

From The Editor's Window BY MRS. J.S. YEAGER

It is said that the owners of the Tennessee Gas and Transmission Company have purchased a large amount of the Carthage field in East Texas and will begin developments very soon.

The Company states that work will start soon on a large gas recycling plant in the area and the staking of locations for ten tests have been completed.

The new locations are considered in proven territory and company representatives said the acreage involved will call for the drilling of at least thirty-five tests.

The recycling plant will have a daily capacity of 150,000,000 cubic feet and will be one of the largest and most modern plants in that part of the state.

Developments for drilling of oil in West Texas seems to be on the increase lately. In fact we would say the whole state seems to be on the eve of an era of prosperity.

Madam Perkins and Harold Ickes are the two holdovers in the President's fourth term cabinet.

It is said Mrs. Perkins offered her resignation to the President but it was not accepted.

She has held her present post in the cabinet for the past twelve years and took over when her duties dealt principally with Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Chairman Robert Hannegan, of the Democratic National Committee, has announced that he will give his full time to his duties in behalf of the party and is already organizing a vigorous program of support for Democrats in the 1946 elections.

He reported the committee in very good shape financially with all bills paid and over \$400,000 in the bank.

A move may be in the making for Alaska to become the forty-ninth state of our United States.

A bill has been introduced in Congress providing that the Territory of Alaska may become a state if Alaskans approve at a special election.

The bill was sponsored by Representative Joe W. Ervin of North Carolina.

From Austin comes the news that Representative Charlie Pigg of Waxahachie wants constitutional amendments to pay legislators \$10 per day the year round and have them meet at least once a year.

Our State Senators and Representatives now meet 120 days every other year. When not in session the members of the legislature receive nothing from the state in the way of salary.

Prosecutor:—"Now tell the court, Rastus, why and how you took the car."

Rastus:—"Well, you see Judge the car was standin' right in front of the cemetery and I jis' naturally thought the owner was dead."

Hubby:—"Sometimes I feel that I may have once sat on a throne and waved a scepter."

Wife:—"And now it is time to stand on the back porch and wave a rug beater."

2355 POLL TAX RECEIPTS ISSUED AGAINST 2897, 1943

The writer visited the tax collector-assessor's office in Baird Monday morning and Mrs. Briscoe reported that there had been 2355 tax receipts issued to Monday morning and there were possibly eight or ten more that came in by mail, but was not reported.

Nine exemptions were issued in 1944. In 1942 there were issued 2372 poll tax receipts and 37 exemptions and in 1943 there were 2897 poll tax receipts issued and 21 exemptions. This year's poll tax receipts are 117 less than in 1942 and the exemptions 28 less.

Mrs. Briscoe stated while she has not had time to total the amount of the county and state taxes had been paid to date, but collections had been good and she felt sure the collections to the first of February would exceed the amount collected in 1944.

According to Lesley Bryant, county clerk, marriage licenses fell off 1944 from the number sold in 1943. There were issued in 1933, 90 as compared with 82 in 1944 or eight fewer than was issued the year before.

We did not get the number of divorces filed in either year as the clerk's office was cold when the writer visited the office Monday morning.

DIVORCES TO BE HARDER TO GET IN THE FUTURE

The Court of Civil Appeals in reversing a divorce case in Dallas last week in an opinion signed by Joel R. Bond, Chief Justice, said the courts should apply a more stringent rule on divorce cases.

The court added that the divorce evil, granted without legal grounds, is manifestly undermining the social institution of marriage.

Judge Bond's opinion continued: "The mere fact that one spouse does not want the other, and confirms the attitude by acts and consent, that the one differs with the other in religious affiliations and cannot, or will not, become reconciled to a unity of faith, and that the two spouses wish the degree and connive together to obtain it, have been declared to constitute no grounds."

The court held that "fussing, drinking and gambling" were general terms of misconduct, but unless directed to or affecting the other party in a manner to be injurious to health or sense of pride, the same would not justify a divorce.

Miss Wanda Brame Married to Pvt. Stanley Adler 1-28

Former Sheriff and Mrs. Borah Brae have announced the marriage of their daughter, Wanda, to Private Stanley Adler of Camp Barkeley. The wedding took place at Anson Sunday, January 28.

The bride wore a brown suit with harmonizing brown accessories.

Attending the wedding were Cpl. and Mrs. Bragg and Wena Merideth of Baird. Mrs. Adler is employed in the First National Bank and will make her home in Baird and continue her work with The First National Bank.

It is said that chimney soot can be kept down by throwing dry salt on a bed of live coals, once or twice a week. Dry fuel and good draft help to check soot and creosote in pipes and chimneys.

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School Teachers Salaries Raised By Legislature

The first important act of the 49th Legislature probably is a law now. Governor Coke Stevenson was out of Austin when it was finally passed and sent to the governor, but he has announced he would sign it as soon as it reached him.

The formalities of enrolling the bill and its signing by Claud Gilmer, speaker of the house and Lt. Gov. John Lee Smith is necessary to send the \$5,877,976 appropriation to the governor. Besides putting rural school teachers on a basis of \$1200 a year, instead of the present \$900, the bill carries more for students transportation and the rural administration. As we understand it, the bill will take effect immediately.

GUNNELL-WEST WELL SHUT DOWN CASE OFF WATER

Gunnell-West well is shut down but will have to do a lot of underreaming before they can begin drilling again. They are reported to be down 540 feet. They will begin drilling as soon as they can get the water cut off. It may take several days to do the underreaming and set the casing. When they begin drilling again they expect to complete their contract of 600 feet.

Lt. Thaxon McGowen Promoted to Lieut. Commander Recently

M. Thaxon McGowen, former dentist at Quanah, who closed his business and entered the service, son of Mrs. John McGowen, has recently been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Commander. He has been in the Pacific zone for about 18 months and has been in the dental corps.

He is now stationed at the United States Naval receiving station at Houston. Commander McGowen received his dental work at Hardin-Simmons University at Abilene.

323 Divorce Cases Granted in 42nd Court, Abilene 1943

The 42nd district court in Abilene handled several hundred cases during 1944. There were 184 tax suits pending January 1, 1944, and during the year 8 suits were filed, 39 cases were disposed of and January 1, this year, 153 suits remained on the docket.

319 divorce cases were pending on January 1, 1944, and 309 remained on the docket January 1, 1945. Divorces were granted to 323 during 1944.

Other civil suits pending January 1, 1944, totaled 137, and a year later totaled 206, while 192 were disposed of. Other civil suits on the docket the first of the year amounted to 173. Seventeen suits were tried by a jury and one new trial was granted by trial in a civil appeals case.

Twelve civil cases were appealed to the court of appeals. On January 1, 1944, 120 criminal cases were pending, 66 criminal cases were filed, 104 cases disposed of without jury trial, none were tried by a jury, and on January 1, 1945, 88 cases were still on the criminal docket.

You will note from this report there were 323 divorces granted during 1944 and 309 divorce suits still on the docket January 1, 1945.

Claud McCauley Charged With an Attempt to Murder

Charges against Floyd McCauley of Baird, cafe operator, of an attempt to murder, were filed Tuesday who allegedly fired several shots at his wife Monday. However, she was not injured.

He was arrested Monday afternoon shortly after the shooting occurred at 6 p. m. Witnesses that saw the shooting stated that McCauley fired a bullet into the car in which his wife and Thelma McIntosh were riding. Mrs. McIntosh strated to drive off and as she fled McCauley is said to have fired three other shots hitting the back of the car as they drove away.

The Brown County Hereford Association consignment sales of 18 females and 40 bulls developed an average of \$300 for the females and \$293 for the bulls.

Fannie Be 4th, consigned by Horton Brothers, Goldthwaite, was top female, selling to Dudley Brothers at \$620. Tonette Puritan 2nd., consigned by Cox and McInnis of Birds, was second high female, bringing \$605 from Jim Mogrus of Brownwood, who took several other high price heifers.

Two bulls sold for a top figure of the sale, each bringing \$650. C. M. Gwen was consigned by Cox and McInnis and sold at the same price to G. W. Smith of Blanco, while the \$650 animal was H. B. Chief Domino 1st, a calf less than a year old, that was consigned by Burton Brothers, and sold to Porter Davis, Cross Plains.

Leonard ranch, San Saba, owned by O. P. Leonard, Fort Worth merchant, was purchaser of Puritan Lad, consigned by Talmage McClatchy of Bangs, at \$560, and of Prince D. Return R 8th, consigned by C. A. Dittmore of Putnam sold for \$465.

Bill Introduced To Raise Gasoline Tax to Five Cents

Representative Donnell of Corsicana, has introduced a bill in the House of Representatives at Austin proposing a raise in gasoline tax from four to five cents per gallon. This would put an additional tax on the motorists of about \$12,000,000 annually.

The tax now is yielding the state more than \$50,000,000 annually, but in normal times the amount has gone as high as \$61,000,000. One-fourth of the levy goes into the public school fund.

Under normal conditions a tax of five cents would net \$76,000,000 a year.

The Donnell bill goes further as it provides that passenger automobiles shall pay license fees of five dollars, each motorcycle \$5.00 and side cars \$3 each.

The bill definitely states the airline companies will be forced to pay the tax and receive no refund; there is another bill seeking to make no exemptions whatever in gasoline tax payments. Farm machinery is in the exemption list at present.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Sunderman returned from San Angelo Sunday where they had been visiting with the son, Edward who is in a hospital with a case of yellow jaundice.

Scranton Parent Teachers Sponsor Negro Minstrel 2-9

Drivers License Dates Should be Watched Closely

You had better watch the expiration date on your drivers license. During the past year 38,634 persons were examined for drivers license in the Abilene district, out of that number 20,986 or about 55 per cent.

The number examined and likewise the number failing was an increase over 1943 when 23,326 persons were examined in the district and 12,598 failed. The state total for 1944 was 304,712 examined, a decrease from the previous year's 336,620.

Of the 1,089,254 examinations in the state over a period beginning November 1, 1941 and ending January 1, 1945, 570,239 failed. Abilene's figures for that period was 61,960 of which 33,584 failed.

A state report on a 16 months period in November 1944 showed that 58.12 per cent of 3,935 taking the test failed the driving tests. Conclusion was that 15 applicants out of every 400 cannot pass the vision test.

Any person who allows his license to expire before it is renewed is also required to pass the standard examination.

Woman's Study Club Met with Mrs. A. B. Hutchison Feb. 5th

The Woman's Study club met Monday, February 5, in the home of Mrs. A. B. Hutchison with ten active members present.

An interesting article on the life of Abraham Lincoln was given by Mrs. S. M. Eubank and Mrs. John Cook reviewed the book, "The Kid Next Door" by Bill Cunningham, Booth, both numbers were given in a very interesting manner.

After the business session the members were delightfully entertained with piano numbers by Little Miss Nancy Hutchison. Mrs. Hutchison then served a delicious refreshment plate, observing Valentine. Then the club adjourned.

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In order to give taxpayers of this locality first hand assistance in the preparation of their returns, W. A. Thomas, Collector of Internal Revenue, at Dallas, is sending Deputy Collector Herbert W. Patterson to Anson on February 10, Stamford on February 12, and to Albany on February 13. Mr. Patterson may be contacted at the City Hall in Anson and Albany and the Post Office in Stamford from 8:30 a. m. to 5:00 p. m.

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The Scranton Parent-Teachers association of Scranton, is sponsoring a negro minstrel show in connection with an old time tacky party. There are to be cake walks and music. This promises quite an interesting event. The admission is only 10 cents. There will be food booths in which punch, coffee, doughnuts, popcorn, etc., will be served.

Don't miss this entertainment February 9th, at Scranton school building. Those having the leads in the minstrel are Donald Rhyme Ray, Ray Battle, and John Hammond Shraeder, along with a number of boys and girls which make up the chorus.

Scranton Basketball Teams at Desdemona Saturday, February 3

Mr. Adams and Mrs. Ray Battle took their boys and girls basketball team to Desdemona Saturday, February 3, where both teams met both of Eastland teams in their first game. The boys lost by a very small margin to Eastland. The Scranton girls defeated Eastland girls 33 to 11.

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Taxpayers Reminded Of March 15 Deadline On Filing Incomes

In spite of all the changes in the income tax laws, March 15 is still the deadline for filing final income tax returns.

March 15 is just about five weeks off, and before that date many thousands of people must file their 1944 income tax returns. While the forms for filing returns this year are much simpler than in prior years, many people will still probably want help in preparing them.

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Price Fixing

By GEORGE S. BENSON
President of Harding College
Searcy, Arkansas



LANCASHIRE is the name of a county in England, studded with many mill towns, some large, some small. Liverpool, once the world's leading cotton market is in Lancashire. In fact, the very word Lancashire, from long usage in the colorful language of tradespeople, has come to mean the English cotton textile industry, just as Detroit means automobile manufacturing to us.

Lancashire used to be prosperous. Her mills are small in contrast to what Americans think about when they speak of a cotton mill, but they long provided work and income for thousands of thrifty people, until something went wrong. Now Lancashire is having her troubles and is just beginning to learn what they are. At the bottom of them is government price fixing.

Seeking SOME time ago the Reasons British cotton textile industry sent an investigating committee to the United States. The committee had three facts in hand: (1) American mills were turning out better cotton cloth than the English mills, (2) American cloth was selling everywhere for less than the British could afford to accept, and (3) American mill workers were twice as well paid as the English workers.

While better goods at lower prices were taking England's market, that used to be worldwide, Lancashire's labor problems grew worse. England's little specialty mills turned out less

material per man hour than America's big many-process mills, 18% to 67% less. The workers of England were doing many things by hand that Americans do with machinery to gain speed and volume.

Machine IN AMERICA a small Economy number of workers supervise the operation of a large number of machines, spinning, weaving and finishing, all in one big factory. In Britain cotton is spun in one factory, woven in another and finished in a third. Lancashire producers of cotton cloth buy and sell endlessly among themselves. Each operator does his part and ships his unfinished work to some other mill.

"One point in Lancashire's problem," says the London Times, "is the harsh necessity for some of the most inefficient firms to be eliminated." The government fixes prices and ignores incompetence so poor operators can make a profit. In other words, John Bull holds an umbrella over a frozen price structure that would melt down to an honest level under the warm sunlight of competition.

Competition sharpens the wits. American business men know that continuous operation is cheaper than batch work, know there is more to be earned with big volume, low prices and small margins than by big profits on a few sales. They know volume production requires good equipment which, in turn, helps workers do more and earn more. Fixed cotton prices in America will finally give us a dose of Lancashire.

Many Texas Schools Are Now Receiving WFA Assistance

Approximately 2,185 Texas schools now are receiving War Food Administration assistance in serving well-balanced lunches daily to school children and participation should increase steadily for the next two months, Dan L. Boyd, WFA's district representative, has announced.

Prior to the first of the year, 1,983 schools were serving lunches to 209,769 children compared to 1,440 schools and 125,341 daily lunches at the same time last year. During January, 202 additional schools have applied for WFA assistance in getting lunchrooms into operation and the applications are being processed.

Peak participation for the year is expected during February and March, Mr. Boyd said.

State sponsoring agency for the Texas Community School Lunch Program is the State Department of Education, with county and individual school boards sponsoring local lunchrooms and assuming complete operation of the community program.

In turn, community sponsors serving well-balanced lunches are partially reimbursed by War Food Administration through appropriation from the Congress, the amount of local reimbursement depending on type of lunch served and the need for financial assistance, Mr. Boyd said.

OASI Tax Rate Still 2 per cent

In reply to inquiries received from some employers concerning the old-age and survivors insurance tax rate, Ralph T. Fisher, manager of the Abilene office of the Board stated that for 1945 this rate remains unchanged at 2 per cent, 1 per cent being deducted from wages paid the worker and 1 per cent from the employer's payroll as his contribution. He stated that Congress did not allow the automatic increase in the tax rate to go into effect January 1, 1945, as some employers may have understood. Employers will continue to make the same deductions from wages and include this information in their report to the Bureau of Internal Revenue.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: H. H. Percy (if he be living) and the unknown heirs of him the said H. H. Percy, if H. H. Percy be dead, and Clarence Percy (if he be living) and the unknown heirs of him the said Clarence Percy, if he be dead.

GREETING: You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 12th day of March, A. D., 1945, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Callahan County, at the Court House in Baird, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 27th day of January, 1945. The file number of said suit being No. 10,529. The names of the parties in said suit are: Hugh W. Ross, Jr., as Plaintiff, and H. H. Percy (if he be living) and the unknown heirs of him the said H. H. Percy, if H. H. Percy be dead, and Clarence Percy, (if he be living) and the unknown heirs of him, the said Clarence Percy, if he be dead as Defendants.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit:

Suit in trespass to try title by Plaintiff against the defendants to recover the title and possession of Lots 4, 5, 6 and 7 and the East 1/2 of Lot 8, all in Block No. 42 in the Town of Baird according to the official plat of said town as the same appears of record in Book F, Page 636 of the Callahan County Deed Records.

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued this 27th day of January, A. D., 1945.
Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Baird, Texas, this 27th day of January, A. D., 1945.
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RAYMOND YOUNG, Clerk
District Court, Callahan County, Texas.

Read the Putnam News and get more news items by actual count. When you have news hand it in and help to make the News the best country weekly in the territory.



Many Texas fighting men were included among the 513 veterans of Bataan and Corregidor who were freed from a Jap prison camp on Luzon by last week's daring Ranger raid. Most are now in army hospitals, recovering from illness and other results of their treatment while in the hands of the enemy. Soon they will be back in Texas, enjoying a well-earned rest and reunion with their loved ones.

Their rescue is dramatic proof that Uncle Sam never forgets his nephews in enemy hands. While they are behind Jap or Nazi barbed wire, they receive relief supplies from the National War Fund's War Prisoners Aid and from the Red Cross... and at the first opportunity, they are restored to freedom.

The Japanese have a long record of barbarism against American prisoners of war... a record that began with the infamous "death march" after the surrender of the tiny island fortress in Manila bay. But most recent reports indicate that, as the war goes against them, even the Japs are wise enough to change their tactics. Apparently realizing that they will soon be held accountable for their treatment of prisoners, the Japanese army has begun to permit more relief supplies to reach concentration camps, and at the same time inaugurated a more humane attitude toward our men.

No one would be foolish enough to credit them with any sudden feeling of human compassion... for the change is obviously brought about only by realization that if they treat prisoners well they, themselves, will receive better treatment upon defeat... but, whatever the reason, the news is good for the thousands of Texans whose husbands, sons and friends are in Nipponese hands.

Reports to the National War Fund from neutral representatives also indicate that Americans held in German prison camps east of Berlin are being moved to the interior, where the prisoners will not be endangered by the fighting as the Russians continue their advance. This may mean that some will wait a few months longer for liberation, but it also means that many will live who otherwise might be killed by shells or even by Nazi hordes fleeing the onrushing Russian troops. Prisoners are never safe during periods of confusion, so relatives should be encouraged by reports that German prison camps are being moved to the interior.

Neutral representatives of War Prisoners Aid and other National War Fund agencies will continue to visit Americans behind their barbed-wire barricades, and to look out for the interests and the morale of our men captured by the Nazis. And, after victory, the National War Fund will continue to give aid to every prisoner-of-war or former prisoner until he has been returned to the United States.

Such work on behalf of our men in enemy hands is made possible through funds raised in the recent nationwide National War Fund campaign. County War Chest leaders who worked so hard to make the drive a success and the tens of thousands who contributed so generously now have the pleasure of knowing that their work and their gifts are helping to save American lives, and to make life easier for the heroic American fighting men shot down over enemy territory or captured in hand-to-hand battles.



Hotels Named for Outstanding Heroes Of 36th Division

SIXTH ARMY GROUP, France—Men of the 36th "Texas" Division, observing a six-day rest period behind the U. S. 7th Army front—the first break in 135 consecutive days of combat—have not forgotten their former doughboy buddy, Tech Sgt. James Logan of Luling, Texas.

While most of the division is fighting on the Western Front, small groups of men are granted short leave to go to a Rest Camp. The Texan Medal of Honor winner, Sgt. Logan, is honored by the naming of a hotel, "Logan Hotel," one of the five that make up the division's little Rest Camp city. His old battle companions sleep in "Logan Hotel" after a full day of movies, recreation activities and other diversions.

Four other hotels are named after other 36th Division men who won the nation's highest battle award. "Kelly Hotel" is for Tech. Sgt. Charles (Commando) Kelly of Pittsburgh, Penn.; "Crawford Hotel," Pvt. William Crawford of Chicago, Ill.; "Ejorklund Hotel," 1st Lt. Arnold Ejorklund of Seattle, Wash.; and "Wise Hotel," Tech. Sgt. Homer Wise of Baton Rouge, La. All are now returned to the States with the exception of Pvt. Crawford, a prisoner of war in Germany.

Various combat men attending the Rest Camp expressed their admiration for these division heroes.

"I think Logan would be right proud of the hotel named after him," said Pvt. Milledan Ramsey, Nashville, N. C., who served in Sgt. Logan's rifle platoon. "Logan was a good guy. He was always thinking of the other fellow and now we're thinking of him. The whole division is proud of him."

Pfc. Fred V. Davis, Scottsburg, Va., who also fought beside Sgt. Logan, said, "Logan would feel good to see his name on the hotel. He was an all right guy and it's good he's remembered in this way."

"I know that Kelly received a lot of publicity in the States," said Sgt. Joseph S. Balsamo, Bloomfield, N. J., who served in Sgt. Kelly's regiment. "But probably he would prize something like the naming of 'Kelly Hotel' more, com-

ing from his old division and buddies."

Pfc. Lester L. Shipley, 316 Avenue C, Garland, Texas, a tank destroyer man, said, "I didn't know any of the five Medal of Honor men personally, but I did know 'Mac.' He was a Texan and made of the same fighting guts. 'Mac' was killed recently by a mortar shell after outstanding action in many not battles. He's been recommended for the Medal of Honor, I understand. It's what those hotels represent that makes it important. A remembrance of this sort is very good for any man like 'Mac.'"

"This means a lot to our division pride," said Pfc. William Fliszar, Hillside, N. J. "When I saw the hotel signs I thought of another hero, Gonzales who served in my company. (Sgt. Manuel Gonzales of Fort Davis, Texas, who wears the Distinguished Service Cross and is now stationed in Georgia). He was a good fighter and hated to leave us, even to go back to the States. It's good to remember what these five men, and others like them, did for us."

A rotation system enables small groups to leave their front-line units every week for six days at the Rest Camp. The rejuvenation program includes the best of food, complete exchange of old battle-torn gear for new clothes from head to foot, hot showers at a famous French spa, American movies, orchestra jam sessions and dances. The men are completely free to roam where they may or sleep as long as they desire.

On her first assignment with her favorite division, American Red Cross Clubmobile worker Miss Jerry Wilkie of Austin, Texas, recently joined the Rest Camp staff.

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USO Fourth



USO observes its fourth birthday on Sunday, Feb. 4. During that week-end open house is held at all USO clubs throughout the country, with anniversary luncheons in key cities on Feb. 5. Here WAVE Yeoman 2/c Thelma Belville, of Townsend, Mont., and Sergeant Walter Glardon, of New Rochelle, N. Y., collaborate on a birthday greeting.

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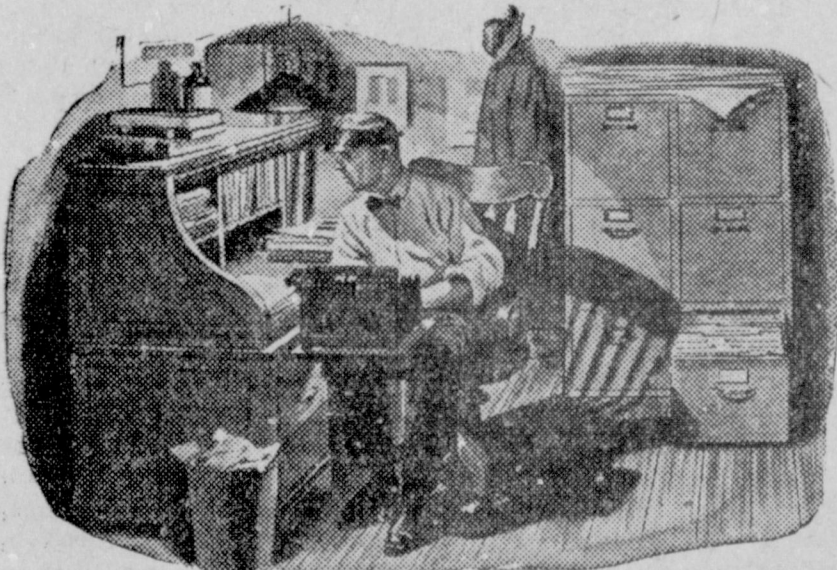
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MORAN NEWS ...

Personal Mention

Sgt. and Mrs. M. N. McCarty of Camp Hood, near Killeen, are expected home this week-end for a visit with her father and brother, Dan and Clarence Hamilton, and her sister, Mrs. Alice Garlitz.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Humphrey of Abilene were guests of Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Culwell Sunday.

Glen Cottle, cashier of the Moran National Bank, entered Hendrick Memorial hospital Monday for a tonsil operation. He is reported doing nicely.

L. L. Walker of the West Texas Utilities Co., attended the Cisco Lions club at Cisco, January 31.

Mrs. N. A. J. Mitchell of Deep Creek, during January was on the sick list but with the sunny days of February, she came to town and renewed her subscription to the Moran paper.

A. A. Smith and son, Oscar traveled together from Alamogordo, N. M., arrived in Moran last Friday and visited over Sunday with Mrs. A. M. Smith, mother and grandmother. Pvt. Oscar D. Smith is stationed at B-29 Super Fortress Base at Alamogordo, N. M.

Leaving February 19 for induction in the Armed Forces are four of Moran's citizens, Albert Grace Jr., Elsworth Freeman, John Curtis Chambers, and J. T. Fortner.

Mrs. J. C. Hess and son, Randell visited in Moran last week. They returned to Fort Worth Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Smith have recently entered a new picture of their son, M/Sgt. C. B. Smith now in Italy, in Moran soldier boys on review in the window at Mrs. Oyler's shop.

Mrs. A. L. McLendon entered Graham hospital last Sunday for surgery and was operated on last Monday. Last reports she was doing nicely.

LeRoy Williams, student in A. & M. College, spent last week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer McDonald of Stephenville, visited Mrs. McDonald's mother, Mrs. Susie Dyer last Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. H. A. Hull Jr. and son left last week for a few weeks visit with Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Hull Sr., of Hobbs, N. M.

Miss Aviee Waters spent last Saturday evening and Sunday with her mother and returned to Fort Worth Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. D. P. King have as their guests this week, Mr. King's mother and sister, Mrs. D. P. King of Grayford, Texas and Mrs. Pete Favor of New Orleans.

Lee Dennis who has been critically ill at Graham hospital, is reported as some better.

Pfc. and Mrs. Jerry Bullard and Pfc. and Mrs. Floyd Williams of Fort Worth Air Base, spent Sunday in the home of Mrs. G. J. Steen. O. D. Allen made a business trip to Abilene Monday.

Mrs. G. J. Steen is recovering from a weeks illness.

Walter Cutler and family were Frankel visitors over the week-end.

Mrs. John J. Booth and baby returned to Abilene Friday after spending ten days here in the J. W. Booth home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Browning and daughter of Baird, were visitors in Moran Sunday afternoon. The Brownings own one of the finest apple orchards in Texas, located three miles west of Baird.

Mrs. Virgil Pinnell and daughter, Jane Ann, of Sweetwater spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Olin Elliott. Mrs. Pinnell has a section of first grade in the Sweetwater schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Higgins are well pleased with their new home in Sweetwater. Mrs. Higgins also teaches a section of first grade there. Alice Ann entered the Philip Nolan ward school and likes fine. Mrs. Higgins is one of the first grade teachers in the J. P. Cowan ward school.

Sweetwater has nine sections of first grade.

90 acres of land for sale eight miles southeast of Putnam near Atwell. Three-room house and porch. Good well of water, good chicken houses, barn 24x30 and most of land fenced hog proof with wire enough to fence balance. Inquire at the News office.

TEXAS STATE GUARD NEWS—COMPANY C. MORAN

To the tune of 20 to 14 for the Second Platoon, and just three more drill nights before the contest winds up, the Guardsmen were on their toes, this 6th night of February. But wait—look here if you will—heading the list—yessir, heading the list of Texas Guard Companies on the Honor Roll! Moran, as we have often told you is the smallest town in the state with a unit of Texas State Guard, and that's really something to boast of. And 90% of the members of Company C are in their fourth year of service.

And so you may see that we have the equivalent of a young army right here. Rifles, machine guns, bayonets and all kinds of implements of warfare, ready to go into action on short notice, to protect you, Mr. John Q. Public. But here is something we do need, since we have lost several men to Federal Service, we can use several recruits. The training program we have to offer is very beneficial to every man and boy and the age limits are 16 to 65.

Come on and join up, won't you? See Captain McCargo right away and get lined up. If you can't find him, see yours truly, and we'll get you fixed up. And you'll be ready for Spring maneuvers when they are put on. Do this, won't you?

MORAN PIONEER SERIOUSLY ILL

Uncle George Parrish is ill at the home of Wm. Brewster, his relatives have been informed. Two daughters, Mrs. Mamie Pratt of Hot Springs, N. M., Mrs. Charlie Moseley of Orange, Texas are expected to arrive on last Wednesday.

The Shackelford County Leader is the same price—\$1.00 in county, \$1.50 elsewhere.

Moran Prisoner of Japs not on List of Rescued Soldiers

Pfc. Bruno E. Brooks, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Brooks of Moran, was a prisoner at Camp No. 1, at Cabanatuan, in Nueva Ecija province on Luzon island in the Philippines, where approximately 500 American prisoners of the Japs were liberated last week, but his name does not appear among those rescued from the prison.

A native of Moran, Private Brooks entered the service in September, 1940, and a year later shipped out for overseas duty. The parents never heard anything more from him until he began writing cards from a Japanese prison camp after he had been reported missing following the fall of Bataan in 1942.

From cards which included very little written messages, which the parents received, were known to be in his handwriting, they said, and the last such card was received two or three weeks ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Brooks still have hopes that their son was among the stronger prisoners who were able to work and removed to another prison camp before the liberation, since his name has never appeared in any of the stories and accounts of those rescued. This would be the only chance that he might be still alive, since reports indicate so many prisoners have died within the last few months.

J. B. Montgomery who received his commission from the Infantry school at Fort Benning, Ga., Oct. 19, was selected to stay on there as a tactical officer. He is now helping train other boys in this officers candidate school.

Another Moran boy who is training at Fort Benning is S. Sgt. Laurie Taylor who is to complete his work in March. Also attending O. C. S. at Fort Benning is Tommy Holden whose wife is the former Fern Smart of Moran.

Randall Bills returned to Moran this week after having received a medical discharge from the army last week at Ashburn General hospital at McKinney, Texas. He was inducted into the army at Scotia, in Humboldt county, Calif., in February 1941. After a visit with his family in Moran, he will return to California.

Pfc. Harry A. Scott of Bryan Air Field, son of J. S. Scott of Albany, arrived in Moran Sunday and was the guest of Mrs. Edd Collinsworth. He arrived too late to attend his grandmother's funeral held at the Baptist church last Saturday afternoon.

WITH A FIFTEENTH AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND, AIR SERVICE SQUADRON, ITALY—Corporal Glynn W. Strother of route No. 1, Moran, Texas has just completed two years of overseas service in North Africa and Italy, with the United States Army Air Forces. Corporal Strother is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Strother of route 1, Moran, Texas.

After graduating from the Cross Plains high school in 1938 Corporal Strother was engaged in farming activities with his father. He became a member of the United States Army in May, 1942 at Camp Wolters, Texas and received his training at the Air Corps Technical School at Tulsa, Oklahoma. He joined his present organization in Algeria, North Africa two years ago. Now an expert airplane sheetmetal worker, Corporal Strother is with an air service squadron of the Fifteenth Air Force Service Command in Italy.

Corporal Strother wears the Air Force Technicians Badge and the Good Conduct Medal. The three bronze stars on his Service Ribbon show participations in the Tunisian, Naples-Foggia, and Rome-Arno campaigns.

Lt. (jg) Royce W. Pruett, M. C. USNR, son of Grady S. Pruett and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Park of Moran, arrived on Tuesday and will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Park. Lt. and Mrs. Royce W. Pruett are enroute from California where he served Internship at U. S. Naval Hospital at Santa Margarita Ranch, Oceanside, Calif. for 9 months, to Orange, Texas, awaiting commissioning of a ship. Mrs. Royce W. Pruett was former Miss Paye Beskow of Eastland, Texas.

Sgt. Bob Montgomery landed in France about December 8, and he writes that they had a very pleasant crossing with no storms at sea. They passed the Rock of Gibraltar on a beautiful sunny

day, and to a Texas boy, who had thrilling and exciting. Bob is with Lt. Gen. Alexander Patch's 7th Army on the Western Front. never been to sea, it was very

Marine Master Technical Sergeant Hursel E. Wagley, 26, son of Mrs. Susie Wagley, Moran, Texas, has been promoted to that rank at El Toro, Marine Corps Air Station, Santa Ana, Calif., where he is non-commissioned officer-in-charge of a service squadron garage.

Master Technical Sergeant Wagley served 12 months overseas on New Caledonia, Guadalcanal and New Zealand.

He was graduated from Moran high school and prior to enlisting in the Marine Corps, operated his own automobile garage in Putnam, Texas.

Lt. Margie Fern Booth left Thursday for Fort Sam Houston to report for duty after spending two months with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Booth. She is the third member of the family to enter the armed forces. Her brothers are Lt. John J. Booth in the East Indies, and Cpl. Bert E. Booth at Davis Monthan Field, Phoenix, Ariz.

Word has been received from C. A. Waters saying that he has been transferred to the 7th Army commanded by Lt. Gen. Alexander Patch, on the Western Front.

MRS. KIRKPATRICK APPOINTED TO FILL UNEXPIRED TERM

The City Council met Tuesday night in regular session, and Mrs. Rebecca Kirkpatrick was appointed to fill the unexpired term of her late husband, T. S. Kirkpatrick.

Mr. Kirkpatrick was elected over and over again by a popular vote of the citizens of Moran as alderman, serving some ten or twelve successive years, thus proving the esteem and confidence with which the citizens as a whole had for this man as an alderman.

Mrs. Kirkpatrick has the honor of being the first woman in the history of Moran to serve as a member of the City Council.

SMITH RE-ELECTED SUPERINTENDENT

Trustees of the Moran Independent school district met last Monday evening and re-elected Supt. Hugh E. Smith to head the school again for a period of two years.

Patrons of the school and citizens of the entire community will welcome this news, as Supt. Smith and his family have contributed much to the civic and religious activities of the community.

Trustees of the school are Morris Cottle, chairman, Elmer Curo, secretary, Dave Parrish, Bill English, Sam Diller, W. C. Alexander, and one place to be filled since Claude Brooks moved away from the community.

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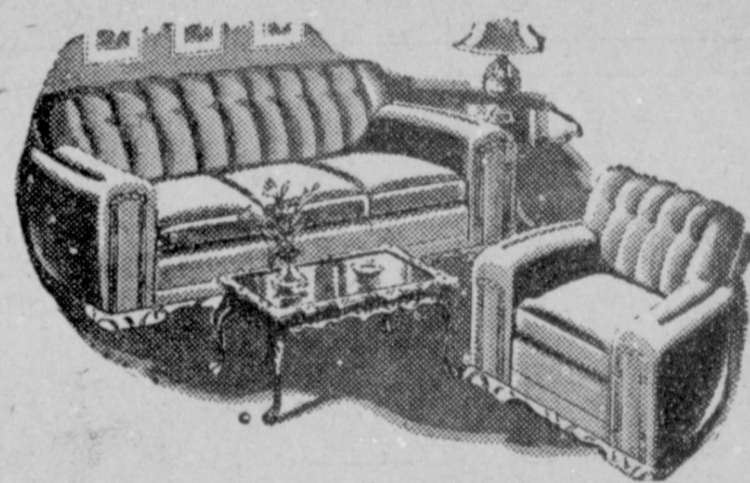
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- Pt. Log Cabin Syrup.....26c

WE PAY HIGHEST MARKET PRICE FOR EGGS.

LOCALS

Mrs. Virgil Pinnell of Sweetwater was passing through Putnam Saturday morning and stopped at the News office for a few minutes. She was formerly a teacher in the Putnam high school, going from here to Sweetwater where she accepted employment in the Sweetwater school.

PLENTY OF WIRE

We have in stock now plenty of hog fencing, chicken and barb wire. If in need of anything in our line, come and see or call us.

Shackelford Implement Co.
Putnam, Texas

Bert Jones of the Pueblo community was in Putnam Saturday morning and while here visited the News office for a short while.

NOTICE

Plenty of 6x16 auto tires in stock. Bring us your certificate. Why not buy a Good-year, they cost no more.

Shackelford Implement Co.
Putnam, Texas

Mrs. Jim Yarbrough was in Putnam one day last week with a good sized amount of waste paper and rags she had gathered up for the War Salvage department.

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J. B. Eubank was in Putnam Saturday afternoon and while here made the News office a short visit.

NOTICE

Why not go to Lucile's Beauty Shop to get your next hair do? Experienced operators and latest styles. Mrs. Leotis Meadows noted for her work in Baird, is now with the Lucile Shop, Baird, Texas.

Mrs. Gus Brandon returned home the past week after visiting with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Norred at Big Spring for the past two or three weeks.

NOTICE

Watch the crowds going to Shaefer's Radio Shop where they can get their irons and radios repaired. Remember the place, just across the street from First National Bank at Cisco, Texas.

Explaining to his civilian friends his role in the artillery, a negro soldier said, "Ah opens de big gun, puts in a big shell, closes de gun, pulls de trigger, steps back, and says, Mistah Hitlah, recount yo' money."

NOTICE

If you want to get married, write Box 338, Julianna, Idaho. Enclose stamp.

Charles Odom attended the four day cattle show at Brownwood the past week.

If you cannot come to see us we will be happy to send you our price list. Star Hatchery, Baird, Texas.

M. E. Frye and Sons who own ranches in the Putnam territory, attended the sale at Brownwood the past week and while there they purchased a bull out of the Halbert ranch herd paying \$1250 for the calf.

R. O. P. sired English White Leghorn pullets, AAA grade \$20, AAAAA grade \$22 per 100. We do everything to improve our breeding stock that other hatcheries do but sell our pullets for much less. Star Hatchery, Baird, Texas.

Mrs. Art Nolan and Mrs. E. E. Sunderman were shopping in Baird Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Clinton Jr., were visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Clinton and Mr. and Mrs. U. L. Lowry over the week-end.

NOTICE, PROPERTY OWNERS

The time for rendering property for taxation is the first four months of the year. Please see that your real estate and personal property is rendered in your name for 1945 at the County Assessor-Collector's office or to one of the following Assessors: Jno. A. McKee, Harley Sikes, Sam Maynard, Mike Cook.

All property not rendered will be placed on the unrendered roll.

MRS. T. W. BRISCOE.

Oliver Culwell of Stillwater, Oklahoma was here the past week visiting with his father, H. Culwell who is seriously ill at the home of J. E. Buford, a son-in-law at Baird.

Thousands of baby chicks hatching per week. AAA grade \$9 per 100, AAAAA grade \$11. Leghorn cockrels \$3. Fourteen breeds. Star Hatchery, Baird, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Weed were visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Weed the first of the week.

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SHANKS NURSERY & HOG FARM

Clyde, Texas

Mrs. Josie Taylor was shopping and visiting friends in Baird Monday morning.

Clinton Waddell and Junior Tatom attended the 4-H boys livestock show at Houston the past week.

Rev. and Mrs. Baker are the parents of a baby girl born January 30th, named Tommie Elaine. The baby and mother doing nicely.

E. L. Park, Mrs. Neal Logan, I. E. Park and S. E. Park Jr., all of Knox City, were visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Clinton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Park and Dinat of Fort Stockton were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Clinton Sunday.

NOTICE, CAR OWNERS

Please remember to present your Certificate of Title for car registration. Those with Out-of-State Titles should register early because application for Texas Title will be necessary.

License tag must be on car by April.

MRS. T. W. BRISCOE.

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to thank our friends in Putnam and Cisco for their many courtesies extended us, for the beautiful floral tributes, and the nice lunch served during the illness and at the death of our dear father, L. J. Kelley, who passed away January 27. May God's blessings abide with each and all of you, is our prayer.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Butler.

Aviation Ordnance Man 2nd Class, Mlyvn Don Gilmore is here visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Gilmore. When he returns to service he will report to Jacksonville, Florida on February 21st for 16 weeks of further training.

JOE SHACKELFORD KILLED

Joe Shackelford was killed in a car wreck near Kilgore Tuesday afternoon. He was buried in Cross Plains Thursday afternoon. The News was unable to get any particulars of the accident.

Miss Velma Euank of Abilene spent Sunday visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Eubank.

Miss Ellen Williams, student in McMurry college in Abilene visited her father and brother and other relatives in Putnam during the week-end. She is a daughter of R. D. Williams.

Miss Loraine Dunaway of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dunaway and Miss Myrtle Dunaway of Dothan were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Dunaway Sunday, and I. G. Mobley and the girls.

Mrs. George Weeks was shopping and visiting old friends in Moran Monday morning.

Cpl. L. A. Sublett is here from California and he and Mrs. Sublett visited with Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Dunaway Sunday. Mr. Sublett will be here for several days visiting with Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Speegle and his mother, Mrs. Sublett at Dothan. Mr. Sublett is being transferred to Fort Worth. He is a marine.

H. L. O'Shields of Loraine visited his daughter and family, Mrs. A. L. Pearce the past week.

Mrs. Roma Warren and children of Borger were guests of grandmother Mrs. T. L. Hamlin the past week.

Irvin Hamlin and family of Hamlin, visited his mother, Mrs. T. L. Hamlin through the week-end.

The News received the following letter from Mrs. M. A. Burnam of Lubbock, a former resident of Putnam: "Enclosed my subscription for the Putnam News. Just can't do without the home paper. Best regards to you and Mrs. Yeager."—Mrs. M. A. Burnam, Lubbock, Texas.

Lower Clear Fork Soil Conservation District News

Robert Bradford, cooperator of the Lower Clear Fork of the Brazos Soil Conservation District, recently reported that an eight acre planting of madrid clover and wheat was looking mighty good. The planting was performed last November and the clover has shown that it can take cold weather. Mr. Bradford said that shallow planting of not more than 1/2 inch in depth will largely detract the stand and vigor of the clover.

Fred Wylie, Virgil Morris, and Walter Humber, district cooperators, have received enough buffalo, sideoats grama, and blue grama grass seed to sow 35 acres of cultivated land to be turned back to pasture. Mr. Humber and Mr. Wylie planted buffalo grass seed last year and they are adding sideoats and blue grama to the original planting.

The Soil Conservation Service is making every effort to have a grass and other small seed drill and combine available to district cooperators by spring planting time. Latest information disclosed that the combine was believed certain, but a drill had not been definitely located. Method, depth, and seed bed preparation have been listed by farmers experienced in reseeding areas as fundamentals that cannot be overlooked if successful plantings are to be obtained.

In looking back over the calendar of recent supervisors meetings we note that the following matters received attention: The supervisors approved 14 applications covering 3040 acres in the southwest part of Stephens county. J. A. Carraway, farmer of the LaCasa community and J. M. Cooper, county agent of Stephens county, formed the group for conservation assistance.

C. M. Gay, Moran rancher, made an interesting talk at the meeting on his trip to College Station to take part in the state meeting of Soil Conservation District supervisors. He told of farmers and ranchers attending from the most remote points in Texas to discuss and offer solutions to problems of soil and water conservation. Principal speakers were Dr. H. H. Bennett, chief of the Soil Conservation Service, Washington, D. C., and Dr. Thomas H. Taylor, president of Howard Payne College, Brownwood, Texas.

The supervisors submitted a petition for the addition of land lying between the Clear Fork of the Brazos River and the Shackelford county line in the southwest quarter of Throckmorton county to the local district. The petition was signed by Watt Matthews, Joe B. Matthews, Thomas L. Blanton, Mrs. Lucile Bittingham, Cayroll Putnam and Thomas L. Blanton Jr.

DESK BLOTTERS

Large desk blotters in beautiful, assorted colors, at the Leader office. Only 10 cents each.

Farmers to Receive "The Furrow" a John Deere Publication

Many farmers of the Putnam community in the next few days will receive a copy of the Golden Anniversary issue of "The Furrow," national farm publication, published by John Deere, Moline, Ill.

Marking 50 years' continuous publication, devoted to the interest and advancement of agriculture, "The Furrow" has been read by several local farmers for many years. Those from here who have been readers the greatest number of years include Ed Davis of Admiral, Star Route 1, Baird, Texas, local John Deere dealer said.

Articles in this special anniversary issue bring to the reader discussions on progress and advancement made in agriculture during the past half century. Modernization of farm implements through the years, leading to present-day power farming, and development of farm practices and methods relative to soil culture, planting and harvesting of crops, are featured.

Also appearing in the farm publication are several articles, which are reminiscent of farms and living conditions of the "Gay Nineties."

"The Furrow," published six times a year, is mailed free to local farmers with the compliments of the local John Deere dealer. Many educational farm articles, written by authorities in the farming industry, are published in each issue.

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Putnam, Texas.

Deputy Collector's visit. Between February 19 and March 15 most of the deputies will be stationed at their various zone offices. If you miss seeing them on their visit to your town, you will then have to go to the nearest zone office for help.

The Collector urges every taxpayer to make an effort to bring his tax problems before the Deputy Collector named above, on the dates shown. The point is stressed that you must bring with you all of your withholding receipts, together with complete information as to all 1944 income, expenses and deductions. The deputy collectors will need this information before they can give you advice as to how to file your return.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Speegle made a business trip to Gorman Monday.

Lieut. T. G. Hull Slightly Wounded

Mrs. T. G. Hull received a message Thursday morning from the war department advising her that her husband, Second Lieutenant Hull had been slightly wounded Jan. 11, in Belgium. He is with General Patton's Third Army, in the 90th Division, where fighting has been heavy during recent weeks.

Mrs. Hull and baby moved here last week from Moran to make her home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Wood, who moved here recently from Oklahoma City.

Just received, new supply of typewriter ribbons. Leader office.

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