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## CITY SUBMITS ANNUAL REPORT TO TAXPAYERS

To the taxpayers of the city of Eldorado:

Elsewhere in this newspaper you will find a statement of the receipts and disbursements of the City of Eldorado, from the period beginning September 1, 1944 and ending August 31, 1945.

For your information, the City of Eldorado has a Tax debt of \$11,000.00 which is being paid from taxes.

The Water Works and Sewer System has outstanding, indebtedness in the amount of \$33,000.00. This debt is being paid from the revenue of the Water and Sewer System. In addition to paying bonds as they mature, the Water and Sewer System has purchased \$13,000.00 in Government Bonds which amount can be used to retire maturing bonds or used for improvements and extensions to the system.

The City of Eldorado received from taxes during the above period the amount of \$4,402.71 and of that amount \$2,560.00 was used to retire Pit Toilet Bonds, leaving \$1,842.71 to be used for street work and other expenses of the City. By the year 1949, the indebtedness of the City will be retired, exclusive of the Water Works and Sewer System debt. There has never been a dollar of tax money used for the purpose of paying interest or bonds on the Water Works and Sewer System.

This information is being published in order that the taxpayer may know where his tax dollar is going.

City of Eldorado Officials.

## Live Deer Captured By Skeet Mace

"Bring 'em Back Alive" Frank Buck has nothing on J. H. (Skeet) Mace of Eldorado. Although Buck may deal with the more vicious type of animals, capturing lions, tigers, elephants, etc., in the wilds of Africa, Mace picks out the gentler type, such as deer wandering around in the pastureland of Schleicher County.

While looking for a kill this week end on the Russell ranch east of Eldorado, Mace came across two full grown bucks with horns locked in battle. Finding one already dead he released the other one, still alive, placed the buck in the rumble seat of his car, and brought him triumphantly home.

Mace plans to keep the deer awhile until fully recovered from the effects of the battle, and will probably later turn him loose or someone's ranch in this county.

## LUMBER YARDS TO CLOSE TWO DAYS

The Foxworth Galbraith and the Cameron lumber yards announce that they will remain closed for three days—Sunday, Monday and Tuesday—for the Christmas holidays.

## NEW DRIVEWAY ROOF AT CALCOTE STATION

F. B. Calcote is putting up a roof over the driveway at the Eldorado Motor Co., service station. He recently built a new office room in the front of the building.

## LIVERMORE WELL REACHES 1100 FEET

The George Livermore crew report a depth Wednesday morning of 1100 feet, on a contract depth of 7500, on the wildcat which is going down on the Tom Henderson place.

## CO. COUNCIL MEETING

A representative group attended the County-wide Christmas party for members of the Home Demonstration Clubs, Saturday afternoon at the First Baptist Church.

The room was decorated with red and green rope, red Christmas bells and a large Christmas tree. The program included a Christmas story by Mrs. J. E. Spencer, with children acting parts, and Mrs. Jim Hays at the piano. Gifts were exchanged and sandwiches, cookies, and hot chocolate were served to approximately 30, including children.

## Eldorado Defeated 46-31 By Menard In Basketball Opener

The Eldorado High School basketball boys took a 46-31 beating Friday night, Dec. 14, from the Menard High School boys there.

Benchhoff for Menard was high point man for the night with 24 points or 11 field goals and 2 free shots. Albert Stanford displayed rare floormanship and led his Eldorado teammates to rake up a total of 17 points.

The line up was nearly a full second team affair most of the game with acting Captain Billy Dan McAngus out most of this game with injuries. On the sick list and not able to play at all were lanky Bill Lewis Humphrey, Wm. Spurgers and John Ochsner. The next game will be played here Jan. 4, 1946 at 7:44 p. m. Most Eldoradoans do not think it will be the same score this next time.

The line-up for the last game was as follows:

Menard	pos	f	fg	tp
Guyton	F	4	1	2
Benchhoff	F	0	11	24
Trimble	C	3	4	8
Hayhurst	G	1	0	2
Walker	G	1	5	10
Sutton	C	0	0	0
Wilkinson	F	0	0	0
Kothman	C	0	0	0
White	G	0	0	0
Total				46
Eldorado	pos	f	fg	tp
Stanford	F	4	8	17
McAngus	C	3	1	3
Jones	G	0	0	0
H. Speck	G	0	0	0
Sproul	F	2	2	5
T. Mund	G	0	0	0
J. Whitten	F	0	2	6
Harris	G	1	0	0
Total				31

## County Is Listed On Roll Of Honor

Because Schleicher County is well over the top, with \$50,287.50 E bond sales and an overall total of \$159,161.50, the county is now listed on the roll of honor. This county's quota was \$115,000.

## R. REYNOLDS INJURED

In a hunting accident recently Reuben Reynolds of the Rudd community, suffered a badly fractured arm in a fall. He received treatment at a San Angelo hospital.

## RECEIVES DISCHARGE

Moires Marja, 32, seaman first class, husband of Mrs. M. Marja of Eldorado, Texas has received his honorable discharge at Camp Wallace. Marja entered the Naval service in April of 1944 and has served 14 months in the Asiatic-Pacific area.

## MRS. SOFGE APPLIES FOR GUARDIANSHIP

Mrs. Bernice Sofge has filed application to act as guardian of the estate of Maurice and Minnie Sofge, minors. The estate consists of \$2,000 in real and personal property. W. S. Leslie is counsel for Mrs. Sofge.

## Next Issue Monday

Next week's issue of the Eldorado Success will go into the postoffice on Monday, December 24, instead of the regular Thursday date.

This issue will be the annual Christmas greeting paper, and will convey greetings of the businessmen to their customers. Material for this paper is being assembled this weekend, beginning today. The publisher would appreciate it if readers would phone in their news before Saturday night.

## Christmas Programs At Local Churches

Everything is in readiness thru-out the community for Christmas pageants and programs to be presented in the various churches of the town during the coming week end.

A Christmas tree and short program will highlight the annual church party at the Presbyterian Church Friday evening, Dec. 21 at 7:00 o'clock. On Sunday evening at 7:00 p. m., the pageant, "On Earth Peace" will be presented.

At the First Baptist Church, a pageant, "Pilgrims to Bethlehem" will start at 7:00 p. m., Sunday evening, Dec. 23.

A pageant, "The Nativity" followed by a Christmas tree and Santa Claus, will open at the Methodist Church, Sunday evening at 7:00 o'clock.

A Christmas program presented by two classes of the Fundamental Baptist Church will be held during the Sunday school hour Dec. 23. A visiting pastor will fill the pulpit in the absence of Rev. Miller.

At the Primitive Baptist Church, children will enjoy a Christmas tree and Santa Claus on Friday evening, Dec. 21 at 7:00 o'clock.

## Red Cross Knitters Commended On Work

Mrs. Luke Robinson has received the following letter of commendation from the executive secretary of the Concho Valley Red Cross Chapter:

"We are pleased to advise you that the ladies of Schleicher County have a total of 7,827 hours in production knitting. Of these hours, your group gave a total of 5,989.

"Please accept the sincere thanks and appreciation of this Chapter for this splendid co-operation and interest. It is only through such whole hearted support that the Red Cross is able to meet its quotas.

"If by chance any one individual gave as many as 200 hours, we will appreciate having her name for all volunteers who give that many hours will be eligible for certificate of merit. We will look forward to receiving the names of any eligible in order that the certificates may be prepared at once. Thank you very much.—Very truly yours, Mrs. Maurine Prescott, Executive Secretary."

## QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

The district superintendent of the Methodist Church was here on Tuesday to conduct quarterly conference.

## Sofge Trial Postponed Until January 28th

A special venire of 100 men has been summoned for Jan. 28, the date on which Carl Sofge, free under \$15,000 bond in connection with the shooting of Clem Sofge, his brother, is scheduled to go on trial.

Sofge was to have gone on trial here Monday, the continuance having been granted by John F. Sutton, Judge, upon motion of defense attorneys. They asked for the delay because of absence of two material witnesses, Ebon Nix and Otis Davis, both in the armed services.

Sofge lives at Riendland Springs, where he operates a fruit ranch.

## Pioneer Cattleman Dies In Paraguay

Notice has been received here of the death of George Lohman, a pioneer cattleman of this county. Mr. Lohman, a son of John Lohman, and brother of Adolph Lohman also former residents, lived here about 1912.

An article taken from the Bertram Enterprise, Bertram, Texas reads: "Asuncion, Paraguay, Nov. 14.—George Lohman, a Texas cowboy, who settled in Paraguay 33 years ago and won fabulous wealth was shot and killed yesterday in a gun battle with rustlers who were attempting to steal some of his herd of cattle, largest in Paraguay."

Mr. Lohman was also a brother of T. W. Lohman of Bertram and was reared at Bertram.

## Britton To Be Here Another 2 Months

N. E. Britton, acting head of the soil conservation office, has been officially notified that he will remain here at least two more months. Hugo Mika, soil conservationist, has been in Carrizo Springs since August, and in his absence Mr. Britton is in charge of the local office.

The Brittons will spend the holidays at Tahoka.

## Clothing Drive Opens In January

Fred Watson has been appointed chairman of the clothing drive which will be conducted early in January as a benefit for the needy in foreign countries. Watson's appointment was made at the regular Lions Club meeting Wednesday.

The Lions were divided into two groups to make a drive for new members, team captains to be C. McLaughlin and W. C. Doyle.

## D. C. HILL IS ILL

Mrs. D. C. Hill, accompanied by her son, E. C. Hill, left for Alpine Tuesday morning on receiving word that their husband and father, D. C. Hill was ill there. Mr. Hill became ill while visiting in Alpine with a daughter, Miss Milta.

## MRS. WILSON IMPROVES

Mrs. L. T. Wilson, who underwent a major operation Tuesday morning of last week in a San Angelo hospital, is reported to be doing fine. A son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Clevenger of Medford Oregon, are here with her.

## Telephone Lines Paralleling REA Must Be Metalized

The following letter, received by Geo. Crawford, REA resident engineer, will be of interest to those telephone users whose lines parallel REA lines:

"This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of December 7, 1945 advising that you plan to energize approximately 100 miles of your R. E. A. electric lines in the vicinity of Eldorado on December 20, 1945.

"Last spring when we learned of the plans to build R. E. A. lines paralleling our grounded rural telephone lines in Schleicher County, we immediately began preparation to metallize those rural lines which the Company owns, and advised rural subscribers owning connecting grounded lines that when the REA lines were energized such rural lines would in many cases be rendered completely useless and that the only remedy was to metallize their lines. To assist them in this work we made available at Eldorado a stock of wire, poles, insulators, etc., which they might purchase at cost for that purpose.

"Due to shortage of labor and material we have been greatly delayed in our own work of metallizing the Company lines, and even though the work is now going forward more rapidly, it will be quite some time before all of our lines will be in shape to avoid the electrical interference. It is our understanding that practically nothing has been done by the subscribers toward metallizing their extensions and tap lines. As you probably know, all these lines paralleled by R. E. A. lines will be so noisy as to be rendered useless even where the Company's lines are in perfect shape. Experience has shown us that the induced current from REA lines in many cases makes the telephone lines so highly charged that they cannot be handled by workmen.

"When the 100 miles of R. E. A. lines are energized, as you say they will be on December 20, many of the telephone subscribers in that area will be without telephone service until such time as the lines are put in shape to avoid the interference.—Yours very truly, J. Y. Rusk, president."

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## MAYA ON WAY HOME

Moises Maya, S1c, USNR, husband of Mrs. Gumesinda B. Maya, of Eldorado, is on his way home. Maya is one of the 1,000 high-point Navy veterans whom the "Magic Carpet" is bringing back to the States aboard the USS Bunker Hill.

## PATIENT IMPROVES

Mrs. J. F. Jeffrey, who had an eye operation at Medical Arts Bldg., Dallas, is reported to be convalescing at the home of her son, W. E., in Dallas. Success of the operation cannot be determined yet. She hopes to be home in a short time.

## FLU CAUSES SCHOOL CLOSING

With the spreading of flu and sickness among the student body, the local school closed Monday afternoon three days ahead of time for the Christmas holidays.

Over 100 students or approximately 35 per cent of the students were absent Monday, according to Supt. C. A. Reynolds. He said absences had been running 25 per cent of the students for the last 2 weeks. Two teachers have been ill also.

The grade school Christmas tree and party scheduled for Thursday afternoon was postponed by the room mothers, until some time after the holidays. Volley ball and basket ball games were also called off, as well as the regular meeting of the Parent Teachers Assn.

Classes will be resumed on Jan. 2

## Students At School At Christmas Party

Students of the Eldorado High School were entertained with a Christmas party Saturday evening in the school gymnasium. Hostesses were room mothers.

A short program was presented, gifts were exchanged around the Christmas tree, and dancing by some of the students concluded the evening's entertainment. There were approximately 85 present including students, parents and teachers.

## Santa Asked To Bring Baseball Equipment For Eldorado Boys

According to Coach Vance's hopes, he would like for every school boy in Eldorado to get a baseball glove or mitt from Santa Claus at Christmas. It is going to be a necessity when spring comes around and the smell of flowers are in the air again. Eldorado grade and high schools are going in for real, sure-enough hard baseball this year—and, the boy who fails to have such necessary equipment as a good bat, glove, or shoes is going to do a lot of wall-flouring until he acquires it. A good cap will be a prime necessity too.

At the recent meeting of this district's school officials it was definitely decided that five of the schools would have the fine old American sport of baseball as part of their extra-curricula activities. The State Interscholastic League at a recent meeting went on record favoring it as one of the major sports. A committee was assigned to work out the details of it to the extent of putting it on a state wide competitive basis.

Baseball is as American as the proverbial barefoot boy, as Coca-Cola, or as one writer puts it: "As natural to feel the hunger for this sport as it is to want to go fishing in the spring when flowers begin to bloom." Without baseball the boy has no spring and summer sport here except swimming.

## Man Is Killed In Car Accident

J. D. Brewer, former Eldorado resident, employed by J. C. Crosley before entering service, was killed Dec. 9 in a car wreck near College Station.

He had just returned from overseas where he had spent three years in the Pacific. He was the brother of Mrs. L. W. Taylor and J. L. Brewer who now live in El Paso and Fresno, Calif.

REA Manager Don McCormick spent Wednesday at Abilene at a joint meeting of West Texas Utility representatives and REA managers.



**NIGHT BRIDGE CLUB**

Members of the Night Bridge Club were entertained with a party Thursday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Baker. Mr. and Mrs. C. C. McLaughlin were awarded high score, Mrs. Carroll White

bingo for the ladies and W. R. Bearce bingoad for the men.

Refreshments were served to Messrs and Mmes. H. T. Finley, White, W. R. Bearce, Jimmie West, McLaughlin, Kenneth Cheek, and Horace Linthicum.

**SCHOOLEY DISCHARGED**



Sgt. Joseph C. Schooley, son of Mrs. Lorna Schooley has returned from the ETO where he saw 18 months of service with the 740th Tank Battalion which fought thru Belgium, Rhineland and Central Germany.

Wounded on January 4, 1945 Schooley wears the Purple Heart three battle stars and the silver star. He received his discharge at Camp Fannin, Texas and is now employed at the Gulf Service Station.

Frank Burnett, reporter for the San Angelo Standard Times, was a caller at the Success office Monday morning. He had come to Eldorado for the opening of the Sofje trial.

**CHICK DISCHARGED**



Marshall Herbert Chick, ship fitter second class, son of Mrs. C. S. Chick, has received his honorable discharge at the U. S. Naval Separation Center, Camp Wallace. Chick entered the Naval service in October 1942 and served 28 months in the Asiatic and Pacific areas.

He was engaged in farming prior to his entry into the service.

**A LAME BACK**

Often shows your kidneys are not functioning correctly. Pain, burning, sore, aching back muscles, lumbago can usually be corrected quickly by bringing back to normal and body fluids with CIT-ROS gives you relief and comfort. \$1.00 at your druggist. For sale by HOOVER DRUG STORE

**DIES IN HOSPITAL**

Funeral services were held Sunday morning for Sarah Estella Valadez, 7-months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Salentino Valadez, of this place. The infant died in a San Angelo hospital about 10:20 o'clock

Saturday night.

Survivors include the parents, two brothers, Manuel and Salentino Jr., and one sister, Carmen. Funeral arrangements were in charge of the Vautrain Funeral Home of San Angelo.

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# Financial Statement of The City of Eldorado

**CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS**

**GENERAL FUND**

SEPTEMBER 1, 1944 TO AUGUST 31, 1945 INCLUSIVE

Balance in Fund, September 1, 1944 .....	306.17	
<b>RECEIPTS AND TRANSFERS</b>		
Ad Valorem Taxes .....	\$ 2,201.40	
Gross Receipts Taxes .....	557.12	
Licenses and Permits .....	10.00	
Rent of Equipment .....	21.50	
Hail Damages .....	53.54	
Gas Tax Refund .....	3.86	
Refund on Supplies .....	.50	
Transfer in from Water Works .....	300.00	
<b>Total Receipts and Transfers .....</b>	<b>\$ 3,147.92</b>	<b>3,147.92</b>
<b>TOTAL .....</b>		<b>3,454.00</b>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>		
<b>General</b>		
Salaries .....	\$ 950.00	
Commissions .....	255.89	
Repairs to City Hall .....	88.37	
Insurance .....	22.50	
Postage .....	20.00	
Dues and Subscriptions .....	50.00	
Office Supplies .....	181.43	
Rent of Safety Deposit Box .....	6.00	
Election Expense .....	6.00	
<b>Total General Expense .....</b>	<b>1,580.99</b>	<b>1,580.99</b>
<b>Street Department</b>		
Street Lights .....	385.00	
Equipment Repairs .....	53.05	
Labor — Repairs .....	599.62	
Labor — Cleaning .....	4.00	
Supplies .....	329.09	
Purchase of Equipment .....	150.00	
Gas and Oil .....	87.96	
<b>Total Street Department Expense .....</b>	<b>1,608.72</b>	<b>1,608.72</b>
<b>Fire Department</b>		
Salary — Fire Marshall .....	8.00	
Donation to Firemen .....	125.00	
Supplies for Fire Truck .....	55.21	
Insurance .....	20.00	
<b>Total Fire Department Expense .....</b>	<b>208.21</b>	<b>208.21</b>
<b>Sanitation Department</b>		
Salary — Health Officer .....	26.00	26.00
<b>Total Disbursements .....</b>		<b>3,423.92</b>
Balance in Fund, August 31, 1945 .....		30.17

**CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS**

**WATER AND SEWER FUND**

SEPTEMBER 1, 1944 TO AUGUST 31, 1945, INCLUSIVE

Balance in Fund, September 1, 1944 .....	1,385.73	
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Water and Sewer .....	\$ 13,292.89	
Interest on U. S. Government Bonds .....	214.32	
<b>Total Receipts .....</b>	<b>13,507.21</b>	<b>13,507.21</b>
<b>TOTAL .....</b>		<b>14,892.94</b>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>		
Salaries .....	2,810.00	
Purchase of Government Bonds .....	3,000.00	
Accrued Interest on Bonds .....	4.57	
Electric Lights .....	239.11	
Electric Power .....	1,200.27	
Insurance .....	118.70	
Line Extensions .....	213.34	
Fittings .....	131.11	
Pick-Up Expenses .....	177.60	
Repairs to Lines .....	239.80	
Street Repairs .....	41.74	
Office Supplies .....	324.98	
Fencing Well Lot .....	80.65	
New Meter Boxes .....	364.39	
Eldorado Public Library .....	60.00	
Air Port Lease .....	80.00	
Firemen's Relief Fund .....	66.00	
Transfer to General Fund .....	300.00	
Retirement of Water and Sewer Bonds .....	3,000.00	
Interest on Water and Sewer Bonds .....	1,650.00	
<b>Total Disbursements .....</b>	<b>14,102.26</b>	<b>14,102.26</b>
Balance in Fund, August 31, 1945 .....		790.68

**CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS**

**SINKING FUND**

SEPTEMBER 1, 1944 TO AUGUST 31, 1945, INCLUSIVE

Balance in Fund, September 1, 1944 .....	692.65	
<b>RECEIPTS</b>		
Ad Valorem Taxes .....	\$ 2,201.31	
Interest on Securities .....	3.10	
<b>Total Receipts .....</b>	<b>2,204.41</b>	<b>2,204.41</b>
<b>TOTAL .....</b>		<b>2,897.06</b>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS</b>		
Pit Toilet Bond No. 6 .....	500.00	
Fire Equipment Bond No. 5 .....	500.00	
City Hall and Fire Station Bonds .....	1,000.00	
Interest on Bonds .....	560.00	
Commission — Tax Collector .....	223.59	
<b>Total Disbursements .....</b>	<b>2,783.59</b>	<b>2,783.59</b>
Balance in Fund August 31, 1945 .....		113.47



**Harold Susen  
Weds Navy Nurse**

T-Sgt. Harold Susen, son of Mrs. Felix Susen, who received his discharge from service on December 4, was married Dec. 16 to Ensign Freda I. Stephenson, a Navy nurse, the ceremony taking place at the bride's home in Corpus Christi.

Sgt. Susen graduated from Eldorado High School and after two years' employment with the West Texas Lumber yard here and with Burley-Bacon at San Angelo, he entered service 4 years ago. He served in Europe and returned to

the States about a month ago and received his discharge on Dec. 4. The bride was reared in Boston and took her nurse's training course in Amarillo after which she enlisted as a Navy nurse.

The couple will make their home in San Angelo where Harold will be employed at the Burley-Bacon Lumber Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Montgomery moved Monday of this week to an apartment at the Rock Courts. They formerly lived in the Hazelwood home.

**Latin American  
Girls Honored  
By Methodist WSCS**

Members of the Latin-American Senorita 4-H Club were honor guests at the annual Christmas party for the Woman's Society of Christian Service at the Methodist Church Monday afternoon. The program led by Mrs. J. E. Tisdale included a worship service, Christmas stories from the Bible, Christmas carols, and a story, "The Inn That Missed Its Chance" by Mrs. Tisdale. Scripture readings were given by Mmes. Keno Ogden, L. Wheeler, J. F. Isaacs and Miss Tom Smith. Following the program, the girls entertained with a group of songs in both Spanish and English.

In the exchange of gifts, each girl was presented with a gift from her sponsor, who in turn were given gifts by the girls. These gifts were handmade work by the 4-H Club members.

The lace covered table was decorated with a manger scene, evergreens and lighted tapers. Holly greens and other Christmas decorations were used about the room.

Refreshments were served to 18 Latin-American girls, their sponsor Mrs. W. M. Davis, and about 12 members of the WSCS.

**Latin American  
Parents, Teachers  
Meet On Friday**

Friday evening at 6:30 a meeting was held in the school with a good attendance of parents and teachers. Mr. Jesus Minor, the president, presided. Twenty-six new members were reported by the membership committee, and these bring the total to fifty-nine.

A talk was made by Lorenzo Frutos about the work of the association. Mrs. W. M. Davis expressed the thanks of the teachers to all those who helped clean the school grounds since the last meeting. Then questions were invited from all members. Mr. Garcia responded to this by asking what definite aims the association has for this year's meetings. Mrs. Davis answered that the teachers had wished for the goal of a library, free to all patrons of the school, both old and young, to be established before summer so all could profit by the convenience of getting reading matter through the summer months.

A program of songs was given by the school children. Silent Night was sung in both English and Spanish by Maria de los Santos, Amelia Rivera, Alesia Lopez, and Mary Hipolito. Jack Frost was sung by the first and second graders who were present, and Christmas Bells was sung by the third graders.

**DOOLITTLE CLUB HAS  
CHRISTMAS PARTY**

The Doolittle 4-H club met in the home of Mrs. Pittman, the agent, on Tuesday afternoon at 3 p. m., for a Christmas party. Mrs. Pittman led the group in several games.

After the games were played the guests were invited into the kitchen where the table was set with a Christmas center piece and refreshments. A bottle covered with drippings from red, white, and green candles with a red candle in the mouth of the bottle placed on a glass covered with Christmas snow was the table center piece.

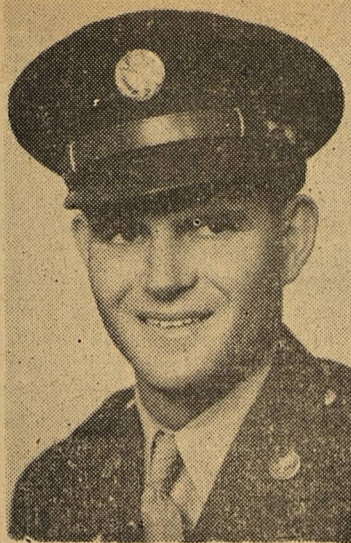
Refreshments of chicken salad sandwiches, potato chips, cookies, candy, and hot chocolate was served buffet style. The gifts were then passed out by the president Nelva June Bolt, and vice president Iretta Faye Mace.

Mrs. Will Isaacs, county 4-H sponsor, and Mrs. Ray Alexander, sponsor of the Bulida 4-H Club assisted Mrs. Pittman with the party.

Those present were Ebbagene Blaylock, Iretta Faye Mace, Gretchen Mund, Rita Ann Elder, Bobbie McKee, Verna Dell Owens, Nelva June Bolt, Jonnie Lee Dickens, Euda B. Isaacs, Ruthie Dee Harris, and Billie Jo Jeffrey. — Reporter, Ebbagene Blaylock.

Miss Ina Mae Lightsey, who was carried to a San Angelo hospital last week suffering with an infected throat and influenza, is reported to be doing fine. Miss Lightsey is a teacher in the Eldorado school.

**SUSEN DISCHARGED**



A recent dischargee is Harold Susen, son of Mrs. Felix Susen of Eldorado. Sgt. Susen was in service almost four years and served overseas in the European area for several years. He was a T-Sgt. at the time of his discharge.

**War Veterans Are  
Warned to Register  
Fancy Shooting Irons**

The Bureau of Internal Revenue United States Treasury Department, desires to bring to your attention that, under the provisions of the National Firearms Act, it is mandatory that certain types of firearms, be registered with the Commissioner of Internal Revenue Washington

These are firearms of the automatic type, such as machine guns, sub-machine guns, or any type of gun from which a number of shots or bullets may be discharged with one continuous pull of the trigger

Many of these firearms brot or sent into this country from abroad by members of the armed forces and merchant marine, either with or without certificates signed by commanding officers have not been registered. Persons having in their possession firearms of the types described should immediately contact in person, by phone or mail, the nearest Investigator in Charge of the Alcohol Tax Unit, Bureau of Internal Revenue, United Treasury Department, who for the State of Texas is located at 583 U. S. Terminal Annex Bldg., Dallas, Texas, post office box 5566.

**Primitive Baptists  
Plan Tree Friday**

The children of the Primitive Baptist Church will be entertained with a Christmas tree and exchange of gifts, Friday evening, Dec. 21 at the local church.

The Rev. C. H. Richards of Santa Anna made his regular monthly visit to the church this past weekend, and services were held Saturday and Sunday mornings. He was elected by the membership to serve as their pastor for another year.

Rev. Richards was accompanied here by the Rev. Newman Lykin and the two pastors were presented with blankets made at the local West Texas Woolen Mill as a Christmas gift from the congregation.

W. J. Steward of San Angelo was a business visitor in town on Monday. He is a former resident of this place.

Joseph H. Faull bought two lots recently from D. C. Hill. The lots adjoin the Faull place.

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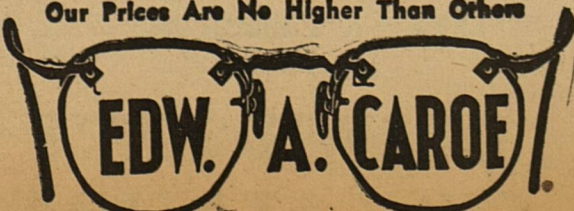
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## Washington News Letter

By Congressman O. C. Fisher

Columnists who write and interpret the news in the Nation's capitol are an interesting lot. The same is true of newspaper reporters.

To carry out "freedom of the press," the Speaker of the House issues gallery press passes to bona fide reporters for newspapers and magazines from all over the world. In fact, there are now 328 papers, periodicals and news services represented by 496 reporters, regis-

tered with the Speaker.

One soon learns these reporters and columnists are human. They make mistakes just like other people. They have a job to do and go about ferreting out the news. There is hardly a dot or a dash they overlook. Representing all sorts of publications, they naturally have a variety of beliefs and convictions. Some, like Walter Lippman and David Lawrence, are generally regarded in the capitol cloak rooms as statesmen in journalism. Most of the writers play up stories that readers of their particular papers like. There are always a few columnists, of course, who like to mix a little truth with a lot of fiction

and pretend to dish out "confidential" information.

And there are columnists who are quite sectional in their attitude. They hammer away at parts of the country that displease their fancies. Columnist Thomas L. Stokes, for example, finds much fault with southern democrats. He pecks away at them in his daily columns. But he probably means well.

Speaking of the South, it is interesting to note the way many of the more radical papers and magazines in the North and East turn their guns on us. We are often pictured to their readers as being backward, reactionary, lacking in social consciousness, prejudiced, poor, and what not.

One columnist recently tried to find the reason for the antipathy that so many of the left-wing politicians and the radical press have for the South. He concluded it may stem from the fact that the hotbeds of radicalism in this country are found in the metropolitan areas where the ratio of foreign born is rather high. There is, he said, very little left-wing leaning among rural people.

Many of the foreign born in the big cities are, of course, good Americans; but from some European countries people bring ideals that don't mix well with our brand of democracy.

In the South it is a different story. There the proportion of foreignborn and their first generation are much lower than the nation's average. A few examples will make this clear. In the South only 1.15 percent of the people are foreignborn, while in the North, the ratio is 12.3 per cent. In the City of New York 28 people out of every 100 you meet were born across the sea, while in Fort Worth only 2 percent are foreign-born. In Texas as a whole the percentage is 3.7.

Certain nationalities gravitate to the industrial areas. Among the 993,000 native born Poles in this country, 939,000 live in the North, and only 30,000 in the South. There are a million immigrants among us who were born in Russia. Ninety per cent live in the North and only five per cent ever crossed the Mason & Dixon line. Of the one and six-tenths million of our people who were born in Italy, a million and a half of them make their homes in the North. There are more Italians today in New York City than in Rome.

Probably all that—the generations of native born in the South—is factor in explaining why that part of the Nation has traditionally furnished America with many of its greatest leaders and statesmen and will probably continue to do so. Of the past four Speakers of the House, three have been southerners. Of the past four who have presided over the Senate, three have been from the southland.

In fact, for more than 40 years the South has furnished most of the Congressional leaders for the entire nation. Certainly at this moment that is true. Today in the House there are 46 standing committees charged with the duty of considering thousands of bills that have been introduced. It is not a coincidence that 27 of those 46 are headed by southerners. Over in the Senate, 16 of the 32 committees have as chairmen Senators from southern states.

Yes, the South can stand some criticism. But though low in population and wealth, it is one of the pillars that makes the nation strong and great.

Sgt. Archie Ray Doyle landed at San Francisco Sunday morning and in a wire to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Doyle, Monday, he stated that he would be in El Paso in a few days, and after receiving his discharge there, will be home as soon as possible. Sgt. Doyle has been in Italy and other European points for approximately three years.

Sgt. Jessie Bricker is back from 30 months oversea duty in the Southwest, and has gone to Cuero and Gonzales to visit relatives.

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## Wanda Dannheim Wins Prize On Toys

Wanda Dannheim, member of the Senior 4-H Club, was awarded a first prize of \$1.00 for having the best home made toy in the exhibit sponsored by the 4-H Clubs of this county. The exhibits were displayed this week in the windows of the West Texas Cafe.

A second prize of 50 cents went to Julia Ann Rodgers, member of the Bulida Club for her stuffed horse; and third prize of 25 cents was won by Ruthie Dee Harris of the Doolittle Club. Her exhibit was a stuffed horse.

Other exhibits included elephants of print and woolen cloth; house shoes from old felt hats; toy dogs made with woolen thread; turtles, cats, and other animals and a doll cradle. The toys showed much ingenuity and cleverness on the part of the girls; some of whom are just starting out in club work.

Mrs. W. B. Brown spent several days last week at her home in Brownfield.

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Sunday, December 23

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Our Annual Christmas Offering

Make your gift to 700 children who do not have their parents. An institution that has made a home for unfortunate children for 70 years. Dr. Buckner, the founder, gave all. Will you not make a worthy gift?

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Sunday evening Dec. 23rd 7:30—  
A Cantata-Pageant presented by the Choir, under direction of Mrs. Hays. With a cast of some 50 persons.

You are cordially invited to attend and help to make the service a real inspiration for the Yuletide season.

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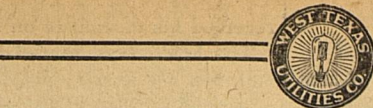
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## Light after Darkness

This is our brightest Christmas in a long, dark time. Every light on every tree—every window that greets night with cheerful challenge—is a shining symbol of the passing of war's shadow.

There is radiant happiness in family gatherings this year. Men are coming home from war. And those who hear their Christmas carols under strange skies are closer, nearer to home than they have been in a great while.

For many, this will be a wistful Christmas—but a Christmas brave and strong in the knowledge that those who bought victory so dearly will make tomorrow's world a brighter place for us all.



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**Former Residents Are Sonora Hosts**

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Keng, former residents of Eldorado, were hosts at a dinner-bridge party Friday evening in their home at Sonora entertaining a number of their friends from here.

High score was awarded Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Reynolds, and Carroll White won the bingo prize. Those present were Messrs and Mmes Carroll White, Reynolds, W. R. Bearce, Leslie Baker, Jimmie West and Mrs. C. C. McLaughlin.

**Katherine Davis In Women's Choir At Teachers College**

Katherine Davis has been named a member of the North Texas State College Women's Choir, which is selected and organized under the direction of Ralph Ewing, will be presented in a series of concerts during the year.

Their first program was given this Saturday night at the college, and a second presentation was featured in the Christmas program at the First Methodist church in Denton Sunday morning.

Miss Davis is a freshman music student at North Texas State. She is the daughter of Mrs. Ira Davis of Eldorado.

**Eldorado Club Has Christmas Party**

Mrs. Fannie Pittman, H D Agent, was presented a gift when the Eldorado Home Demonstration Club entertained with a party last Thursday evening at the fire station.

Mrs. Jerry Pennington and Miss Ruth Baker directed games, and prizes were awarded the winners in the various contests. Refreshments of pie and coffee were served to approximately 25.

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**Ratliff Discharged**



Hassell Ratliff, a son of the late Mrs. Tishia Ratliff, has returned from the ETO where he spent 19 months serving with the Infantry and has received his honorable discharge. He wears five battle stars and saw service in England, France, Italy, Normandy, Germany and other major engagements.

Ratliff entered the service in September 1943. He is a graduate of the EHS and the San Angelo Business College. His wife and son, Bobby, live here.

**MRS. SHUGART HOSTESS TO WED. BRIDGE CLUB**

Mrs. Jack Shugart was hostess to the Wednesday Bridge Club last week at her home. Mrs. Leslie Baker won high score and Mrs. N. E. Britton binged. Others present included Mmes. W. R. Bearce, Sam Oglesby, Horace Linthicum, V. G. Tisdale, C. C. McLaughlin, Jimmie West and S. D. Harper.

Cpl. and Mrs. John S. Williams of Camp Crowder, Mo., arrived Monday night for a Christmas visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Williams, and other relatives of the couple. They will report back to Camp Crowder on January 4.

Mrs. Dee Love and Mrs. C. N. Shaw were called to Comanche last week to be with their father, Andy Bowman who was seriously ill. His condition has improved and both women have returned to their homes.

**WORK CONTINUES**

Arthur Faull is continuing work on his feed house building on lots bought from Charlie Spencer. He is preparing two rooms there for an apartment, to which he will move soon, after having occupied rooms at the McKee residence.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**

Christmas is the time of the year when everyone should be the happiest, and all celebration should be in keeping with the spirit of Christian living and giving. Remember, it is the Birthday of the "Prince of Peace."

Our Sunday morning service will be given in the interest of Buckner Orphan's Home, and following the morning message we will make our annual Christmas offering to the Orphan Children of that Home. I hope we can do the worthy thing and make those not so fortunate be happy too.

On Sunday evening at 7:30 at the regular service will be given a pageant, "Pilgrims to Bethlehem," by our choir under the direction of Mrs. Hays. We invite all to attend. We hope all of our people will be faithful in attendance in all services over the week end.

Our services: Sunday, Sunday school and worship 9:45 and 11 a. m. Training Union and worship 6:30 and 7:30 p. m. Our mid-week service each Wednesday evening at

6:30. Friday evening at 6:30 we will have our monthly teachers' and officers' meeting. Your coming

to this meeting will mean whether we will maintain our standard for our Sunday school. It is needful

that you come. Our Missionary Union meets Monday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock.

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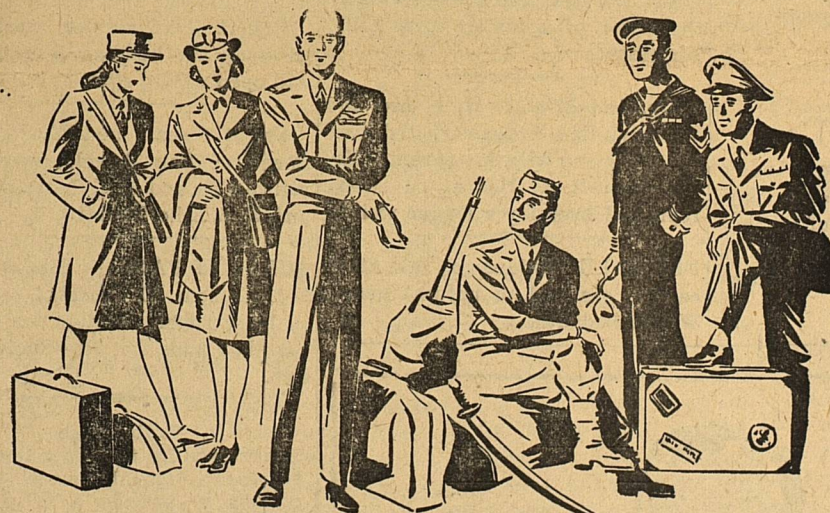
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**Help them get home for Christmas**

Make only essential trips during the holidays



**528,000 home-bound members of our victorious forces will reach West Coast ports this month**

The biggest gift that thousands and thousands of the men and women in our fighting forces could get is a chance to spend the Christmas holidays with the folks at home.

But getting them home is far more than a matter of discharge papers or a holiday leave—there's the problem of getting them to wherever home is. Tens of thousands are now in California ports waiting to get home.

The Army and Navy tell us that better than a half million service personnel will be returning in December. That means 17,000, on the average, must be taken care of each day.

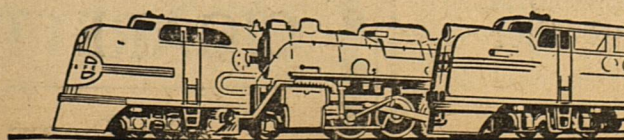
Our trains are already overcrowded. We don't want to disappoint a single soldier, sailor, marine, coast guardsman, Wac, Wave or Spar we can possibly find space for.

So won't you help us to do our share in playing Santa Claus to them by postponing your trip until after the holidays—unless it has to be made.

You'll get—we'll bet—a little glow out of knowing that you're making it possible for somebody in the service to be home. So again we ask, in all friendliness, won't you postpone your trip until we can serve you in the traditional Santa Fe manner.

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**LATIN-AMERICAN SCHOOL CLOSED FOR HOLIDAYS**

The Latin-American School dismissed Tuesday afternoon for the Christmas holidays. Forty-six pupils in the first and second grades were present in one room, and all participated in decorating and preparing the room for the tree which was brought in at a few minutes before noon Tuesday. In the afternoon the primary pupils all listened to an account of the Christmas party given by the Methodist ladies of Eldorado, and attended by one of the girls of the second grade. All these little ones are trying to use only English words at school so Elida Vasquez told about it in perfect English.

Next on program was an acrostic of Christmas by nine of the smallest children with Sulema Juarez as leader. With the children in front with the big bright red letters of Christmas the primary teacher told them why we celebrate Jesus birthday, and what Christmas means.

Santa Claus, acted by Tomas, a fourth grade boy, and Lydia Minor gave a dialogue of Christmas. These were from Mrs. Davis' room and were perfect in their parts.

A bag of candy, apples and oranges was given out with colored picture books to each child present and some sent to sick ones at home. Nine students were absent from the primary room. Thirty-six were present in Mrs. Davis' room and all enjoyed games, a treat of fruit and candy, and gifts for each boy and girl.

Eighty-two of the pupils enrolled were present in spite of the flu epidemic. The school re-opens on January 2, 1946.

**ANGELO ARMY OFFICE MOVES TO HOTEL**

Army recruiters from Angelo who are here every Wednesday, state that the Angelo office has been moved from the post office to the second floor of the St. Angelo Hotel.

**BOYS TRANSFERRED**

Pvt. Walter Roy (Bud) Davidson and Pvt. Hensel Matthews, who have been stationed at a camp in Kansas were transferred recently to Camp Pickett, Va., and from there were sent to Camp Shanks, N. J. The two boys, accompanied by four other Texans, spent the past week end on Long Island visiting with Bud's aunts, Mrs. Mary McGuffin and children, and Mrs. Ida Brunzman.

**NEW BOOK KEEPER**

Miss Cleone Dabney, who has been employed at the county rationing office during the war years until the office was closed, has accepted the position as bookkeeper at the Eldorado Motor Co., succeeding Mr. Calcote's daughter who has been keeping books since Mr. Calcote bought the business last fall.

**BRUTON COMMISSIONED**

Richard Bruton, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Bruton, has recently received his commission as a Lieutenant in the Signal Corps, and was awarded a plaque as the outstanding officer candidate at the Officers Training School in Fort Monmouth, N. J. Lt. Bruton is now enroute to the Mediterranean theatre. Mrs. Bruton has returned to San Angelo to make her home with her grandmother, Mrs. A. W. McFarlane.

Mrs. Jess Bradshaw who was operated on recently at Brady is expected home this week from Hexi where she has been convalescing in the home of a sister, Mrs. Lillie Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Moore and Sonny of San Antonio visited over the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Moore and Sonny remained over for a longer visit.

**FOR SALE**—Butane gas cook stove can be changed to natural gas.—W. W. Sudduth. 1\*

**COSDEN STATION IMPROVED**

Lum Davis is continuing with improvements on the Cosden station, which he bought recently and which is now open for business. A recent addition is cement flooring for a wash rack.

**RATLIFF RETURNS**

Carroll Ratliff and wife and daughter Carolyn are returning this week from California, Ratliff having wired his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Ratliff, that he had received his discharge.

He will be manager of the new Ozona store, which is open today Thursday, for business.

Irma Lou Fondren, who has been on the sick list, is much improved.

Mrs. Tommie Brevard spent the week end visiting with her parents in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Brevard of Talpa.

Tech Sgt. Jack Halbert, Jr., has written from Shanghai, China, that he was due to sail for home on Dec. 3. Sgt. Halbert's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Halbert, and his wife, Mrs. Frankie Halbert, live here.

Miss Annie Herbert left Wednesday morning for her home at Dublin where she will spend the Xmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Alexander and children will spend Christmas in Austin with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Jackson of Houston and Mr. and Mrs. Dobbs Locklin and daughter of Menard will spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Jackson Sr., and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll White will go to McCullough County for a Christmas visit with relatives.

Mayor Leslie Baker is a flu victim this week and is absent from his position in the bank.

Robert Page started work this week on the building in which he will open a drug store soon.

Sarah Sweatt and Miss Jerry Sneed of San Angelo have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Sweatt and Mrs. Allie Sweatt.

**SCRATCH PADS** — Size 3 1/2 x 5 1/2, about 50 sheets to pad. of bond paper, suitable for ink or pencil. 2 pads for 5c.—Success office.

**Frying Fish**

When you fry fish, try rolling it in seasoned cornmeal, flour or cracker crumbs to provide a crisp crust and to prevent dryness. The length of the cooking time will depend on the thickness of the pieces, but when the fish can be pierced easily with a fork at its thickest part it is done.

**Sgt. Davis Discharged**



Sgt. Clarence W. Davis arrived home from the European theatre last week and has been granted a discharge. A graduate of the Eldorado High School, he entered the service in February 1943, and has served overseas with an Army Tank Battalion. He was last stationed in Germany. Clarence is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Davis.

**Strange Mammals**

One of the strangest mammals in the world is the dormouse, famed in legend and story. He is not a mouse at all, but more closely related to the squirrel family. He is the only mammal that can shed his tail like a lizard in order to make his escape from capture. He soon grows another tail!

**Sheet Wear**

Sheets usually wear through first in the upper center, where they take the most rubbing from shoulders and also are creased in ironing. To give them more even wear, reverse them from time to time in making beds, placing the wide hem at the foot. Bottom sheets may always be placed this way. In ironing, either avoid pressing any sharp creases or make the creases a little off center.

**Nation's Farms**

At present, only about half of the nation's 6,000,000 farms are family-type commercial farms and these plus 80,000 plantation-type farms produce 90 per cent of all crops and livestock sold. The remaining nearly 50 per cent of U. S. farms produce only 10 per cent of the farm products sold, and at least 1,000,000 farms are being operated under conditions which make it impossible for their owners to produce an adequate family living.

**War Gases**

Among the war gases, the outstanding development has been for smokes, so important for screening ships, troops, and active land areas. The so-called F. S. smoke, a mixture of chlorosulfonic and sulfur trioxide is one of the large items. Phosphorus, which began its military career as an incendiary, has become of the greatest importance for the production of smoke, and new plants have been erected to supply this important chemical, which has very wide use in military operations all over the globe.

**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS**

At Christmas Time a happy smile, A shake of the hand are well worth while. We would like to visit you today, And other friends, if they are away. But time will not permit our meeting, That's why we're sending this greeting. We are grateful that we have the pleasure Of serving you in the past years. We appreciate the confidence, & patience And understanding during the war. When we say "thank you" for past favors It comes straight from our heart.

**WAR IS BAD**

To you who have lost sons during the war you have our sympathy.

To you who have sons returned we are proud to greet them. We hope it will never happen again.

45 items will be on special Friday and Saturday. Come and look the prices over. If you don't like them, don't take it. Unless you think you get your money's worth.

Bread 1 lb. loaf 8c. 1 1/2 lb. loaf 11c. Why pay more unless you have more money than bread. Come to see us.

**SELF-SERVE GROCERY**

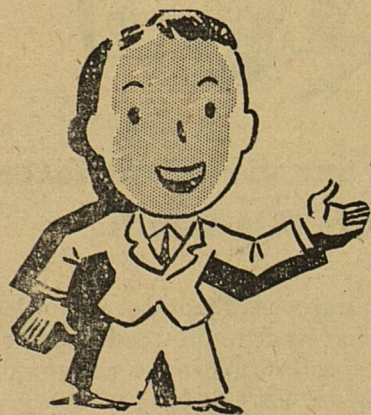
**THANK YOU**

We have sold our store for personal reasons, and want to thank one and all who have traded with us these many years; and ask those who are indebted to us to please call and settle account at once. Phone 134.

We hope to re-establish a somewhat different type of business soon.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

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**3 MORE DAYS**

Make our store your Christmas shopping headquarters Friday, Saturday and Monday.

Nice line of Christmas Fruits, Nuts and Candies. Also staple merchandise and a good line of meats.

For last minute gift suggestions see our Christmas toys and other Christmas goods.

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10 Pounds 59c

Winesap Apples, ex. fancy, Pound 15c

Delicious Apples, ex. fancy, pound 17c

Per Box \$5.49

Whole peeled Apricots

Pineapple No 2 1/2 can  
Pineapple Juice

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Just Received Load of Fresh  
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**NAVELS PER BUSHEL \$2.49**

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Home made country style in casings.

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Something new!  
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Xmas Candies, Nuts and Sweets

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