



News

— from the —

Army Navy Air Force Marines Coast Guard

Pvt. Clarence L. DeBord, who has been in the U. S. Army Air Forces since July 3, 1942, recently completed a course in radio operator-mechanics at the Army Air Force Technical School, Sioux Falls, S. D. He is the son of George A. DeBord, of Dozier Route, Shamrock, Texas.

Prior to induction, Pvt. DeBord was employed as aircraft propeller mechanic by Civil Service, Duncan Field, Texas. He is a graduate of Samnorwood High School, class of 1938. His Post activities included playing with squadron softball and basketball teams.

WILL ROGERS FIELD, Okla.—The promotion of Hugh C. Autrey from the rank of Private First Class to the rank of Technician Fifth Grade, which carries the same rating as a Corporal, has been announced by Col. Thomas R. Lynch, commanding officer of the Air Depot Training Station at this field.

T-5 Autrey was formerly a resident of Wellington. He is the son of William Lee Autrey of Fort Worth.

He enlisted in the Army on September 23, 1942. T-5 Autrey is a member of a service group, and is at present on duty as a cook.

CAMP KOHLER.—Pvt. Walter E. Hunter, of Wellington has arrived at Camp Kohler for basic training at the Signal Corps Replacement Training Center here.

Private Hunter, the son of Mrs. O. M. Hunter of Wellington, came to Camp Kohler from the Reception Center at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

He will be assigned upon completion of his basic training to more advanced specialist training either at Camp Kohler or at another Signal Corps post before being assigned to a combat unit.

Camp Kohler is the Signal Corps' newest training center and the only such post on the West Coast. The Signal Corps is charged with the installation, operation, and maintenance of the

Army's vast communications system.

By whatever means necessary—radio, telephone, telegraph, teletype, flags, rockets, or runners—the Signal Corps' mission and motto is to "get the message through."

Douglas Bevers, petty officer in the United States Navy, called his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bevers, from Philadelphia Wednesday night of last week to let them know that he had returned safely after having been on a ship which conveyed troops to Africa.

Douglas also asked his parents to thank his friends who sent him birthday cards recently—he received more than 65 from people in this section.

Pvt. Travis G. Clement of the Army Air Force Training Detachment, Dallas Aviation School, Love Field, Dallas, Texas, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Clement of 1310 North 9th street, Wichita Falls, Texas, has graduated from an intensive course in aviation mechanics and now is prepared to blast the Axis. The Dallas Aviation School at Love Field, Texas, is one of the many schools in the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command which trains the specialist technicians who maintain our bomber and fighter planes in perfect combat condition. He now is eligible to become crew chief on a bomber and to win a rating as corporal or sergeant.

Before entering the school, he was trained at one of the basic training centers of the Air Forces Technical Training Command and learned to fight the Axis with other things besides the tools of his trade. Men trained by the Command are versed in the art of protection and offense as well as repair.

Pvt. Winfred L. Scott has been transferred from the South Plains Flying School at Lubbock to Pampa. He has trained as a mechanic since October and is installed as such in his new location.



STOP, LISTEN, LOOK

Miss Pauline Scivinsky, 20, is sure to cause motorists to heed her instructions. She is crossing watchwoman in Whiting, Indiana.

tion. He recently visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Scott, of the Arlie community.

Pfc. Robert C. Barton of Camp Gruber spent several days recently with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Barton of the Cross Roads community. Pfc. Barton is with the Military Police at his station.

Pvt. Cecil Kersten, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kersten, arrived on 6-day leave from Camp Gruber last week to visit relatives and friends. In "Private" life, Kersten acts as chauffeur for senior officers at his station. Members of his family quote him as saying he likes the army but "would like a change to another camp so he can see more of it." Pvt. Kersten enlisted last July.

Pvt. Hubert Gardner of Camp Edwards, Mass., visited Mrs. W. R. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Alvis

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Derryberry, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Watson and other relatives in Wellington during a recent furlough from his station.

ARMY DAZE

It's going to be tough again to be A dyed-in-the-wool civilian; It's going to be hard to believe I'm free And I'll make mistakes by the million.

I'll bet when I'm wearing my blue serge again, I'll polish it's buttons by habit; And the first uniformed street cleaner I see I'll salute him, or run like a rabbit!

Then my wife will take good advantage Of my absent-minded, strange ways, And I'll peel a pot of potatoes Before I'll snap out of my daze.

And I'll hop out of bed in the mornings, Dress up in a hurry, and neat; Rush out of the house like a whirlwind And stand reveille in the street!

It's going to be tough, yes, I know it;

I'll be joshed a-plenty, and how! Which makes me so glad when I think of it—

That I'm in the army now!

—An original poem contributed by Sgt. Thomas J. Walters of Camp Adair, Oregon.

Pfc. E. L. Hammett, Jr., of Fort Sill was in Wellington recently to visit his wife and other relatives. He has been in the army for some time.

Tech. Sgt. Ben McClure of Camp Maxey, near Paris, bussed in at 2:00 a. m. Monday much the worse for travel wear and glad to be home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McClure. He is really going to fill up a good home-made bed for a few nights and enjoy this short furlough, which is his first

since he volunteered to the army in August. He is with the personnel branch at his station and in civilian life would be termed a "white collar" man. All too short is his recess from duty—Sgt. McClure reports back to camp Monday of next week. "I was really lucky, though," he remarked. "Not many of the boys got Christmas furloughs."

We might add that the sergeant makes a good impression on us as a soldier. He speaks well of his army experience.

Friends of Kelly White, son of W. S. White of Kelley community, will be interested to know he is now training as a paratrooper and is chalking up a good record for himself. Entering the army in

July, young White received his basic training at Camp Wolters, where he received a rating as acting corporal and made an excellent mark in sharpshooting for which he was presented a medal. More recently he has been making practice jumps in intensive parachute training at Fort Benning, Ga. After two weeks of painstaking practice he was given his boots of which he is very proud. Beginning with jumps as low as 24 feet he has reached a peak of 1500 feet and was presented his wings on December 14. As a fledgling paratrooper, White is now expecting to be assigned to further advanced training in actual jumps from planes which will prepare him for real combat with the Japs.

The present constitution of the State of Texas was written by convention which convened at Austin, Sept. 6, 1875, and adjourned Nov. 4, 1875.

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As once again the Birthday of the Christ-Child approaches, let us feel in our hearts the gladness of Christmas which is HOPE —A HOPE for the day when PEACE which is the spirit of Christmas shall reign over all the world and may the hearts of all man-kind be filled with LOVE toward one another.

The Sisters of St. Joseph's Hospital



TODAY, as friend meets friend, there's an atmosphere surrounding everyone that is one of the most delightful experiences of the year. It is the time when we greet our friends with a warm smile, a hearty handclasp and say, "Merry Christmas."

Christmas gets us! It gets you! It is an occasion that we look forward to with glorious anticipation, although too often

forgotten in the hurry to get back to the furious routine of living.

This year, we pledge ourselves to strive to maintain the spirit of Christmas throughout every day of the New Year, setting as our goal the desire to be of more efficient service to our fellowman.

To each of you we extend our very best wishes for the Holiday Season.

THIS CHRISTMAS — BUY BONDS

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Thoughts at Christmas- time



Again we have arrived at the season which ordinarily would be termed a time of gladness. And, though it still bears the precious charming glow of a depth of joy, we can't justly make it altogether mirthful.

But, it is still Christmas.

And Americans will observe it in the real sense of the word. For Christmas is in reality a time of giving—not the exchanging of presents, but of giving oneself in whole-hearted manner to service. The Christ-Child is the true symbol of Christmas giving.

His kind of giving is a good example to follow.

This Christmas Give Something Different — Give War Bonds or Stamps!

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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Fort Worth, Texas

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy two years old and you know how good little boys are, well, that is how good I am. For Xmas I would like to have a real train that runs on a track, a helmet, some crayolas and anything else you know a boy of two should like. Santa, be sure and remember my Uncle Johnny. He is a soldier, and my Aunt Lill. My Uncle Clarence is a soldier, too. I want you to go to see my Uncle George and Aunt Gus Owen and tell them that I am going to send them a tiny baby. They are near Wellington. You will find me in Fort Worth this year. My daddy and mother, my granddad and grandmother and Edna Bess are here too. Be sure and come to see us.

Best wishes to Santa,
John Aaron Barton.

Wellington, Route 2

Dear Santa Claus:

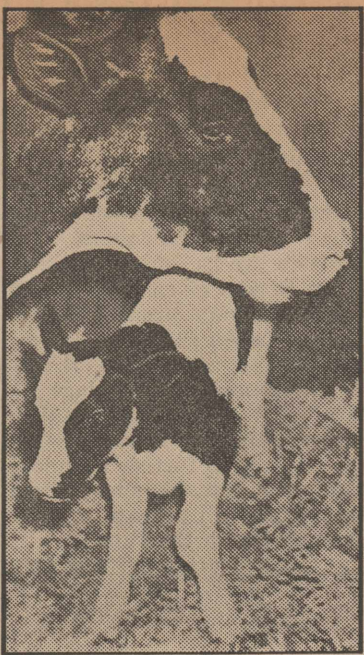
I am a little girl ten years old. I am in the fifth grade and have four teachers. I like all of them, so please don't forget to visit them. For Christmas I want a blackboard, a toy sink, washing machine and stove. Mother and daddy say I am getting too old to get any more dolls and I have enough anyway, so I won't ask for a doll this time. I would also like to have a blonde card game, a pair of socks and some handkerchiefs.

Your little friend,
Mary Almata Shipley.
P. S.—I forgot to tell you that I want a housecoat.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a good little boy this year. I am nearly 5 years old and I would like very much for you to bring me a tricycle, an airplane, a robe, a pair of house-shoes and lots of fruits, nuts and candy. And, Santa, be sure and don't forget my mother and daddy and my grandparents.

Your little friend,
Wayne Keller.
P. S.—Oh, yes, Santa, don't forget my Uncle R. E. Shumate, who is in the army. Bring him lots of nice things, please.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Posing on the day of his birth, near Seattle, Wash., is Carnation Yankee Doodle Dandy, the world's most valuable bull calf. His famous mama, Carnation Ormsby Madcap Fayne, broke all world's records for milk production last May.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy getting ready for my second Christmas. My mother says I have been a pretty good little boy, so I am expecting you to bring me something. I have a new baby sister, Sheri Ferne, who came the 8th of December. Since she arrived in time for Xmas, I hope that you will bring her a rattle and some little socks and things. I do not want so very much this year either. I would like to have a big train or wagon and some little toys. Also some nuts, fruits and candy.

Remember all the good little boys and girls and make them happy Xmas morning.
Your little friend,
Clinton Joe Gibbs.

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl. I will have a birthday on Christmas day. I will be seven years old. Please bring me a birthstone ring, house shoes, jumping rope and that will be enough.

Don't forget my teacher, Santa, and my father and mother, brother and my baby brother.

Bye-bye,
Nelda Joy Scott.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 6 years old. Please bring me a red wagon and some nuts, fruit and candy. Please don't forget my baby brother. He is 9 months old.

I love you,
James Martindale.

Dear Santa,

I am 9 years old and in the fifth grade. I want a doll, telephone and a nurse set, candy, nuts, apples, oranges and don't forget other little children, and Oh, yes, don't forget mother and daddy.

As ever your little friend,
Joan Phillips.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a toy airplane and some soldiers, a gun and scabbard, also some fruit, nuts and candy.

I am six years old and I have been a good little boy, and please bring me a little red wagon.

Your friend,
Gary Phillips.

Paducah, Texas
Box 477

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl three (3) years old. Please bring me a house coat and house shoes, washing machine and doll.

Santa, please take my part of the nuts, candy and fruits to my Uncle Dan at Camp Gruber, Oklahoma, and to all the other soldier boys I know.

Don't forget all of my little cousins. I have tried to be a good girl this year.

Lots of love,
Carolyn Stout.

Dear Santa:

I just want you to bring me a nurse's kit. But most of all I want you to bring me my four brothers home for Christmas. They are in Uncle Sam's great army.

Your little friend,
Jessie Mae Terry.

Fort Worth, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 2 years old. I have been pretty good this year, so will you please bring me a doll with sleepy eyes, a doll buggy and some little dishes? I want nuts, candy and fruit. And Santa, don't forget to visit all the little girls and boys.

Your little friend,
Treva Estelle Hall.

Dear Santa:

For Christmas I want a little tricycle and a little playhouse. And bring a lot of candy, too.

I'll be expecting you on Christmas Eve night.

I've been a very good little girl.
Love,
Wilma Joye Raper.

Dear Santa:

I am 7 years old and in the second grade. I go to school at East Ward. Mrs. Roberts is my teacher. I would like to have a desk, a baby doll, and anything that is nice for small girls. I will see you at my grandpa's house. Please don't forget all the little boys and girls and our soldiers.

Your friend,
Nellie Joe Simpson.

Wellington, Route 6

Dear Santa Claus:

I am 10 years old. I want an archery set and a very good fountain pen.

Yours very truly,
Eugene Terry.

Dear Santa,

I've been a good little girl this year and for Christmas I want a doll that drinks out of a bottle and that has a suitcase full of clothes.

I'll look for you Christmas Eve.
Lots of love,
Neva Raper.

Mrs. Guy Clement is a medical patient in St. Joseph's Hospital.

Leroy Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Barney Jones, underwent a major operation in St. Joseph's Hospital recently.

Edwin Parker of New Orleans, La., is here for the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Parker of Swearingen.

Go to the Church
of your choice
next Sunday.



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Merry Christmas



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MAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

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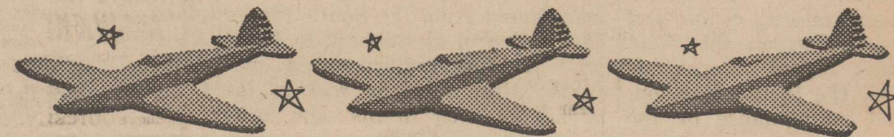
We hope everybody at your house is enjoying the associations of friends and loved ones, which is so important on this happy occasion.

And as we express this Christmas wish, we also want to say, "Thank you," for your consideration and patronage.

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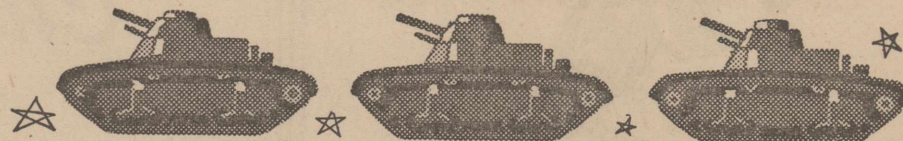
These Gifts We Bring...



A FEW DAYS more than a year ago America began to wake up.

An unpleasant truth was thrust upon her peace loving and self-centered existence. . . . There was evil to be annihilated—before that evil destroyed America.

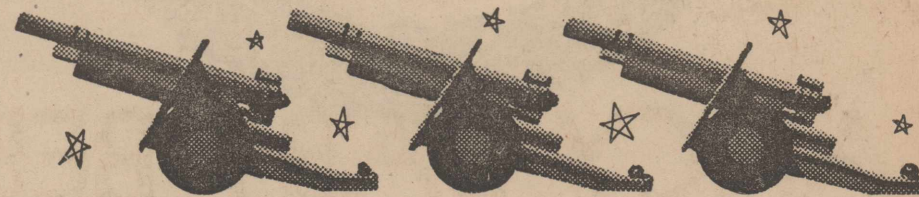
Well, in a year that has intervened America has realized some of her strength—we say "some of it" mind you. There is no knowing what America can do. But really she has performed remarkably! And quickly, too.



Christmas is here again—with a more real significance of the meaning of Christmas than Americans have known in a long time. Well, maybe we won't be so merry — but, being merry, that's not Christmas!

Christmas is to give and give. And keep on giving.

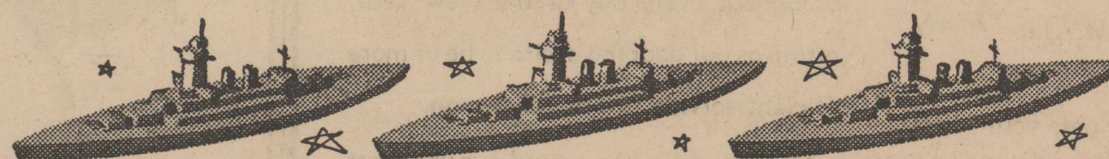
Giving oneself wholly and unflinchingly. A life to unselfish living—or a soldier dying on a battlefield. Maybe you're giving up something you considered very necessary to your happiness before. Now it is sacrificed for the things that are really worth while—Life, Liberty, and such things.



Those other things are trivial now. We've got a war to win.

That's why Americans get behind Scrap Drives and War Bond Rallies. . . That's why Collingsworth laid aside other things to give time to gathering material for Guns, Tanks, Planes and great ships.

Yes, Collingsworth has had a part in building these articles of war. But we can't let up. We've got to keep up our giving until our BIG EFFORT is complete. . . Christmas and the year round.

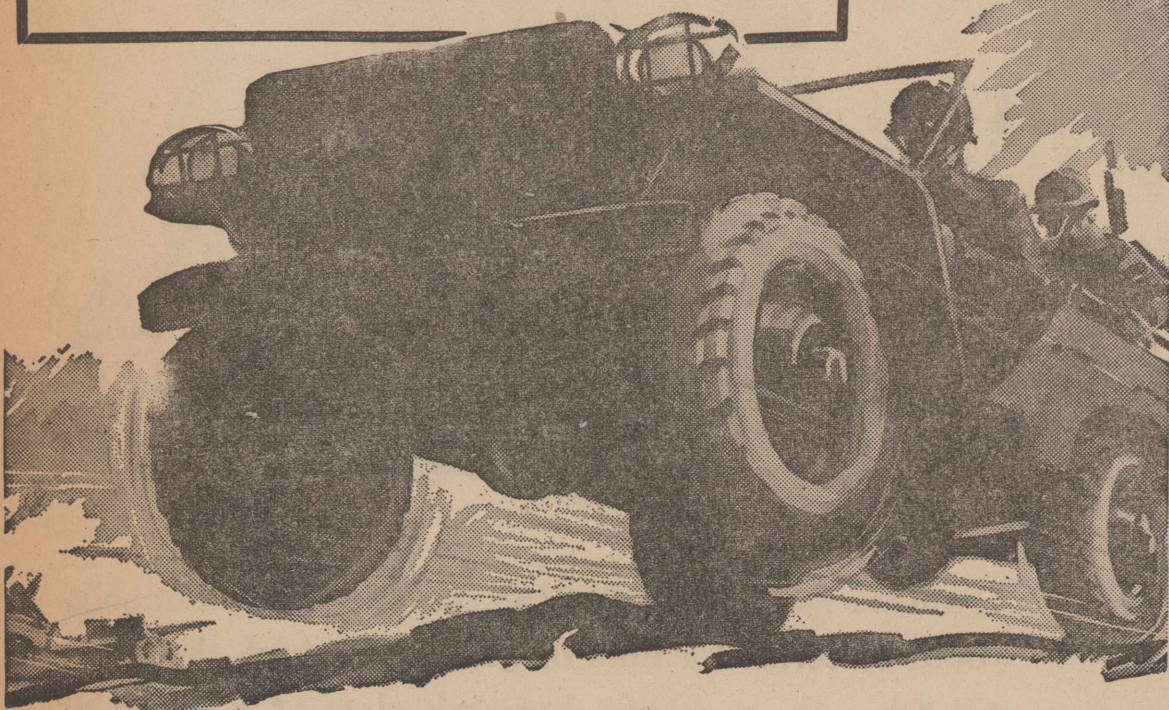


So, in wishing you the bravest of Christmases, we want to urge all our friends to look forward to another year of cheerful giving—of effort and time to a cause that is common to us all. Buy war bonds and give all that scrap iron to your Uncle Sam. Let's do everything possible to make 1943 a year of greater effort—and a hot one for Hirohito and Hitler.

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Unless you **MUST** travel
during the Holidays —
DON'T!



Says Mr. Joseph B. Eastman, Director, Office of Defense Transportation: "Unnecessary travel can do real and serious harm to the war effort . . . The railroads are moving well over a million troops a month. This is war movement, and must come first. Furloughed service men, war workers, necessary business travelers, must depend on what equipment is left."

There's the story in a nut-shell! First, the war movement; second furloughed service men, who must be given preference over civilian travel between

NOW! and January 12th

The KATY asks — and knows it will receive — the hearty cooperation of all patriotic Americans who might otherwise plan to travel during the "Military Furlough" period. So, unless you *must* travel—DON'T!

WAR TIME TRAVEL SUGGESTIONS

- ★ Whenever practicable, trips should be scheduled during mid-week — to avoid the weekend rush.
- ★ Tickets should be obtained in advance. Whatever Pullman space is available should be accepted, and if the trip is cancelled reservations should be

cancelled at once so that others may be accommodated.

- ★ If seat is not reserved, get to the station early; It's first come, first served in war time.
- ★ Travel "light;" excess baggage adds to confusion on crowded trains.



SERVES THE SOUTHWEST WELL

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Glover, Okla.

Dear Santa:

I am a boy 10 years old. I would like to have a Lone Ranger pistol and scabbard. And anything else you think I need. And lots of fruit and candy.

Love,

G. D. Wilson.

P. S.—Please don't forget my little cousin, J. D. Dorsey, Jr., at Samnorwood.

I am a little girl 5 years old. Please bring me a big doll, apples, oranges, candy and nuts.

Lots of love,

Effie Spear.

Dear Santa:

I am a very little boy and I have been very good this year. For Christmas, I want a little car and a set of tinkers toys. And, Santa, please don't forget my little friend, Billy Brown. You can bring us a tricycle each, if you have any.

Your little friend,

Elgen Tanksley.

Dear Santa:

I am ten years old and I have been a good boy. I want you to bring me a truck that carries cars and a little four-motored bomber and a box of candy and nuts.

Joe Lynn Moore.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a good boy. I am 7 years old and I go to East Ward School. I want you to bring me a big fire truck and please bring my 3-year-old brother, Bobby, a racer. We also want candy, fruit and nuts.

Thank you, Santa.

Gayland Sexton.

Dodson, Texas

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy six years old and my mother says I have been a pretty good little boy. Don't forget me on Christmas night. I want a gun and a football and anything else you want to bring me. Don't forget all of my little friends.

Love,

Jimmie Davis.

Vinson, Okla.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me an airplane, a tractor and a truck.

I love you,

Johnnie Brock.



WAAC WINS CROWN

Mrs. Violet Weeks, 21, of Silver Lake, Ind., was in training with the WAACs at Des Moines, Ia., when she was notified of her selection as "National Woman Corn Grower" by the De Kalb Agricultural Association. Her husband is in the Army and two brothers are in the Navy.

Vinson, Okla.

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy 9 years old and am in the 5th grade. I want you to bring me a saddle and bridle.

With all my love,

Billy Wayne Hughey.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a very little boy 2 years old. For Christmas I want a big teddy bear, a rubber ball, a big red truck and some candy, nuts and fruit. Don't forget all the little boys and girls. Remember my Uncle who went into service December 16. Also all the other boys who are serving our country.

I love you, Santa,

John Lee Tye.

P. S. I hope you can find our house. We live in Pampa on 925 Murphy, so don't forget.

Vinson, Okla.

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl in the fourth grade. I want you to bring me a housecoat, houseslippers, a doll, and a set of dishes. Please don't forget my little baby sister. I am nine years old.

Yours,

Lawanda Porter.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am 2 years old. I've been pretty bad this year, I guess, but my mother and daddy love me, so I give them as references. Will you bring me a fire truck, a clay modeling set and a small airplane? I also like candy and stuff. My new sister, Vaughana Lee, would like something soft and cuddly, I suppose. Send something to my uncles in Alaska and Australia. They are Claude and Carrol Craven.

Your friend,

Jarrell Craven Barker.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a six-year-old girl and I have tried to be good this whole year. Please bring me a doll which says mamma and pappa and a pair of skates. I would also like to have plenty of nuts and candy.

I love you,

Betty Karnes.

P. S. Don't forget my brother, cousins and friends.

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy 6 years old. This is my first year in school. For Christmas I would like for Santa to bring me a popgun and a big red wagon. Also a ball, bat and an airplane and some candy, nuts and fruit.

Please don't forget all the other boys and girls and don't forget my mother and daddy, aunts and uncles and my grandmothers and granddaddys.

Your little friend,

Olan Clay Murdock.

Dear Santa,

I am a little girl seven years old. Please bring me some moulding clay, some clothes for my dolls, a blackboard, and some kind of a music instrument.

Don't forget fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend,

Beauton Clement.

Dear Santa,

Please bring me a blackboard, little wagon, some moulding clay and a little truck. Also fruit, nuts and candy.

Just anything you think I need will be o. k.

Your little friend,

Don Clement

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A Merry



American CHRISTMAS!



For 1942 and years to come may be had by giving War Bonds or Stamps. Include these on your late shopping list.

.... Don't forget that it is also Christmas for the Boys in the Armed Forces.

.... Remember Them!

Merry Christmas Neighbors!

We hope everybody at your house is enjoying the associations of friends and loved ones, which is so important on this happy occasion.

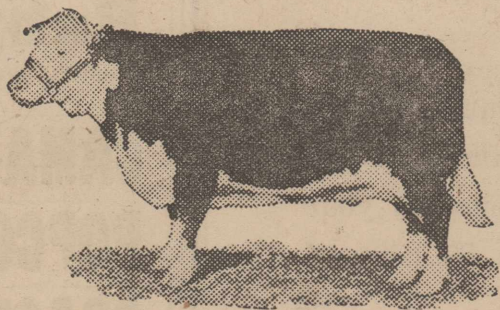
And as we express this Christmas wish, we also want to say, "Thank you," for your consideration and patronage.



HAPPY NEW YEAR

FANCY BABY BEEF

... If in doubt about a base for that Christmas dinner, we suggest you try our fancy GRAIN-FED BABY BEEF. We assure you this is prime, tender beef.



—Or, if you like, grace your festive table with one of our delicious CHRISTMAS HAMS. You'll be making it a Merry Christmas for the whole family.

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Miss Zatlo Is Bridal Shower Honoree Sat.

Miss Mary Belle Zatlo, the bride elect of Winston Manney of Vinson, was named honoree at a miscellaneous shower in the home of Mrs. J. C. Whisenant Saturday morning, December 19. Mrs. Whisenant and Mrs. J. O. Wells were joint hostesses for the occasion.

Miss Zatlo became the bride of Mr. Manney Sunday, December 20, in the home of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Hutchins.

Many lovely gifts were displayed for the guests, after which coffee was served in the dining room. The table was covered with a lace cloth, and centered with a bowl of begonias. Lighted candles and crystals completed the arrangements.

Miss Betty Margaret Berry presided at the coffee service.

The guest list for the occasion included Mmes. W. E. Maddox, Tom Berry, George Clark, J. L. Hays, W. W. McClaskey, George Keller, John Trew, I. M. Hutchins, and Misses Katherine Clark, Alene Raburn, Neva Harrison, Virginia Hays, Mary Bess McClaskey, Betty Margaret Berry, the honoree, Miss Zatlo, and the hostesses, Mmes. Wells and Whisenant.

Mr. and Mrs. Brickley Hosts To Pipe Line Employees Tuesday

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Brickley were hosts to employees of the United Gas Pipeline Company and their families at a Christmas party Tuesday evening, December 22.

An impromptu program was given by the guests, after which Santa Claus distributed gifts and sacks of fruit from a gaily decorated Christmas tree.

Refreshments of cake and coffee were served to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Dennis and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Henard and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Callahan and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Harmon and baby and the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Brickley and daughter.

Reda Montgomery, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Montgomery, received treatment in St. Joseph's Hospital recently.

Party For 1924 Study Club Members Thursday

Members of the 1924 Study Club met for their annual Christmas party last Thursday in the home of Mrs. Tom Campbell when Mrs. James Doneghy and Mrs. Frank Eikenburg assisted Mrs. Campbell in entertaining. Meeting for the first time since the opening of the fall meeting members expressed their happiness in having the privilege of being together again as a group.

Following the Christmas Carol singing by the group, Mrs. Lester Bengel related a Christmas story. Gifts were distributed from the beautifully lighted Christmas tree.

In a short business session the club voted to attend the Red Cross regularly each Thursday to assist in the surgical dressing room.

Refreshments were served to the following: Mmes. H. H. Kinkeade and Lester Bengel, guests; and members, Mmes. J. W. Harper, Fred LeDerer, Deskins Wells, Frank Anderson, W. O. Richards, Annie Wall, M. M. Kern, Kelly Pigg, J. B. Castleberry, Chester Fires, D. G. Ellis, Doneghy, Eikenburg, and Tom Campbell.

Mrs. Lester Bengel Entertains With Buffet Supper Sunday

Members of the Business and Professional Women's Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church were entertained with a buffet supper in the home of Mrs. Lester Bengel Sunday evening, Dec. 20.

This is an annual Christmas event for the class, which is taught by Mrs. John W. Harper.

Red and white decorations were used in the entertaining rooms, and favors were tiny Santa Claus boots.

Later in the evening gifts were exchanged and Miss Naomi Slay of Amarillo gave a number of piano selections.

Attending were Mmes. H. H. Kinkeade, Pruett Garner, J. W. Harper, Frank Eikenburg, Logan Cummings, Ruth Barton, Ernest Harwell, and Misses Bonnie Willis, Bessie Jean Willis, Louise Willis of Pampa, Naomi Slay of Amarillo, Inez Clement, Mabel Clement, Viola Hudson, Myra Hays, Bessie Rainer, Dora Elizabeth McClaskey, Dela Bee Burt, Eula Lucas, Delia Cowans, and the hostess, Mrs. Bengel.

Meets
Wed. 2-5 p. m.
Sat. 2-5 p. m.
Over First Nat'l Bank

Bandages Arrive

A new supply of material for surgical dressings has arrived, and women will resume their work next week, Mrs. J. C. Doneghy, chairman, announced Tuesday morning.

The quota is the same as the first one filled by the local women.

The groups will meet to fold the dressings at the regular time—Monday night, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday afternoon.

Every woman who has a few hours to spare is urged to meet with the group on one of these days and work. The only requirements are that she wear a wash dress, have her hair covered, wear no fingernail polish, and that she is not to work while suffering from a cold or similar infection.

The Red Cross rooms are located over the First National Bank.

If You Sew—

If you are a woman who can sew or knit, and who has a little leisure time—just a little bit—you, too, can be a help to the Red Cross, Mrs. J. W. Harper, production chairman, reminded.

The sewing and knitting room is open each Wednesday and Saturday, and workers are needed.

Next week, when Christmas is over, all women who can are urged to contribute a part of their time to Red Cross production work.

Miss Katherine Lynn, a student in the University of Texas, is here for the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lynn.

Oscar Chapman has returned home after receiving treatment in the hospital here.

Methodist Junior Department Has Christmas Program

Teachers of the Junior department of the Methodist Church entertained the boys and girls and their parents with a Christmas party and program Monday evening at the church.

In charge of the program were Mmes. Frank Anderson, T. J. Way, Hook Elliott, Esdie Bartlett, and Bess Owen.

Christmas Carols were sung by the entire group, and readings were given by Sally Parsons, Tim Campbell, Nancy Elliott, Donald Joe Terry and Lee Carl Lehmborg.

Members of Mrs. Way's and Mrs. Elliott's classes sang "O Little Town of Bethlehem."

Rev. Hubert Thomson told a Christmas story.

Favors of toy airplanes and sacks of candy were distributed.

Boys and girls attending were Betty Ruth Thomson, Betty Sue

Walker, Jeanne Way, Diane Wells, James Stevenson, Tommy Way, Donald Joe Terry, Lee Carl Lehmborg, Billy Lehmborg, Sally Parsons, Sandy Parsons III, Tim Campbell, Earl Lynn Bartlett, Molly Ann Denley, Nancy Elliott, Betty Elliott and Jamie Thomson.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Campbell, Mrs. Sandy Parsons, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Stevenson, Rev. and Mrs. Thomson, Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Way, Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. Bartlett and Mrs. Owen.

Jimmie Lee Darrow of Fort Worth, formerly of Wellington, underwent an operation for appendicitis recently. She is the 13-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Darrow. She is reported as improving rapidly.

Miss Rosemary Jones, who attends Sacred Heart Academy at Springfield, Ill., is here for the Christmas holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Chas. B. Jones.

ALF J. B.

SO I SAYS

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OUR TASK

Our job is to help you perform your essential duties—to fill your imperative needs—to study your problems and help you find a way of solving them in order that you may do your most efficient work in behalf of this country in its hour of supreme effort.

THE FUTURE

In doing this we are working for the future. Our hope of reward is to see that day of peace when our present efforts will be remembered—a day when all men will take Peace on Earth for granted and when the saying Merry Christmas will return to its original meaning.

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—By Deskins Wells

LOVE AND BEST WISHES FOR CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR, ALL'S WELL. JAMES K. PORTER.

The above is a copy of the cablegram that came to the Leader force from J. K. Porter. It is hard for me to say what it meant to the people who get out the Wellington Leader. Here was the ink stained apprentice of other days spending his money to send best wishes to his friends. Today he is a greased stained mechanic of the Army Air Force.

To Jackie and all the boys from Collingsworth, who are far from home, we send our greetings at this Christmas time.

Congratulations to the people who thought up the idea of having a Community Christmas Sing. Across the alley they are bearing down while our press goes one and two and three and four as we strive to get out a paper that will go to all the corners of the globe.

There are boys in distant places who might like to know that the people at home are singing. I won't attempt to repeat many of them, but the people sang:

Just Over in the Glory Land
God Bless America
Holy Night
The Glory Land Way
Anywhere Is Home
I'll Meet You in the Morning
I'll Live in Glory
Precious Memories
Silent Night
Jingle Bells
God be with you till we meet again

They sang and kept time with their feet. Some, who were old, clutched the song books up close to their eyes with gnarled hands and lent their voices to the song. But there were people with strong lungs there. You should have heard the sound—the very bigness of the sound. People in Germany, Italy or Japan can not sing with the spirit of an independent people in a free land. Their songs will not compare to those of a people who have just started to use their full strength.

WHO'S NEW

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Campbell are the parents of a daughter, Margaret Sharon, born Monday morning, Dec. 21, in St. Joseph's Hospital. She weighed seven pounds and fourteen ounces.

Vernon Rudy underwent a tonsil operation in St. Joseph's Hospital Saturday, December 19.

Relatives Seek Ohio Man

Wanted—Present address or whereabouts of one Harry W. Dean, age 70. Last known address, Gainesville, Texas. Not heard from by his relatives in the North for more than five years. Went to Texas more than 40 years ago. Never came back North. Heard from at various cities before locating at Gainesville. Boarded at one time on Carondelet st., New Orleans. In more recent years in an official capacity of one of the Independent Texas R. R. Was married, had two children, but was away from home most of the time. In service of R. Rds. Letters written to known addresses have not been returned, but can get no response. Any one having information about this man please write to his brother at Cincinnati, Ohio.

George A. Dean, Silverton, Cincinnati, Ohio.

LOCO

By MILDRED RAY

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Carter of Hollis visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Copeland, Saturday.

Rev. Walcup and family of Hollis visited in the home of Mrs. Ida Hagerman Sunday.

Billy Gibson is visiting his grandmother in Lubbock this week.

Mrs. Ruby Lockhart's mother, Mrs. Dawning has been visiting here for the past week.

Fred Cox, Jr., has been in Dallas for the past few days.

There has been lots of sickness in Loco community the past week. Billy Ray Lockhart has been very ill. The small son of Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Harper has been in the hospital at Wellington the past few days.

Donnie Gene Lockhart, another son of Mrs. Ruby Lockhart, is seriously ill with diphtheria at his home at Loco. Donnie is seven years old.

Employees Of Ration Board Entertained At Dinner Monday

Miss Merle Hays was hostess at a Christmas dinner for employees of the War Rationing Board at her home Monday evening, December 21.

Traditional Christmas decorations were used throughout the entertaining rooms. Centering the dining table was a miniature Santa Claus, sleigh, and reindeer set on a reflector.

Following the dinner, gifts were distributed from a Christmas tree.

Present were Misses Pauline Simpson, Zelda Welch, Lena King, Bonnie Lou Hall, Lavora Ann Hall, Virginia Hays, and the hostess, Miss Merle Hays.

Mrs. Roy Cunningham underwent a major operation in St. Joseph's Hospital Tuesday morning.

Pvt. Freeman F. Love of Camp Swift is visiting with relatives here.

Baptist W. M. U. Circles Observe Christmas Season

In keeping with the Yuletide, and its deep religious significance, members of the W. M. U. Circles of the First Baptist Church have devoted this week's meetings to the study of the Christmas story.

Circle 1

Mrs. Pete White was hostess to the members of Circle 1 at her home Monday afternoon. The hostess gave the devotional, and after this, Mrs. Wayne Cudd told the story of Christmas. Historical facts about the season were told by Mrs. Leonard Karnes.

After the business meeting, gifts were exchanged.

Present were Mmes. Homer Willoughby, Karnes, W. M. Tucker, J. A. Lowe, Dora B. Roberts, Lee Roy, Tom Moore, J. McBroom, Cudd, and Charles Lee Roberts, Carolyn Cudd, Virginia Lee White, and the hostess, Mrs. White.

Circle 4

Circle 4 of the Church also met Monday afternoon for their business and social hour. Mrs. Tom Barry presided at the session. During the program, Mrs. Hattie Clifton gave a prayer, Mrs. Arveze Winter and Mrs. Earl Smith sang a duet, and the Christmas story was told by Mrs. J. O. Wells.

Attending the meeting were Mmes. Otis Roberson, Ella Smith, Winter, Earl Smith, J. S. McClure, Doshia Dix, J. H. Clement, Jess White, Clifton, Jack Ball, Clifton Stafford, Berry, Wells, and J. P. Neal.

"Kid Party" Is Given For Quail Faculty Members

An unusual entertainment for members of the Quail School faculty was a "Kid Party," given Friday night. Hostesses for the occasion were Mrs. George Graham and Miss Euba Fay Hillis.

Guests arrived dressed as children, and Children's games provided entertainment throughout the evening. Humorous gifts for children were distributed from the Christmas tree.

Later in the evening the group sacked the fruits and candy to be distributed from the Christmas tree at the Quail School program this week.

Attending were Messrs. and Mmes. Noah Cunningham, Herman Moseley, Elver Brown, Lewis Morris, and J. W. Hudgins, Mrs. Orval Tate, and Misses Margaret McElreath, Adelle Harrell, Christine Cooper, Vivian Clay, Juanita Stinnett, and Frances Smith, and the hostesses, Mrs. Graham and Miss Hillis.

Some people are fenced off from success by their own railing.

LETTERS FROM MEN IN SERVICE

Fort Riley, Kansas

Dear Mr. Wells:

I will try to write a few lines tonight to let you know that I am still O. K. and hope you are the same. I have changed my address and would like for you to send the good old Leader to my new address.

I sure do enjoy reading The Leader. I am still a driver of a truck. I guess I'd better close.

Your friend,

Pvt. George Sturgill.

Davisville, R. I.
Dec. 15, 1942

Dear Mr. Wells:

There have been so many Texas boys come through this camp that it has been impossible for me to try to see those who come from my home town. I accidentally bumped into Barney Glenn when he was here about 3 months ago, and there must have been others here from Wellington that I have not seen. More than half of the camp is from Texas, including all those who have gone through here.

There was a large group coming in yesterday from Texas and Oklahoma and I am anxious to know if any were from that section. They ask here if any men are left in Texas!

Ferris Breedlove and I are here on the Station Force as Chief Petty Officers in advance military instructions. Our appointment to this camp is permanent and so, if there is anyone from there in camp here, we should like for their folks to let us know, so that we might be able to cheer them up and possibly make things a little more pleasant for them.

The boys are rather closely restricted for three weeks of "boot camp" and get quite homesick. During this time, especially, the folks from home should write lots and lots of letters to them. That is true for all branches of the service. I've seen many homesick boys get well quickly when they got a letter from mother, dad, brother, sister, sweetheart, or even their former Sunday School teacher.

I also enjoy my Wellington Leader, although it sometimes contains news of my former pupils who have made the supreme sacrifice for their country. In my estimation The Leader still leads the state in being the best paper of its kind.

Best wishes for Christmas and a New Year of thoughtfulness and peace to the Leader force and to all its many friends.

Sincerely yours,

Vernon Stafford.

(Editor's Note: Much as The Leader would like to publish fullest details of reader Stafford's instruction's to homefolks

on how to send addresses of men at his camp, we regret that the Voluntary Censorship Code disallows this. It is a considerable act on his part that Stafford offers to look up homesick

Wellington boys for a cheering up. However, his suggestion about writing to the boys is excellent and should be carried out to the letters—and we do mean letters.)

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Christmas

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I. O. Ruby

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CHRISTMAS

GREETINGS

It is the goodwill created by this joyous Christmastime that inspires us to send you a word of Cheer. May the spirit of the Yuletide season spread throughout the coming year and make this community a better place in which to live.

The Season's Best Wishes to each of you.

LION AUTO STORE

CORDIAL
Greetings

We have a host of friends in this area whom we would like to see personally in order to extend a personal Christmas Greeting.

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

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Editorial

A Christmas message of force and character has come from the editorial pen of Hubert M. Harrison, manager of the East Texas Chamber of Commerce. It appears as follows in the December issue of "East Texas":

Since the first Christmas, the central thought of the day is—or should be—one of sacrifice and the giving of one's self in service to others. This Christmas—one year after the attack on Pearl Harbor—finds millions of men in uniform ready to make any sacrifice even to life itself, to protect this country from our enemies. At such a time, those of us who are still at home should think of Christmas as a season for renewal of devotion to home town, state and nation.

When soldiers shame us with their sacrifice, we should seek new ways to serve. Opportunities lie all around us for the giving of ourselves to help the war effort and to maintain our home institutions. In every community there is greater need than ever before for leadership in civic work, for man-power to carry on necessary activities that must continue in time of war and in preparation for another time of peace. Our pledge to our soldiers should be that we will keep the home town strong and free and loyal and sound in its economy and its ideals against that day when they return.

Let it not be said that we sent our soldiers forth to preserve the American way of life and let our communities decay while they were gone. We must keep faith with them.

And so, Soldier, we are saving your best Christmas present until you come marching home. While you fight for liberty throughout the world, we'll try to keep the home town safe for you. We cannot do less.

Nothing ever dreamed up by the comic artists is as funny as the government's assignment of a learned doctor of philosophy to spend all his time reading the comics.

Hitler escaped capture by the Russians by leaving Stalingrad hurriedly, just two hours before the house that sheltered him was captured. Is he imitating Rommel or is Rommel imitating him?

OTHER EDITORS SAY--

• Our First Christmas At War

Christmas draws near, the first Christmas since we have begun to realize that we are at war. Last Christmas-time a million boys were around their own firesides who are now in lands across the seas fighting a battle which we hope to keep from coming to our shores. Other millions are in camps preparing for whatever eventuality may come their way. All are willing, and most of them eagerly, ready for whatever is necessary to be done. Floyd County's sons in a thousand bivouacs are making their parents' hearts swell with pride. And as another Christmas-time approaches, our thoughts go more and more toward the flaming youth which has gone out from our firesides to battle for home and mother—just what they are doing.—Homer Steen in The Floyd County Hesperian.

• Good News From Washington

Food Administrator Claude Wickard is talking like there will be no plow-up of volunteer wheat; he has already announced that there will be no allotment on spuds. He sure has a lot of old-fashioned ideas, and they sound swell to me. In fact, that's the best news out of Washington since they killed all of those cattle and hogs back in 1934-35.—Jimmie Gillentine in the Hereford Brand.

• Slow-Down

Slowing down the speed of cars has greatly reduced the number of traffic accidents and from all reports no one has been late in arriving any place. We are finding out that when it comes to motor cars we can do with less speed.—The Tulsa Herald.

• Gasoline Vitamins

When spectacular figures on the performance of a new type military plane are released, there is a general tendency to overlook one important factor: fuel and its bearing on the breath taking record of modern aircraft.

For example, a standard airplane transport plane can carry 24 passengers with 100 octane fuel operating on engines designed for it, while the same ship flying with 73 octane fuel and comparable engines can carry only 10 passengers. . . . The oil industry was experimenting with gasoline "vitamins" before anybody ever heard of Hitler or Hirohito, or before there was any conceivable need for a super-gasoline. The experimenting was simply impelled by the spirit that keeps this country going so magnificently, the spirit that was born of our heritage of freedom. We can be thankful that it still exists.—Aaron Edgar in The Munday Times.

• For Want Of Tact

The New Deal suffered a set back yesterday with the resignation of Leon Henderson. And all because Mr. Henderson lacked diplomacy. He was told to get tough and that's what he did. But the American still demands the right to be heard and accepted as a voice in the government. This, Mr. Henderson refused to permit and the pressure got so strong he and Mr. Roosevelt agreed that his resignation was the only way out.—Ed Bishop in The Dalhart Texan.

American eagles are on the increase, hunters in New York state and Great Lakes regions report. A little bird must have told them about increased production quotas.

I Give You Texas

—By BOYCE HOUSE

Do you have to pay an income tax? If so, and if you have some money on hand you can buy "A" Tax Notes now and use them in '43 in paying your income tax and (because these notes yield interest), you can thereby save a little on your income tax. This is just one of the securities being offered in the Victory Fund campaign. Individuals, businesses and associations will find such a variety on sale that the particular needs of each investor can be served. Let's do our part to finance the war; see the banker in your town—he'll be glad to advise you.

In this holiday season, the newspaper classic, "Is There a Santa Claus?" again becomes timely. Frank P. Church of the New York Sun wrote the article in reply to the letter of an 8-year-old girl. The letter and the immortal answer follow: Dear Editor: I am eight years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says, "If you see it in the Sun it's so." Please tell me the truth: is there a Santa Claus?

Virginia O'Hanlon. Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except what they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life the highest beauty and joy. Alas, how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no child-like faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus coming down, but what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real thing in the world are those that neither children nor men see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest men, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear it apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding. No Santa Claus! Thank God, he lives, and he lives forever; A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the hearts of childhood.

BRIEF TOPICS

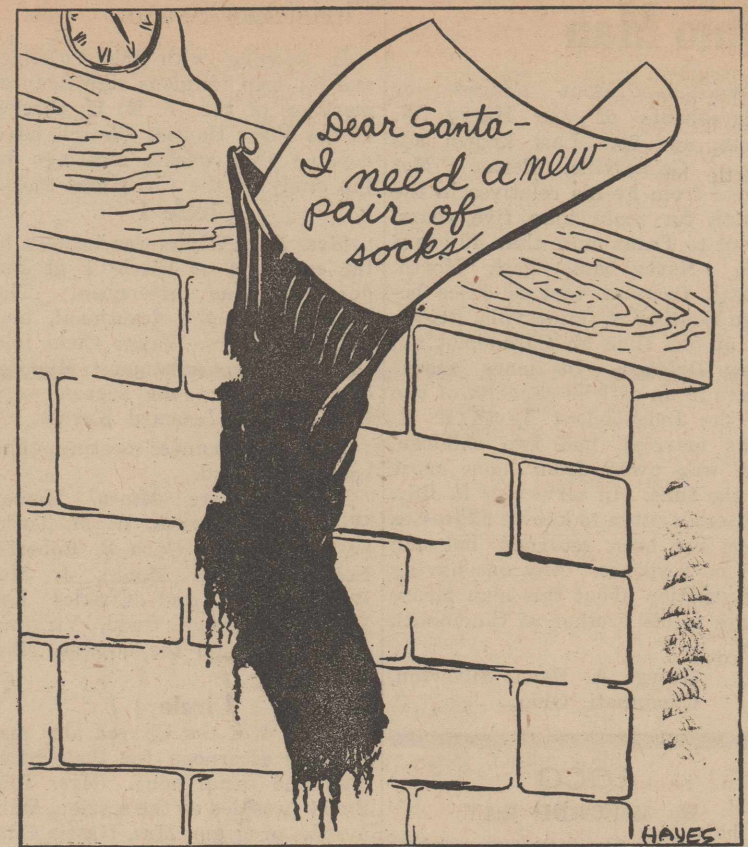
The main difference between people in large towns and people in small towns is that the former live in large towns, and the latter live in small towns.

In pre-war years, more than one-third of each freshman class at the University of Texas "stuck it out" until they graduated.

The fellow who used to walk a barbed wire bare-foot with a wildcat under each arm is now married to a little red-haired woman who makes him do the dishes three times a day.

Texas' first state institution of higher education is it Agricultural and Mechanical College, opened in 1883.

TICKLERS By Hayes



On The Home Front

While military planning charts the future on battle fronts all over the world, economic strategy on the Home Front is designed to advance the war at the least possible cost to civilians in discomforts and dislocations. But both are primarily intended to win the war—at whatever cost.

Probably the most important of the Home Front planning now is in agriculture, with every effort bent to meet the huge production goals of food and fiber next year. Meetings with farmers already are being held by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, and many more are planned before the start of the planting season, to encourage more acreage of foodstuffs.

In this connection, definite action was taken by the Office of Price Administration to encourage poultrymen to meet the Food-For-Freedom goal of a record production of chickens and turkeys, third to beef and pork in American diet.

Specific price ceilings at wholesale have been issued on all types of domestic fowls at levels slightly higher than have prevailed at any time this year. Fixed margins over net costs for poultry at retail will be provided soon, as has been done for turkeys at retail.

Dollars-and-cents price ceilings also were established on lamb and mutton when sold by packers and wholesalers, as part of a plan to encourage fair distribution of available civilian supplies of meats. The new order cuts lamb ceilings back slightly, but advances mutton about 3 cents a pound over the level at wholesale in the September 28-October 2 "freeze" period.

Adjustments to cover added costs of packaging and transportation also were authorized at some, but not all, wholesale and retail levels for rice, dried fruit and dry edibles. The OPA said this would allow a slight price rise in some retail stores, but would eventually assure housewives of supplies from low-price, low-margin outlets.

Important to producers and consumers alike also was the OPA action of the last week to relieve local meat shortages. First, beginning December 20, slaughterers were allowed to start delivering meat on their first quota period of 1943. The OPA also established what in effect are monthly quotas for the first quarter of the year to prevent too heavy deliveries

early in the quarter such as resulted in acute meat shortages in some areas in December.

While the OPA was coping with meat shortage in control over slaughtering, it should be pointed out that there are no restrictions on the amount of slaughtering done on farms for home consumption. Farmers also may continue to sell home-killed meat up to amounts equal to such sales last year.

In the process of adjustment to a strict wartime economy, details of what has happened to the average family food bill are important. Although price control is effective over most home expenditures, the average family food cost rose 1.2 per cent between October 13 and November 17. That means that on Nov. 17 every American family was paying \$1.31 for every dollar of average food expenditure for the period of 1935-39.

During this same month, prices of foods directly under price control rose but half of one per cent, chiefly resulting from OPA price adjustments on the basis of increased costs. During the same time, however, prices of foods not directly under price control—mostly fresh fruits, fresh vegetables, and fresh fish—rose an average of 6.6 per cent, and these foods were 21 per cent higher than in May of this year. Comparison of the controlled and uncontrolled prices show how the OPA program is preventing rapid spirals upward.

For 1943, far-reaching changes are to be felt in our buying and budgeting habits. Before spring, the "point" method of rationing will be in full swing, and families then must decide whether to use up more points of Ration Book Two by purchasing scarcer articles, or use less points by buying more plentiful ones.

By next summer there'll be fewer kinds of canned goods in metal tins on store shelves than at present. Tin-can metals are needed for our war machines. The bulk of our canned food products, if they continue to be sold, will come in glass or other metal—substitute containers. Many of the "fancy" canned goods and delicacies will be unobtainable, and the housewife will be cooking more products sold in bulk or brought in fresh from the farm without passing through a cannery.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl 5 years old. I will go to school next year. For Christmas I would like a color book and doll buggy, a pair of gloves and, if you have one I can wear, I would like a ring with my birthstone in it. My birthday is March 23.

I want a lot of good things to eat. Don't forget Janice and all little girls and boys.

Your little friend,
Sharon Sue Rankin.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl nearly 3 years old. Please bring me a doll buggy and doll, a washing machine, airplane and train. Santa, remember all children in every country in the world.

Lovingly,
Judith Thompson.

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy just 13 months old. I need a teddy bear to play with, a stick horse to ride and some blocks. Please bring me some oranges and candy.

I love you,
Roy Dale Rankin.

Dear Santa:

I am 10 years old and go to school at East Ward. I help my daddy milk. Please bring me a baseball and bat and glove. Bring me some tinkertoys and lots of fruit, nuts and candy.

Your little friend,
Bobby Joe Rankin.

Dear Santa:

I have been a pretty good boy and I wish you would bring me an army truck, doctor's kit and a large set of tinkertoys.

Love,
Lynn Couch.

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl and I would like for you to bring me a big doll with a pink dress on that says "mama" and a doll buggy to put her in and I would like a set of tinkertoys like my brother Lynn's.

Love,
Carolyn Couch.

Phillips, Texas

Dear Santa:

I am still living at Phillips this year and I want a wardrobe trunk with clothes for my 23 inch plastic doll, a cedar chest and a roll top desk, some dishes and bring Z, my sister who is two years old, a doll and rocky horse.

As ever,
Jeanette and Z Swift.

Dear Santa Claus:

I'm seven years old and in the second grade. I would love to have a Red Ryder B-B gun, a Gene Autry capgun and a tool set and some candy, fruit and nuts. Please remember my little niece, Shirrie Ann Smith. She lives in California.

R. J. Dunson.

Samnorwood, Texas

Dear Santa:

We are two little brothers and a little sister. Please bring me, Jimmy (6 years old), a B-B gun and a soldier's suit. I, Carroll Wayne, want a soldier's suit just like my brother wears in the army. I, Patsy Ann, want a comb, brush and mirror, a doll and a house coat. And, Santa, bring us some fruits, candy and nuts. We love you lots and don't forget the boys in service and other little boys and girls.

Lots of love,
Jimmy, Carroll Wayne
and Patsy Ann Morris.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 8 years old. I am in the second grade. I like my teacher very much. I want a doll with real hair and a necklace.

With love,
Joy Martindale.

Dear Santa:

We are twins 9 years old. For Xmas I, Pauline, would like to have a pretty pair of gloves, some surprise toy, apples, oranges, candy, and nuts. I, Paul, would like to have a gun, jeep and some oranges, apples, candy and nuts.

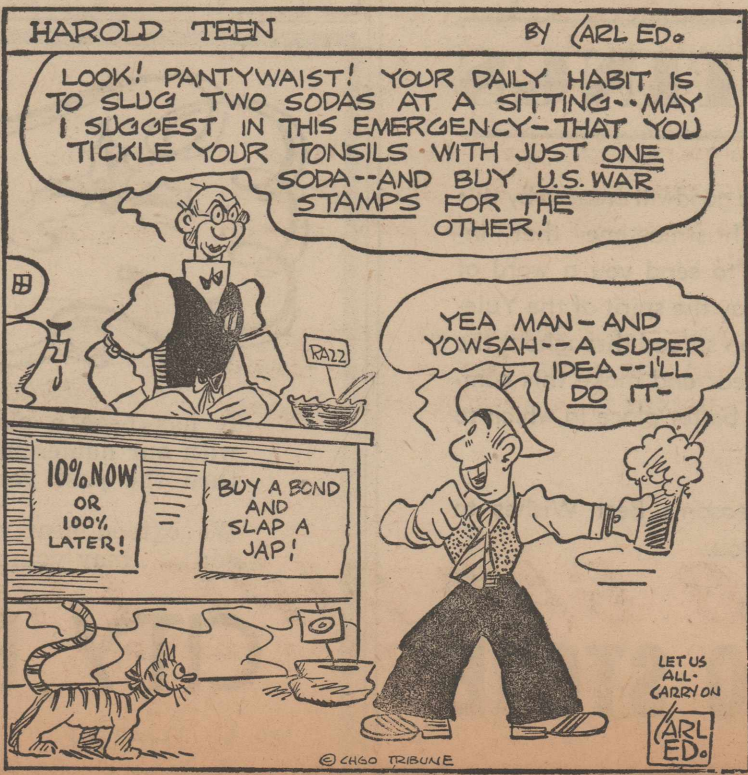
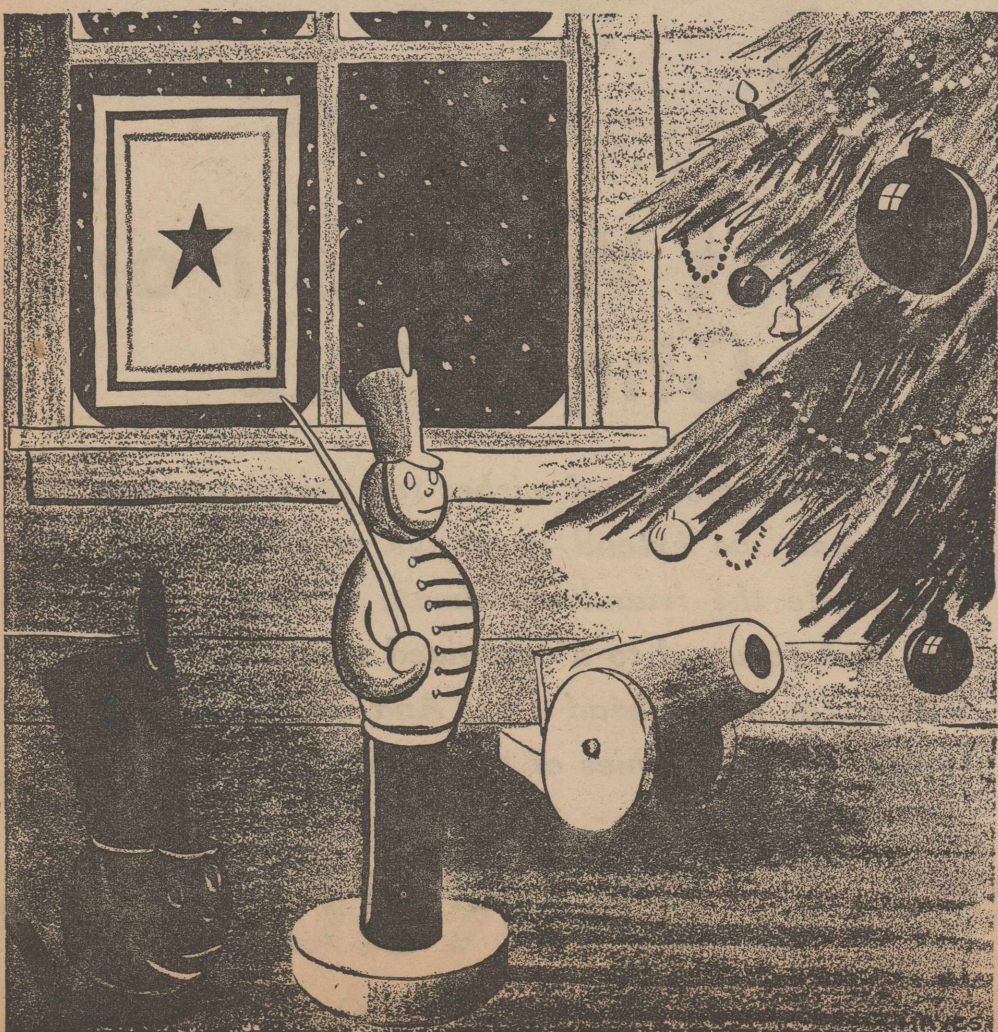
With love,
Paul and Pauline Spear.

TEST YOUR I. Q.

1. How many U. S. warships were launched on the anniversary of Pearl Harbor?
2. The world's largest battleship was recently launched. Can you give its name?
3. A newly launched aircraft carrier has been named after a famous Revolutionary battlefield. What is its name?
4. How many aircraft carriers have been launched in the past 15 months?
5. What innovation in the Jap fleet did Tokyo recently announce?

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"Merry Christmas, We Wish You Were Here"



U. S. Treasury Dept.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

We are two little boys. I, James, am 6 years old, but my birthday was not soon enough for me to go to school this term. I, Ollie, am 3 years old. We help our mother water and feed the chickens and hogs, and bring in water. So, Santa, you bring us anything you have for little boys. Some nuts, candy and fruit. And we will appreciate it.

Your little friends,
James and Ollie Cooper.
P. S.—Please don't forget our little brother, who is only 2½ weeks old, and mother and daddy.

Wellington, Route 2
Dear Santa Claus:

I go to school and am in the 6th grade. I am a girl 12 years old. I want you to bring me an autograph book, manicure set, paint book (the kind that you just wet with a brush and the colors come out. If you don't have that kind, bring me a paper doll book), and a purse with a mirror in it. Please. Well, I guess that will be all for one time.

Your friend,
Louise Cooper.
P. S.—And I want you to bring me a lot of candy and nuts to last me awhile. And don't forget my cousins out in Bloomington, Calif. Their names are Bernie, Fern and Joyce Cooper. And don't forget my mother and daddy.

Vinson, Okla.
Dear Santa:

Will you please bring me a scabbard, cowboy hat, spurs and a barnyard?

Yours truly,
Perry Win Stamps.

Vinson, Okla.
Dear Santa:

I would like you to bring me a gun and scabbard, and a bicycle and I guess that is all.

Yours truly,
Donald Monroe.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a girl 11 years old. I go to school and I am in the 6th grade. For Christmas I would want you to bring me a purse, an autograph and a manicure set. And bring me some nuts, candy, apples and oranges. I would appreciate it a lot. Don't forget my little brother, Nolan Gordon.

Your friend,
Dorris Cooper.

Loco, Texas

Dear Santa:

I am nine years old and in the fifth grade. For Christmas I want you to bring me a story book, a pair of house shoes and a B-B gun. Don't forget my sick friend, Don Lockhart.

Your friend,
Buddy Ray.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy four years old. I've been a very good boy this year. Please bring me a wagon, guns and a cowboy suit.

Love,
Phyllis Lee Cobb.

Wellington, Route 2

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 3 years old. I have been a good little boy this year. For Christmas I want a football, train and plenty of fruit, nuts and candy.

Love,
Jerry Don Godbey.

Be Quick To Treat Bronchitis

Chronic bronchitis may develop if your cough, chest cold, or acute bronchitis is not treated and you cannot afford to take a chance with any medicine less potent than Creomulsion which goes right to the seat of the trouble to help loosen and expel germ laden phlegm and aid nature to soothe and heal raw, tender, inflamed bronchial mucous membranes. Creomulsion blends beechwood creosote by special process with other time tested medicines for coughs. It contains no narcotics. No matter how many medicines you have tried, tell your druggist to sell you a bottle of Creomulsion with the understanding you must like the way it quickly allays the cough, permitting rest and sleep, or you are to have your money back. (Adv.)

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl and will be 7 years old some time between the wee hours of February 28 and March 1. You see, I won't have a birthday as it comes the 29th of February and that won't be again until I am eight years old. For Xmas I would like to have a study desk and a real office chair with it. For, you see, I am in school now and will have a lot of studying to do. Also a nurse's kit, a game of some kind and anything else that you think a little girl of almost 7 would enjoy. Of course, some fruit, candy and nuts. Be sure and go to see my granddad and grandmother Curtner in Wellington. You will find me in Fort Worth this year and the rest of my family are here, too. I still have a lot of little playmates in Wellington that I want you to be

sure and go to see. Also the new ones that I have come to know in Fort Worth. Santa, be sure and remember Marjorie. She is not with us this year. She is still at Wellington.

Love,
Edna Bess Curtner.
P. S.—I try to be good, but sometimes my mother says I don't even know how, but I promise I will keep on trying.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl six years old and this is my first year to go to school. I like my teacher fine and I try to be a good little girl. Please bring me a big doll, doll buggy, iron and ironing board for Christmas. Don't forget candy, fruit and nuts.

Your little friend,
Genevieve Bartlett.

Wellington, Route 6

Dear Santa Claus:

I am 10 years old and I want a bracelet for Christmas. My little sister is 5 years old and she wants a little stove and a cabinet.

Your friend,
Lela Daphene Terry.
P. S.—I want lots of nuts and candy.

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy 8 years old. I try to be nice and study my lessons good. Do you think you will have an extra gun or something to spare me? Please, sir, I'll appreciate any toys, candy, fruit or most anything you can bring this time. Please remember my mother, father, sister and little brother.

Thanks a lot.
Jimmie R. Scott.

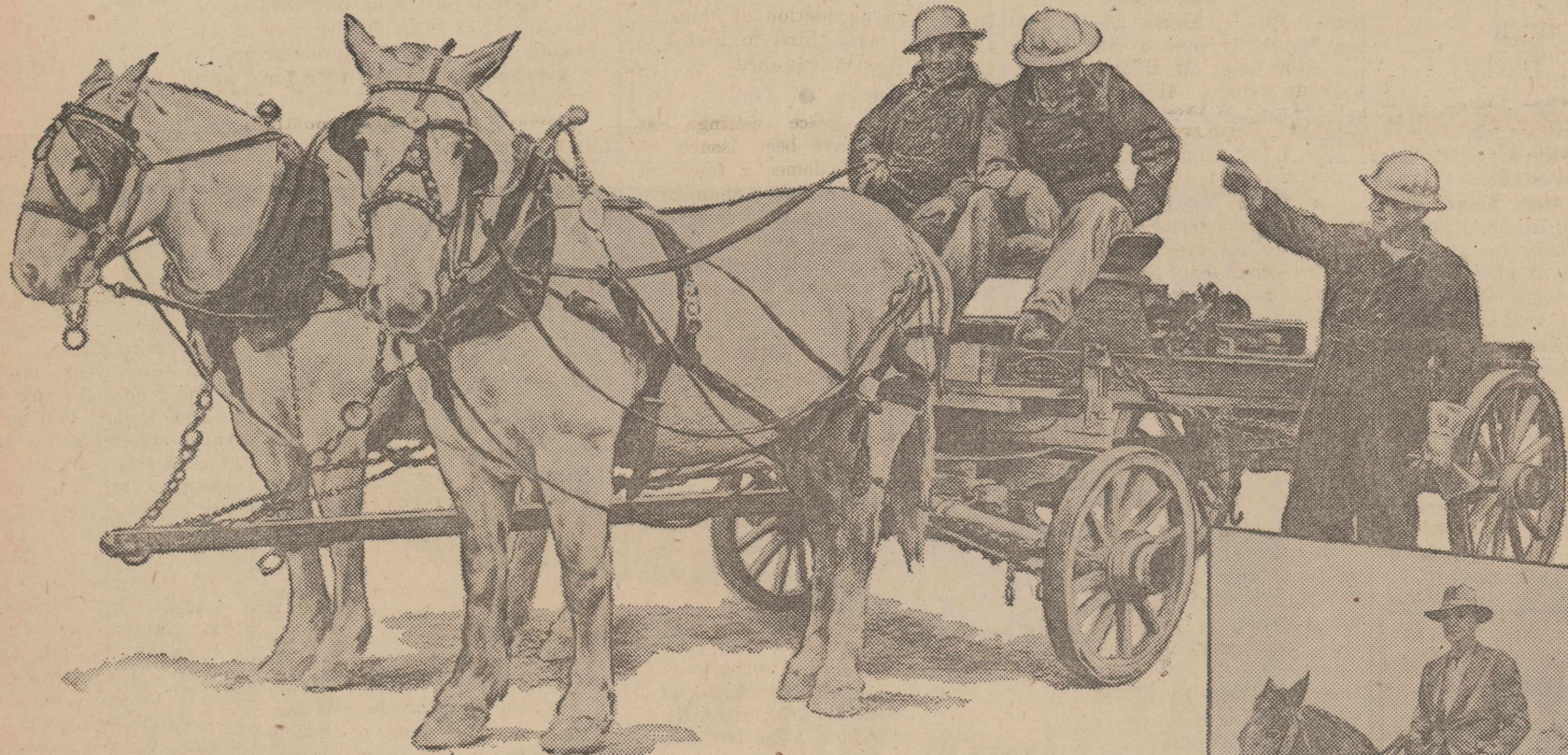
THE SOFT GLOW OF CHRISTMAS CANDLES

Brings to our minds the true value of friendships—and leads us to ponder over the many deeds of kindness that have been extended us in the past.

We are indebted to you for these kindnesses and the thoughtfulness back of them, and desire to extend compliments of the Season to you, one and all!

Piggly Wiggly

Brown Lamb, Manager



THE OLD GRAY MARE IS WHAT SHE USED TO BE

• On many an important job throughout our Companies' properties, the purr of the gasoline motor has been replaced by the sound of horses' hoofs, as old Dobbin goes back to work for us, helping deliver the Gas.

Horse transportation isn't fast. Often it means inconvenience and hardship. But saving precious tires is a patriotic duty, as well as a necessity.

Our No. 1 job—like that of all citizens—is helping to win the war. For us, that means keeping a constant flow of Natural Gas going

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Today, because of greatly increased demands for Natural Gas and because the building of pipe lines must be kept to the minimum to conserve steel, all of us can help in our country's war effort by careful use of this precious fuel. The Gas you save will help build more armaments for Victory.



The Gulf South

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UNITED GAS PIPE LINE COMPANY AND ASSOCIATED COMPANIES

BUY A SHARE IN VICTORY ★ BUY U. S. WAR BONDS AND STAMPS



To all our friends we extend hearty expressions of friendship and wishes for your best-of-everything during the year to come.

But, specially do we wish for our boys at the front and those in training for war a very brave Christmas and greatest success in winning for themselves and their loved ones the Four Freedoms—Freedom from fear and want . . . Freedom of speech and religion.

These are our sincerest wishes for the season.

SERVICE BARBER SHOP

P. R. DICKEY — CICERO GULLEY, Prop.

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FOR SALE

FOR SALE—101 acres, 3 miles east of Wellington on Mangum highway; well improved, running creek, bermuda grass pasture, sub-irrigated; modern house. See J. S. Driskill. 24-2-p

FARMS FOR SALE—322 acres mile south of Swearingen school house, \$20.00 per acre, 200 acres crop land, 77 acres cotton, all terraced. 787 acres three miles northwest of the school house (west of Jett Roberts) \$15.00 per acre. 533 acres crop land, 170 acres cotton. Creek water. Both places have little improvements. Cash spent on repairs can be considered in agreeing on down payment. Balance ten payments at 6%. Both leased to oil companies 25c per acre, one-half of mineral royalties reserved. Write R. J. Thorne, 1115 Commerce street, Dallas, Texas. 24-6-c

FOR SALE—4 weaning pigs, extra good, also would trade F-12 Farmall tractor for larger tractor. 24-1-p

160 ACRES of land for sale. 125 in cultivation. Rest in grass. 8 miles east of Lutie. See me. H. A. Marchbanks. 24-4-p

JOHN DEERE TRACTOR with implements for sale. Good rubber. Also 4-wheel trailer with cotton sideboards and good casings. F. C. Fuson. 24-2-p

FOR SALE—80 acres, 3-4 mile west of Salt Fork Church. O. B. Wilson. 24-2-p

FOR SALE—80 acres land. Four and fourth miles south, southwest corner town section. Fair improvements. Virrel E. Roberts. 24-2-p

FOR SALE—4-piece bedroom suite. 500 8th street, Robert Belew. 24-1-p

MR. FARMER! I have a black mare, smooth mouth, weight 1400 pounds. Fat. Will work anywhere. Guarantee her to be free of all defects. Price \$40. Roy Stafford. Route 3, 6 miles west of town. 24-3-c

FOR SALE—160 acres 4 miles south, 1½ miles west of southwest corner of town section. E. C. Crawley. 23-3-p

4 MULES for sale or trade at my place 8 miles east of Lutie. H. A. Marchbanks. 23-4-p

FOR SALE—40 shoats and pigs. Must sell all together. Harris Royal, half mile north on old Quail Highway. 23-3-c

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Improved 645 acres. 480 fine

grass. Balance cultivated. 6 miles northwest Mobeetie. Trew Brothers, Route 2, Wellington. 23-3-p

FOR SALE OR TRADE—640 acres 10 miles southwest Wellington. 500 acres cultivated. Well and lots. Trew Brothers, Route 2, Wellington, Texas. 23-3-p

FOR SALE—White Leghorn hens and pullets. E. U. B. Lockhart. Mile east of town on Mangum highway. 22-3-p

LOST

LOST—White male Spitz dog. Answers to the name Rowdy. \$5.00 reward. C. R. Neese, phone 905F3. 23-2-p

MISCELLANEOUS

HERE IS A BREEDER you need. Big bone Poland China boar pig, 5 months old, registered. IF you need a pig, you'll buy this one. See Mrs. Leona Carson near Methodist Church. 24-1-p

TIME To Set Out Evergreen, Fruit Trees and Shrubs of all kinds. We have them at reasonable prices. See T. B. Starkey. 13-tfc

STRAYED

STRAYED—A 1-year-old red heifer, weighing about 450 lbs.; bought at the sale from Mrs. Black. Notify John Jackson, 3 miles east, ½ mile south of Wellington. 23-1-c

WANTED

WANT TO BUY—Second hand Ford Tractor. R. L. Simpson. 5 miles south on highway. 24-3-p

WANTED—Good beauty operator. Good salary. Powder Puff Beauty Salon. Childress, Texas. 22-7-p

WANTED—100,000 rats to kill with Ray's Rat Killer. Sells for 50c and \$1.00. Harmless to anything but rats and mice. Guaranteed at Pruden Drug. 10-16-p

I AM shipping hogs from Wellington every Tuesday and Wednesday. Will pay you highest possible price for your hogs. Harley Kern, phone 411. 32-tfc

WE ARE Paying Top Prices for scrap iron, steel and motor cast. See us before you sell. Eads Produce. 10-tfc

NOTICE



Meets each Thursday Night, 9:00 P. M.

J. R. Lawson, Noble Grand
Fred Kersten, Secretary

Stated meeting of Wellington Lodge No. 763 A F & A M second Thursday each month at 8:30 p. m.

Members urged to attend. Visitors welcome.

WILBUR LEVEQUE, W. M.
FRANK ANDERSON, Sec'y.



HOLIDAY HONEY
A New York creation that will make many a girl happy during Xmas holidays! It is blue pastel rayon crepe trimmed with self ruching that crosses the bodice and marches down to form real pockets. Also comes in other gay pastels.

Mary Katherine Hutcherson Weds Sgt. Barjenbruch In Rites Sunday

In a ceremony of simplicity and dignity, solemnized Sunday morning at 9:00 o'clock at the First Baptist Church, Miss Mary Katherine Hutcherson, daughter of Mrs. A. N. Hutcherson, became the bride of Sergeant William Barjenbruch, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Barjenbruch.

Pre-nuptial music was given by Mrs. Tom Campbell, who sang "Because," accompanied by Mrs. John C. Harper, who also played the wedding music.

The vows were spoken by the Rev. H. H. Kinkeade, pastor of the First Baptist Church, before an altar banked with fern, white snapdragons and pink carnations. For her wedding, the bride wore a beige crepe dress and carried a bouquet of pink roses and white narcissuses, tied with pink streamers.

Mrs. Barjenbruch was graduated from Wellington High School with the class of 1931. She has attended Hardin Simmons University at Abilene, West Texas State College at Canyon, and North Texas State Teachers College at Denton. At the latter place she was a member of the widely known A Capella Choir of the school. At the time of her marriage she was a teacher in the Wellington school system.

The groom is also a graduate of Wellington High School, having completed his work in 1930. He later attended Hemphill Deisel Engineering School in California. He was employed by the Sullivan Furniture and Implement Co. before entering the United States Army Air Corps. At present he is engaged in technical teaching at the Army Air Corps Glider School at Dalhart.

Reception

After the wedding, a reception was held at the home of the bride's mother. Mrs. Fred LeDerer and Mrs. Jimmie Richards served the two-tiered wedding cake, while Mrs. Cecil Leggett was in charge of the bride's book.

Guests attending the wedding and reception were Mr. and Mrs. Lee Fortenberry, Mr. and Mrs. Fred LeDerer and son, James Frederick, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Richards, Mrs. Loyd Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Pink Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Eikenburg, and children, John and Madeline, Dr. and Mrs. John W. Harper, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Harper, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Leggett, Dr. J. Frank Johnson, Mrs. J. A. Dukeminier, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Martin, Rev. and Mrs. H. H. Kinkeade, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Campbell and children, Tommie Ann and Tim, Mrs. J. L. Burt, Miss Dela Bee Burt, Miss Mary Alston, Miss Bonnie Jean Smith, Miss Delia Cowans, Robert Barjenbruch, and Mr. and Mrs. John Barjenbruch, parents of the groom, and Mrs. A. N. Hutcherson, mother of the bride.

Immediately following the reception, the couple left for a short wedding trip. As her going away suit, the bride selected a black wool suit with a white blouse and multicolored accessories. With this, she wore a corsage of gardenias.

Mrs. Jake Leach, Mrs. Jake Crouch and Mrs. Duk Abernethy left Saturday for Cheyenne, Wyoming, where they will spend Christmas with their husbands, who are stationed at Fort Francis E. Warren.

Newell Oxford received treatment this week for a dislocated shoulder.

Odd Fellows To Have Xmas Program Thursday Evening

The I.O.O.F. Lodge and Rebekahs will observe their Christmas activities jointly with a gathering at the Lodge Hall on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24. A lighted Christmas tree will be featured.

A short program will be presented by members after which gifts will be distributed. All members are urged to be present with a gift to place on the tree.

Mrs. Buster Hughes Hostess At Co-Workers Christmas Party

Mrs. Buster Hughes was hostess to the Co-Workers Club with a Christmas Party at her home Thursday evening, December 17. She was assisted by Mrs. Glenn Brickey.

Highlight of the evening was a visit from Santa Claus, who distributed polyantha gifts and Christmas gifts to the members. He also delivered refreshments consisting of sacks of popcorn balls, candy, apples, oranges and nuts.

Attending were Mmes. J. K. McGill, J. C. Dean, Leona Carson, Nora Jones, R. S. Montague, J. A. Dukeminier, Stella Mattox, Ray Love, C. A. Dennis, Bill Callahan, Fred Kersten, Ervin Kersten, Jake Leach, Dewey Vandiver, Vivian Vandiver, Morgan Tucker, Hazel Williams, S. F. Hughes, Brickey and the hostess, Mrs. Hughes.



WE'RE GLAD IT'S CHRISTMAS

We're glad because it is the one day of the year when it is possible to cast aside the artificial dignities of every day living—the one day of the year when people can be themselves and express sentiments that are too often suppressed. May we resolve to strive for a continuation of this wholesome attitude throughout the coming year, with more tolerance toward all, with a genuine spirit of brotherhood prevailing in our every transaction.



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The Wellington, Texas

Thursday, December 24, 1942

Finch-Rainey Wedding Revealed Here This Week

Mr. and Mrs. Ace Rainey of near Samnorwood have announced the marriage of their daughter, Miss Merle Rainey, to Bill Finch of the United States Coast Guard.

The ceremony was performed at Sayre, Okla., Monday, November 30.

Both the bride and groom are widely known in the Samnorwood area. Mr. Finch graduated from Samnorwood High School, where he was an outstanding basketball player during the years from 1938 to 1941.

The bride was a senior student at Samnorwood at the time of her marriage.

Immediately following the wedding, the groom left to resume his duties at Jacksonville, Florida. Mrs. Finch left recently to join her husband. They will make their home at Jacksonville.

Mrs. Alf Wynn Is Speaker At P. T. A. Friday

Mrs. Alf Wynn discussed "Courage for Crisis" before members of the East Ward Parent-Teachers Association Friday afternoon at the regular meeting of the group.

Entertainment features of the program carried out the holiday theme, and included a playlet, "Four Little Girls," by fourth grade pupils; three songs by the grade school chorus, "Christmas Hymn," "Santa's Brownies," and "Silent Night." A poem, read by Louise Wynn, closed the program.

Mrs. Herschel Combs, president, was in charge of the business session.

Mrs. Wynn's room won the one dollar award for having the most mothers present.

Couples Club Entertained With Annual Yule Party

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Owen were hosts to the Couple's Club at their annual Christmas party Sunday afternoon, December 20.

In games that were played during the afternoon, Herber Brantley was declared winner for the men and Mrs. Bryan Denley for the women. Gifts were distributed from a Christmas tree. Later the guests went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Truman Jones where more games were played.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur LeVeque, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Terry, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Denley, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ezell, Mr. and Mrs. Heber Brantley, Mr. and Mrs. Jones, and the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Owen.

Christmas Bridge Is Given For Excelsior Club

Mrs. Esdile Bartlett was hostess to the Excelsior Club at their traditional Christmas Party at her home Thursday evening, December 17.

Bridge was played during the evening, with high score going to Miss Inez Leach. Cut prizes were won by Miss Effie Lee Richards, Miss Hattie D. Wells, Mrs. Ruth Barton and Mrs. Bryan Denley.

Christmas decorations were used throughout the entertaining rooms.

In the dining room greenery, fruit and candles were used effectively in decorating the buffet, while the lace covered table was centered with a gumdrop-tree.

Miniature poinsettias were given as favors.

Refreshments of ribbon sandwiches, fruit cake with whipped cream, and hot punch were served to Mmes. Cecil Leggett, Ruth Barton, L. C. Lehmberg, Wilbur LeVeque, S. B. Owen, Bryan Denley, and Misses Dela B. Burt, Mary Alston, Bonnie Willis, Bessie Jean Willis, Bonnie Jean Smith, Katherine Schellenberg, Effie Lee Richards, Inez Leach, Hattie D. Wells, Loeva Pierce, and the hostess, Mrs. Bartlett.

Molly Ann Denley Honored With Party On Third Birthday

Mrs. Bryan Denley honored her small daughter, Molly Ann, with a party on her third birthday Monday, December 4, at the Denley home.

The small guests played games until the birthday cake, topped by candles in pink candle holders in the shape of tiny birds, was brought out. The group sang "Happy Birthday" as the honoree blew out the candles. Jello was served with the cake, and candy canes were given as favors.

Guests included Betty Elliott, Nancy Elliott, Linda Lee Brantley, Judith Thompson, Kay Frances McKinney, Mary Jane Hiett, Freddie Hackler, John Alf Thomas, and Mmes. Zook Thomas, Hook Elliott and Vince Thompson.

Anna Mae Coffey Weds Pfc. Owens In Hollis Rites

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Coffey of Tipton, Oklahoma, have announced the marriage of their daughter, Miss Anna Mae Coffey, to Pfc. Lawrence Owens of Dodson.

The single ring ceremony was read Friday, December 11, by Min. J. W. Webb, pastor of the Hollis Church of Christ, at his home.

For her wedding, the bride wore a dress of RAF blue with navy accessories.

Present were Mrs. Webb and Mrs. L. S. Owens.

Mrs. Owens was reared in the Dodson community, but now resides at Tipton. She was educated in the Dodson schools.

Pfc. Owens is the son of L. S. Owens of near Dodson. He received his education there, and made that his home before he entered the United States Army.

The couple will make their home at Del Rio, where Pfc. Owens is stationed at present.

Mrs. C. R. Leggett Hostess To Reapers Class Friday Evening

Members of the Reaper's Sunday School Class of the Baptist Church were entertained at a Christmas party by their teacher, Mrs. C. R. Leggett, Friday evening, December 18.

As a novel form of entertainment, the guests were given jigsaw puzzles, which, when they were put together, formed Christmas greeting cards. Each woman present also described the most pleasant Christmas of her life.

Favors of poinsettias were given, and a dainty salad course was served to Mmes. Lloyd Graham, Cicero Gulley, W. T. Williams, Wayne Cudd, Neil Braboy, Newt Butler, Claude McKinney, Chas. Garrison, Fletcher Curry, Orval Couch, Bailey Hackler, V. L. Moore, Curtis McKinney, Lee Cook, Belle Bradford and the hostess, Mrs. Leggett.

Manney-Zatlo Rites Are Spoken In Wellington Sunday Afternoon

Ruth Scott Weds Elmer Archer On December 11

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Ruth Scott, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Scott of Wellington, to Elmer Archer, also of Wellington. The ceremony was performed in Hollis, Oklahoma, Friday, December 11, at the home of the Methodist pastor.

Mrs. Archer was reared in this section, and attended school at Loco and Wellington. For her wedding, she was attractively dressed in aqua blue with black accessories.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Archer of Santa Monica, Calif., who were Wellington residents until recently. He attended school at Buck Creek and Rolla, and for some time has been employed as a truck driver by Harley Kern.

Attending the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Poteet, Dortha Jane Lindsey and Ross Royal.

The couple will make their home at Santa Monica, Calif., where Mr. Archer will be employed in a defense plant.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Devenport returned Thursday from San Diego, where they had visited since December 6 with their son and daughter, Mrs. M. W. Martin and Bill Devenport.

Miss Mary Belle Zatlo of Wellington became the bride of Mr. Winston F. Manney of Vinson Sunday afternoon, December 20, in a ceremony performed in the home of the bride's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Hutchins, of Wellington.

The vows were read by Elder R. L. Porter in the presence of a few close friends.

For the ceremony, Mrs. Manney wore a gold dress with a pleated skirt and intricately cut blouse. Her accessories were brown, and her corsage was of pink carnations.

The bride is the niece of Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Hutchins, with whom she has made her home for the last two years. She attended school here and at Dallas.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Manney of Vinson. He was reared there, and graduated from high school at that place. Since his graduation he has been engaged in farming.

Present for the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. John Forbis, Mrs. Stanley Larson, Dana Larson, Mrs. R. L. Porter, Miss Neva Harrison, Miss Betty Margaret Berry, Miss Frances Nunnally, Melvin Thomason, Dale Scott, Jiggs Jones, Benton Berry, and Mr. and Mrs. Hutchins.

Immediately following the wedding the couple left for their home at Vinson.

Mrs. Clarence Blevins is a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital.

Holiday Greetings



As we come to the close of another year, it is our sincere hope that the friendliness that has marked our associations in the past will continue and grow stronger as the years go by.

Best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Personality Beauty Shop

There Will Be A Happy Christmas

Many faces familiar to us can't be here this Christmas. A few of the boys are back home, but so many are not going to be and Christmas won't be complete. Try we ever so bravely to observe it as the gay season, it can't be the same.

There will be a Christmas—we hope it's the next—that we will call a merry one. A Christmas with our boys back home and war no longer calling them away. It will really be Christmas then. . . In the old familiar manner with no thought of anxiety to cloud it. Christmas will be a time of peace and joy once again.

First State Bank
Dodson, Texas

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Rt. 2, Wellington
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy 8 years old. For Christmas I would like for you to bring me a gun, football and a Mounty suit. Also bring me some fruit, nuts and candy.
Don't forget all the other little boys and girls that have been good.
With love,
Leon Roy.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy just one year old. I'd like for you to bring me a football and some blocks and, if you have a little wagon about my size, I'd like to have one. Bring me some fruit, nuts and candy.
Please, Santa, don't forget my daddy. You'll find him at Camp Robinson, Arkansas.
With love,
Charles Lee Roberts.

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl 9 years old. I am in the third grade. For Xmas I want a set of dishes, wrist watch, a ball and a Bible to take to church. My brother wants a truck, car, a ball and a doll. He is 4 years old. Don't forget my cousin, Mary, and my brother that is across the ocean fighting. We want you to bring us some candy, fruit and nuts. Don't forget all of my friends at Marietta, Okla., and mother and daddy.
Your friend,
Jean Sanders.

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy 3 months old. This is my first Christmas. I want a new pair of shoes, number 0, a new dress, rattle, rubber doll and candy, fruit and nuts. Don't forget my little uncle, James Kay, who is four. Surprise him with lots of toys. Don't forget Uncle Earnest and Uncle Clenton, who are fighting in Uncle Sam's Army. Remember my 16 uncles and aunts this Christmas. Don't forget mother and daddy.
Your little friend,
Bernice Dale Fincher.

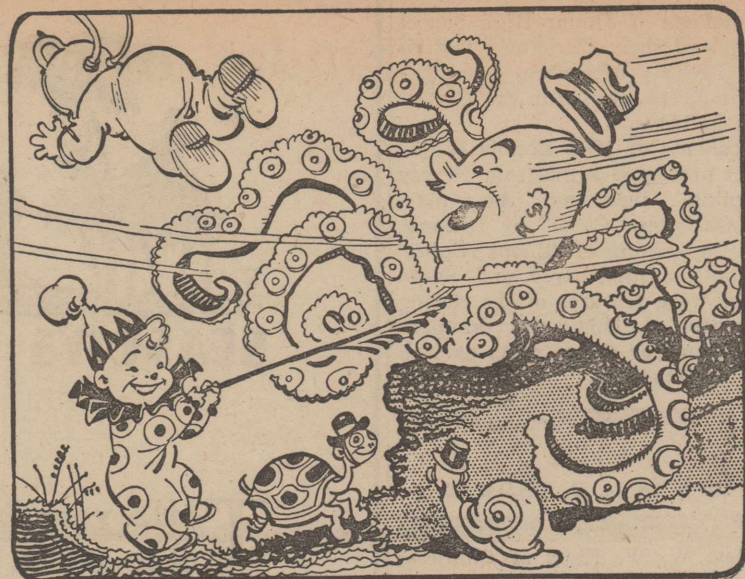
Rt. 3, Wellington
Dear Santa:
I, Jimmie, want a tractor, trailer, and a car.
I, Bobby, want an airplane, car and a tractor. We would like to have candy, nuts and fruit. Don't forget the other little girls and boys.
Your friends,
Bobby and Jimmie Langford.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy. I will be 4 years old Christmas Eve day. For Christmas I want a pop gun, a bear, knife, fork and spoon and a big red wagon. Also some candy, nuts and fruit. Please don't forget my daddy at Toyah, Texas, and don't forget all other little boys and girls.
Love,
Howard Murdock, Jr.

Dear Santa:
Please send me a box of tinker toys, a truck, a pair of red house shoes and some candy, nuts, oranges and apples. And please don't forget all my little schoolmates. I am in the second grade and love my teacher. Bring her something nice.
Your little friend,
Joe Ray Thompson.

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl 13 years old. I want a little baby doll for Xmas. I also want a little housecoat, size 14, and a pair of house shoes. I have been a good little girl. I have been pulling holes this fall and pulled 50 pounds nearly every day.
I love you,
Naoma Coleman.

Adventures of THE TOTTIES



(READ THE STORY, THEN COLOR THE PICTURE AND PASTE IN YOUR SCRAPBOOK)

The diver seemed a frightened man. "We ought to help him if we can," Cried Scouty, "There won't be much use in trying to pull the diver loose." The squid just grabbed and hung on tight. Although they pulled with all their might. "Don't get excited," Shrimpy said. "We'll use some other plan instead." "Run, Duncy! Get some seaweed, quick!" Yelled Scouty, "I've a clever trick. Find seaweed that is nice and long. I'm sure my plan will not go wrong."

"I'll help him get some," Copy said. "I see some growing, just ahead." "Ah, here's a long piece," Shrimpy cried. "Your clever plan can now be tried." "The squid is ticklish. Yes siree! Just tickle him and you will see. Don't be afraid. Walk right up near. There's not a single thing to fear." So Scouty tickled the big squid, Who laughed and squirmed just like a kid. The diver swam with all his might And soon he disappeared from sight.

NEXT WEEK: Duncy is pulled up out of the water.

Dear Santa Claus:
I have been a good little girl this year. I am depending on you to come to my house and leave me some toys. I want a doll, a set of dishes and a little red rocker. Please remember my mother, father and little brother and all the other little boys and girls that have been good. Santa, if you have any left I wish you would bring me lots of candy and nuts.
With lots of love,
Billie Louise Squires.

Dear Santa:
I have been a good little girl. For Christmas I want a doll, doll buggy, a rocker, a little red wagon and fruit and candy. I am three years old. Remember my little sister, Fern.
Loads of love,
Oleta Faye Jones.

Rt. 6, Wellington
Dear Santa:
I am a little boy who is hoping Santa will get around to me this year. I think I have been pretty good this year and I have helped mother and daddy a lot, too.
Would you bring me an Indian suit and a B-B gun. Also I want some nuts and fruit. Don't forget all the other little boys and girls.
Your friend,
Teddy Wayne Brock.

Dear Santa Claus,
I am a little girl 4 years old. I have been a very good girl this year. I want for Xmas a blackboard, chalk, 2 chairs, table, cradle, doll and truck. Also some candy, fruit and nuts.
Merry Xmas,
Rita Montgomery

Rt. 6, Wellington
Dear Santa:
I am a very little girl, and this is my first Christmas so you have never seen me before. You will find me at my grandpa and grandma Wilder's house this year. I would like to have a pretty rattle and anything else you think would be nice for a little girl my age.
Lots of love,
Patricia Ann Wilder.

same being more particularly described in Patent No. 362 shone of record in the Patent Records of Collingsworth County, Texas, levied upon as the property of, and to foreclose any and all interest, right or title or claim of, Nora H. Crowley, Fred Crowley, F. L. Crowley, Edna Crowley, F. L. Crowley as Administrator of the estate of William A. Crowley, Deceased: Dora Bradshaw, Jim Bradshaw, Henry A. Crowley, Pauline Crowley, Vadie Harrison, Huston Harrison, Daisy Freeman, Clyde Freeman, Altha Johnson, Clyde Johnson, Jack Howard, Maurine Howard, Alford Howard, Thelma Howard, Dan Trench, Irene Trench, Eunice Frizell, formerly Eunice Crowley, Frizell, W. H. Overton, Helen Overton, Tip Mooney, and the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, devisees, trustees and assigns, immediate and remote, of William A. Crowley deceased, and that on the first Tuesday in January 1943, the same being the 5th day of said month, at the Court House door, of Collingsworth County, in the Town of Wellington, Texas, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., by virtue of said levy and said Order of sale I will offer for sale and sell at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, all the right, title and interest of the said parties above named as owner or interested in and to said property on May 2nd, 1922 and at all times since.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Wellington Leader, a newspaper published in Collingsworth County. Witness my hand, this 5th day of December 1942.
PAUL BELL, Sheriff
Collingsworth County, Texas. 22-3-c

THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO: S. O. Wilson and J. A. Witherspoon, if dead, their unknown heirs, and legal representatives; John F. Bevers, guardian of the person and estate of Joseph J. Bevers, insane; L. H. Greeson, and the unknown stockholders and legal representatives of Central States Life Insurance Company, a

defunct corporation, Greeting:
You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 11th day of January, A. D., 1943, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable District Court of Collingsworth County, at the Court House in Wellington, Texas.
Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 27th day of November, 1942.

The file number of said suit being No. 3002.

The names of the parties in said suit are: M. L. Huselby as Plaintiff, and S. O. Wilson, J. A. Witherspoon, John F. Bevers, Guardian of the person and estate of Joseph J. Bevers, insane; E. A. Singley, H. E. Singley; L. H. Greeson; E. H. (Elmore) Dodson; Mrs. Maggie Taylor; H. L. Kreis; the unknown stockholders and legal representatives of Central States Life Insurance Company, a defunct corporation, and Lutie Templeton, individually and Executrix of the Estate of R. H. Templeton, deceased, as Defendants.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit: Suit on two vendor's lien promissory notes in the principal sums of \$250.00 each, due and payable on January 1, 1923 and 1924 respectively, bearing 8% interest from date, executed on and bearing date of October 7, 1918, by S. O. Wilson to J. A. Witherspoon or order, secured by a vendor's lien on: All of the Northeast one-fourth (NE 1/4) of Section No. Twenty-nine (29) in Block No. Fifteen (15), H. & G. N. Ry. Co. Surveys in Collingsworth County, Texas, retained in a deed on latter date executed by J. A. Witherspoon to S. O. Wilson. Note and liens duly transferred by J. A. Witherspoon to late Mark Huselby, deceased, testator of plaintiff, plaintiff being present owner of same. Date of payment and lien of half of principal and interest on both notes extended to December 1, 1937, and date of payment and lien of other such half to December 1st, 1938 by late R. H. Templeton, deceased, record owner of above described land May 1st, 1937. Suit for recovery of principal and interest on notes from January 1, 1920 and fees due to date from S. O. Wilson and J. A. Witherspoon and for foreclosure of vendor's lien against all defendants, the balance of whom expect some claim or interest in and to such land. Issued this the 27th day of November, A. D. 1942.

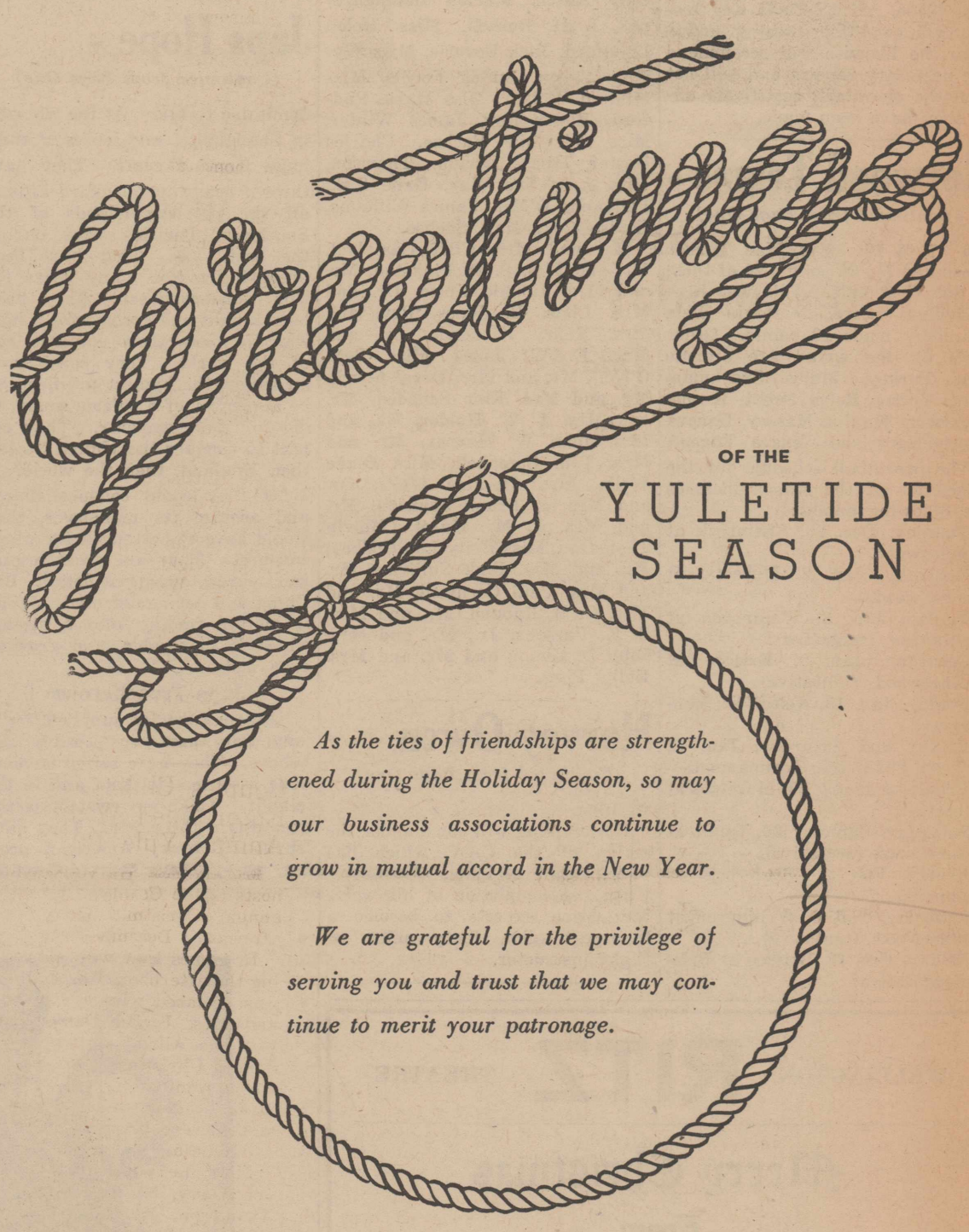
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OF THE
YULETIDE
SEASON

As the ties of friendships are strengthened during the Holiday Season, so may our business associations continue to grow in mutual accord in the New Year.

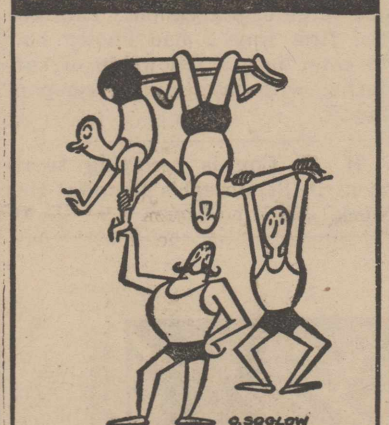
We are grateful for the privilege of serving you and trust that we may continue to merit your patronage.

FOR VICTORY — BUY WAR BONDS

F. A. HATCH

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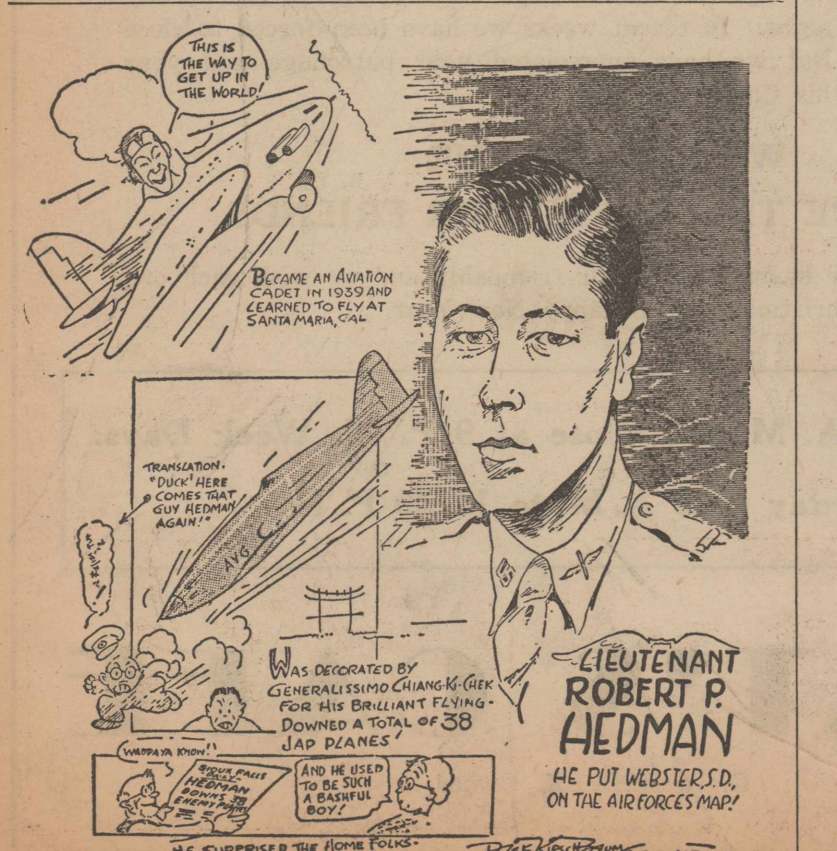
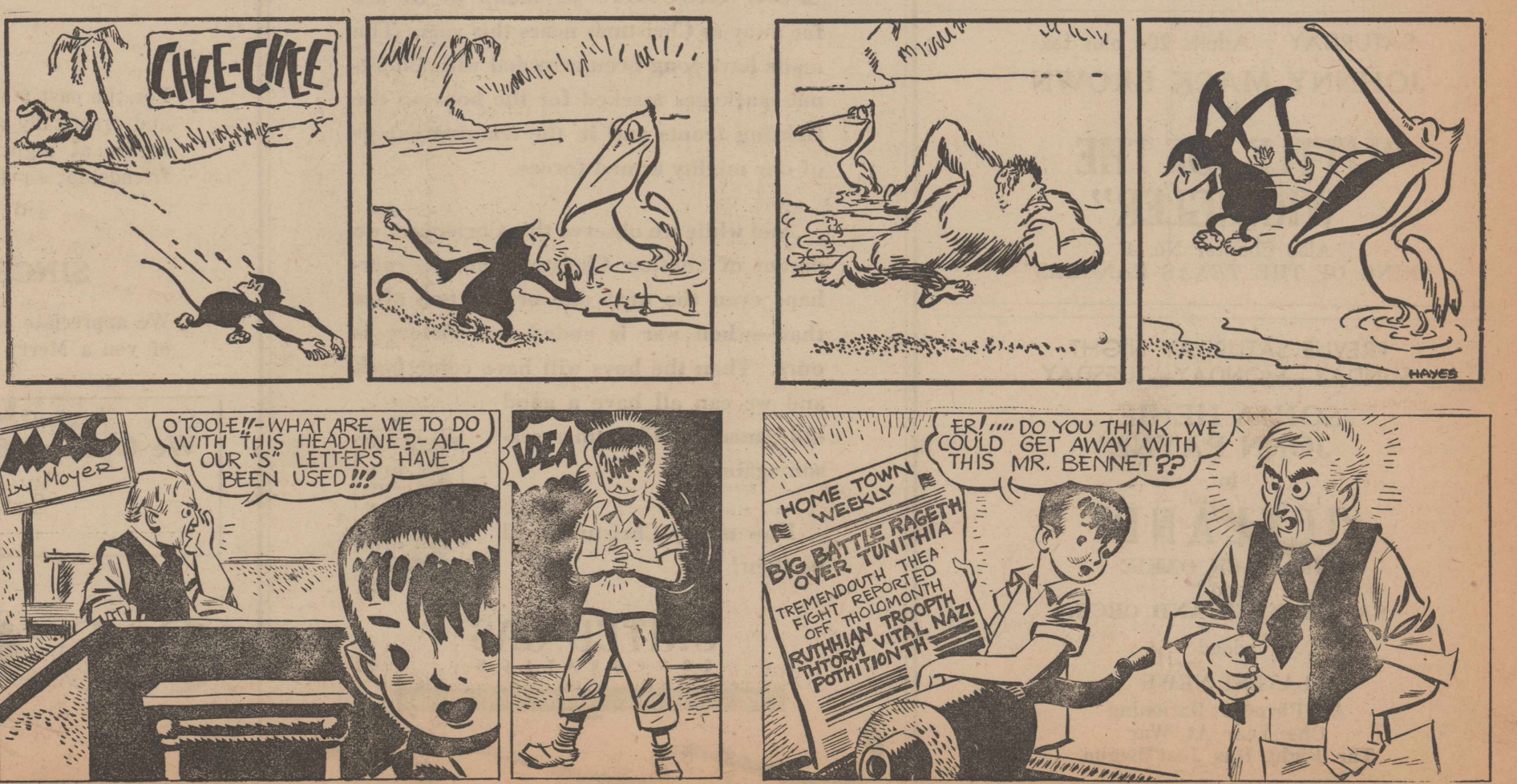
LIBERTY LIMERICKS



Said an acrobat named Ali Ooop,
"I'm constantly telling my troupe—
Pledge all you can raise
For War Bonds, these days,
And Hitler will be in the Soup!"

Help tumble the Axis.
Put a full tenth of your earnings into War Bonds and Stamps—every pay day!

U. S. Treasury Dept.



Commercial Vehicle Owners Urged To Have Tires Tested

Owners of commercial motor vehicles were reminded this week that first tire inspections under Certificates of War Necessity must be made before January 15. N. F. Nelson, Amarillo District Manager for ODT's division of motor transport, urged that operators not wait until the last minute for a rush on approval tire inspectors but begin at once to get the inspections.

A commercial motor vehicle may not lawfully be operated after January 15th without a Certificate of War Necessity and an endorsement by an approved tire inspector on the Certificate, Mr. Nelson said. After the first inspection, vehicles must be presented for inspection every 60 days or every 5,000 miles, whichever occurs first.

Purpose of the periodic tire inspection is to insure proper tire conservation. If an inspector finds that a tire needs repairing to insure maximum service, he will withhold his endorsement of the Certificate of War Necessity or record form covering operations of the vehicle until the repairing has been done. If he finds any mechanical condition causing undue wear, he likewise will recommend the necessary repairs and will not sign the operator's certificate until they have been made.

Norwood Teams -

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ton 47 to 14. Eva Mae Turner accounted for 28 points, 20 of them in the first half. This was high individual score. Captain Lela Marchant made 10 points. Other girls on the squad are Jimmie Rae Purkey, Mary Sparkman, Anne Young, Belva Fritts, Bonnie Ferguson, Maxine Massey, Geneva Montgomery and Geneva Turner.

The basketball schedule for the remainder of the season includes the following games:

Tuesday, Dec. 29, Shamrock at Samnorwood.

Saturday, Jan. 2, Mobeetie at Samnorwood.

Friday, Jan. 8, Wellington at Wellington (tentative).

Saturday, Jan. 9, Briscoe at Samnorwood (tentative).

Friday, Jan. 15, Kelton at Samnorwood.

Friday and Saturday, Jan. 22 and 23, Shamrock Tournament.

Friday, January 29, Mobeetie at Mobeetie.

Saturday, January 30, Quail at Samnorwood (tentative).

Friday, Feb. 5, Shamrock at Shamrock.

Saturday, Feb. 6, Wellington at Samnorwood (tentative).

Friday, Feb. 12, Briscoe at Briscoe (tentative).

Answers To TEST YOUR I. Q.

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1. Nine warships were launched.
2. The giant 52,000-ton battleship New Jersey is largest in the world.
3. The Bunker Hill.
4. Four.
5. Tokyo broadcasts claim the Japs have "a unique type" of aircraft carrier.

Football Team -

Wayne Benson, Miss Christeen Lindley, Don Leach, Miss Dorothy

Norman, Ernest Kendrick, Miss Betty Berry, Dale Scott, Miss

Pearl Ball, Junior Melton, Miss Dorothy Jane Riggs, Wendel Brew-

er, Miss Allene Raburn, Melvin Thompson, Bobby Joe Spears, Gar-

land Radford, Miss Lyla Ryan, Clay Kutch, Marion Baumgard-

ner, I. D. Russell, Miss Helen Langford, Jack Boverie, Miss Wy-

nona Smith, Buddy Forbis, Miss Mildred Walker, Miss Marie Rad-

ford, Elmer Roy, James Winter, Miss Virginia Sachse, Charles

Hester, Miss Earline Thomson, Miss Amy Sue Way, Dane Sisk,

Pollyanna O'Neil, James Williams, Louise Cox, Max Sachse,

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Pinkston, Mr.

and Mrs. Jimmie Kelso, Dr. and Mrs. Chas. B. Jones, Rev. and

Mrs. Henry Kinkeade, Dr. and Mrs. E. W. Jones, Miss Beth

O'Neil, Mr. and Mrs. Orval Couch, Mr. and Mrs. Enis Schaded, Mr.

and Mrs. J. W. Holder, Dr. and Mrs. John W. Harper, Mr. and

Mrs. Tom Campbell, Miss Diane Wells, Mrs. Deskins Wells, Dr.

and Mrs. J. Frank Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hurst, Melvin

Thomason, Miss Betty Lou Godbey, Mr. and Mrs. Pink Sullivan, Mr.

and Mrs. Paul Cornwell, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Raburn, Mr. and Mrs.

S. K. Parsons, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. John D. Glenn, and Mr. and Mrs.

Kelly Pigg.

Harvey Owen -

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training.

His training will come under the set-up of the CAA, which has

been taken over by the Air Corps. Upon the completion of his work,

Mr. Owen expects to become a transport pilot, ferry pilot or

flight instructor.



AIRGRAPH GREETINGS

AEF troops in England are sending thousands of greetings by "Airgraph." In this form of Christmas "V" greetings, letters are photographed on a spool of film and are enlarged in America. A spool of film weighing less than five ounces, like the one shown by Corp. Wesley Green of Chicago, holds 1600 Airgraph letters.

Japs Hope -

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domitable fighters. At the wharves

in Shanghai, I saw scores of their

huge fighting craft. They have

thrown heavy naval guard around

all the precious islands of the

Southwest Pacific seized during

the past year. They have been

preparing many, many years for

this world-conquest. They have

been taught and trained for a holy

war to make their emperor god

of the world. They consider it

an honor, the highest privilege, to

be a member of a suicide squad, to

die for their emperor. They expect

to conquer the United States, then

England, then the world.

"If they could conquer China,

and acquire its manpower, they

would have the strength for world

conquest. They are great organ-

izers, down to the last detail. But

China will not be defeated. Japan

is merely wading into a stream

which is inexorable, and growing

ever deeper.

Japs Treacherous

"Japan is better supplied for a

long war than you possibly can

believe. They have seized tremen-

dous resources in Asia and in the

islands. Their spy system is the

greatest in the world. They have

'shadowed' every American proj-

ect, every American representa-

tive, as completely as they shad-

owed me. No matter where I

went in Suchow, one or more Jap-

anese spies was always near me.

I learned to recognize them. As

a rule, Japan uses Chinese under-

lings—we call them thugs over

here—for this sort of dirty work.

There are many such traitorous

Chinese, of course, in the pay of

the invaders. Japan's spy sys-

tem is all over the world in sim-

ilar detail—and it all operates as

a unit. They regard every Amer-

ican in their part of the world as

necessarily a spy for our govern-

ment—they cannot conceive of his

being there on any other kind of

mission.

"Six months' internment taught

me to learn what hunger is. We

devoted every penny, every bit of

energy, to keeping our work go-

ing on, to keeping Chinese chil-

dren from going hungry.

"The purpose of the Japanese

is to starve out Americans along

with Chinese: that is their plan

of conquest. The Japanese army

and navy are well-fed while mil-

lions of Chinese are constantly on

the verge of starvation. This was

the first time I had known how

to enter into a fellowship of suf-

fering with my Chinese compan-

ions."

H. T. Cox is receiving treat-

ment in St. Joseph's Hospital this

week.

Junior High Students Complete Christmas Activity

Students of Junior High School completed their Christmas festivi-

ties Tuesday afternoon, December

22, in preparation for the Christ-

mas holidays.

Students of Miss Bonnie Willis' room presented a program Friday

morning, including the play, "A Christmas Carol" by Dickens,

and the singing of "Silent Night."

The Christmas tree and Santa Claus were features of the closing

afternoon. This entertainment

was open for the parents as well

as the students.

LILLIE

By MRS. G. D. THOMAS

Rev. W. W. Elam of Childress filled his regular appointment at Lillie Church Sunday morning. Everyone enjoyed the good sermon.

Mrs. Bill Carreker left last week for Oklahoma City to spend the holidays with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Denzil Carreker.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Ashton and daughter, Wilsie, and Mr. and Mrs. Presley Ashton, and Mrs.

Archie Lee Ashton of Dumas spent the week end in the home of Mr.

and Mrs. E. L. Wilson, and E. L., Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. Conard Cass moved last Wednesday to the John

Brown home at Salt Fork church.

We regret losing them from our community.

Too Late To Classify

FOR SALE—Turkey Toms for breeding. Extra good. Also White Leghorn Cockerels. Top quality. Mrs. W. A. Morrow. Route 2. 24-3-p

Women!

Here is a name to remember

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SEASON'S GREETINGS

THIS year has brought many changes in our organization. We wish to express our appreciation of your cooperation in helping us to make our service the best possible.

MAY this Christmas season find you well and happy, and as the New Year unfolds, may you prosper and realize all the things you hoped for in the year past.

Southwestern Associated Telephone Co.

WELLINGTON **RITZ** THEATRE

Merry Christmas
From
THE RITZ Employees

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY
BARBARA STANDWYCK
GEORGE BRENT

in
"THE GAY SISTERS"
with
GERALDINE FITZGERALD
NANCY COLEMAN

SATURDAY Adults 20c plus tax
JOHNNY MACK BROWN

in
"LITTLE JOE THE WRANGLER"
Also Chapter No. 4
"KING OF THE TEXAS RANGERS"

PREVUE SATURDAY NIGHT
SUNDAY—MONDAY—TUESDAY
SONJA HENIE
JOHN PAYNE

in
"ICELAND"
With JACK OAKIE
and
SAMMY KAYE AND ORCH.
added
LATEST NEWS
All Purpose Rationing
One Year At War
The Fight Has Just Begun



HOW MERRY
Christmas
*** WILL BE!

THE THOUGHTS of many of us are far away as Christmas nears this year. The mails have long been crowded with Christmas packages marked for the boys on the fighting fronts and in the training camps of our mighty armed forces.

And while we observe this Christmas, we dream of another Christmas ahead—perhaps even the next one or the one after that—when war is ended and victory is ours. Then the boys will have come back and we can all have a good old American Christmas season again.

How merry Christmas will be then!



UNITED GAS CORPORATION

GOOD GAS SERVICE... More Than Just Gas

An Announcement

At

CHRISTMAS
TIME

On account of the labor shortage, rationing of sugar, coffee, gas and other items, and to give our hard-working employees a rest—

WE WILL BE CLOSED
DECEMBER 25, 26 and 27

For the past 9 years, 4 months and 23 days we have served you all day and practically all night. In recent weeks we have been forced to close earlier at night. But we have appreciated your patronage and your friendship; so at this Christmas time

WE EXTEND OUR
SINCERE THANKS TO OUR FRIENDS

We appreciate your business and your friendship and we wish each one of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We Open at 6 A. M. and Close at 9 P. M. Week Days.

Saturday — 6 A. M. to 11:30 P. M.

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G. B. HOPPER, Owner