and another son, Lawrence who is a student at Subiaco College, Subiaco, Ark. The latter was granted his Christmas vacation earlier so he could visit with his father. Pvt. Wiese is attached to a military police company and is stationed at Fort Myers, Washington, D. C.

Miss Isabel Neu, who has been employed in Fort Worth for several months, is at home for an indefinite stay.

Mrs. Anna Loerwald has returned home following a several week's visit with her daughter, Mrs. Alphonse Fleitman and family at Muenster.

John Phillips of Hereford is here for a visit with his father, Joe Phillips, and his sisters, Mmes. Joe Geray and Albert Sturm.



Cpl. Joe Spaeth



Pvt. Herbert Mosman

THIS IS
OUR WISH
FOR YOU

A MERRY CHRISTMAS
A HAPPY NEW YEAR

We sincerely hope that the New Year will be filled with peace and contentment for all. It's a genuine pleasure to remind ourselves of the happy relationships we have enjoyed the past year and to promise you that every effort will be made during the coming twelve months to serve you as efficiently as has always been our custom.



Porter's Jewelry
GAINESVILLE



and Happy  New Year!

Curtis Restaurant
GAINESVILLE



Compliments

OF THE SEASON



We'd like to wish each of you all the Joys of the Yuletide Season because we feel deeply grateful to all our friends whom we have had the privilege of serving.

May the New Year see the realization of your every ambition... and may you enjoy health, happiness and prosperity through the years to come.

Western Auto Associate Store

E.B. Smith, Owner

Gainesville

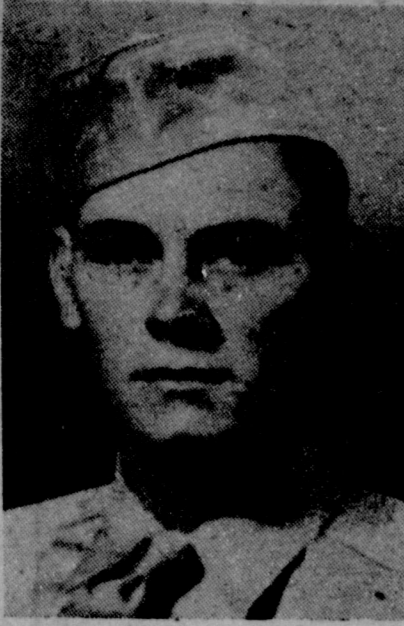
MAY THE
CHRISTMAS BELLS
RING IN A MOST
HAPPY SEASON



May the Christmas bells ring with all the happiness that you so richly deserve, is our Christmas wish to the people of this community. May the true spirit of the Yuletide linger on through every day of the coming year as a reward for your thoughtfulness and kindness.

Hoelker Grocery
LINDSAY, TEXAS





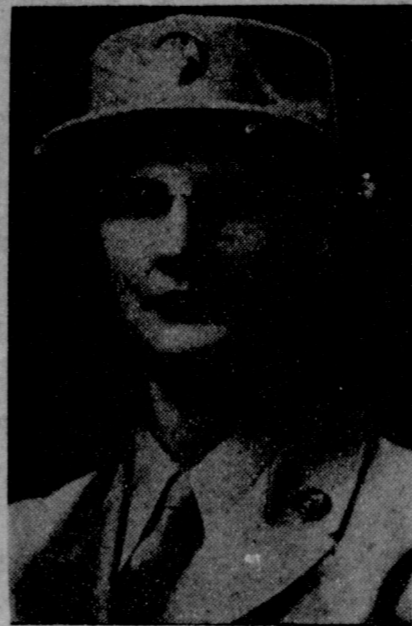
Pvt. Richard Swiresynski



Pvt. Joe T. Russell



Cpl. Alphonse Schmitz



Cpl. Louise Schmitz

It's Christmas

May yours be a merry one and the New Year be filled with joy and happiness in return for your thoughtfulness to this organization.

MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A
HAPPY NEW YEAR



Muenster Hatchery

H.A. Hiatt, Mgr.

"For unto us a Child is born,
Unto us a Son is given."



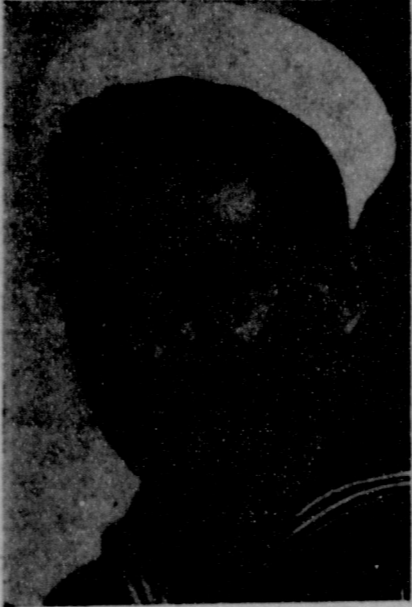
May the Light of Happiness
Shine for You on Christmas Day
And Throughout the New Year

Muenster Milling Company

R. R. ENDRES



Pvt. Carl Schilling



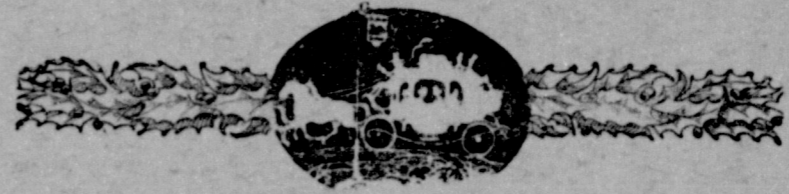
Gerald Stelzer

No Secret
Two business men were riding on the subway, sitting side by side looking harassed and worried, but saying nothing.

One of them heaved a long deep sigh. "You're telling me!" said the other.

You can't make a place in the sun by lying down under the family tree.

Compliments



of the Season

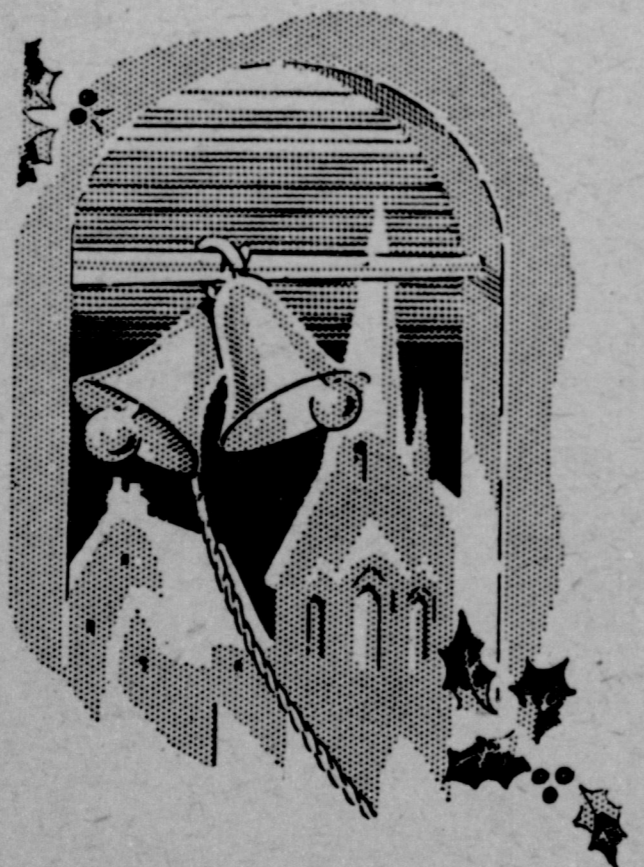
The management and staff of this firm extend Christmas Greetings and wish for you every prosperity in the New Year.

It has been a pleasure to serve you.

Jake Pagel, Jr.

MUESTER

Christmas Bells
are Ringing
Merrily...



... And it is pleasant to remember old friends, and to wish them, in a genuine sort of way, all the joys of a Happy Christmas.

May Health, Happiness and Prosperity be yours, not only on this day, but every day throughout the years to come.

CLARA'S CAFE

MUESTER

WE WILL BE CLOSED CHRISTMAS DAY



Pfc. Louis Sicking



Pfc. Joe Sicking



Pvt. Thomas Sicking

Hyperbole?

An old Scottish woman was wandering the local museum with her grandson. Then they came to the usual statue of Venus de Milo, with an arm missing on one side and the whole arm cut away on the other.

"There ye are, my lad," said the old grandmother, wagging her finger at the youngster. "That's what comes o' biting your fingernails."

This Christmas and Every Christmas



WE look forward to sending you our sincere good wishes for

a happy Holiday. It is a pleasure to us because it gives us an opportunity to thank you for all you have done for this firm.

You have been liberal in your patronage, your friendship and good will—the combination of which spells progress for any organization.

You have been good to us—may Santa be just as good to you.



Happy New Year !!



FISHERS MARKET

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Sgt. Edward Haverkamp



Pvt. Wilfred Herr



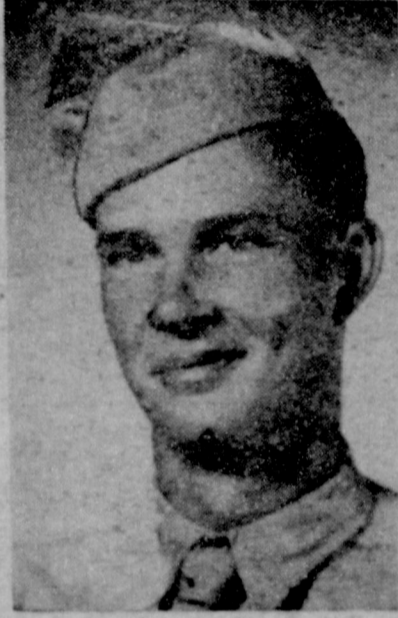
Sgt. Arnold Henschel



S.-Sgt. Elmer E. Echols



S.-Sgt. Joe Hess



S.-Sgt. Leo Haverkamp



Patrick Henningan, MM-3c



Pvt. Jack Hoehn



Lt. Albert Hoehn



Bertha Jane Hoehn

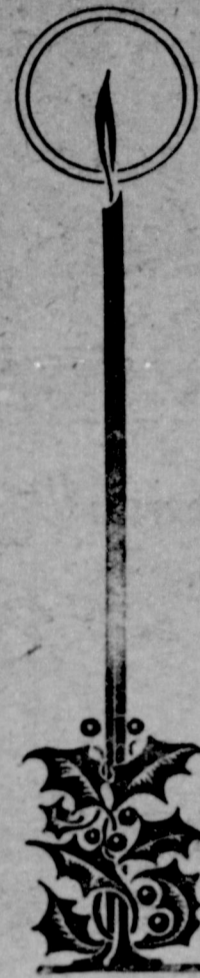
Hearty Christmas Greetings

AND

Best Wishes

FOR THE

New Year



Reiter's Service Station

MÜNSTER

Calculation of the Christian era is usually credited to Dionysius Exiguus in the Sixth century. However, he was somewhat in error as it is believed Jesus was born before what was January 1, in A.D. 1. The phrase Anno Domini (year of our Lord), of which A.D. is the abbreviation, was believed to have been first used in 1219.

To maintain your library intact buy three copies of every book: one to show, one to loan and one to read.

Any man who is not anxious to do better than well is done for.

An ounce of performance is worth a pound of preaching.

It's more important what's in a woman's head than what's on it.

Becha some folks brag about their ancestors because they have nothing of their own to boast about.

In the olden days they used to kiss, and makeup; nowadays they make up and kiss.

Some fellows are so crooked we'd have to count our fingers after shaking hands with them.



With
Every Wish for
a

HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON

and a Year
of Happy Days

Commerce Street Store

Pete Briscoe

Gainesville



GREETINGS

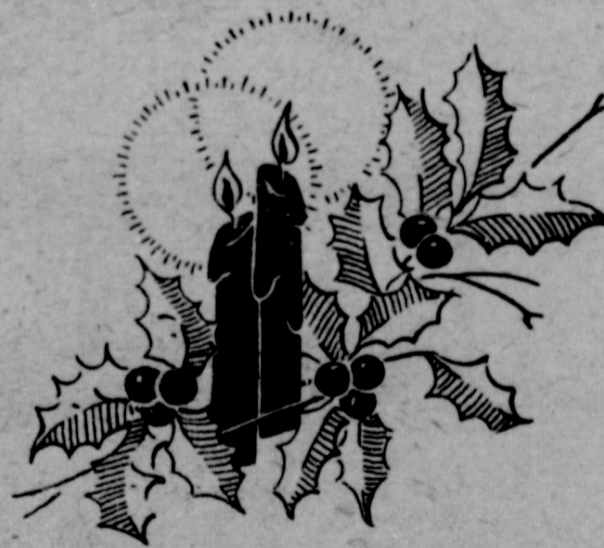
From
One Friend
to
Another
And a host of
GOOD WISHES
FOR THE
NEW YEAR

Lou Wolf

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

Above all other things in our memory at this glad Yuletide is the thought of the splendid relations with friends of this organization who have made it possible for us to enjoy a very satisfactory year.

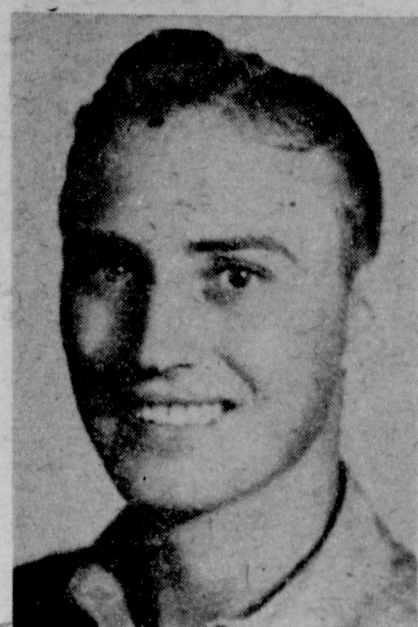
The warm spirit of the Holiday occasion reminds us that in our friends, not in our ledgers, do we find our real assets. There are many things that make us thankful this is our home, and for that reason we desire to extend Season's Greetings.



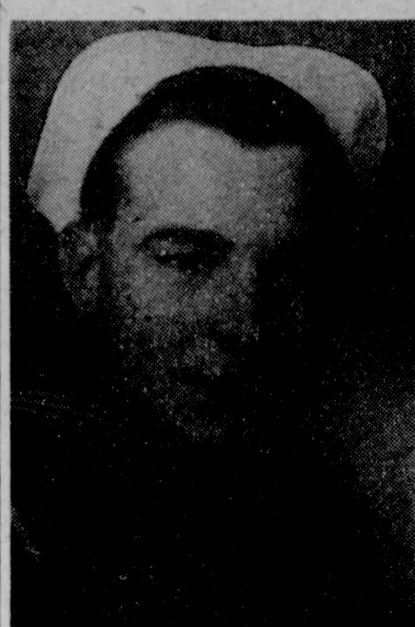
Please accept the kind wishes and sincere thanks of all of us. Best wishes for a Joyous Christmas and a New Year of much happiness, Good Health and Success for you and yours.

F. E. Schmitz

GAINESVILLE



Sgt. Bobby Lutkenhaus



Harold J. Luke, ARM-3c



Lt. Charles H. Denny



Gus Lutkenhaus



Ferd Luttmr, S-1c



Pvt. Henry Luttmr



Pfc. Thomas Linn



Lt. (j.g.) Norman J. Luke



T-Sgt. Anthony Luke



S-Sgt. Wilmer Luke

SANTA'S REINDEER

Santa's reindeer, according to an old legendary tale, happened like this: Many years ago the Lord decided to reward good children by having gifts taken to them once a year and asked Saint Nicholas to take over the task.

The gifts were to be carried in a sleigh drawn by any animal Santa chose. After pondering the question for three days an angel suggested to Saint Nick that he let a child choose the animal, so Santa and a child went to the Lord's animal kingdom.

The lion roared, the elephant swung his trunk, and the tiger growled. All of the animals seemed displeased, except the reindeer who looked lovingly at the child. And that's how reindeer came to draw Santa's sleigh on Christmas Eve.

NOT SANTA, BUT 'NISON' VISITS DANISH CHILDREN

The Danish children do not have a Santa Claus, but instead a Christmas brownie, called "Nison," a little old man with a long, gray beard who supposedly lives under the ground.

The chief features of a Danish Christmas dinner are roast goose, rice and apple fritters.

When the storks have left their nests in autumn, boatloads of coarse brown crockery in the shape of little pigs, with a slit in the back, are brought to Denmark and bought by the children. They are savings banks into which the children drop their pennies. The image is not broken until Christmas time.

He is an excellent editor who finds the superfluous in his own writings.

A Friendly Greeting
TO YOU

Our Friends and Customers



It's the Season to be friendly, Happy, and contented . . . may this be your experience this Christmas and every Christmas.

Herr Motor Company

MUESTER



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

We realize more than ever how much it means to have the friendship and good will of folks like you.

Please accept our sincere thanks and our good wishes for a Prosperous NEW YEAR

The Vogue

Mrs. R. L. McNelley

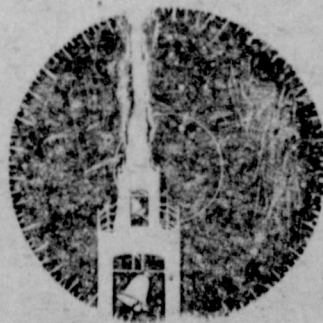
Muenster



Pleasant Yuletide Thoughts

THE YULETIDE SEASON brings with it pleasant thoughts of friendships—tried, proven and cherished throughout the past. It makes us realize that friendly associations with our fellow men are invaluable in both public and private life and are above things material.

It is significant of the season, then, that we pause to say Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. And for your friendships and favors we are truly grateful.

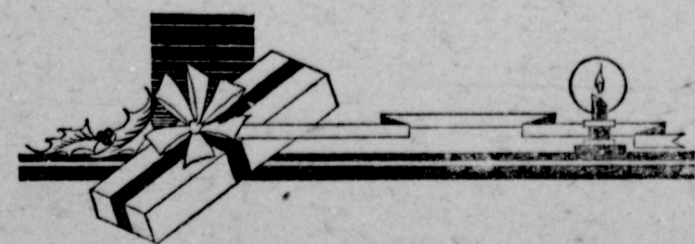


Muenster Telephone Co.

MUESTER

THE SEASON'S CHEER TO EVERYBODY

To our many friends and customers—the Season's best wishes for joy and happiness. By your thoughtfulness you have helped to make our Christmas a merry one and we wish the same for you.

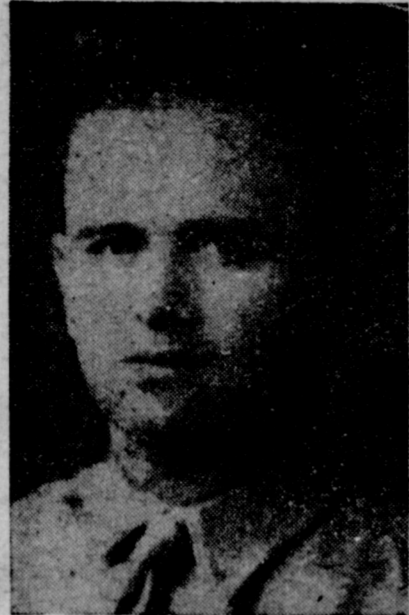


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Vincent Becker, S-1c



Pvt. Walter Becker



Joe Cason, S-1c



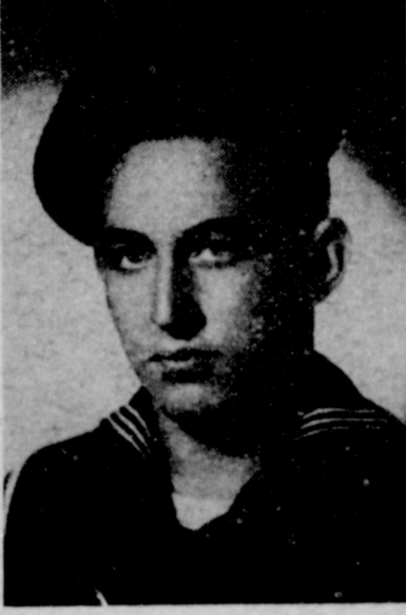
W. O. Gilbert Enäres



Sgt. Bill Eberhart



T-Sgt. Chester Bentley



Sidney Cason, Petty Officer 3-C



Sgt. Lawrence Felderhoff



Pfc. John Durbin



Lt. Joyce Bentley

TO YOU

whose friendly support has contributed so greatly during the past year, may we extend a cordial and appreciative thanks. May your Christmas be happy and the New Year prosperous.

Ben Seyler Moto. Company

Munster



THINKING OF YOU THIS CHRISTMAS

*W*E are wishing you heaps of cheer and hoping these wishes will bring you joy every day of the year.

May your voyage through the days ahead carry you over pleasant ways to a new and full contentment.



"A Good Bank to be With"

The Muenster State Bank

Munster, Texas

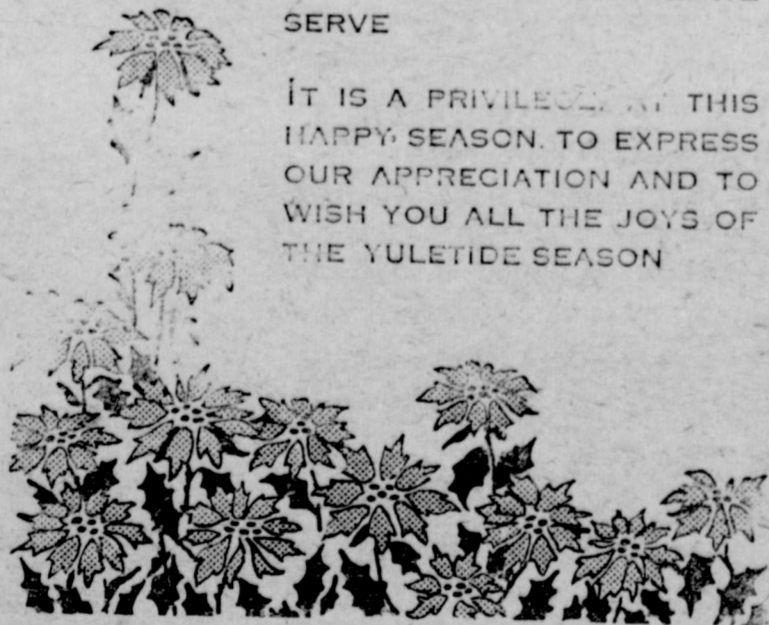


HELLO, NEIGHBOR!

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

AMONG THE GOOD THINGS BESTOWED BY THE PASSING YEAR, OUR MOST VALUED ONE IS THE FRIENDSHIP AND GOOD WILL OF THOSE WE SERVE

IT IS A PRIVILEGE AT THIS HAPPY SEASON TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION AND TO WISH YOU ALL THE JOYS OF THE YULETIDE SEASON



Wade-Tex Theatre

GAINESVILLE

It's good to come again to that Season of the year when old acquaintances are renewed, when new friendships are born, when the serenity of Christmas joins the whole world with one predominating thought—the Fellowship of Man.



So we send to you, our friends and neighbors, a hearty Christmas wish that this may be the happiest Yuletide of them all, and that the New Year may bring with it, Peace, Joy and Prosperity.

May Santa Remember You Well at This Christmastime



Schad & Pulte

East Side Courthouse

Gainesville, Texas



Cpl. Ray Tempel



Sgt. David Trachta



S.-Sgt. Harold Trachta



Vincent Trachta, SK 3c



Pfc. Joe H. Walterscheid



T.-Sgt. C. J. Wimmer

*W*ishing you
all the joys of the
season and
a New Year filled
with Happiness!



Muenster Beauty Shop
Elic Mae Fuhrmann Operator



Capt. C. J. Fette



Cpl. Norbert Walterscheid

Irvin S. Cobb said: "If it ever becomes my misfortune to go insane, I want to go live in Washington where I will not be noticed."

Just For Company
Pop: "And that, my son, is how the first World War was won."
Son: "Pop, why did they need all those other soldiers?"

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

to One and All



... from every member of this organization. We are pleased if we have been of service to you at any time in the past and invite you to call on us at any time in the future.

Nick and Adeline



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

and

BEST WISHES

for your Happiness
in the New Year

Your patronage through the years past is evidence of the confidence you have in our organization, and we trust it may continue in the same amicable way for many years to come.

Central Freight Lines, Inc.

Bud Bernauer, Agent

Muenster



S.-Sgt. Roman Trachta



Cpl. Ray Voht



S.-Sgt. Alfred Walter

Old Money Bags: "Will you marry me if I have an operation to prolong my life?"
Miss Fortune Hunter: "I'll marry you even without the operation."

He who cannot become angry is a fool; but he who will not is wise.



to wish

YOU

a Joyous Christmas and a
Happy New Year

From a firm that has enjoyed serving you in the past, and which is desirous of continuing the pleasant associations of our friends in the future.

Magnolia Service Station

Al Horn

Ervin Hamric



Pvt. Frank Nelib



Pfc. J. W. Patrick



Pfc. Albert Rehmer



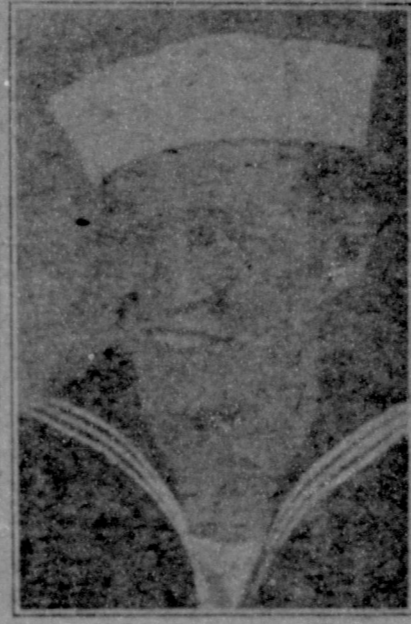
Sidney Otto, F-1c



James R. Fickett, F-2c



Pfc. Emil Rehmer



Louie Rehmer, P-4



Cpl. Maurice Pazel



S-Set. Alois Rehmer



With all our might
A MERRY CHRISTMAS
TO YOU

And Best Wishes for the Merriest Kind
of a Holiday Season to All

W. Hoblit

"The Broom and Floor Sweep Man"

Here's Wishing
You a Happy
Holiday

To each of you who have contributed
to our success and to those of you
who have given us your fine friend-
ship we extend a hearty and cordial

Merry Christmas

May Peace, Happiness and Prosperity
be yours for many, many years.

Louie's Cafe

MÜNSTER

His Greatest Concern

The explorer bowing low, ap-
proached the chief of the savages.
"I came to you from beyond the
ocean," the white man began in
stern tones, "from the Great White
King."

"Tell me," interrupted the chief,
"why don't you carry on something
about the long white object you
sent over here?"

All Hope Gone

Disconsolate, a mixture of dis-
pair, the man of the house drag-
ged through the door and slump-
ed into a chair. "The worst has
happened," he said of matter.

"No!" cried his wife.
"Yes," he answered. "The
open first being pulled out from
beneath me, I fell to the
ground."



Wishing You

A
WONDERFUL
CHRISTMAS

and All Happiness in
the New Year.

Tanner Furniture Co.
GAINESVILLE

THIS IS OUR
WISH FOR YOU

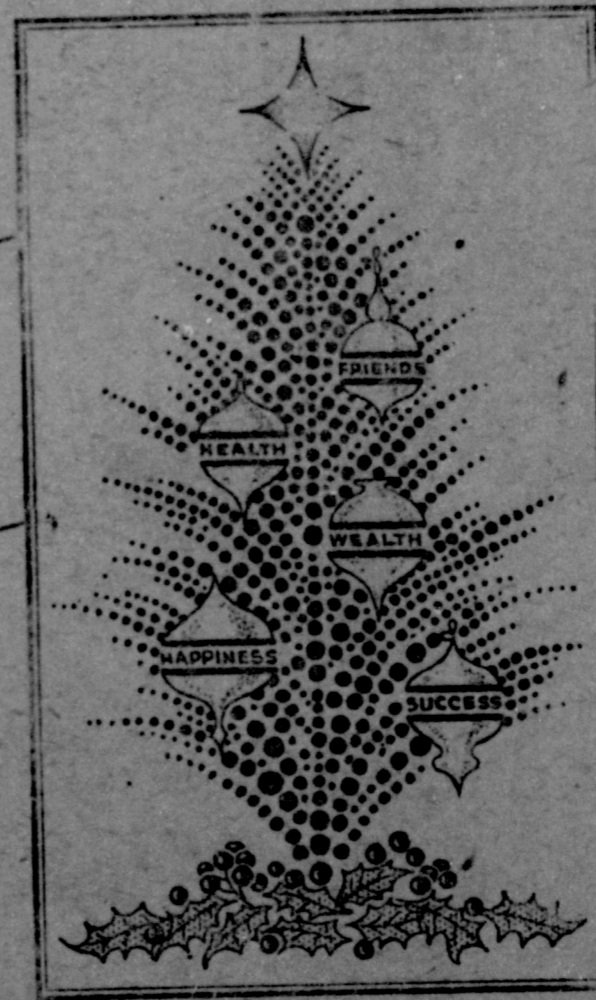
Every business, regardless of size or type;
every individual, is dependent upon someone
else for support and existence. Our business
is dependent upon our many loyal friends
who have favored us in scores of ways during
the past year.

It may have been through your patron-
age . . . it may have been a kind word of
cheer . . . or it may have been an expression in
our behalf to some friend of yours . . . but, in
whatever way you may have favored us, we
are thankful.

It is our hope that each of you may receive
the blessings of a joyous Yuletide Season.

CLAYTON DRY GOODS CO.

GAINESVILLE



MERRY CHRISTMAS
HAPPY NEW YEAR