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LHS Students Honor Quintet Of Favorites

Orvil Nieman, Jonnie Smith Capture Titles As Best All-Around

Ten Lamesa High school students were honored last week by their classmates as two best all-around and eight class favorites were named. The election, a popular vote deal, was completed last Wednesday.

The election, which rated an "extra" edition of the school newspaper, The Tornado Times, was arranged to select students for the favorites' section of the 1945-46 El Tornado, students yearbook.

Orvil Nieman and Jonnie Smith, president and vice president of the LHS student council for the year, took top honors with their winning of best all-around boy and girl titles. Nieman, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Nieman, was named on the second All-District 3AA football team. He also serves as editor-in-chief of the school newspaper and as president of the Theatians, dramatic group in the local school.

Miss Smith earlier in the year was complimented by the Golden Tornado squad as football sweetheart. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Smith. The high school girl followed in the footsteps of Miss Wynelle Cotten, now a student in Texas Technological College, Lubbock, who was given the same two honors last year.

Runners-up in the best all-around contest were Nancy Hollingsworth and Nancy Walker, Bud Eudy and Pat Patterson.

Favorites of the four high school classes, selected in the balloting last week are Biddy White and Bill Matlock, seniors; Jimmie Lee Cotten and Ray Womack, juniors; Sybil Absher and Hall Barron, sophomores; Anita Magill and Lewis Hogan, freshmen.

AAF Officer Back From European War

First Lt. Roy E. Speck of Lamesa reached home last Thursday on the first lap of his return to civilian life. He came into Boston, Mass., on the USS General Anderson, telephoning his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Speck, from there.

The officer's wife reached Lamesa from Salt Lake City, Utah, Wednesday night. She and the air force officer's father left Lamesa Sunday morning to meet Lieutenant Speck in Dallas.

In AAF intelligence, Lieutenant Speck was attached to the Sixth Airmobile Squadron in the European theater. He served in England, France and has spent the past year in Germany. His overseas service totaled 20 months, and he has been in the air force more than four years.

WEATHER BITTER

Saturday weather was nippy, with a sharp wind causing Christmas shoppers to wrap up their ears and pull on mittens. Temperature minimum for Friday night was 21 degrees, three degrees above the 18-degree low for the season, marked up a week ago.

Gray Liddell, above, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Liddell of Lamesa, arrived home Friday, following his December 11 discharge in San Diego, Calif., from the U. S. Marine. Liddell came in from the Pacific, where he served with the 12th Marine Regiment, Third Division, on Guam and Iwo Jima, on the troop transport, USS Bellinger. He reached the states on November 13, coming from the island of Guam.



HERO HONORS TEXAS—Gen. Jonathan M. Wainwright, famed leader of United States forces on Corregidor and prisoner of war up to V-J Day, is scheduled to honor guest at a chamber of commerce luncheon in Dallas Tuesday. Earlier he was in El Paso and Fort Worth. General Wainwright is not traveling under sponsorship of the national Victory Loan drive, but he has visited cities of his choice throughout the nation as a self-appointed ambassador for the Victory Loan. In the above picture, the Corregidor hero is shown receiving the Congressional Medal of Honor, presented by Pres. Harry S. Truman September 10.

NRLDA Re-Elects S. L. Forrest As President for Another Year In Annual Lumbermen's Session

S. L. Forrest of Lubbock, Lamesa lumber yard owner and city benefactor for the past 21 years, has been re-elected president of the National Retail Lumber Dealers Association Annual election meeting of the organization was held at the Broadmoor Hotel, Colorado Springs, Colo.

Picture of the former Lamesa resident is on the cover of the last issue of American Lumberman, recognized as the nation's authority on lumber and building materials.

Theme of the convention program, around which Forrest built his opening address was "The Building Industry Spearheads the Return to a Peacetime Economy."

The Lubbock man's statement of the problems facing the lumber industry was, "We will be judged on how we serve our customers. If we cannot serve the needs of home owners and building material consumers in the most economical manner, then we have no justification for our existence."

"There has never been a more critical time in the retail lumber industry," he continued. "Free enterprise is on trial and we must perform our functions adequately within our sphere. We must be united and put our undivided effort into solution of our major problems."

At the present time, Forrest told the dealers, there is a close tie between building material manufacturers and lumber retailers with committees representing both groups functioning to find out what dealers need from manufacturers and what the manufacturers need from the dealers.

The industry as a whole must meet the challenge of government bureaus for public housing. Watching legislation is now the number one job of the national association, the NRLDA president pointed out. The industry's relations with OPA require much attention and work on the part of those on industry committees and the staff of the national office.

He concluded his message with a warning that the job is by no means lessening in importance.

Stop-Go Signal Again in Operation

The highway signal light at the corner of South First and Dallas Streets is again in operation. It was installed Thursday, following repairs. As soon as a needed metal pole is secured the light at North First and Dallas will be turned on.

Retired Painter Dies in Lamesa Hospital Friday

George Thomas Morris, 69, Lamesa resident for 21 years, died in a local hospital Friday following a year's illness. Morris, a retired painter, was born at Jacksonville.

Final rites for the Lamesan were held Sunday afternoon in the Higginbotham Funeral Home chapel with Rev. J. D. Murray, local Presbyterian minister, in charge. Burial was in Lamesa Cemetery.

The 69-year-old man was a member of the Methodist Church. He was the father of Mrs. C. L. Houston and Mrs. Agnes Phillips of Lamesa.

Heading the list of survivors are Mrs. Morris, the local man's aged mother, Mrs. Margaret Morris of Palestine, five children and five grandchildren.

His other children are Clyde William Morris of Kansas City, Kas., Charles Morris of Houston and Mrs. Margaret Moffett of Hobbs, N. M.

Surviving sisters and brothers include Mrs. Bob Finley, Crandall; Mrs. Roy Cox, Muskogee, Okla.; Mrs. Frank Price and Marvin Morris, Tyler; Mrs. John Stuart and Bruce Morris, Palestine; E. A. Morris, Palestine; E. A. Morris, Houston; and Carlton Morris, Los Angeles, Calif.

Lamesan Succumbs; Funeral Is Today

Funeral services for Mrs. Bernice Inez Rushing 24, will be held today. Mrs. Rushing, a native of Eastland County, died Saturday at her home in Lamesa.

The arrangements, in charge of Higginbotham Funeral Home, had not been completed Saturday.

Surviving are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dee Petree of Lamesa, and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Petree of Eastland and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Lisenbee of Morton.

Among survivors also are four brothers and two sisters. They are T. J. Eldon, Joseph D. Eldon, Darrell Ray Eldon and Miss Edith Verne Eldon, all of Lamesa; Marvin Eldon of the U. S. Army; and Mrs. D. J. Bessire, O'Donnell.

Yule Decorations Depend on Merchants

Lamesa merchants will be depended on to make the business district as decorative as possible for the Yuletide holidays this year. Old Christmas lights are in a dangerous condition and new ones are not available this year, said City Manager G. T. Hill.

Necessary workers for overhauling the lights, which previously have added holiday festivity to the downtown districts, cannot be found, Hill added. The lights were missing last year and the year before at the government's request.

GRAND JURY REPORTS

December session of the grand jury held Friday resulted in the return of 13 indictments, Dist. Clerk W. W. Petteway reported. The indictments included six cold check artists, three persons charged with theft of over \$50, one for embezzlement, one for child desertion and two for forgery.

Other survivors include three brothers, a sister, Mrs. C. W. Scott of Lamesa, Colo., and his grandfather, T. E. Buttrill, Lamesa. The brothers are Albert Ansley, Lamar, Colo.; Lester Ansley, Santa Fe, N. M.; and Leslie Ansley, now in the army at a California station.

Firemen Answer Two Calls Last Thursday

Small blazes continue to keep Lamesa Volunteer Fire Department in fire fighting trim. Two calls were answered Thursday.

That black smoke Thursday about 10 a. m. that caused people on downtown streets to run in the direction of Lamesa Tin & Radiator Shop was actually across the alley. Old tires and wiring caught fire from an undetermined cause, leaving approximately \$30 damage.

Thursday afternoon's fire alarm was the Fonzo Browns' chicken house fire. Total damage reached \$20, firemen reported.

Lamesa Grad Serves in Guam With Red Cross

Death claimed Mrs. Robert E. Vannoy, 42, Martin County farm woman, in a Lamesa hospital Friday. Mother of four children, Mrs. Vannoy lived in the Tarzan Community, where she was a member of the Baptist Church.

Funeral services for the native Texan took place in the Higginbotham Funeral Home chapel, Lamesa, Sunday afternoon. Interment was in the Tarzan Cemetery.

Mrs. Vannoy is survived by her husband, four children—Mrs. Marvin George, Miss Vera Vannoy and Miss Verlyne Vannoy, all of Tarzan, and Dewayne Vannoy of the U. S. Navy—and two grandchildren.

Other survivors are her mother, Mrs. Sallie Anderson of Levelland; two brothers, F. B. Anderson, Levelland, and J. B. Anderson of the U. S. Marine corps; and four sisters, Mrs. W. C. Ingram and Mrs. Mary Brock, Levelland; Mrs. I. E. Welch, Tarzan; and Mrs. J. D. Britt, Phoenix, Ariz.

Army Recruiter Speaks to Club

Capt. Wayne Hall, head of the army recruiting office at Big Spring, was guest speaker at the Rotary Club luncheon Friday in the Plaza Hotel dining room. He explained the drive for recruits for military service.

"Men may enlist for a period of months and benefit by the GI Bill of Rights, the same as men in service during the war. In addition, men enlisting before they are drafted have a choice in the selection of service," he told the Rotarians.

Response to the enlistment program, Captain Hall pointed out, has been fairly satisfactory, but more attention will be given the procurement program after the holidays.

The officer introduced Sergeant Baird, who will be stationed in a recruiting office in the post office basement until January 15.

Christmas party for Rotarians and their guests has been called off, President Sam Jenkins announced, because of the lack of facilities for serving.

Visitors at the luncheon Friday were Earl Henderson, Dr. Wells Lovelless, Guy Orr and Calloway. The few military planes that tra-

FCA Man Makes Emergency Loans

Seed loans under the classification of Emergency Crop Loans are being made in Lamesa each Saturday and Monday mornings in the courthouse basement. In charge of the Farm Credit Administration loans here is Joe Medlin, field supervisor.

Early installments of the loan may be advanced, he said, for purchase of feed or fuel oil in preparing the land as well as for seed, fertilizer and supplies. Security for the \$400-maximum loans is a first mortgage on the crops to be financed, Medlin added.

Veteran Mail Carrier Resigns Local Place

H. B. Glover, 512 North Bryan, will leave Lamesa this week after serving as rural carrier on Route C since July 1, 1925. Glover is resigning his place, and he and Mrs. Glover will move late this week to Hot Springs, N. M.

The veteran mail carrier gave health as the reason for his resignation. He came to Dawson County 21 years ago from Electra, delivering the route mail in a temporary capacity until his official appointment.

Glover said Saturday that he had thoroughly enjoyed serving the Route C patrons. "I want to express appreciation for the many favors and kindnesses shown me during my lengthy service as route carrier by Route C people," he added.

DAV MEETS THURSDAY

Meeting of the local Disabled American Veterans organization is scheduled for Thursday night, 7:30 o'clock, Temporary Commander R. L. Price announced that the regular session would be held in the recreation hall at the city park.

Yule Concert Slated For Tuesday in LHS Auditorium

Band and Chorus Join Hands to Present Yearly Program Before Lamesans

Annual Christmas concert of the Lamesa high school music departments will be presented in the high school auditorium Tuesday night at 8 o'clock. The holiday event will feature 60 bandsters and 55 students in a mixed chorus, all under direction of Richard Young.

General admission will be 30 cents, with proceeds going into a fund to buy letter sweater awards for the band.

Opening the program, the Lamesa High School Band will play a group of six numbers, directed by H. L. Crouch, student leader.

The selections will be "March of Youth," a concert march by Olivetti; "Silver Chord Overture" by O'Neil; "Jingle Bells March" arranged by Adams; "Desert Song" from Romberg's "The Desert Song," "The Whistling Farmer Boy and His Dog" by Fillmore and "Merry Minstrel's March" by McCaughy.

Jane Rowen, student pianist, will play Chopin's "Polonaise" as a piano solo.

A trio of numbers by the mixed chorus will follow—"Moonlight Madonna" by Fitch-Scott, "White Christmas" by Berlin and "Prayer" from "Hansel and Gretel" by Humperdinck.

Young's girls' glee club is scheduled to sing "The Lord's Prayer" by Morse.

Closing the program, the chorus will be presented in a medley of Christmas carols. Included will be "Hark, the Angels Sing," "O Come All Ye Faithful" and "Silent Night, Holy Night."

Nancy Hollingsworth is accompanist for the student singers.

A Christmas party at the Lamesa County Club following the concert will be complimentary to the two music organizations. Details for the party have been arranged by band officers.

Paper Will Be Collected Friday December 22nd

The ladies of the Home Demonstration Council will collect paper again Friday, December 22, at two p. m. Please put your paper on the curb before two o'clock.

A special plea is made that all paper and magazines be tied securely in bundles or packed in corrugated boxes. The room the paper is stored in is cold and the women hope it will not be necessary to re-tie the paper.

Do not tie newspapers and magazines together.

Do not place paper on curb if it is freezing or snowing. A collection date will be announced later. Approximately 900 pounds of paper was collected on Friday, December 7. It takes 41,000 pounds to fill a car.



WAINWRIGHT AT EL PASO—General Jonathan Wainwright who visited Fort Bliss at El Paso December 13, poses before a painting of Custer's last stand. (AP Photo).

DESERT LIFE IS DRINKLESS. ANIMALS FIND

AP Newsfeatures
TUSCON, Arizona — Proof that many animals of the desert can sustain life on the moisture derived from foodstuffs alone now has been established.

In experiments continuing since 1930 Dr. Charles Vorhies of the University of Arizona has confirmed that drinking water is not required by millions of kangaroo rats, wood rats, ground squirrels, jack rabbits and possibly other animals of the southwest, although they are no different structurally than any other animal.

"There is hardly a more intriguing or less understood problem of the arid regions of the world than that of the means by which some of the animals of these areas exist without visible sources of water supply," says Dr. Vorhies.

"The prairie dog, obviously anchored to its villages or towns, is unable to go miles for drink, was for many years supposed to burrow down to water. Not until more scientifically minded men determined the actual burrow depth of 12 to 14 feet and pointed out that near the rim of the Grand Canyon where the nearest water is a 'mile down,' prairie dogs nevertheless lived contentedly, did we begin to seek another answer," says Dr. Vorhies.

Dr. Vorhies' studies were inaugurated with a battery of climatic instruments set up in and around a typical mound of the kangaroo rat, which look like tiny kangaroos from three to seven inches long.

Although the surface soil outside their dens reached 155 degrees in summer, although they lived on a diet with a high proportion of air-dry foods — mainly seeds — these animals never take any drinking water.

VICTORY LOAN LAGS

Approximately 30 per cent of the Victory Loan E bond quota was met last Wednesday. Total sales in E bonds were \$73,112,500. Chairman J. P. White reported, against a \$250,000 quota. Overall bond purchases in Dawson County added up to \$181,897,500, he said. Three men's civic clubs are now on the pushing end of the drive.

The only two continents on which birds have become extinct in historic times are Australia and America.



SEASONS GREETING
TO OUR FOLKS IN
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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS FROM JAPAN—Texans with the occupational forces in Japan send a Christmas greeting to the folks back home from the American Red Cross club in Tokyo. Kneeling, left to right: Pfc. Joe C. Taylor, Rt. 1, Temple; Pvt. John T. Bass, 4242 Frank St., Dallas; Front row, left to right: Pfc. Coy Reeves, 503 East 2nd St. Tyler; Sgt. Raymond A. Cheney, Hallettsville; Pvt. Tommy H.

Griggs, 301 W. Linda, Fort Worth; Pvt. Cecil F. Jones, 2826 St. Louis, Fort Worth; Pfc. Dwight B. McCann, Coahoma, Back row, left to right: T-3 Elton J. Ford, 1210 Larue, Houston; Pvt. Robert T. Garbs, Crosby; Pfc. Robert P. Ramon, 2717 Cline St., Houston; Pvt. Adin M. Hardin, Grapevine; Pvt. William W. Clifford, Graham; Pvt. Charles G. Jones, 410 Runnels St., Big Spring. (AP Photo from Red Cross).

Thar's Burs In Them Thar Hills

PLATTE VALLEY, Neb. (AP)—While hunting, Bob Lorentzen got a sandbur in his mitten and tried to remove it with his teeth. At the same time he took a deep breath. The sandbur went down his throat and Lorentzen went to a hospital to have it removed from his lung.

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Medicos' Research Kept Jump Ahead Of Pacific Yanks

FORT SHAFTER, T. H. (AP)—The high standard of health of American troops in Japan, China and Korea can be attributed partly to Army laboratory scientists who benefited from knowledge gained in treating sick Japanese.

Japanese prisoners, soldiers and civilians alike, were given expert care by American "disease sleuths." Working in teams, the highly specialized technicians were flown by special planes to contaminated areas whenever field hospitals reported any new type of disease among captured enemy populations.

Identification of the disease, isolation of the infecting organism and the prescription of treatment helped save Japanese lives as well

as prevent the disease from spreading to American troops.

Nine months before the invasion of Okinawa, Army technicians had discovered what microscopic enemies to expect there. That was shortly after American troops had taken Saipan, where soldiers and civilians who had resided previously on Okinawa were found to be infected with filariasis, a blood parasite transmitted by mosquitoes which attacks and blocks its victims' lymph glands, and Japanese B-encephalitis, a form of sleeping sickness presumed to be caused by the mosquito.

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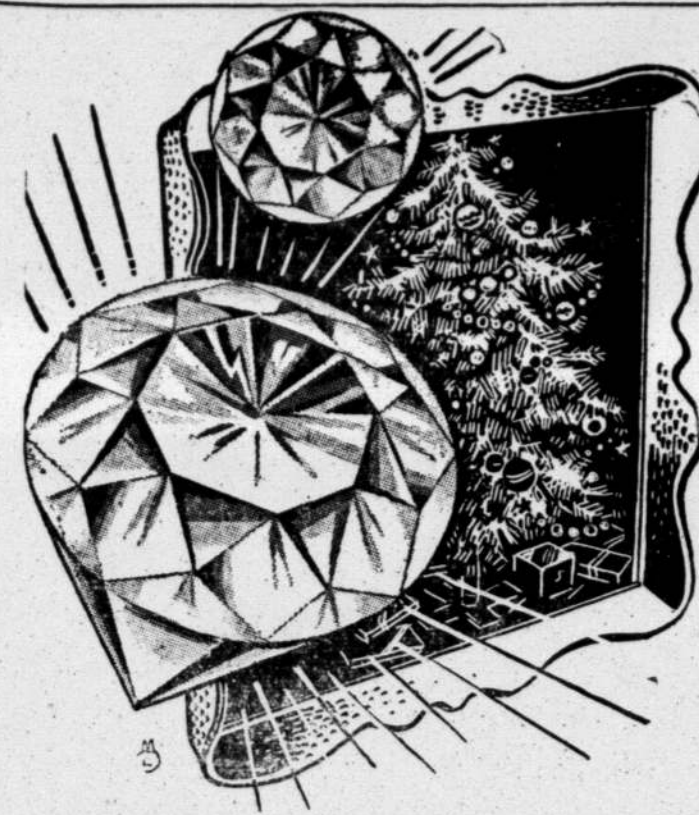
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BOOMING CRIME OVERPOWERS ITALIAN POLICE

By GEORGE BRIA
AP Newsfeatures

ROME — A crime wave is sweeping Italy. Bands as large as 300 men prey on the war-torn railroads from Sicily to the Swiss border, dramatically robbing trains in Wild West style.

Murders, armed robberies, kidnapping, extortion, burglary — all are on the uptake, filling back pages of Italy's one-sheet newspapers with lurid details.

Political violence also is rising, reminding observers of the bloody clashes preceding Mussolini's march on Rome 23 years ago.

Avowed monarchists have grown particularly violent in recent weeks, raiding Communist and Socialist headquarters and burning insensia and furniture.

Italy's tremendous black market is behind many of the crimes. Entire freight trains have been looted by the bandits who shot it out with the carabinieri escort, and the booty channeled into the black market.

Officials Helpless

Authorities throw up their hands at the crime menace. They point to the ill-equipped Italian police, woefully lacking in transport, and to the mass of unemployed and disillusioned left in the wake of the disastrous war.

Even now that the lights are burning again in Rome few people walk the street after midnight when shots can be heard in many parts of the city.

The Romans even have begun to joke about it. A recent cartoon showed a well-dressed burglar preparing to leave his home at night, equipped with a machinegun, a dagger and hand grenades. "Where are you going, hunting?" asks his wife. "No. To midnight Mass."

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BOSTON (AP)—One scarcely could be unaware that it's really winter with the snow, sleet and slush around the Logan International Airport—but American Airlines has Hale, Fog and Snow on hand just the same.

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FEAST OF THANKSGIVING — Mrs. Frances Grizzaffi of Dallas, Texas, and her son John, Army Private First Class just back from the Pacific, stand by tables heaped high with the St. Joseph's feast she had promised as soon as he returned. Two weeks of preparation, with the neighbors helping, produced many platters of food. St. Joseph's feast day is traditionally March 19, but Mrs. Graizaffi, giving thanks at her son's return, set such a table for him as he came home. (AP Photo).

NEW PROCESS MAKES RAMIE MODERN FIBER

By E. V. W. JONES
AP Newsfeatures

CLEWISTON, Fla. — Ramie, ancient fiber plant whose silklime floss was made into Roman togas, is being boomed as a wonder crop that promises a revolution in textiles.

Two thousand acres in the Florida Everglades have been planted and several thousand additional acres are to be given over to ramie culture. In addition, a \$250,000 processing plant is expected to be ready by next spring.

The sudden boom for the plant that was old when the first cotton and flax was planted in America results from development of successful mechanical processes which do away with the slow, expensive beating and scraping by hand used by the Chinese before the time of Confucius.

Ramie's fibers have a silky sheen and when woven into cloth are stronger than cotton or hemp. They gain strength when wet, retain

colors, won't shrink, are warm in winter and cool in summer.

The reason a good percentage of people aren't wearing ramie clothes today is because the tall, shrubby plant encloses its fibers in a gummy, sticky stalk. Removing the fibers from the gum has for centuries been a slow, expensive process.

The biggest ramie-growing project currently is the joint venture of the United States Sugar Corp., of Clewiston, and Newport Industries, Inc., of Pensacola, with 1,500 acres nearing harvest at Canal Point. The state of Florida has planted 400 acres experimentally, and there are

several independent growers and several large prospective plantings, among them the plans of the Sea Island Cotton Mills of New York. It also is used to make high grade banknote paper.

Patronize The Advertisers

Mrs. Santa

BLOOMINGTON, Ill. (AP)—Mrs. Wilhelmina Miller has 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren on her Christmas gift list, but you won't find her in the shoving, swirling swarm of shoppers. She has an ample assortment of dolls and stuffed animals. She's 81 now, and she's been making Yuletide presents of that sort for 50 years.

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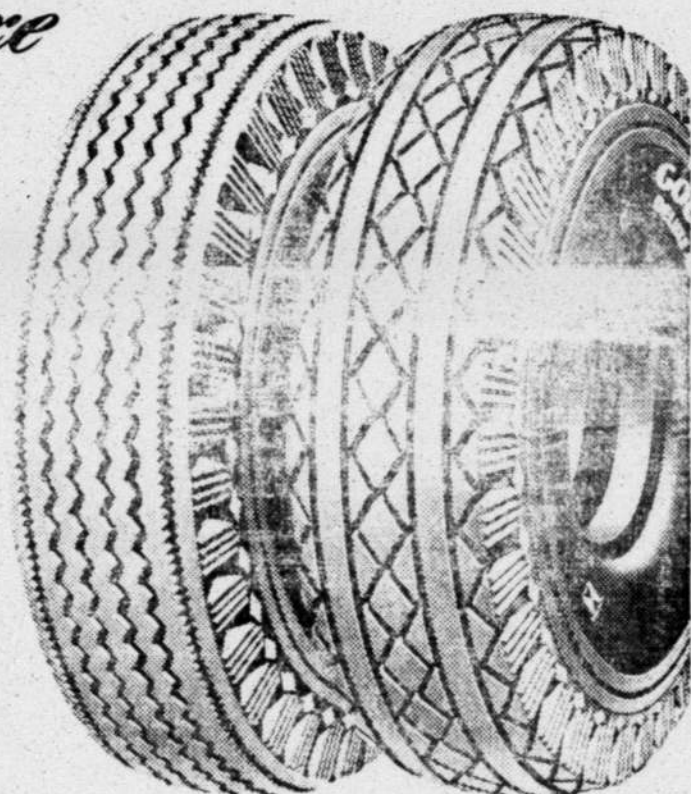
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Discharges for 15 Men Recorded In Local Office

Service releases for 15 veterans were recorded in the office of County Clerk Howard Humphrey last week. Discharge was marked up for 12 armymen and two navymen, and a certificate of service went to an army air force officer.

Returning to civilian status were Jim B. Thomas, Clyde L. Qualls, N. B. Leatherwood, Milford McMurtrey, Claude H. Wasson, Ed Warren Williams, J. P. Ruggles, Johnnie S. Kidd, Jesse W. Paulk, James W. Moore, Jack E. Hyatt, Harold J. Norris, P. N. Cornett, Leroy Reeves and Robert E. Guthrie.

Cpl. Jim B. Thomas of the field artillery was discharged December 9 at Camp Fannin, Tyler, following 27 months of service in the European theater. He enlisted December 8, 1942, and took part in four major operations overseas.

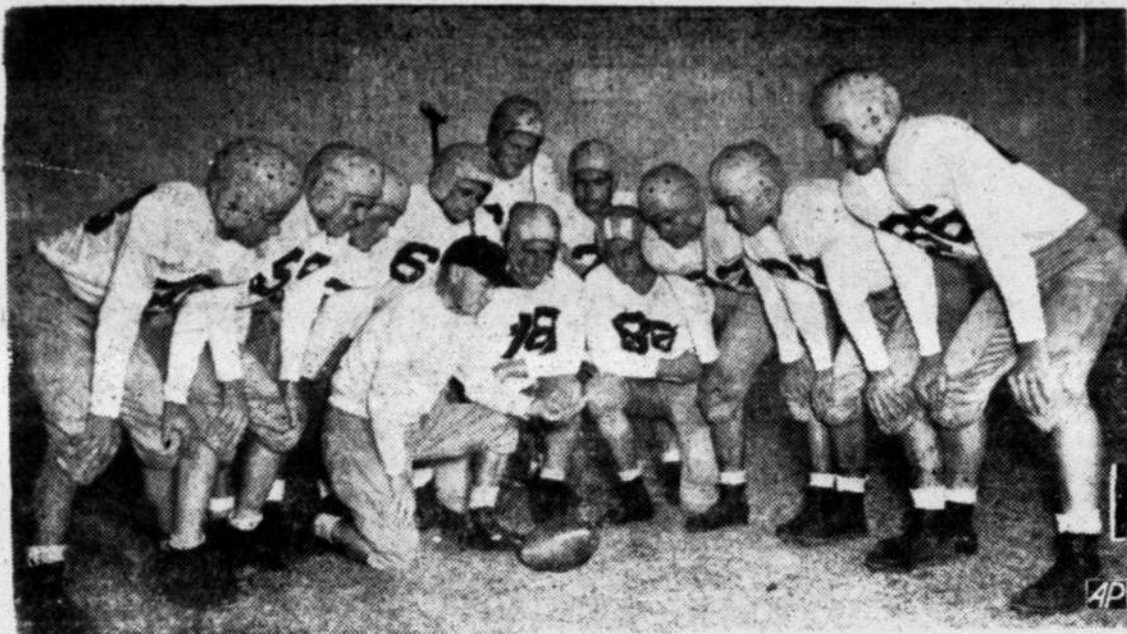
Nine bronze operation stars are on the Asiatic-Pacific campaign ribbon of T-Sgt. Clyde L. Qualls, army air force airplane maintenance technician. His outfit was awarded the Distinguished Unit Badge plus a cluster. Qualls, who lives on Route 4, was discharged at San Antonio on December 10.

Enlisting on June 2, 1942, the Dawson Countian served with the 348th Bombardment Group, 499th Squadron, overseas for 29 months. His major operations stars represent the air offensive over Japan, Bismarck Archipelago, China, New Guinea, Northern Solomons, Southern Philippines liberation, Luzon, Western Pacific and Ryukyus.

Cpl. N. B. Leatherwood, Route D, was released from service at Lowry Field, Colo., December 7, following 38 months of continental duty with the army air force. He served as an airplane power plant mechanic.

Two tours of duty in the Canal Zone for Cpl. Milford McMurtrey of O'Donnell totaled 30 months. An air operations specialist, the Lynn County man was with an air service group. His discharge was issued at Fort Bliss, El Paso, December 1.

Discharge for T-5 Claud H. Wasson, Star Route 4, was signed at Ft. Sam Houston December 6. He enlisted in the parachute infantry April 21, 1942. While serving his unit as a cook in the European theater of war, he was injured on January 12, 1944, and was awarded the Purple Heart. He wears four



HIGHLANDER HUDDLE — The starting lineup of the Highland Park High School Scotties gathered around Coach Eck Curtis. Left to right: Bill Weatherford, QB; Carl Wallace, end; Jim Flowers, center; Leonard Smith, guard; Co-Captains Bob Tenison, tackle and Bill Moxley, halfback, both kneeling; Bill Elliott, fullback and Herbie Wales, guard, standing behind Tenison and Moxley; Ted Bristol, halfback; Leo Fikes, end, and George Maddox, tackle. (AP Photo).

battle stars. Wasson returned to the states November 27.

Ed Warren Williams of O'Donnell, navy gunner's mate third class, marked up sea duty in both the Atlantic and Pacific on five ships—the SS Santa Barbara, Thomas P. Cunningham, George Ade, Milton J. Foreman and William S. Holstead. Williams' discharge was issued at Camp Elliott, Calif., on December 1.

At the United States Naval Air Station, Corpus Christi, on December 5 J. P. Ruggles was discharged from the navy. His rating was aviation machinist's mate first class. The navy petty officer, who went into service October 25, 1943, saw no foreign service.

Continental service, also, was tabulated for Pfc. Johnnie S. Kidd, Star Route 2—three years and six months of air force duty. He enlisted June 9, 1942, and served as an airplane engine mechanic. Discharge for Kidd was received at Chanute Field, Ill., on December 8.

Cpl. Jesse W. Paulk of Morton, who chalked up 10 months of continental duty with the army air force, was discharged at Randolph Field, December 11. Paulk's job was airplane electrical mechanic with the headquarters of an AAF gunnery school.

A diesel mechanic, Sgt. James W. Moore, Route 2, has also been discharged. The date was December

8, the place Randolph Field, San Antonio. Moore served 26 months in the ATO.

Holder of the Bronze Star for meritorious action in January this year, Cpl. Jack E. Hyatt of the parachute infantry was discharged November 21 at Fort Bragg, N. C. His job with the outfit was as surgical technician. His Pacific action was in New Guinea, Southern Philippines and Luzon. Hyatt went into service February 10, 1941.

Certificate of service, recording army air force duty from March 31 to November 21, was recorded in the county clerk's office by Second Lt. Harold J. Norris. It was issued at the Amarillo Army Air Field. Lieutenant Norris was an AAF navigator.

Pfc. F. N. Cornett, Star Route 1, is back from the war, discharged at Fort Sam Houston December 11. An auto mechanic with the 118th Infantry, Cornett saw action for 16

months in Northern France, the Rhineland and Central Europe. He enlisted in the army March 1, 1941.

Sgt. Leroy Reeves has been released from the army air force after 38 months of continental duty as a clerk-typist. Discharge for the Lamesan was issued at Randolph Field December 3. He enlisted September 29, 1942.

Parachute Rigger Robert E. Guthrie received his discharge at Fort Bliss, El Paso, on October 24. He was a staff sergeant with an air engineers' squadron. Foreign duty totaling 27 months was marked up in the European-African-Middle Eastern theater by Guthrie.

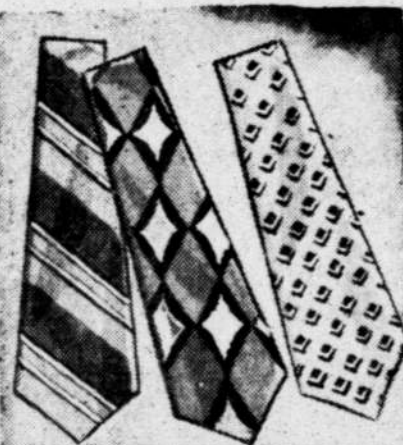
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COYOTES AND QUEEN — Miss Jo Riner, Queen of the Wichita Falls high school football team, is shown surrounded by some members of the squad. (AP Photo).

Too Many Majors No Minor Problem

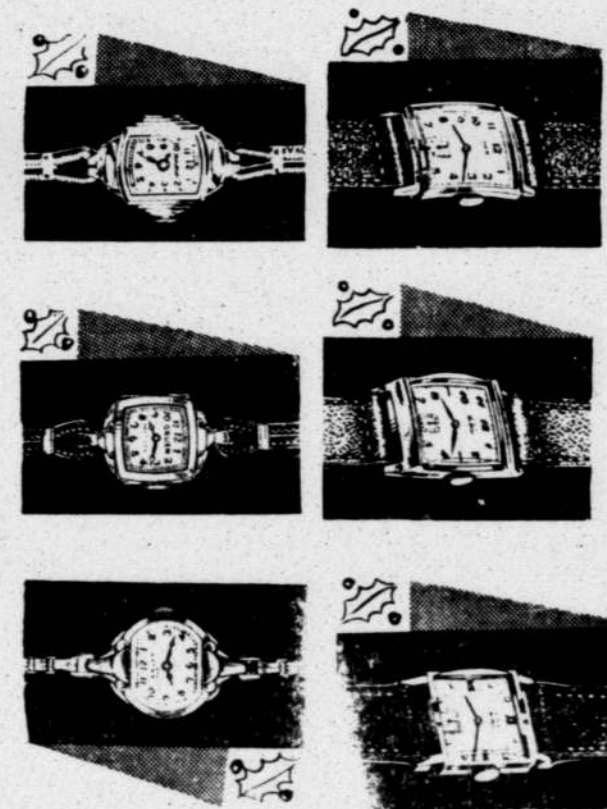
SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A major telephoned the Army-Navy Hotel Bureau, which finds temporary housing for armed service personnel and was assigned a room. Later, again by telephone, another major was sent to the same room. The second major called the Bureau and asked if he could move. "Sorry," he was told. In a few minutes, he called again. "If you don't like your room, you can move into the street," the Bureau insisted. "All right," the major replied meekly. "You put me in with a WAC."

Friday-Saturday guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Webb were their daughters, Mrs. George Weiss and Miss Billie Grace Webb, both of Lubbock. Miss Webb, a student in Texas Technological College, Lubbock, will return to Lamesa Tuesday for the Christmas holidays.



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COURTHOUSE NEWS

Look-in on the seasonal rush in the office of County Clerk Howard Humphrey is revealed in the huge turnover of deed records. Within one week, December 7 to 14, 48 warranty deeds were recorded on pages of Volume 89.

Only one mineral deed has been placed on record since last report. It was that of E. L. Moore to M. B. Moore on the north half of Section 21, and the east half and the southwest fourth of Section 22, Block M, EL&RR Railway Surveys, totaling 800 acres. The deed was recorded December 13.

WARRANTY DEEDS

T. E. Bertram to W. D. Scott, Lots 4 and 5, Block 1, Eveninside Addition, Lamesa, recorded December 7.

V. O. Key to Walter S. Brewer Jr., 527 acres out of Section 7, Block 35, Township 5 North, T&P Railway Company Surveys, Dawson County, December 7.

Bonnie Culp to G. R. Crawley, Lot 2, Block 2, Hart Addition, Lamesa, December 7.

Sid R. Jeter to A. L. Fain, Lot 3, Block 21, Lee Addition, Lamesa, December 7.

A. N. Gamble to V. O. Key, Lot 2, Block 5, Morning Addition, Lamesa, December 7.

H. H. Seely to Corene Seely, a tract 5x150 feet out of Lot B, Block 22, College Addition, Lamesa, December 7.

B. Fancher to Fred Lee Hunter and Viola Hunter, Lot 7, Block 5, Hollis Addition, Lamesa, December 7.

W. A. Martin to R. L. Jones, north half, Section 4, Block 4, D. L. Cunningham Surveys, Dawson County, December 7.

W. D. Jemison to Paul J. Cook, west 30 feet of Lot 6, east 24 feet of Lot 7, Block 1, C. H. McCormick Corrected Plat, Miller Addition, Lamesa, December 7.

G. J. Martin to Chester Horn, Lot 6, William P. White Addition, Lamesa, December 6.

J. J. Ward and Helen E. Ward to Sid R. Jeter, Lot 12, Block 2, Morning Addition, Lamesa, December 8.

B. Fancher to Hacer Collins, Lots 3 and 9, Block 3, Hollis Addition, Lamesa, December 8.

C. A. Egan to D. H. Egan, Lot 4, Block 17, Original Town, Lamesa, December 8.

S. R. Simpson to S. B. Costin, Lot



LEUKEMIA VICTIM — Mary Jacqueline (Jackie) Moore, three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Moore, Blackwell, Texas, ranch folk, is suffering from leukemia, a blood disease, which physicians say may be fatal. If her condition becomes worse, and early Christmas party will be held for her. (AP Photo)

dal, Lot 10, Block 13, College Addition, Lamesa, December 8.

H. B. Glover to J. M. Caldwell, a portion of Survey 31, Block 35, Township 5 North, T&P Railway Company Surveys, Dawson County, December 8.

Jim Phipps to J. M. Caldwell, Lot 5, Block 17, Original Town, Lamesa, December 8.

W. O. Robinson to E. G. Olmstead, Lot 3, Block 36, Township 5 North, T&P Railway Company Surveys, Dawson County, December 10.

E. W. Harris, trustee to A. J. Cohen, Tracts 81 in League 278, and Tract 82 in League 277, Glasscock County school land, Dawson County, December 10.

E. E. Hatcher to P. L. Miller, Lots 10, 11, and 12, Block 11, Lee Addition, Lamesa, December 10.

Luther Stephens to H. D. Covington, south half of southeast fourth, Section 2, Block 36, Township 5 North, T&P Railway Company Surveys, and half acre in the southeast corner of the north half of the southeast fourth, Section 2, Block

36, Township 5 North, T&P Railway Company Surveys, Dawson County, December 10.

H. F. Simpson to W. O. Robinson, Lot 5, Block 2, John H. Jost Subdivision, and five-acre tract out of north half, Section 1, Block 36, Township 5 North, Dawson County, December 10.

J. M. Harrington to E. L. Tyra, Lot 14, McFarlin Addition, Lamesa, December 10.

Raymon Preston to F. T. Raney, Lots 6 and 7, 28 and 29, Block 11, Welch, December 10.

B. Fancher to Elige Lewis, Lot 14, Block 3, Hollis Addition, Lamesa, December 10.

Harvey C. Allen to O. C. Lawler, middle third, Lots 8, 9 and 10, Block 16, Elvanda Heights, December 10.

Lewis R. Crovell to Harvey C. Allen, east 22 feet, Lot 7, all of Lots 8, 9 and 10, Block 16, Elvanda Heights Addition, Lamesa, December 10.

R. W. Herndon to J. J. Miles, Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, Block 1, and Lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, Block 4, R. C. Poteet Subdivision, Lamesa, December 10.

Howard Humphrey to R. W. Herndon, Lots 5 and 6, Block 1, R. C. Poteet Subdivision, Lamesa, December 10.

H. H. Corbitt to H. C. Corbitt, Lot 8, Block C, M. C. Lindsey Addition, December 10.

W. O. Robinson to J. P. White, north fourth, Section 3, Block 36, Township 5 North, T&P Railway Company Surveys, Dawson County, December 11.

W. O. Robinson to D. G. Scott, northeast fourth, Section 3, Block 36, Township 5 North, T&P Railway Company Surveys, Dawson County, December 11.

W. O. Robinson to Grady Scott, north fourth, Section 3, Block 36, Township 5 North, T&P Railway Company Surveys, Dawson County, December 11.

W. O. Robinson to Thomas E. Conner, northeast fourth, Section 3, Block 36, Township 5 North, T&P

Railway Company Surveys, Dawson County, December 11.

W. O. Robinson to B. C. Harrington, northeast fourth, Section 3, Block 36, Township 5 North, T&P Railway Company Surveys, Dawson County, December 11.

A. F. Faulkenberry to W. O. Robinson, Lot 1, Block 4, Creighton Place Addition, Lamesa, December 11.

Sid R. Jeter to A. D. Harvey, Lot 12, Block 2, Morning Addition, Lamesa, December 11.

Ettie York to Olin York, south half, Section 72, Block 53, Township 6 North, George Railway Company Surveys, Dawson County, December 11.

Ettie York to T. W. York, 10-acre tract in the south half, Section 72, Block 53, Township 6 North, George Railway Company Surveys, Dawson County, December 11.

Ray L. Hollingshead to Ettie York, east five acres out of 10 acres in Section 72, Block 53, Township 6 North, George Railway Company Surveys, Dawson County, December 11.

S. R. Simpson to S. B. Costin, Lot

7, Block 13, College Addition, Lamesa, December 11.

W. O. Robinson to J. R. Westmoreland, part of the northeast fourth, Section 3, Block 36, Township 5 North, T&P Railway Company Surveys, Dawson County, December 12.

Susie Marie Kitchens to E. X. Hill, Lot 4, Block 1, I. M. Bolton Subdivision, and 10 acres out of the north half, Section 1, Block 36, Township 5 North, T&P Railway Company Surveys, December 12.

Bertha Kaddatz to Raymond Kaddatz, southwest fourth, Section 24, Block 35, Township 4 North, T&P Railway Company Surveys, Dawson County, December 12.

Thomas D. Barton to H. C. Barton, three acres out of the northeast corner, Section 18, Block 35, Township 5 North, T&P Railway Company Surveys, December 12.

E. R. Yates to H. C. Barton, Section 18, Block 35, Township 4 North,

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E. W. Harris, trustee to Frank Freeman, Tracts 10 and 11, League 275, Glasscock County school land, Higginbotham-Harris Subdivision 1, Dawson County, December 12.

S. R. Simpson to Tracey Monthey, Lot 4, Block 13, College Addition, December 14.

Howell C. Corbitt to R. T. Bedwell, west 25 feet of Lot 4 and east 25 feet of Lot 5, Block 5, Depot Addition, Lamesa, December 14.

J. T. Miller to Mrs. Allie Moore, south half, Lots 1 and 2, Block 26, Lee Addition, Lamesa, December 14.

Production of cows in New York dairy herd improvement associations is four per cent higher in 1945 than for the same period in 1944.

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EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill. (AP)—Raymond Cardella suffered a bitter humiliation soon after his appointment as police chief in suburban Alcoa. He parked his official car here while shopping and returned to find — someone had stolen not only the car's red light but the siren to boot.

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Ordinary Forethought, Precaution Against Fire Needed at Yuletide

Many families that will be reunited this Christmas for the first time in many winters may be separated again by fire, unless Lamesa people are more careful than they have been in previous years. Fire Chief John W. Hildreth warned Saturday.

He pointed out that December has the worst fire record of any month in the year, and that many of these fires occur during the holidays.

"There's no need to do away with the festivities, but we do need to take precautions," the chief declared.

"First, the Christmas tree burns very easily when it is dry," he said, suggesting that the tree be set in a basin of water, away from heat, open flames or electric sockets. "And put that tree where it will not block exits!"

He advised careful use of decorations on the tree and walls. These days, he said, people can buy safe decorations, such as glass balls for the tree, metal tinsel and flame-proof wreaths.

The Lamesa fire chief was particularly emphatic about open flames. "Candles and unprotected fireplaces may look pretty to some people," he said, "but I call them dangerous at any time, particularly at Christmas. Protect the fireplace with a screen and do not use candles at all."

"Electrical decorations are safe if they are in good condition and carry the approval label of Underwriters' Laboratories and if care is taken not to overload the circuit," he continued. "Christmas wrappings left lying around are as dangerous as they are colorful, so pick them up as soon as the packages are opened."

"Be a careful smoker, and provide plenty of ash trays for your guests. And then, just because accidents can happen in spite of everything we do, keep your fire extinguisher handy. Keep it where it will not be cut off by fire from the tree or decorations, and check to see that it is in good working order. Be sure everybody in the house knows how to call the fire department."

The chief concluded with a warning to those who plan to celebrate in a night club or other public place.

"Be careful in picking your 'night spot.' Remember the fire in the Coconut Grove, where more than



Dr. E. D. Head

BAPTIST PRESIDENT — Dr. E. D. Head, president of the Southwestern Theological Seminary at Fort Worth, recently was elected president of the Texas Baptist General Convention.

400 people died in a few minutes because the exits could not be reached. Look around for the nearest exit when you are seated. And remember that, in a fire, panic is your worst enemy."

At Hendersonville, N. C., is buried the "sun lady" who requested that the sun be allowed to shine forever on her face through a glass aperture in her mausoleum. The grave attracted so many curious people that a few years ago it was sealed over.

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H. Y. Overstreet

WTC PRESIDENT — H. Y. Overstreet of Farwell is the new president of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. He was elected at the recent Abilene meeting.

Palomino Show on Tap in Fort Worth March 8 to 17

Palomino horse breeders from all sections of the nation will gather in Fort Worth, March 8-17, for the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, which is scheduled to be the scene of the largest Palomino event ever held in Texas. Dawson County entries are expected.

Plans for the Palomino event were announced by Howard B. Cox of San Angelo, president of the Palomino Horse Breeders Association of America and Dr. Arthur Zappe of Mineral Wells, secretary-treasurer. J. T. Boothman, Fort Worth, secretary of the Texas association, is in charge of arrangements for the show.

Officials have announced that \$3,000 in premiums will be offered while is top figure in Texas.

At the present time officials expect 200 horses to be entered. Provided stall space can be secured. From all indications at least 100 owners will show their horses. As an example of the magnitude of the

event, there were 52 exhibitors and 92 horses at the show last year.

Six states were represented at the Fort Worth show in 1945 and breeders from many additional states have indicated they will attend the 1946 event. Forty-two states are now affiliated with PHBA.

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Edgar Deen, General Manager of the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, preparing the premium list. Every member will receive a copy of the list, while others interested should make a request by mail.

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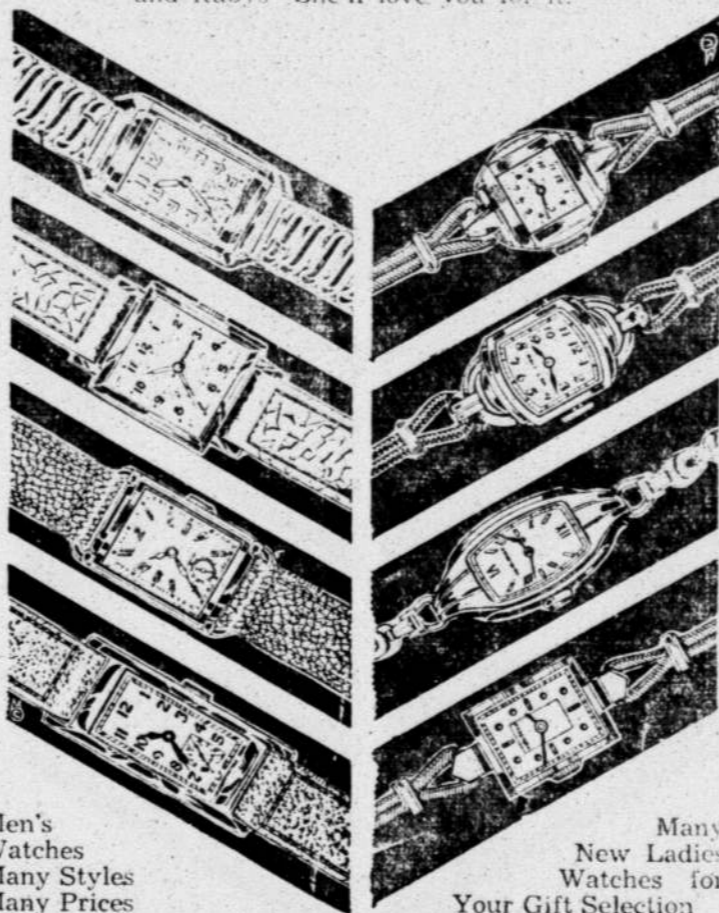
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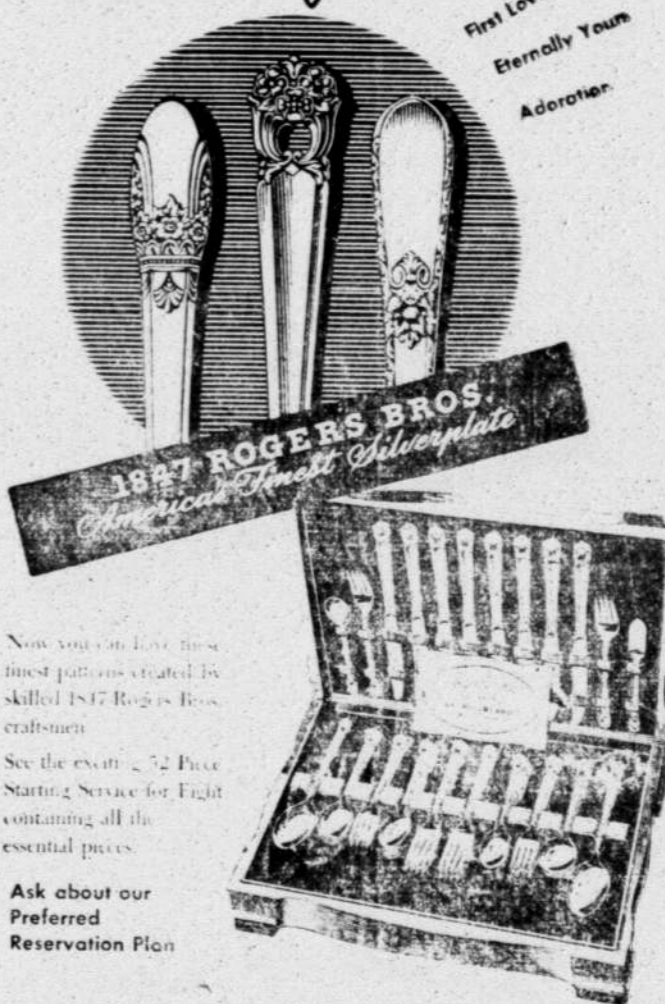


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Trench Silos Pay Off Says County Agent, Barfield

Feed problems are proving the value and usefulness of trench silos in West Texas.

D. A. Neeley, farmer in the Memphis area of Hall County, has filled three silos this year and is digging a fourth. Recently he bought a combination ensilage harvester and is feeding 50 steers for market. He told Hall County Agricultural Agent W. B. Hooser that ensilage supplemented with cake gives cheaper gain than any other feed he has tried.

Dan Archer and Percy Powers of Ochiltree County, are going to lean heavily on their stores of silage in their fall and winter feeding programs. According to Ochiltree County Agents Hood Wills, Mr. Archer has silos filled three years ago which remained untapped because of plentiful wheat pastures. This year, however, he will have a steer feeding program running 90 to 120 days, and his stock of mellowed ensilage with a grain supplement will be the mainstay. Mr. Powers intends to provide his cattle remaining on the range this winter with a ration of silage. He said he could truck silage to them more cheaply than other feeds and he believes the cattle will fare better.

County Agricultural Agent Charles O. Reed, of Donley County, reports that Pray Cooke, farmer-ranchman of the Brice community, not only has a substantial reserve stock of silage, but has several trench silos on a farm he owns in Mitchell County which have remained untapped for several years. He told Reed that if drought had continued he would have drawn upon his store. When rain threatened spoiling of grain heads last year, Mr. Cooke set a precedent in the region by promptly transferring it to the trench silo and fed it out during the winter.

Directors of a Childress bank have displayed their interest in feed conservation by setting aside a fund for County Agricultural Agent V. E. Hafner to use in getting trench silos lined with concrete. Most silos in the county, Hafner says, are subject to caving, and the objective of this program is to refinish them yearly.

Poison Gas Kills 1,951

Although use of gas was outlawed by the Geneva Convention and was not generally believed to have been used during the war, poison gas killed 1,951 Americans during the last year.

The catch in this statement is that these were not war casualties but victims of accidents from gas on the home front. Still points out Mrs. Eloise T. Johnson, specialist in family life education with the Texas A. and M. College Extension Service, the 1,951 Americans are just as dead as if they had died in battle.

She quoted figures from the National Safety Council which showed that 97 per cent of the victims were stricken in their own homes. Carbon monoxide was the poisonous gas in eight out of every nine cases.

Safety principles recommended for avoiding monoxide poisoning in the home include use of flue pipe to carry away gases from gas ovens and water heaters.

Other "musts" listed by Mrs. Johnson are regulation of draft on heaters with a check draft rather than with a damper. If a damper in a stove or furnace pipe is used, it should never be closed tightly enough to force gases out into the room.

Gas burners should burn with a transparent blue flame. If the flame has a white or yellow tint adjustment is necessary.

Never operate a gasoline engine in a closed space unless the exhaust is piped out of doors. Open shed doors before starting the car, truck or tractor.

Miss Louise Gill left Saturday for her home in Fort Worth after a two weeks visit here with relatives.

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MR. AND MRS. C. R. MEDFORD TO CELEBRATE THEIR GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY DECEMBER 22

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Medford will celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary, Saturday, December 22, at their home, 504 South 7th Street. Open house will be held between 2 and 5 o'clock with Mr. and Mrs. Gervaise Medford, Mr. and Mrs. Seldon Medford and Mr. and Mrs. Burl Teague as hosts.

Mr. and Mrs. Medford were married December 22, at the Aeon Church in Red River County with the Rev. George Ferguson officiating. They have made their home in this county for the past 21 years.

Other children other than the hosts who will be here to celebrate their parents Golden Anniversary will be Mr. and Mrs. James Edward Medford of Big Spring, Mr. and Mrs. Joe D. Medford of Odessa and Mr. and Mrs. Medford of Big Lake.

Social Security Numbers Required For New Employers

Veterans going into business for themselves for the first time have been reminded that any new employer should file an application with the social security board for an identification number for the business.

This is necessary, said Field Office Manager John D. Palmer of Lubbock, even though only one person is on the payroll and perhaps works only part time. Employers are required to keep a record of the worker's social security account number for use when making out tax returns to the collector of internal revenue, he said.

A social security representative will be at the Lamesa post office at 3 p. m. Tuesday for the purpose of answering questions, discussing possible benefits, taking claims and applications for account number cards.

New employers may secure identification numbers at the Lubbock office, 1311 Texas Avenue, or they

Bubble, Bubble Toil and Profit

By RALPH SPRINKLE
AP Newsfeatures

CHARLOTTE, N. C. — Three young men with a formula have blown a bubble up into big business.

They're working night and day to nice the current bubble-blowing demand from young and old alike that is sweeping this nation and Canada, and even bringing inquiries from points south of the border. The three young men, Donald A. Barnes, 35, Hubert B. Jerman, 31, and James T. Duckworth, 29 — youngsters as business executives are judged — call their bubble solution "Rainbow Bubbles." It waits from a forgnette-shaped "wand" in a string of filmy, rainbow-hued bubbles that leaves grown-ups as goggle-eyed as kids.

Jerman, a local dyestuff technician, started working nights in his kitchen last spring, aiming to make a low-cost bubble solution for his little daughters. Unknown to Jerman, Barnes and Duckworth were working on a bubble solution in Duckworth's garage. By the early part of last June, Jerman had arrived at his formula and made a few local sales; about the same time Barnes, Duckworth and Jerman decided to give up their regular jobs to take over full time operation of their mushrooming bubble business.

Eventually, they learned of each other's off-duty experiments. Jerman, with a formula calling for plentiful ingredients, offered it to Barnes and Duckworth, whose formula called for hard-to-find ingredients. The upshot was a partnership. They each put in \$150, and

may write the office for application forms SS-4, Palmer added.

We'll Take Chicken

MOUNT VERNON, Ill. (AP) — Boatwain's Mate 1-c Herman B. Barger, 29, back home after 3 1-2 years of a starvation diet in a Japanese prison camp, commented: "Snake tastes like chicken when you're hungry."

went to work in Jerman's garage "because it had lights."

Last Fourth of July they gave their bubble solution a trial run at Myrtle Beach, S. C., and disposed of 576 bottles in a little over four hours. They hustled back to Charlotte, established their first "factory" in Jerman's garage, farmed production of the bent-wire wands out to neighboring housewives at piece rates, mixed the solution in barrels, agitated with an old garden rake, and filled hand-labeled bottles from barrel spigots.

Then Joe O. Scott, salesman, promoter and former business manager for his movie actor brother Randolph Scott, offered to sell the product. The bubble experts had landed their first big order with a local department store chain.

Under Scott's promotion, the bubbles took Atlanta by frontal assault, swept into Manhattan and virtual nation-wide demand via Woolworth's.

Now the bubble business, expanded from the garage to quarters 50 times larger, employs a business personnel of 110, and production has jumped from 600 bottles a day to between 75,000 and 100,000 in less than six months. Only this fall did Barnes, Duckworth and Jerman decide to give up their regular jobs to take over full time operation of their mushrooming bubble business.

Before German prisoners were evacuated from Finnmark this fall they cleared out most of the mines and built a few barracks. But still stray mines float around in the fjords and barracks and igloos with makeshift insulation

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Winter Cloaks Fate of Norway Province

By HELEN CAMP
AP Newsfeatures

TROMSO, Norway — The answer to how inhabitants of war-ruined Finnmark in northern Norway will survive the winter now is hidden indefinitely behind clouds of Arctic snow.

town on a Saturday night. veled between Tromso and the more northerly points of Alta, Hammbucht, Hammerfest and Kirkenes are weathered in and boats, which are in disrepair and lack fuel, move only sporadically.

But still every local steamer into Tromso brings a new group of people, evacuated from Finnmark at the time of the German destruction and now trying to return on the chance of finding their homes intact.

Some of these sneak off north in fishing boats. Others remain in Tromso, where they wander aimlessly up and down the streets until the settlement has the constant appearance of a Middle Western boom fall they cleared out most of the

Retreating Germans destroyed all except four buildings — three churches and the North Cape Tea House in Finnmark, which once housed 30,000 Norwegians and 20,000 Laps or Mongolian Nomads.

Before German prisoners were evacuated from Finnmark this fall they cleared out most of the mines and built a few barracks. But still stray mines float around in the fjords and barracks and igloos with makeshift insulation

of peat offer little shelter from Arctic winds.

Whole settlements are completely isolated and the food problem is acute. One old man built himself a log teepee covered with cardboard about 30 miles south of Hammbucht, refused to move and asked only a blanket or two so he could survive the winter.

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H. B. Miller, who was injured a month ago in a "freak" accident, came back to Lamesa Tuesday from Baylor Hospital, Dallas, where vertebrae in his neck was straightened out by a method called "traction." Miller, his wife and their daughter, Norma Lynn, went out to their farm home Tuesday, following a hectic month.



The Dawson Countian, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Miller, who accompanied him to Dallas, will be wearing a cast from the top of his head down past his waist for some time yet. His hair shows at the top of that cast, and holes are cut for his face and ears.

"But boy, shaving is an impossibility with that little of me sticking out," Miller grinned. "Too, he said that he definitely wouldn't be overeating, since the cast becomes uncomfortably tight in the middle with consumption of much solid food."

As his car hit a sand dune a month ago, Miller attempted to hold the steering wheel and the right door that flew open. He was thrown clear of the car, landing on his neck and displacing vertebrae.

At the Dallas hospital, Miller was given all sort of kind consideration. For instance, Jimmy Jeffereys of the Early Birds, and Katie Prince, singer on the radio program, paid him a visit, bringing along a radio for his use while he was hospitalized. Since he already had a radio furnished by his brother, theirs was sent on to another unfortunate. However, several mentions on the Early Bird program brought the Lamesa a deluge of cards and letters from all parts of Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana.

Referring to the "traction" way of

OIL-GAS PRESIDENT—Fred W. Shield of San Antonio recently was elected president of the Texas Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association.

setting his neck break, Miller recounted the process.

"First," he said, "they put a couple of mattresses on my hospital bed, the top one a foot down from the other. My head hung over that decline, and to it weights of varying sizes were attached. To keep my head still and perfectly straight, sandbags were placed on each side."

"Mighty glad to be home again," he smiled. "Well, I just had to be home in time for Norma Lynn's third birthday Thursday." And the pretty three-year-old was doubly happy for her dad to be here.

Miller will return to the hospital in two months, at which time his cast will be traded for a brace. Length of time he will be carrying the brace around will depend on the rapidity of the break's healing.

City-County Health Nurse Gives Hints on Foot Care, Shoe Buying

In a discussion, which she termed, "Footwear for Footwork," Mrs. H. Randle of the City-Council Health Unit has provided timely suggestions for care of the feet and selection of shoes. Her statement follows:

"Take plenty of time when buying shoes to make sure they fit. Do not accept just the size you have been wearing, since the size of the feet changes from time to time. Try both shoes of a pair—the mere fact that the right shoe fits perfectly may not mean that the left one will too. Test the feet in standing and walking. The feet spread and become longer when the weight

of the body is placed on them. "It is sensible to choose shoes according to the occasion you expect to wear them. For example, shoes with high narrow heels which throw the weight of the body onto the forefront of the foot, and the open-toed shoe which provides room for the big toes but "puts the squeeze" on the others are usually not suitable for walking or standing for long periods.

"Such shoes may not only cause foot deformities, but also falls or crushing injuries.

"Women engaged in occupations keeping them on their feet long hours—nurses, for example—find

they tire quickly if muscles of their feet, legs and back are under constant strain of maintaining body balance because of high narrow heels.

"If anyone with naturally well-built, well-shaped feet has foot trouble, chances are that his shoes are to blame. Squeezing or pinching the feet, which have nerves like other parts of the body, is bound to cause pain. Actual deformities such as corns, callouses, bunions and hammertoes are usually caused by constant pressure of short, tight shoes or hose.

Feet are doing overtime these days, Mrs. Randle pointed out. Some

of her hints to keep them going are as follows:

"Have corns and calluses attended to promptly. To prevent ingrowing nails, cut toenails straight across, even with the tips of the shoes and not in at the corners.

"Bathe the feet daily to remove dirt, dust and perspiration, and dry the toes. Sprinkle powder between the toes. Spring powder between the toes and on the soles after bathing. Wear a fresh pair of socks every day. Keeping the feet clean and dry contributes to their comfort and helps to prevent skin infections, such as athlete's foot.

"If your feet give you trouble,

Marriage Licenses

Three marriage licenses were issued in the county clerk's office in Dawson County Wednesday and Thursday. The licenses went to: Robert McCormick and Miss Doris Ballew, December 12.

D. W. Brown and Miss Nancy Wynona Warrick, December 12. Charles Alfred Richardson and Miss Lila Lee Milam, December 13.

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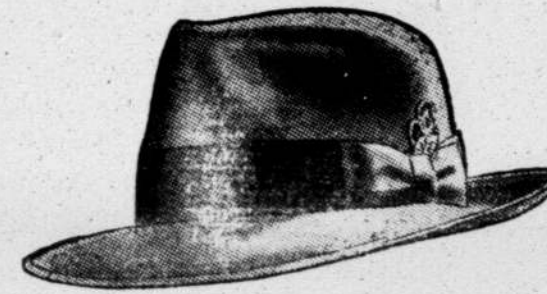
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A. Yes. If your pension claim is approved by the Veterans Administration and your social security board declares you eligible for old age and survivors' insurance, both will be paid. The payment of one does not mean that you cannot receive the other.

Q. My son was discharged from the Air Corps last July. He was a staff sergeant. His wife is going to be confined next March. Can he get her hospital and doctor bill paid by the Government?

A. Here is the rule for determining the eligibility of the wife of a veteran to receive Emergency Maternity and Infant Care.

If at any time during the pregnancy the father was serving in the Army as a private, private first class, corporal or three-stripe sergeant, Emergency Maternity and Infant Care will be provided.

Q. Is it true that officers of certain grades do not get mustering-out pay when they leave the Army?

A. Yes. Mustering-out payments are not made to officers who earn base pay of more than \$200 per month (i. e. majors and above).

Q. I was discharged from the Army last July. I lost my discharge. How do I go about getting another one?

A. Secure an application for a certificate in lieu of discharge from one of the veterans' organizations, from any Army installation or by writing to The Adjutant General, Washington 25, D. C.

Line Is Long—But Orderly—For Nylon Hose Buying

Arrival of several dozen pairs of nylon hose at Hurt's in Lamesa last week provoked quite a rush of local women. However, said Swanson Hurt, owner-manager, "We sincerely appreciate the orderly manner of their visits. That was surely the nicest group of women ever lining up at our place of business."

Women who failed to get the nylons, Hurt said, will receive them as fast as the local store's allotment is shipped in. Approximately 500 registered for the hose.

Registration is still open, he said Friday. Women may register at their convenience, and they will receive their hose in accordance with their registration number as the hose arrive from the factory, the store manager assured.

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College Actress in Christmas Play

COLLEGE ACTRESS IN CHRISTMAS PLAY — Edythe Smith plays the role of Mary in "The Story of the Christ Child," the Nativity pageant presented annually at Texas State College for Women, Denton. This season the play is scheduled for Dec. 15-16-19. Miss Smith is from Port Arthur.

Navy Petty Officer Back From Pacific

J. Burton Williams, older son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl T. Williams, arrived in Lamesa Saturday, following two years of sea duty with the United States Navy. Williams, 21, is a navy electrician's mate third class.

The Lamesa navy petty officer has been aboard a submarine tender in the Pacific. He came in from Tokyo, reporting to Yorktown, Va., where his leave was granted.

The navyman left Lamesa in September, 1943. His last leave was Thanksgiving that year following his boot training.

Wade Watson of Claude is visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Pruitt. He was one of Charles Lee's shipmates.

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Texas Aggies to Stage Victory Homecoming at College Station

The fighting Texas Aggies, with glorious wartime contributions to the nation's armed forces, will gather at Texas A and M College on April 19-21, 1946, for their victory homecoming celebration.

The event was ordered by the men in service in letters from world battlefronts to the college headquarters office of the A and M Former Students' Association.

President Gibb Gilchrist of Texas A&M College is honorary chairman of the victory homecoming, and J. T. L. McNew, vice president for engineering, is chairman of the general committee in charge of all phases of the celebration.

On the committee also are Ford Munterly, College Station; E. E. McQuillen, College Station; and Jake Hamblen, Houston.

Three presidents comprise the program committee: G. R. White, Brady, president of the A&M board of directors; R. Dick Winters, Brady, president of the board of the association of former students; and Bob King, Eastland, president of the senior class at A&M.

Major generals — Texas A&M furnished 29 general officers during World War II — will mingle with GI Joes wearing campaign ribbons and battle decorations from every corner of the world where combat took place.

Although a staff of a half-dozen employes has been maintained throughout the war by the association of former students, it was found impossible to keep accurate account

of the alumni who held rank below that of general officer. The same difficulty was experienced in attempting to tabulate the decorations won by Texas Aggies in the armed services. Congressional Medals of honor was awarded to six of the school's former students.

The only surviving Metal or Honor men are Lt. Eli Whiteley of Georgetown, class of '41, and Sgt. William George Harrell of Mercedes, class of '43. Approximately 650 Texas AXM men were killed or are reported missing in action to date.

Texas A&M College furnished more trained officer personnel than any other college in the nation. More than 17,000 were in the service and some 13,000 of them officers.

At least 15 of the 25 Texas Aggies present on April 21, 1942, at the annual San Jacinto Day Muster on campus have returned safely. They will be among the honor guests at the victory homecoming. Out of 15 Texas Aggies in the 33rd

Infantry Division, 13 received the Silver Star for gallantry in action.

The traditional San Jacinto Day Muster of Texas Aggies will be held on April 21 throughout the world, and since the date this year falls on Easter Sunday, it is planned by the victory homecoming committee to have a commemorative service on Kyle Field. Over 10,000 visitors expected for the occasion in attendance.

Other victory homecoming committee chairmen are: H. E. Burgess, finance; J. E. Peniston, food; L. B. Locke, registration, information and courtesy guides; Harry Boyer, housing; F. W. Hensel, campus and decorations; E. L. Angell, open house; G. B. Winstead, publicity.

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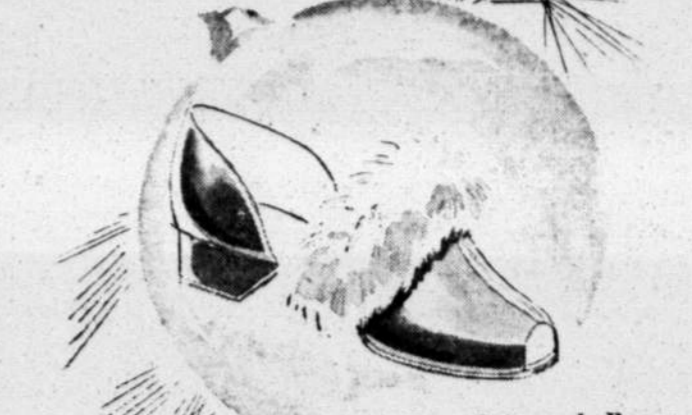
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Bride-Elect Is Honored With A Brunch Dec. 15th

Mrs. R. F. Nix and Mrs. M. C. Lindsey were hostesses for a brunch Saturday morning, December 15, at ten o'clock honoring Miss Elmerine Barron, bride-elect of Tom Wilkes, at the Nix home in the Elwanda Heights addition.

The living room of the Nix home was decorated with a lighted Christmas tree and the fireplace mantel was adorned with an arrangement of cedar, hemlock and pine cones with a tall white taper.

The dining table was covered in white linen and centered with an oblong reflector surrounded by spangled snow and holding corsages for each guest of pink carnations and blue cornflowers. The blue and pink streamers which were attached to the corsages extended to the plates of each guest. Bridal place cards had guests names engraved in blue letters.

The hostesses gift to the honoree was a beverage set in "desert rose" pottery.

Those attending were Mrs. George Weiss, Mrs. French Pruitt, Mrs. Raymond Neill, Mrs. E. V. Wilkes, Mrs. J. E. Barron, Miss Ann Morton, Miss Peggy Robinson, Mrs. Kirk McKinnon, Mrs. Grover Wilkes, the honoree and the hostesses.

Berean SS Class Has Turkey Dinner At Country Club

The Berean Sunday School class of the First Methodist Church honored its members with a turkey dinner Monday, December 10 at seven o'clock at the Lamesa Country Club.

The dinner was served buffet style and the guests were seated at white linen laid card tables. The service table was covered in lace and centered with a long spray of pyracantha, flanked on either side by tall tapers.

Hostesses were Mmes. Charles Worthem, M. W. Todd, John Flache, F. J. Barkhurst, Alf Carpenter and Miss Willie Belle Cleveland.

Members of the class presented Mrs. Jack McLaughlin, their teacher, with a costume lapel pin.

Following dinner Christmas carols were sung with Mrs. Leta Ashlock presiding at the piano.

Guests were Mmes. Lawrence West, Leta Ashlock, Kellam, Less Campbell, George Berry, R. B. Kerbow, F. Wright, Sybert, Scott Robinson, McCormick, Jack McLaughlin, Don Emory, Hogue Walker, J. P. White, Noble H. Price, G. A. Blanton, B. P. Middleton, McMullen, Roy Fowler, Billy Mitchell, H. L. Crouch, Bob Wade, Margaret Smith, Lee Thurman, Lex Brock, Bill Hamilton, Doyle Shillingburg, Mildred Ramsey, Blain Wiggins, Dean Davis and Rev. and Mrs. Cal Wright.

HD Council Fetes Members With A Christmas Party

The Home Demonstration Council entertained its members with a Christmas party Saturday afternoon December 15 at the home of Mrs. Leith Higginbotham, 612 North Katherine Street.

The living room of the Higginbotham home was decorated with a lighted Christmas tree atop a pedestal of star spangled cotton.

The fireplace mantel was covered with snow and held tall silver tapers in crystal candelabra.

The service table was laid with a lace cloth and centered with a crystal punch service surrounded by Christmas greenery and pine cones.

Guests were served punch, cookies and salted nuts, with Mrs. Higginbotham presiding at the punch service.

The buffet was appointed with



Texas Tech Beauties

TEXAS TECH BEAUTIES — These co-eds were chosen as Texas Tech's most beautiful girls and will be featured in the 1946 yearbook. La Ventana. They are (left to right) Betty Belew, Vernon; Mary May Johnson, Levelland; Pat Smith, Amarillo; Beverly Mesancon, Seminole; Earlyne Reid, Coahoma; Lometa Ann Hodge, Paducah; Joe Ann Bailey, Lubbock, and Jeanne Stovall, Lubbock.

Mrs. J. H. Harp Hostess For Coffee Honoring Mrs. Gerald T. Massie Friday December 14th At Burnside Home

Mrs. J. H. Harp was hostess at a coffee Friday morning, December 14, from 9:30 through 10:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Tom Burnside, 512 South Third Street, honoring Mrs. Gerald T. Massie of Atlanta, Georgia, who is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Lewis Reed.

The dining table was laid with a white Madera cloth with a star spangled silver runner centered with a satin glass eterne holding red and blue Christmas balls flanked on either side by tall red tapers in blue and silver candelabra. Silver coffee and tea services appointed either end of the table.

The buffet was covered with red satin and centered with an arrangement of hemlock, holly and pinecones holding tall green tapers flanked on either side by miniature snow holding tall green tapers.

The window buffet was centered with a double poinsettia surrounded by blue and red tapers in crystal candelabra.

Cinnamon rolls, nuts, coffee and tea were served the guests with Mrs. A. E. Jacobs and Mrs. J. L. Sybert presiding at the tea and coffee services.

The living room of the Burnside home was decorated with a lighted Christmas tree and chrysanthe-

ms. with silver sleigh bells at the entrance.

Approximately 45 guests attended.

Miss Peggy Speck Is Feted With A Breakfast Dec. 14th

Misses Edwina Jackson and Reinald Terrall were hostesses for a breakfast Friday morning, December 14th at nine o'clock in the dining room of Liddell's Cafe honoring Miss Peggy Speck, bride-elect of Robert Milliken.

The dining table was covered with a white cloth and centered with a spray of hemlock, holly and pine cones holding a tall green taper. Places for the guests were marked with cards, holding tiny silver sleigh bells with the names engraved in blue letters.

The honoree was presented with a corsage of cedar and pine cones tied with a red ribbon, along with a pottery vase.

Guests were Mmes. A. E. Jacobs, Arpie White, Raymond Baird, Eugene Cox, Joe Spikes, Roy Speck, R. E. Speck of Salt Lake City, Utah; Misses Nellyne Martin, Laverne Smith, Bernice Gilmore, Verla Larimore, the honoree and the hostesses.

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Approximately twenty guests attended.

Gift Shower For Mrs. H. B. Miller

Mrs. H. B. Miller was honored with a gift shower Thursday afternoon, Dec. 13, from 2:30 through 3:30 o'clock at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Alice Banta, 1007 South Third Street.

Guests were served punch, sandwiches and individual cakes from a lace laid table by Mrs. Wynelle Davis and Mrs. Mavis Carmichael.

Hostesses for the occasion were Mmes. Wynelle Davis, Mavis Carmichael and Ross Davis.

Mrs. Ila Spence of Dallas is in Lamesa on business. Mrs. Spence for formerly a newspaperwoman in Arkansas.

Phyllis Emory Is Feted With Party On 11th Birthday

Mrs. Don Emory, assisted by Mrs. Seaman Smith and Mrs. Noble H. Price entertained with a party Friday afternoon, December 14, from 4:30 to 6:00 o'clock honoring her daughter, Phyllis Ann, on her eleventh birthday at the Emory home, 802 North Seventh Street.

The green and white birthday cake held eleven candles and the inscription "11." Along with cake, hot chocolate and candy minis were served the guests.

After presenting the honoree the gifts, many different games were played.

Those attending were Shirley Smith, Kay Whiggins, Carol Clark, Shirley Jones, Donna Joe Alexander, Yvonne Pratt, Kay Kerbow, Ernestine and Geraldine Barrett, Beatrice Winters, Judy Allen, Nancy Stuart, Alice Ruth Gaines and the honoree.

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Anything which makes dairy cows more comfortable means more milk production, says G. G. Gibson, dairy husbandman for the A. and M. College Extension Service.

Putting this suggestion into definite form, County Agricultural Agent, T. A. Barfield, reminds Dawson County dairymen that grubs hurt milk production. They do so because they annoy dairy cows. But a mixture by weight of one pound of five per cent rotenone and sulphur will rid them of the discomfort.

Another important step in contentment is to clean mangers each time the barn is cleaned. Cows do not relish rail-ends of feed which gather in mangers. Along with this it is a wise practice to check your cow barns for places where animals might suffer injuries from slipping. Floors may become slick and cause an animal to fall.

A dairy cow uses digestible nutrients to keep her body going and to produce milk. Digestible nutrients are present in all feeds in varying amounts. For example, Barfield says, dairy feed concentrates contain seventy-five per cent; alfalfa fifty five per cent; Johnson hay forty five per cent; silage eighteen per cent; and pasture sixty per cent on dry basis.

Pastures and other roughages furnish the lowest cost nutrients. This doesn't mean that there is no need for concentrate dairy feeds. It does mean that larger share of the average milk cow's nutrient supply should come from pastures and roughages. Using these will cut the feed bill and increase milk production... a perfect program for any dairyman.

Pastures, Barfield says are not only the cheapest sources of nutrients but also of the best nutrients. Good green grass at the best stage for grazing supplies a large amount of all of the needs of a good dairy feed.

It is well to remember, however, that high producing cows cannot hold enough grass to meet their full needs. On that account, more concentrated feeds must be used to fill the gap.

TREES SUFFER SHOCK, TOO

It's getting to be the time of year to think about transplanting trees and shrubs... if you go in for that kind of thing. Many people do... but some seem to have more luck at it than others.

County Agricultural Agent, T. A. Barfield gives some hints on moving trees that may change your luck... in the first place, he says the thing that makes trees and shrubs safer from being moved around is shock. Now some kinds suffer less from shock than others... generally, the faster growing plants are easier to transplant. And also, the smaller a plant is, within reason, the more likely it is to take kindly to be moved.

Just for instance, you can take a cotton-wood switch... or a willow branch for that matter... and stick in the ground without roots, the chances are that it will put out roots and leaves and do well, except, of course, in a very dry place. On the other hand, it's a real job to transplant a big live oak tree, even if it is balled and burlaped so the soil is held around the roots.

Barfield says trees and shrubs such as willows, cotton woods, elms, hackberry, peaches, plums, spiraea, bush honeysuckle, and so on, can be moved without much trouble. And you can move them bare-rooted, provided you keep the roots from drying out... and you can move pretty

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AWAITS FEDERAL TRIAL — Chick Rogers, 37, one of a trio of men to be tried in Federal court at Lubbock in connection with the \$16,600 robbery of the First State Bank at Morton, Texas, is shown in the Dallas County jail Dec. 1. He was transferred to Dallas from Oklahoma City, where he surrendered to the FBI. Sheriff Smoot Schmid (left), guards Rogers (center), as jailer Alex Burks fingerprints Rogers. Held also in the case are Matt Kimes, now in a Little Rock, Ark., hospital, and Ollie Oliver Melton, 38, held at Dallas. (AP Photo).

big ones, too... say 6 to 8 feet tall for trees and 2 to 4 feet for shrubs and bushes. Generally, that holds true for most deciduous trees... that is, trees that shed their leaves in winter.

Evergreens are more trouble. Stay with small ones, say 2 to 5 feet... unless you can get a professional nurseryman to do the job for you. And for that matter, you'll usually have more compact and well-distributed root system... While trees growing in the woods usually have long tap roots and not much in the way of root branches.

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In the trailer cottage unit will be utility houses. Title to the cottages will remain with the government's Federal Public Housing Authority. WTSTC will be responsible for moving and establishing the units, setting up regulations and furnishing utilities.

Mrs. W. R. Hogg of Big Spring spent Friday visiting her sister, Mrs. Leith Higginbotham.

Half or more of New York's wheat crop is sold to millers or to makers of whole wheat products.

HOSPITAL NEWS

The following persons were either admitted or dismissed the past week at a local hospital.

Ernest Good was admitted December 12 to receive medical treatment.

Mrs. R. M. Miller was dismissed December 14 after receiving medical treatment.

Kenneth Carmichael was admitted December 13 to receive medical treatment.

Jane Middleton was admitted December 13 for major surgery.

Mrs. Howard M. Smith was admitted December 14 for major surgery.

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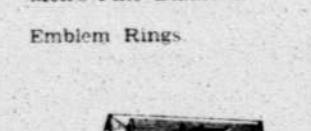
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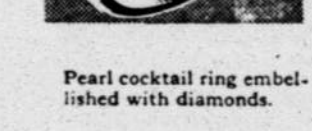
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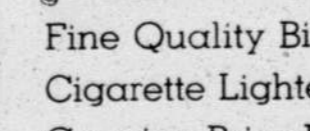


Yellow gold watch, 17 jewel. Gold link band.

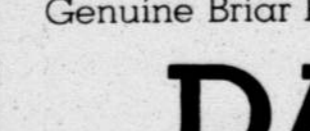
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