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Extortion Demand to a Mt. Pleasant Banker Results in Soldier's Arrest

FBI agents, Mount Pleasant police and Titus County officers, arrested an AWOL soldier Friday night when he went to pick up \$5,000 he was trying to extort from a Mount Pleasant banker.

John K. Mumford, special agent in charge of the Dallas FBI office, identified the soldier as Charlie Smith, 45, who has been AWOL from Fort Bliss since Nov. 11. Mumford said the United States attorney's office has authorized prosecution of Smith under the federal extortion statute.

The FBI was called into the case by the banker, Alvin Guy Daniel, president of the First National Bank in Mount Pleasant, when Daniel received a letter in Friday morning's mail.

The letter demanded that \$5,000 in \$5, \$10 and \$50 bills be put in a sack and taken to a point near Mt. Pleasant marked on a map with the letter. The sack had to be there by 3 p. m. Friday. The letter instructed Daniel to make no marks on the money and to "forget the serial numbers."

"If you wish to live, you will leave the law out of this. We have seen lots of people die in two wars and one or two more families not to our regret. All lives are very cheap . . . no value . . . so we will kill you and your family or die trying," the letter said.

"We are crazy, but we will pay you \$6,000 back in six months if you will deliver the money to the place indicated on the map . . ." the letter added.

"Shall you and your family die or not. Shall we kill again?" the letter ended.

It was signed, "The Nasty One."

Smith admitted writing the letter as soon as he was arrested, Mumford said. Smith told Mumford that he had been in the Army since 1943.

Mrs. J. A. Davis has returned home from a Shreveport hospital, where she was a surgical patient.

High School Band Contest a Success

The Talco High School Band went to Pine Tree Tuesday afternoon where it got a II rating at the Region IV Marching Contest, the goal which they were trying to reach. The band was very good in spite of the weather in which they performed. The members were inspected before they went on the field, and just as they stepped off to do their routine, a light rain started to fall.

Right in the midst of their performance the rain started coming down fairly hard. They went right ahead and finished their routine anyway and looked very good. This was a very tough break from the standpoint of getting caught in the rain, but it had nothing to do with the rating of the band.

The members worked for their II division and are very proud of it, and everyone in Talco should be proud of them as they did a very respectable job in representing the school and community.

The following things are what the band was graded on and their grades:

Required movements — Set up by Univ. Interscholastic League, I. Cadence—I. Inspection—I. Special Formation—I. Discipline—I. Alignment—II. Carriage—II. Precision—II. General Effect—II. Playing—III.

Here also is a description of the different grades:

1 Division: A near perfect band, with little or no room for improvement.

2 Division: A good band. There is some room for improvement.

3 Division: An average band

Titus Dedicates New Memorial Hospital Saturday

Titus County Memorial Hospital, erected at a cost of approximately \$400,000, was opened to the public Saturday morning.

A brief dedication program included official presentation of the building to the hospital board of trustees.

Joe Steed is chairman of the board of trustees. Operation of the hospital will be under the board's control. Seven businessmen make up the governing group.

The hospital was financed with a \$200,000 county bond issue and a matching grant from the Federal Government. It has thirty-two beds and is built so that twenty-five additional beds could be added without enlarging the administrative space.

Norman Snyder, with about twenty years of hospital experience, will be the administrator. Under him will be a staff of twenty-five nurses, helpers and technicians.

The single-story hospital was built just north of Mt. Pleasant on Highway 271, on a five-acre tract donated for that purpose by Mrs. Julia Goates. Buff brick was used in the construction.

The building is air-conditioned for both summer and winter. Every room is equipped with oxygen outlets, phone plugs and intercommunication speakers.

The staff is made up of all doctors affiliated with the Titus County Medical Association.

Honor Roll Talco High School

Following is the Honor Roll for the second six weeks of Talco High School:

Freshman Class
Dora Ann Gandy, Linda Haynes, Glenda Sue Bise, Robbie Parker, Fredrika Pirtle, Myra Pirtle.

Sophomore Class
Rita Shaw, Wanda Sloan, Yvonne King.

Senior Class
Charlene Collier, Jean Ann Gable, Gloria Smith, John Henry Lovell, Donald Easterling, Janice Seay.

Franklin County Sheriff Tittle picked up a Mt. Vernon man who was wanted in connection with the writing of \$1200 worth of hot checks in Mt. Pleasant, Paris and Odessa.

with lots of room for improvement.

4 Division: Below average. A poor performance.

Buck Loses Head In Jealous Rage

Old Buck, for years the ruler of Gambill Wildlife Refuge deer pens, near Paris, lost his head.

Jealous because a spike buck was paying court to his two does, Buck gored the younger deer to death.

Game Warden Reb Burks sentenced the killer to a fate worse than death for a deer. He wased off Buck's eight-point antlers.

W.V. Garrison Dies Thursday Morning

William Venton Garrison, resident of the Bridges Chapel community, died at his home there Thursday morning of last week from the effects of a heart ailment. Rites were held at Bridges Chapel and burial was in Laws Chapel in Cass County.

Mr. Garrison was a native of South Carolina and moved to Titus County from Cass County nine years ago. He is survived by his widow, three sons, Maj. Wallace R. Garrison of Panama, and Felix Henry and Williams Lee Garrison of Bridges Chapel; three daughters, Mrs. Grace Little of Vivian, La., Mrs. Martha Jean Teague, Atlanta and Miss Velma Mae Garrison, and three grandchildren. Other survivors include his mother, Mrs. Mary Ann Garrison; two brothers, Paul Garrison, Houma, La., and Houston Garrison of Atlanta, and three sisters, Mrs. Eva Morgan, Brownsboro; Mrs. Iola Duke, Atlanta, and Mrs. Lillie Buchanan of Mt. Vernon.

Until he was forced to retire because of his health about a year ago, Mr. Garrison was an employee of the Bridges Chapel pump station for the Humble Oil & Refining Company. He formerly lived in Talco.

Fourth Grade
All A's—Nelda Blassegame, Jimmy Clemmons, Nancy Collier, Jimmie Sue Gandy, Wanda Hearnon, Martha Lewis, Carol Jean Swaim, Sidney Tietz, Camellia Wright.

A's and B's—LaDonna Buchanan, Nancy Buchanan, Stephen Buchanan, Johnny Burks, Dearl Cabell, Kenneth Davis, Gay Gibson, Gayle Henley, Connie Holloway, Sandra Penn, Janice Rothwell, Sammy Stanley, Mary Phillips, David Waddell.

Fifth Grade
All A's — Sandra Bean, Mary Ann Brown, Diana Sue Cook, Terita Hill, Jimmy Jones, Billy Don Medlin, Danny Perdue, Susan Ryan, Judy Tiedt.

A's and B's—Tommy Belcher, Anza Buchanan, Elton Drummond, Linda Holmes, Nancy Horton, Linda Hall, Virgil Jones, Janie Martin, Jerry Ray Miller, Nelda Wilbanks, Ronald Webb, Jerry Ann Rothwell.

Sixth Grade
All A's—Barbara Davis, Virginia Johnson, Janice Lambert, Linda Neugent, Patsy Presley.

A's and B's—Larry Blassegame, Pepper Cole, Otis Harris, Jere Paul Parrish, Sandra Pope, Jack Ralston, Dianne Sikes, Renner Waldrum.

Seventh Grade
All A's—James Paul Clark, Joanna Mitchell, Alice Ottinger, Gene Richeson.

A's and B's—Betty Sue Easterling, Martha Easterling, Mary Jo Flanagan, Andrew Jones, Charles Lewis, Gerald Ben Morris, Jerry Roebuck, Mickey Via.

Eighth Grade
A's and B's—Betty Kent, Marilyn Kirl, Annette Lewis, Carolyn Lewis, Jackie Pope, Barbara Watson.

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FUSSELL PLAYS END FOR EAST TEXAS STATE

J. M. Fussell, freshman end from Talco, had a part in the successful football season enjoyed by East Texas State this year. The Lions went undefeated thru their second straight season and are to return to the Tangerine Bowl for the second year in a row the night of Jan. 1. They now have a string of 29 consecutive wins, the longest win streak in the nation.

upon physical examination by the Armed Forces:

Thomas J. Gafford, Titus; John W. House, Joe Hal Sanford, Franklin; Billy Ray Garrett, Camp.

Elementary Honor Roll Talco School

First Grade
All A's—Carol Sue Trice.

A's and B's—Nelda Alexander, Bobby Brown, Danny Buchanan, Jimmie Buchanan, James Case, Ginger Davenport, Ronald Duncan, Milton Easterling, Curtis Fawvor, Patricia Grissom, Otis Hall, Carl Hall, Susan Hargrove, Camille Jameson, Terry Sue Leake, Michael McKnight, Vicki McPherson, Michael Reed, Rebecca Robinson, Kaye Seabaugh, Joan Marie Smith, Butch Walker, Donna Ward, Patricia Williams.

Second Grade
All A's—John David Buralow, Shelby Johnson, Barbara Jo Morse.

A's and B's—Gary Buchanan, Patricia Cooper, Louise Davis, Mike Hargrove, Roger Hawkins, Arthur Ezra Holleman, Ronnie Joe Holloway, Vicki Lee Jensen, Sandra Lambert, Rita Martin, Linda Miller, Venetta Ann McAfee, Ronnie Nelson, Leo Perdue, Patricia Stockton, John Wayne Suel.

Third Grade
All A's—Barbara Harris, Marjorie Richardson.

A's and B's—Frances Barnes, Myra Bise, Linda Blalock, Lana Sue Brown, Vonette Bryan, Billy Clark, Charlotte Dittmore, Barbara Gaddis, Calvin Hammond, Janie Hood, Phillip Jones, Janice Kirl, Becky Lewis, Douglas Miller, James Mills, Nelwyn Munn, Evelyn McCullers, Arnold Dee Phillips, Carolyn Rodgers, Linza Robertson, Rhodney Russell, Charlotte Sikes, Carlton Wilbanks, Carolyn Wilbanks, Jimmy Don Winchell.

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Fifth Shipment of White Tail Deer Released Sunday

Fifth shipment of South Texas white tail deer arrived Sunday to be turned loose as "seed" in the 70,000 acre Snake Creek Deer Reserve in Titus and Morris counties.

The shipment included sixteen bucks and seven does. One doe and one buck were dead upon arrival.

The stocking herd was released on White Oak Creek, south of the Pewitt Oil Field, about a mile northwest of White Lake. This is near the area where the first load of deer was turned loose.

This latest shipment of deer brings the number of animals released on the reserve to over 125. The plans of the Texas Game and Fish Commission calls for about 250 to be placed in the area for stocking purposes.

Reports are coming in that dogs have been chasing the deer throughout the area, and requests have been placed for the people to try to keep their dogs close in. If the dogs continue to chase them, the deer will move to other locations, game officials have stated.

Indict Roxton Negro for Murder

A 17-year-old Roxton farmhand, Ezell Norris, was indicted for murder by Lamar County Grand Jury at Paris Tuesday for the fatal stabbing last Saturday of his girl friend, Norris was charged with the murder of Cecil Helen Young, 15. Both are negroes.

The Grand Jury returned eight other indictments Tuesday afternoon after a two-day session.

Santa Claus and Reindeer Visit Talco Monday

A large crowd of grown-ups, as well as children, attended the Santa Claus parade in Talco on Monday night. The main feature was Santa Claus and his reindeer.

Others were the Senior and Junior bands, floats, bicycles and horses.

The car decorated by the Book Lovers Club won first place. In the bicycle division Patsy Presley won first place.

Zack Henley and Butch Walker won first place on a burro. Roy Whitney rode in a car he made himself.

The event was sponsored by the Talco Lions Club and other participating merchants. Jerry Jones was chairman of arrangements, assisted by Harold Bonham and others.

It was a most unusual event in the lives of the small fry of the Talco area. Very few of them had ever seen a live reindeer. They all now know that there is a Santa Claus and that he travels in a sleigh pulled by reindeer.

Forced Landing on Hicks Farm

Frank Hicks of near Mt. Vernon, noticed a pilot in trouble coming in for a forced landing in his pasture. Hicks rushed to the aid of the pilot and found 2nd Lt. Clarence Purcell of Paris (Civil Air Patrol) safe and grateful after a hazardous landing over pasture terraces.

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whether or not his father is a
Mason, Protestant, Catholic or
Jew. Many children from this
area have received treatment. La-
mar County has sent 110, Red
River 102, Titus 72, Franklin 21,
Morris 31 and Hopkins 102. There
are only about a dozen Texas
counties who have not sent chil-
dren there for treatment.

If you want to help these help-
less children, a check to Adams
will give you that satisfied feel-
ing of having done something for
suffering children.

Christ, whose birthday we soon
celebrate, said something in no
uncertain terms about the care
of little children.

Passing of Homer E. Hayes
brings much sadness to this edi-
tor, who hunted and fished with
him for nearly a quarter century.
When you live with a man in a
hunting or fishing camp for a
week at a time you learn his true
character as no other man knows
it. He was a lover of the great
outdoors and spent as much of his
time as he could hunting and
fishing. He was also a taxider-
mist and often mounted his tro-
phies and those of his friends.
Some of his work on deer heads
may still be seen at The Times
office. He was a real sportsman,
an unerring marksman and a
friend who never forgot a favor.

From this distance it looks like
communism is attempting to
clamp a strangle-hold on our
Texas industrial Gulf port towns.
Strikes by Communist-dominated
unions at Port Arthur have par-
alyzed activities there. The Legion
Post there and the Port Arthur
News are denouncing the pro-
Communist unions and courage-
ous Attorney General John Ben
Sheppard went in swinging with
both fists. Commie sympathizers
yelled "politics" at Sheppard and
he announced he would not be a
candidate for governor next year
—that the Attorney General's of-
fice was in a better position to
fight Red activities than was that
of the governor. More power to
you John Ben. We must keep
Communist infiltration out of
Texas.

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EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

BURT LOCKHART
in Pittsburg Gazette

All signs point to Adlai E. Ste-
phenson as a candidate for presi-
dent in 1956.

Old timers insist that when
they were kids Christmas was al-
ways ushered in with a snow.

They call them hidden taxes,
but most of them seem to be hid-
den behind a loud speaker.

We are advised to laugh away
our troubles. Ever try to laugh
away a good case of rheumatism?

Most of the juvenile delinquen-
cy problems can be solved at the
home, but the work must start
early.

With Christmas just around the
corner it may be a good time to
take your Christmas spirit out of
storage.

Christmas is the time when
there should be no strained rela-
tion between the heart and the
pocketbook.

Scientists claim we may be able
to fly to the moon in fifty years.
So, hang around and get your
tickets early.

We sometimes complain be-
cause we don't get justice in this
world. We don't probably be
shocked if we got it.

After all, the Indians had some-
thing we didn't have. They didn't
run the country into a 275-billion
dollar debt, but they didn't have
Truman to help them.

We heard the other day of a
housewife whose kitchen had so
many gadgets and electrical ap-
pliances that she fired the cook
and hired an electrician.

This is the season when the
little dear of the family begins to
draw mental pictures of things
he wants Santa Claus to bring
him, which usually represents the
earth with a fence around it made
of peppermint candy.

The thirteen original colonies
were: Connecticut, Delaware,
Georgia, New Hampshire, New
Jersey, New York, North Caro-
lina, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island,
South Carolina, and Virginia.

THE RIGHT PRESCRIPTION



INFLATION HALTED

By cutting nearly \$13,000,000,000 from the lame-duck
Truman budget, and restoring to the Federal Reserve
System its rightful powers over money and credit, the
Administration has halted the upward sweep of inflation.
That means a sound dollar.

But efforts to strengthen the foundations of our
monetary system did not stop with the sound dollar. A
total of about 105,000 have been cut off the Federal pay-
roll, and 75,000 more job will be abolished by the end of
the fiscal year. According to Chairman Young of the
Civil Service Commission, that means an annual saving
of about \$600,000,000 per year for the future. Simultane-
ously, there have been repeated moves to refund the
national debt on a longer-term basis.

Essential defense spending has made it difficult to
achieve a balanced budget, but there has been progress
—enough to arouse confidence. That confidence must
be justified by further economies.

This is the time of year when
any red-blooded American had
rather have a front seat at a foot-
ball game than a seat on a king's
throne.

CONNECTIONS

"About this girl you want to
marry; has she good connec-
tions?" asked the cautious mo-
ther.

"Well, she never came apart
when I was with her," replied
the young mechanic.

In the horse and buggy days
the driver relied largely on the
horse sense of Old Dobbin. To-
day it is the driver who needs the
horse sense.

Your local paper covers your home town... BUT

Texans read their Dallas News, too, every
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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

A Case of "Moostaken" Identity

Slim Smith never had a chance
to use his moose call until a trip
north this year. Visited him yester-
day to see what he'd bagged.
"First day out," he told me,
"I picked up a trail. I sounded
the call and waited. Then I heard
a moose call. Sure enough, some-
thing came crashing through the
brush. But it was another guy
with his moose call. Boy, did I
get my finger off the trigger in
a hurry!"

"My last day there I picked
up another trail. This time I got

me a real moose. But you can bet
I took a good look before I did
any shooting!"
From where I sit, we could all
learn a little from Slim's experi-
ence. Most of us are guilty some-
time or other of being too quick
on the trigger. Like the fellow
who would deny me the right to
an occasional glass of beer with
my dinner. I say that kind of
"aim" is way off!

Joe Marsh

New Hunting Dog For the Editor

There's a bird dog at the edi-
tor's home again after a lapse of
two years, thanks to Merle Lu-
ker, managing editor of the Gra-
peland Messenger. He's a
pretty white and lemon pointer,
just a pup, born in May, and will
be easily controlled, if we know
much about bird dogs.

Albert H. Luker, owner and
editor of the Grapeland Messen-
ger for 48 years, turned the news-
paper over to his sons, Merle and
Ed, a year ago and is now enjoy-
ing the life of a retired newspa-
perman.

Accompanied by his daughter-
in-law, Mrs. Ed Luker, Albert
drove up to Deport Wednesday to
bring us the pup. First time he
was ever in our home, but we
have been friends and read each
others newspapers for forty
years.

Merle evidently read an ac-
count of the death of Sport, a big
Irish Setter owned by this writer
for many years, and has now
fixed us up to bird hunt again.

It was a most gracious gesture
from Merle to give us a fine dog
and of his dad to drive 400 miles
to bring him to Deport and re-
turn home. We enjoyed their
visit very much. Mrs. Ed Luker,
a former Palestine girl and a
bride of less than a year, says she
is getting acquainted with and
likes Texas newspaper folk.

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view, Texas. 45-p

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to W. R. Singleton in order to
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Jimmie Haynes, Shep Barber. 44-c

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Cotton Referendum Date Announced

The cotton referendum will be
held December 15. Polls will be
located in each of the communi-
ties. Any person producing cot-
ton in 1953 is eligible to vote.

Allotments will be mailed to
producers in time to be received
by them before December 15.

Some people spend so much of
their time making money they
don't take time to live. They
plan to start living when they get
all the money they want, which
is an end that has never yet been
attained.

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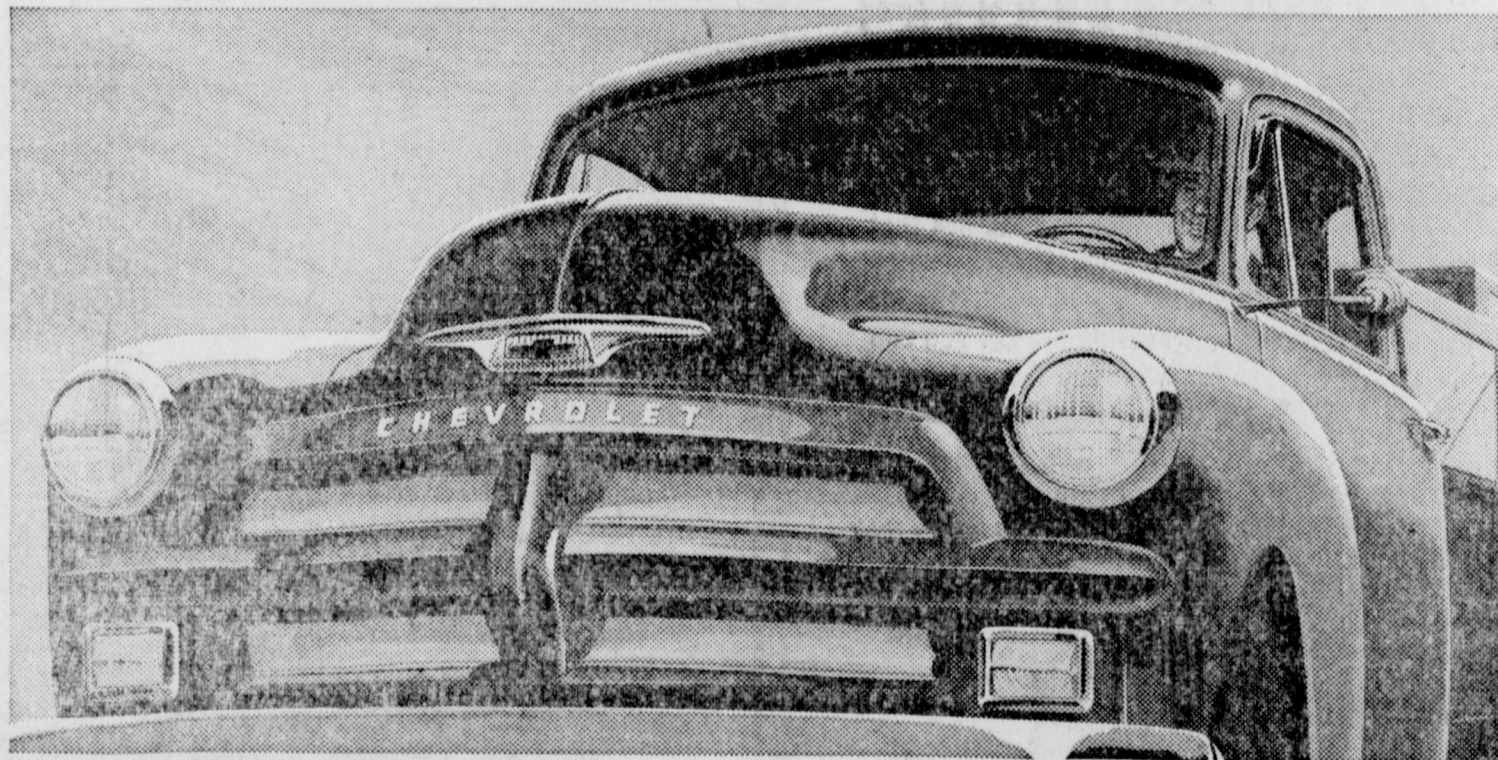
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Cotton Crop 1953 16,437,000 Bales Dept. Reports

WASHINGTON.—The Agriculture Department, in a final report for the year, reported the 1953 cotton crop at 16,437,000 bales.

This is 344,000 bales more than the 16,093,000 forecast a month ago and is far above a production goal of 12,000,000 bales set by Secretary of Agriculture Benson. The big crop helped create a surplus supply that has led Benson to invoke rigid marketing quotas on the 1954 crop to restrict output. The quotas will be submitted to a grower referendum Dec. 15. Approval by at least two thirds of those voting is required.

This year's crop compares with last year's production of 15,136,000 bales and with the 10-year (1942-51) average of 12,215,000 bales.

There is a carryover reserve of about 4,500,000 bales. Under the quota system, farmers would be limited to the sale of cotton grown on a national planting allotment of 17,910,000 acres. Plantings this year were about 24,500,000 acres. Farmers could sell cotton from excess acres, but it would be subject to heavy penalty tax.

In an accompanying report, the Census Bureau said 14,323,045 running bales of cotton from this year's crop had been ginned prior to Dec. 1. This compared with 13,420,073 ginned to the same date last year and 12,804,430 two years ago.

The yield of cotton for harvested acres average 322.4 pounds compared with 282.7 pounds last year and 271.4 for the 10-year average.

The acreage harvested was reported at 24,434,000 acres compared with 25,664,000 last year and 21,020,000 for the 10-year average.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

JOE DENTON, Pastor
9:45 a. m.—Sunday School. R. S. Welborn, supt.
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
6:30 p. m.—BTU. Mrs. C. C. Collins, director.
7:45 p. m.—Evening worship.
3:00 p. m. Monday—W.M.U. Mrs. R. J. Rossos, pres.
7:00 p. m. Wednesday—Prayer and song service.
7:00 p. m. Thursday—Brotherhood. M. J. Davis, pres.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

D. C. JENSEN, Pastor
Sunday, 9:45 a. m.—Sunday School. Claud Boyd, Supt.
Sunday, 11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
Sunday, 6:30 p. m.—B. T. S. J. J. Nelson, director.
Sunday, 7:30 p. m.—Evening worship.
Tuesday, 2:00 p. m.—W. M. A.
Wednesday, 7:00 p. m.—Prayer-meeting.

Asia has the greatest number of inhabitants.

Talco Activities Ten Years Ago

Week of December 10, 1943

L. D. Richardson had left for induction into the Navy. Lee McAfee had been stationed at Hamilton Field, Calif. Sgt. Edward L. Clark, stationed at Avon Park, Fla., had been home on leave with his parents. Adrion Cole, S2c, was stationed at Corpus Christi. Pfc. A. C. Whitley Jr., stationed in Tennessee, had been attending his father, A. C. Whitley Sr., who was ill. Pvt. William B. Alexander, stationed at Camp Wolters, had visited homefolks. Cpl. Roy Leftwich had been stationed at Mobile, Ala. Pete Orvel Page had been stationed at Camp Wolters for basic training. Cpl. Geo. L. Bond and family had returned to Boise, Idaho, after a visit here. Cpl. D. K. Kelley Jr. of Little Rock, Ark., had been in the medical corps. 1st Lt. Walter H. Bogle was stationed at New Orleans, La. Ensign D. D. Duncan had been assigned to the latest type submarine. He had been in the submarine service two years. A daughter had been born at Grant Hospital. Depart. to S-Sgt. and Mrs. W. E. Miller. He had been stationed in the U. S. Army at Ft. Riley, Kans. Lt. Wayne Duncan had returned to his post in the South Pacific after a vacation spent in New Zealand. A. V-mail letter from S-Sgt. Dan Fogarty in Italy to The Times stated that he had received copies in Africa, Sicily and Italy. That there had been several fellows from Talco in his outfit. Sgt. and Mrs. Otha B. Morgan had announced the birth of a daughter, Judy Ann, in San Antonio. Sgt. Morgan had been stationed in New Guinea. Glen N. Flewharty, SKc, of Williamsburg, Va., had been in Talco on leave. Pvt. Orville Oliver had been stationed at Camp Wolters.

Deaths: Norwood Kelley of Arkansas, had died at the Floyd Hester home of a heart attack while on a visit.

The 99th Infantry Division had staged its first review at the parade grounds at Camp Maxey.

December war bond quota for Titus County had been set at \$40,300 and had been the same as the previous month.

The government had authorized a 9c boost in the ceiling price of corn from \$1.07 to \$1.16. Feed wheat had sold from \$1.07 to \$1.13 per bushel.

A daughter had been born to Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Brown at Talco. A daughter was still-born to Mr. and Mrs. Jess Blalock with burial at Gladewater cemetery.

N. F. King, 60, had died from injuries received in an affray near Mt. Vernon. His wife and two children survived.

The Korean war has cost the United States 15 billion dollars and 138,000 wounded and killed. Three years of war has brought no satisfactory results. Another three years might prove equally as costly.

LOCAL NEWS ABOUT BOGATA

Miss Ruth King has been ill at her home since Friday.

Lucien Hancock is reported unimproved at his home.

Alvin Wood has recovered from a light attack of flu.

A. M. Blake made a business trip to Odessa last week end.

Bill Harbison of Sherman, spent the week end at his home with his family.

Mrs. S. P. Mitchell of Sulphur Springs, is visiting her son, A. D. Mitchell and family.

Mrs. Bill Legate has moved to Fulbright to make her home with her son, C. U. Legate.

Mrs. Alvin Wood and Mrs. Henry Hudson were in Clarksville Saturday on business.

Mrs. Melvin Brown visited her mother, Mrs. Jennie Amerson, in Mt. Pleasant, last Friday.

Rev. Joe Everheart and Mrs. Everheart of Deport, were in Bogata Monday on business.

Miss Ida Franklin has returned home after having been a medical patient in Paris several days.

Debby, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burton, is suffering with tonsillitis this week.

The influenza virus is gaining headway with a number of people, suffering with chest and head colds.

Mrs. Leon Shoffner and daughter of Jothtown, spent Tuesday with her mother, Mrs. Kirb Lowry.

Mrs. Iva Hooker of Gilmer, spent last week end with her sister, Miss Mary Lassiter, and other relatives.

Mrs. Britt Lassiter and Miss Mary Lassiter were in Gilmer Monday visiting Mrs. L. G. Farris and family.

Rev. Charles Tope of Ft. Worth, was here last week end to fill his regular appointments at the Baptist church.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Roberts were guests Sunday of her daughter, Mrs. Buford and family at Longview.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Horn of Paris, were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ragsdill. Their son, Norris Lee Ragsdill and wife of Dallas, were here Sunday with his parents.

Mrs. Mack Bell visited her mother-in-law, Mrs. May Bell, on Thursday, enroute to her home in Burbank, Calif., after a visit in Cincinnati, Ohio, with her son and family.

Elmer Martin returned Monday from Bagwell, after a visit with his daughter, Mrs. Rush Carter, and family.

Mrs. Sam Burton of Paris, has been here several days, staying with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Minnie Lawson.

Mr. and Mrs. Drew Hancock were in Paris Monday on business and to see Bunch Humphreys at the hospital.

Mrs. Gabe Abdner and daughters of Mt. Pleasant, were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Haynes, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dill were in Mt. Pleasant Sunday visiting their daughter, Mrs. Kenneth Sikes and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Legate were in Paris Thursday to visit Bunch Humphreys, a patient in a hospital there.

Mr. and Mrs. Othor Pearson of Deport, were Sunday visitors of his brother, Charlie Pearson and Mrs. Pearson.

After spending several days at the bedside of his father, Glyn Humphreys left Sunday for his home at Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Vinson O'Bryan have returned home after an extended trip to Mississippi, Louisiana and South Texas.

Tony Rodgers has returned home from the hospital in Paris, where he had been a patient, suffering with pneumonia.

Mrs. Jim Ed Ragsdill is helping at Hudson laundry while Mr. Hudson has been ill. Her husband, who is employed at Gladewater, spent the week end at his home.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Childers and family of Dallas, were guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Childers, last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Armstrong were in Ashdown, Ark., last week end visiting their son, Howard Armstrong and family.

Cpl. W. J. Franz Jr., and Mrs. Franz of DeRidder, Ark., were here Sunday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eb Thompson.

Mrs. Babel Cook and children, Doug and Kathleen of Dallas, were week end guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Horner.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fisher and daughters of Mosely, were guests of her sister, Mrs. Marvin Ward, Mr. Ward and son, James, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther DeBerry of Idabel, Ok., were guests of her sister, Mrs. John Forester, and the DeBerry families, recently.

Dr. C. McCain has been suffering from the effects of a severe cold. Mrs. McCain has been confined to her home, due to illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Sluder and daughter of Wichita Falls, were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cleamon Denny, last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Legate and boys have moved from the J. A. Chesshir place on Clarksville St., to the Gordon Strain place.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Devlin and daughter of Henderson, were guests of Mrs. Anna Griffith and Jerry Devlin from Friday until Sunday. Mrs. Griffith and the Devlin family were in Paris Saturday to see Bunch Humphreys, who is ill in a hospital.

Lee Roach, who suffered a stroke six weeks ago, is unimproved. He has been at the home of his sister, Mrs. Ola Franklin.

Mrs. Fred Morris and children left for their home at Mendota, Ill., Friday, after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Cooper.

J. A. Chesshir, who has been at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. H. Montgomery at Alvarado, has returned to Bogata for an indefinite stay.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Seaman and boys, Doug and Michael of Greenville, have returned home after a visit with his mother, Mrs. Vannie Seaman.

Mrs. C. Spencer Meredith returned Saturday from Dallas, after attending the annual banquet of the Writers Club and visiting her son and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Glover and son, Eddie of Mt. Pleasant, were Sunday guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Glover and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Wilkin-

son. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon DeBerry have received announcement of the arrival of a grandson, born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gordon DeBerry at China Lake, Calif. The baby has been named Thomas Gordon II. The mother was quite ill following the baby's birth, but is much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hood and their guests, Mr. and Mrs. John Cameron were dinner guests of their daughter, Mrs. Horace Benham and family Sunday at Rosalie. They had all started to Beaver's Bend, Okla., for an outing and picnic, but had to turn back, due to high water at Red River crossing.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Ferguson and children of Greggton, were guests last week of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Milt Ferguson. Earl Ferguson of Brady came Friday night and returned home Sunday, after visiting his parents.

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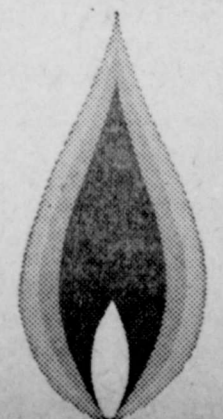
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HUMBLE CAMP

By MRS. A. L. RODGERS
Douglas Cain has been confined to his home for several days, due to illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Buralow, Johnny, and Mrs. E. Hooks were in Paris Saturday.

Mrs. Ed Boyd of Waco, is here visiting her daughter, Mrs. Dick Trice, Judy and Carol.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Stone and family spent the week end in Linden, visiting relatives.

Ronnie Nelson has been ill with a sinus infection and missed school Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. Joe Rhoads of Winnsboro, formerly of the camp, visited Friday with friends here.

Mrs. G. O. Howard spent Thursday in Tyler visiting her sister, Mrs. J. C. Williams and family.

George Forney of Aikin, S. C., is spending this week here with his aunt, Mrs. Jim Bagby and husband.

Henry Thomas of Athens, was here to spend the week end with his family, Mrs. Thomas, Larry and Garry.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nelson and son, Ronnie, were in Dallas Saturday visiting their daughter, Miss Helen Jo.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Tutt of Hawkins, were here Sunday to visit the former's brother, K. W. Tutt and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Spivey, Mrs. Mary Carlson and Sherry were among those from here attending the Interscholastic Band Marching contest in Pine Tree on Tuesday.

Dale Funderburk is reported ill at home on Tuesday and unable to attend school or the Band Marching contest.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Bruce of Tomball, returned from a vacation in Ft. Worth, via Talco, to visit friends on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. V. G. Rollins and Vickie Gene of Longview, spent the week end with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Rollins.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hopkins of Ft. Walton, Fla., arrived on Monday for a furlough with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Hopkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Martin and children spent Friday and Saturday in Gilmer, visiting Mrs. Martin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Kinnington.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Gann were in May Pearl from Friday until Monday visiting the latter's mother, Mrs. Annie Barrett, and sister, Mrs. H. B. Nations.

Mrs. L. R. Brewer and Don spent the week end in Arp, visiting relatives. Her sister, Mrs. O. C. Zoller, returned home with her for a few days visit.

Mrs. Joe Nelson and Eddie Griggs were among the group from Talco attending a district safety workshop and conference in Mt. Pleasant Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Griggs and Eddie went to Tyler Saturday night to visit Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Ray for the night and went on to Jacksonville to the cemetery on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Rodgers and son, Randy Paul of Paris, are here for a few days with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Rodgers, Leon and Monty.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cox went to Mexia for the week end to visit relatives, returning by way of Teague and brought Mr. Cox's mother, Mrs. E. J. Cox, home with them for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Hanks, Mrs. C. E. Griggs, Mrs. H. C. Thomas and Genevieve Stewart were among those from Talco attending the funeral of J. S. Holcomb, the father of Mrs. Riley Gibson, at Sulphur Bluff on Saturday.

Milton Pearson of Cisco, came over the week end to take Mrs. Pearson home. She had been here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Trimble, after attending the funeral of her aunt, Mrs. S. B. Taylor in Shreveport, La., on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Beeks and two daughters, Janis and Judy of Des Moines, Iowa, spent Thursday with Mrs. Beeks' aunt, Mrs. Jim Bagby and husband, enroute to Kilgore to visit the mother of Mrs. Beeks, Mrs. E. A. Roatcap, who recently suffered a heart attack.

Mrs. E. W. Duncan Jr. went to Stonewall school on Tuesday night, where she is a teacher. She was one of the hostesses for a Titus County teachers meeting being held there.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tietz and Sidney were in Gilmer Saturday night visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Lawson. Joe Trull of Hawkins, accompanied Sidney home for the week end. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Trull, came to visit the Tietz on Sunday and carry Joe back home.

If your child is in the Senior Band, Junior Band or Beginners Band, you and your family are invited to come for the annual band banquet Friday night at the school cafeteria at 6 p. m. and bring what you were assigned. Juanita Rodgers, Band Parents Club Secretary.

R. E. Russell of Ft. Bliss, El Paso, called his mother, Mrs. Cecil Loftin, on Monday to say he had been chosen for Signal Corps school at Ft. Sill, Ok., and that he would arrive Saturday in Talco for a furlough to last through Christmas holidays with his wife, Jean, and parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Loftin and Cecil Lynn.

The father of Mrs. Riley Gibson, J. S. Holcomb of Mt. Vernon, died in a Sulphur Springs hospital Friday, following a heart attack, suffered on Thursday. He was 89 years of age and is survived by his wife and several children. Mrs. Gibson was there at the time of his death. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon in Sulphur Bluff.

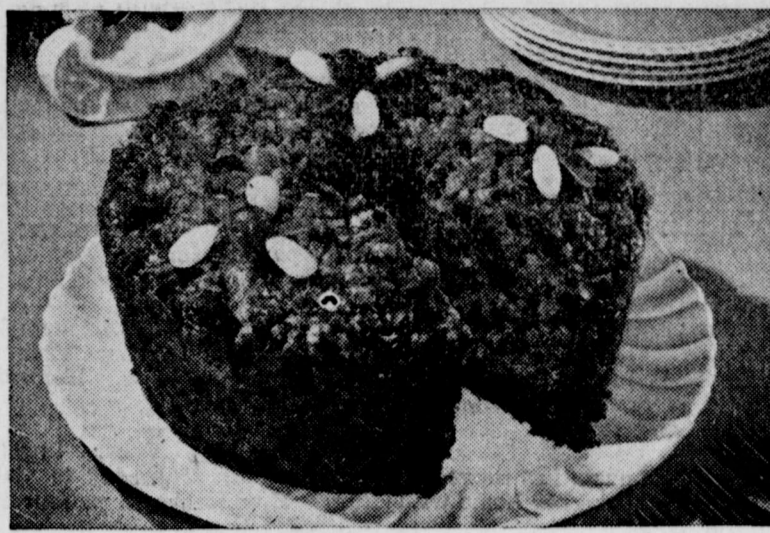
Mrs. R. E. Cain, assisted by Mrs. G. L. Burnham, and Mrs. G. G. Ryan, entertained her daughter, Judy, on her 13th birthday with a party at the Humble Recreation Hall on Saturday night. Judy received many lovely gifts and they played several games. Miss Bobbie Gale Burnham served birthday squares to 23 guests, who came to help Judy celebrate.

Mrs. Glen Howard gave a wienner roast on Monday afternoon at her home in Humble Camp, as a going away party for Larry and Garry Thomas. They received many nice gifts and games were played. These playmates came for the party, Joan Garner, Martha and Charles Lewis, Susan Ryan, Carol and Judy Trice, Sylvia and Mike Lewis, Cecil Lynn Loftin, Sidney Tietz, Woody Sanford, Becky Lewis, Butch Perdue, Bill and Mickey Howard, Larry and Garry Thomas.

Cold Wave Drops Temperature to 32

Blue skies and freezing temperatures were welcomed. Temperatures dipped to 32 degrees here Wednesday morning and a bright sun beamed down. A light mist accompanied the cold wave Tuesday evening. There is still some cotton to be harvested and farmers are hoping to get this completed before the holidays.

TRY A WHITE FRUIT CAKE FOR THAT HOLIDAY TREAT



"Sugar and spice and everything nice" just about describes the fruit cake that is an old American favorite for dessert during the holiday season. The white fruit cake recipe presented here is an old favorite of the South, complete with pecans, walnuts and almonds, and made the easy way with self-rising flour.

WHITE FRUIT CAKE
 1/2 pound white raisins
 1 can shredded coconut
 1 1/4 pound crystallized cherries
 1 pound 2 ounces crystallized pineapple
 10 ounces currants
 1 pound pecan meats
 1 pound walnut meats
 1/2 pound blanched almonds
 1/2 pound citron
 1/4 pound candied orange peel

1/4 pound candied lemon peel
 1 1/2 cups butter
 2 cups sugar
 10 eggs, unbeaten
 5 1/2 cups self-rising flour
 1 cup orange juice
 Weigh fruit and nuts. Chop into desired sizes. Cream butter. Add sugar gradually and beat until fluffy. Add eggs one at a time, beating well after each addition. Add half of flour to egg mixture, and beat until smooth. Sprinkle remaining flour on fruit and nuts, coating each piece. Add floured fruit and nuts to egg mixture; blend. Add orange juice, and blend mixture thoroughly. Pour into one 10" x 4" tube pan and one 9" x 5" loaf pan (or three loaf pans) which have two layers of greased brown paper on bottom. Bake in very slow oven (275°F.) 3 hours 20 minutes for tube pan, and 2 hours 45 minutes for loaf pan.
 Yield: Three 3 1/2-lb. loaves or one 7-lb. tube cake and one 3 1/2-lb. loaf.

Complete Paving On Highway 271 Bogata to Paris

Work of repaving of U. S. Highway 271 from Bogata to Paris, a distance of 25 miles has been completed.

Two applications of asphalt were spread over the old roadbed, constructed of concrete and steel about 24 years ago. These applications are about 2 1/2 inches thick and provide a smoother surface over which to drive.

equipment and men are now engaged in opening up drainage ditches and pulling dirt to the higher shoulders of the roadbed. A center stripe has been put down the middle of the new paving and non-passing stripes painted.

The new grading has produced soft shoulders to the highway and care should be exercised in driving until these settle and become firm again.

Tire tracks in the soft shoulders where cars have been driven too near the edge of the pavement and left it, indicate most anything might happen on those soft shoulders at high speed.

Texas is the widest state, being 620 miles in width.

Red River County Men Arraigned On Still Charges

Two Red River County men, Charles W. White and Eunice V. Hastings, were released under \$1,500 bond Monday afternoon after being arraigned at Paris on charges of operating a still.

The pair waived examining trial and U. S. Commissioner Ben F. Mooring set bond on each at \$1,500 and both were released after posting bond.

Sheriff J. C. Beville and Deputies Robert Hulien and George Whiteman of Red River County and Inspector Delbert Pearson of the Texas Liquor Control Board arrested the pair Sunday. Pearson said the two were surprised as they were operating their still about five miles northwest of Bagwell.

An estimated 600 gallons of mash, two 55 gallon cookers and various other distilling equipment was destroyed.

Pearson said one man was operating each cooker of the still, hidden in the woods near a small pool, when the officers arrested them.

Homer E. Hayes Dies Suddenly

Homer E. Hayes, 61, of Irving, died suddenly at the home of a son, James F. Hayes, Monday morning about 1:30 following a heart attack. He had not been ill prior to his death. Funeral service, conducted by the Rev. C. G. Renfro, Baptist pastor, was held Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Deport Baptist Church. Interment was in Highland Cemetery.

Surviving are three children, Mrs. Dorothy Guest of Lubbock, James F. Hayes of Irving and Mrs. Robert N. Watts of Texarkana; three brothers, A. E. Hayes,

L. E. Hayes of Deport, M. V. Hayes of Ridgewood, N. J.; two sisters, Mrs. D. L. Snell of Dallas, and Mrs. J. L. Dickson of Deport; six grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and three step-children, Mrs. Jimmie Sullivan, Mrs. Lemuel Guest of Lowell, Ariz., and Mrs. Walter Gifford of Deport.

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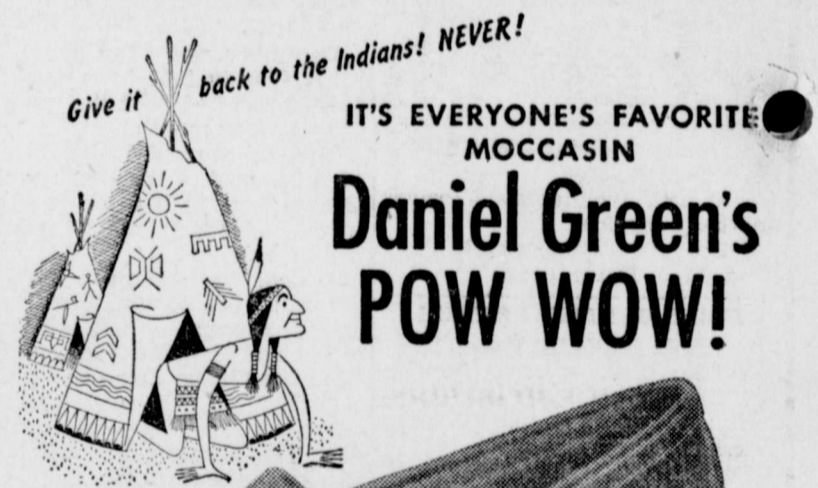
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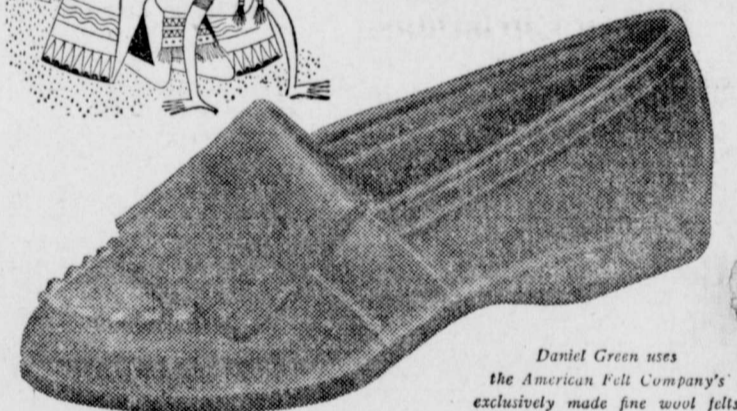
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LOCAL NEWS

By MRS. O. B. HOPWOOD
PHONE 1608 or 79

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bonham were Dallas visitors Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Gauden and David Glenn visited Mr. Gauden's brother in Leonard Sunday.

Erby Lewis was rushed to a Mt. Pleasant hospital Thursday night of last week for an emergency operation.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Gray and baby visited the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Gray in Mt. Pleasant, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Houston Roberts of Grand Prairie, visited Mr. Roberts' sister, Mrs. T. L. Barton and Mr. Barton, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Lee and two children of Texarkana, Miss., arrived Monday night for a few days' visit with the former's mother, Mrs. J. R. Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Fuller and two children visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Fuller and Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Haynes the past week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lilley Jr., recently of Lufkin, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lilley Sr., enroute to Casper, Wyo., where they will make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Lewis and children of Texarkana and Mrs. Clifton Russell and two children of Mt. Pleasant, were guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Lewis and their sister, Mrs. E. O. Frye and Mr. Frye at the Frye home Sunday.

P. C. McPherson, Miss Elizabeth Allums and Mrs. Richeson have been unable to attend their duties at school part of the week.

Local Community Public Service Co. employees are attending the annual Christmas party of that firm in Sherman at the Grayson Hotel, scheduled for Dec. 10. Christmas bonuses will be presented to employees.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Stevens of San Antonio and Mr. and Mrs. Willard Stevens of El Dorado, Ark., arrived Saturday to attend their father, R. B. Stevens in Talco Hospital following a heart attack Friday night.

Rev. John Dvorak, W. S. Richardson, Mrs. Jack Thompson, Mrs. S. F. Worthington, Mrs. J. D. Riley, Mrs. D. H. Kelley and Mrs. Grady Traweck attended District Conference of the Methodist Church in Mt. Vernon Wednesday.

AUTO DRIVER, 98, RENEWS LICENSE

Hughston, Calif. — Ira W. Emmons is 98, and probably the nation's oldest licensed automobile driver.

He has been driving 35 years, without an accident.

His car is 25 years old. He recently passed his test for renewal of his driver's license. "Too many drivers," he comments, "are driving too fast nowadays."

HE DOESN'T SMOKE—JUST ROBBED A BANK

Dallas.—George Gallo, who had just finished telling how he robbed a Stamford, Conn., bank, was offered a cigaret the other day. "No, thanks," he said in a cool tone to FBI Agent Vincent Drain, "I don't have any bad habits."

Some people seem to work hard at doing nothing. They spend most of their time dodging cars and work.

THE NICEST courtesy you can show your guests is to have their visits mentioned in this newspaper. The nicest courtesy you can show your friends is to let them learn of your visit through these pages whenever you go away. The publisher will consider it a courtesy whenever you give us an item of any kind.

Four Hospitalized Following Crash

Two cars were involved in an accident Sunday night two miles north of Mt. Vernon on Highway 37 when a collision occurred at the intersection of the Prairie Grove road. One of the cars was a Ford pickup and the other a DeSoto sedan.

Buster Elliott of Talco, Rt. 1, driver of the pickup and a passenger, Loyd Elliott, were both hospitalized at the Franklin County hospital.

The DeSoto was driven by E. H. Foster. Two other occupants of the car were Kenneth Hodgson of DeKalb and James Foster of Clarksville. Foster and Hodgson were also hospitalized.

Elliott's pickup was traveling north and the DeSoto going south. Considerable damage was done to both cars.—Mt. Vernon Optic-Herald.

Mild Epidemic of Measles in Texas

AUSTIN.—Measles in Texas is reaching a mild epidemic stage at present, with outbreaks following closely the main lines of travel across the state, according to Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer. The number of cases reported to the State Health Department are much above the average.

"The peculiar pattern of this spread of measles re-emphasizes the fact that it is a contagious disease, passed on from one person to another," Dr. Cox said. "Guard against exposure by avoiding contact with measles patients."

Dr. Cox said that measles alone is not necessarily a dangerous disease, but dangerous complications, such as streptococcal infections, mastoiditis, and pneumonia which may follow, make it a disease to be carefully nursed, with close attention from a doctor.

"Unskilled treatment of a plain case of measles can result in dangerous complications," Dr. Cox warned, "and it is not to be regarded lightly as simply another childhood disease."

Dr. Cox urged parents to carefully watch children exposed, and at the first sign of temperature, flushed face, sniffles, or watering eyes, advised that the child be put to bed immediately and placed under a doctor's care.

Mrs. R. W. Wortham Buried at Paris

Private funeral service for Mrs. R. W. (Walter) Wortham, of Paris was held at the residence, Dec. 3 by the Very Rev. James W. O'Connell, rector of Holy Cross Episcopal Church.

Burial was made in Evergreen Cemetery. Pallbearers were Wortham Collins and W. W. Lynch, Dallas; Mitchell D. Ragland, Fred Manton, Gregory Saljee, Dr. O. R. O'Neill, Dr. Malcolm Johnson, and Col. James M. Caviness.

Mrs. Wortham, the former Miss Frances Porter of Dallas, died Dec. 2 at a Paris hospital.

EASTERN STAR WILL HOLD COVERED DISH DINNER

The Talco Chapter of the Eastern Star is having a covered-dish dinner Dec. 15 at 6:30 at the recreation hall. All members and their husbands are invited. Gifts will be exchanged. Come, bring a covered dish.

Farewell Party For Mrs. Thomas

Humble Recreation Hall was the scene of a going away party for Mrs. Henry Thomas on Wednesday afternoon. Lovely chrysanthemums and red roses were used in the holiday colors as the scheme of decoration for the occasion. A lace table cloth over green, green candles in crystal holders, china, silver and other crystal pieces completed the serving table.

Cake squares decorated in the Christmas motif, nuts and coffee were served. Mrs. Quentin Fannin poured coffee. The group presented Mrs. Thomas with a red maple coffee table, and a brass wall plaque. Other gifts were received from friends. The hostesses were Mmes. Glen Howard, Joe Hestand, John Lewis and Roy Prim. Guests registered in a clever book made for the occasion by Mrs. Roy Prim: Mmes. Henry Hoffpauir, Barney Walker, Bob Lewis, Donald Clements, Felix Jones, Freddie Rodgers, A. L. Rodgers, F. A. Jones, N. A. Stephenson, E. O. Frye, Louis Cato, A. A. Spivey, Quentin Fanning, James C. Watson, Nora Williams and the hostesses.

When Short was taken prisoner he weighed 215 pounds. He is a big man, about 6 feet 5 inches, but two years as a prisoner sent his weight down to 150 pounds. He was taken prisoner in September, 1951 and released in August this year. He arrived home Sept. 22.

Honor Mrs. Thomas With Coffee

As a parting gesture before her moving to Athens, Mrs. H. C. Thomas was honored with a coffee by Mrs. C. E. Griggs and Miss Genevieve Stewart on Tuesday evening, Dec. 8, in the home of Miss Stewart. Mrs. Thomas was presented with a brass planter as a going away gift.

Mrs. Griggs registered the guests and Mrs. G. G. Ryan presided at the coffee table which was laid with a forest green cloth centered with a bouquet of yellow chrysanthemums in a brass bowl, flanked on either side with brass candelabra filled with yellow candles. Other table accessories were brass and yellow napkins were used.

The following guests called during the afternoon: Mmes. R. P. Trice, F. S. Tietz, G. O. Howard, R. F. Parker, Pearl Hall, L. R. LeMay, H. J. Trimble, E. R. Hobbs and R. E. Cain.

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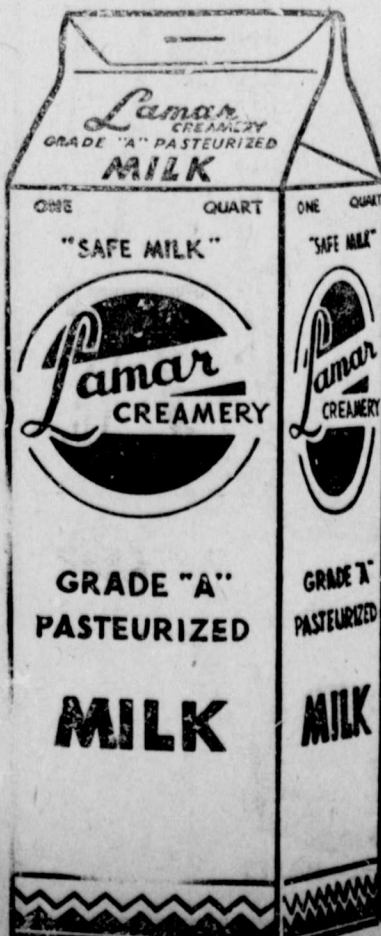
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War Prisoner for Two Years Tells Some Experiences

Cpl. Donald G. Short of Pattonville, a war prisoner of the Chinese Communists for two years in North Korea, thinks we could clean up our own country of Reds and their sympathizers.

In The Times office Friday to order his home town paper sent to him at Louisville, Ky., he told the editor stories of his own experiences and things he saw done to American soldiers that made one's blood boil.

These atrocities are now being brought to light with photographs and testimony of witnesses and are no longer secrets.

He told of beatings, stompings, made to stand in the snow with little clothing, jailed in dark dungeons and fed rice, millet and cracked corn, and often little of that, if one was stubborn about accepting communistic doctrine.

When Short was taken prisoner he weighed 215 pounds. He is a big man, about 6 feet 5 inches, but two years as a prisoner sent his weight down to 150 pounds. He was taken prisoner in September, 1951 and released in August this year. He arrived home Sept. 22.

Among other things done to prisoners who would not accept communist doctrine was to threaten the lives of their parents in the States, saying there were plenty of them here to carry out any orders the Reds might issue.

Short also saw and heard enough to believe we should clean up our own country of the Reds and their activities here.

Short nearly choked up as he told of seeing his buddies, war prisoners, shot down by the Reds. Every man in his patrol was so killed and they spared him because he was wearing a .45 Colts at his hip and they thought he was an officer.

"If this war opens up again, I will be glad to do what I can by fighting again," he concluded.

METHODIST CHURCH

JOHN DVORAK, Pastor
Sunday School—9:45 a. m.
Morning worship—11 a. m.
Youth Fellowship—6 p. m.
Evening worship—7 p. m.
Woman's Society of Christian Service—Monday afternoon, 1:30 p. m.
Mid-week service—Wednesday night, 7 p. m.

MAPLE SPRINGS

By VIRGIE GRAF

The hot tamale supper sponsored by the PTA made \$16.25. The Pee Wees won their game 24-1. The boys and girls lost to Wilkinson, 31-19, girls; 16-15 boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Porter Buchanan and Ronnie of Houston, visited their parents and relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Harbour are the proud parents of a baby girl, weighing 9 lbs. and 10 ozs. She has been named Cathy Sue, and was born Dec. 4.

B. C. McCauley of Commerce, is visiting his daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Harbour.

Mr. and Mrs. Bart Temples of Texarkana, are visiting Mrs. Cattie Temples.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sloan of Farmers Academy, visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Randles.

Mrs. C. R. Ritcherson honored Mrs. Mattie Lou Reagan with a bridal shower Friday, Dec. 4. Many lovely gifts were received.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Kuhl and son of Bogata, visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Griffin and Edward, Sunday.

Mrs. Jess Belcher has been a patient in the Talco Clinic.

Mrs. Manuel Blalock and daughters visited Mr. and Mrs. James Bell of Mt. Pleasant over the week end.

Elaine Foster was absent from school Monday due to a cold.

The Maple Springs boys will play Talco boys Monday.

Mrs. Ida Wright of Lone Star,

Pine Seedlings Offered Public

More than 19 million pine tree seedlings are available to East Texas landowners for reforestation during the present planting season, according to Don Austin, district forester of the Texas Forest Service.

The seedlings were grown at the Indian Mound Nursery in Cherokee County where this year's production set a high record. The output last year was less than 10 million seedlings. The Cherokee nursery is operated by the state forestry service.

Seedlings are sold to landowners for \$3.25 a thousand. Varieties include all four southern pine species — longleaf, slash, loblolly and shortleaf.

spent the past week with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Wilson.

Mrs. Grace Newman of Midway, visited Mrs. C. H. Wilson, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wright and sons of Lone Star, were visitors in the C. H. Wilson home Saturday night.

George Lee Wilson celebrated his first birthday Sunday, Nov. 29.

CHEAPER

"TV is really wonderful." "Yep. Years ago it cost 35c to see Hopalong at the movies. Now you stay at home and see the same picture for only \$200."

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- All types of Materials, reg. \$1.98, \$2.29 and \$2.59, now \$1.57
- Jarman Shoes for Men—all new fall styles, regular \$13.95, Special \$10.00
- Men's Big & Tuf Overalls, all sizes, Special pair \$2.50
- Men's Blue Chambray Shirts, reg. \$1.39, now \$1.00
- Beautiful assortment of Ladies Rayon and Wool Suits, reg. \$24.75 and \$29.75, now \$18.95 and \$24.75
- Men's All-Wool Sport Coats, sizes 35 to 42, regular \$19.75, Special \$15.00
- Blankets for your Christmas Gifts, all Reduced \$4.97, \$6.97, \$9.97
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Alcorn Figures Out System to Reduce Surplus and Avoid Economic Collapse

Editor's note: Achin Alcorn, philosopher on his Johnson grass farm on Sulphur, is worried about the farm surplus this week, although he says, he had very little to do with creating it.

Dear Editor: While I have been a little more foresighted than most farmers and have steadfastly refused to contribute to the surplus of agricultural products now said to be both in this country, I was read in a newspaper last night which I was hurrying to get through with so it'd be ready to start a fire with this mornin where a high official in the Department of Agriculture says price supports and production controls are bad because they may bring on unemployment among non-farmers and cause "terrific repercussions in our entire economy."

He went on to say "actually the number of people who earn all or part of their daily living through transporting, processing, packaging and merchandising of products of our farms exceeds those actually engaged in agriculture itself. An over-all reduction in farm output can have terrific repercussions in our entire economy."

As I understand this, he is asking farmers to produce all they can, regardless of how big the surplus is or how much they lose at it, so the truck drivers for example, can have something to haul.

Now while I never had given

much thought to my responsibility to go up one row and down another out here on my Johnson grass farm so the truck drivers could have something to do, I can see this agricultural expert has a point.

But I've been thinkin. It's a lot of trouble to keep on producing stuff, whether cotton or corn or wheat or rice, at a price that's below cost, yet at the same time nobody wants to throw the truck drivers out of work, and I've been wonderin.

Why couldn't the government let us farmers reduce our production so we can keep the price up, and then to keep from workin a hardship on the truckers, let them just haul the surplus we already got on hand, back and forth? For example, we've got several million bales of cotton on hand. Why can't they just haul that around awhile until we work off some of the surplus? What difference does it make to a truck driver whether he's hauling the same bale of cotton or a new one? It's not that us farmers don't mind spinnin our wheels growin unprofitable stuff, but turn about is fair play and it ought to be the truckers' time to try it.

As I see it, it's really easier for a trucker to haul the same load of cotton back and forth across the country than it is for farmers to keep on producin something new for him to haul. It saves loadin and unloadin, helps out the fillin stations and roadside cafes, and takes a lot of work off

JOHNTOWN

By MRS. G. A. VAUGHAN

Mrs. E. J. Stansbury and children and Mrs. F. B. Whitby of Houston, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Cotten, and other relatives here last week.

Kenneth Pirtle, U. S. Navy, stationed at San Francisco, Calif., arrived home Sunday night for a 30 day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pirtle and his sister, Miss Fredrika Pirtle.

Frank Cooper of Ft. Worth, has been visiting his brother, J. O. Cooper and three sisters, Mrs. Gertrude Roach, Mrs. Josie York, Johtown and Mrs. Willie Wilson of Bogata.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bain and two daughters left Sunday for Tyler to make their home, where he has employment.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Black were Paris business visitors Saturday. Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Baxter Sunday included Mrs. Elbert Westbrook and Mrs. T. W. Smith of Talco, Mrs. Jim Williams and two children, Mrs. G. A. Vaughan and two daughters of Johtown.

The first Sunday afternoon singing at the Baptist church was well attended by good singers. Among those attending were Roy Weaver and granddaughter of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Smith and daughter of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Allen and their own quartet of two daughters and two sons of Cunningham, Mr. and Mrs. Forest Gamble of Clarksville, Mrs. Butts of Lone Star and the Rosalie quartet.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hawkins and children of Longview, spent the week end with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Robbie McCullar, newly-weds, who have furnished an apartment in her parents' home here.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Dryden of Longview, spent the week end with their son, Charles, at the home of her mother, Mrs. W. J. Hawkins.

Mrs. Dan Cotten went to Shreveport, Sunday, to bring her mother, Mrs. J. A. Davis of Tal-

cus farmers.

The last thing I want to do is bring on an economic catastrophe, but at the same time I don't see why I ought to keep on workin at a loss just to give somebody something to haul around. Let 'em haul the same stuff around till it's worn out, and then we can see about pilin up another surplus for 'em. Yours faithfully, A. A.

co, home from a hospital, where she had been two weeks as a patient following an operation.

Little Danny Cotten celebrated his fourth birthday on Dec. 7, with a party at his home. Those present were Carolyn and Kathryn Gandy, Linda and Randy Clements, Burkey and Randy Hargrove, Davis Harper, Johnny Lynn Dvorak, all of Talco, Mike and Edie Clifton of Bogata, Darryl and David Gandy of Hobbs, N. M., and Larry Mack Thomas, Mmes. Gene Gandy, John Hargrove, Robert Harper, Don Clements, Donald Clifton, Jack Gandy and D. C. Thomas.

Mrs. W. A. Cotten accompanied her daughters, Mrs. E. J. Stansbury and Mrs. F. B. Whitby to Houston Friday for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Kennedy and sons of Cunningham, visited her sister, Mrs. Jim Pirtle and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pirtle, Kenneth and Fredrika visited Mr. and Mrs. Claude Kennedy and family Tuesday night and attended the Delmar-Cunningham ball game at Cunningham.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Wilson of Paris, have completed a new house on their lot west of town and reports are they will move here soon.

Mrs. W. J. Hawkins is reported suffering from a cold and sore throat at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Dodd, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Watts, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Thomas and Mr. and Mrs. George Green, with their children, Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Pirtle and Mrs. Hubert Bernard were in Talco Monday night to see the Santa Claus parade, also the Boy Scouts.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Vaughan have received word that their son, L. M. Vaughan of Hempstead, had been confined to bed with flu since he left here after visiting them the Thanksgiving holidays.

Loy Cooper has returned to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Cooper, after visiting relatives in Corpus Christi.

DISAPPOINTED

The judge was demonstrating with Washington T. Lincoln over an arrearage in his alimony payments.

"Well, judge," says Washington, "reckon ah is behind on de payments—but you see, judge, mah new wife ain't turned out to be de worker ah tho't she was gwine to be."

WHEN THEY PLAY TRAIN IT'S REAL

Hagerstown, Md.—Casey Jones Jr. never had it so good.

Kids here are getting a real locomotive and tender to play with. It won't go anywhere. Just sits there in Municipal Park.

But the kids will be able to blow the whistle, ring the bell and there'll even be smoke coming out the stack.

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Mozart's wife kept him awake with amusing stories, while he composed an overture to an opera to be performed the following day.

CANADIAN GEESSE LATE ARRIVALS

John Gambill, Lamar County's grand old man of wildlife, is now feeding an average of 2,000 geese daily at his refuge near Paris;

yet he says the Canada geese just have not come down yet. Quite a number of lesser snow geese and blue geese have stopped at his Hopewell Refuge but have largely gone on to the coast.

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