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Another Rain Brings Moisture Nearer Normal

For the third consecutive week general rain fell over the county, adding to the hope that the long drouth is yielding to something like normal, though late, rainfall.

Moisture, which fell throughout Thursday and part of Thursday night, measured 1.2 inches in the official rain gauge at Wellington. Farmers in different sections of the county, however, estimated the rainfall from two to as much as three inches in their communities. This was the heaviest of the three rains to fall here.

Altogether, this is approximately two and one-fourth inches of moisture recorded in and around Wellington for the last three weeks. In some parts of the county, this total has probably reached as high as four inches.

This year's winter moisture to date is greater than in 1942, a check of the Leader files show. Only an inch of moisture fell during December until just after Christmas, when a heavy blowing snow blanketed the county, banking high in some places, leaving the ground bare in others.

Lack of sub-soil moisture this year, however, is causing a number of farmers to wonder if the soil is in any better condition than a year ago.

A considerable acreage of wheat was planted in this section just after the first wet spell, and while there is sufficient moisture to bring it up, there is some doubt as to whether the seed will sprout so long as it remains cold.

Mrs. J. C. Clement Dies Wednesday

Mrs. J. C. Clement, a resident of this county for many years, died shortly before 3 o'clock Wednesday, December 15, at the home of a son, E. C. Clement, near Wellington.

Mrs. Clement had been seriously ill only since Sunday, although she suffered a stroke of paralysis last summer. She was about 80 years of age.

No funeral arrangements had been made when The Leader went to press.

Surviving are her husband, J. C. Clement, and sons, E. C. Clement, Ed Clement, Hamp Clement, Carey Clement, and Clyde Clement of this county, Shan Clement of California, Trav Clement and Herman Clement of Vernon, Houston Clement of Amarillo, and Charlie Clement of Shamrock.

Legion-Auxiliary Christmas Social Thursday Evening

The annual American Legion and Auxiliary Christmas social is scheduled for Thursday night, Dec. 16, Mrs. C. B. Jones announced early this week.

The social this year will include not only members of the Legion and Auxiliary, but all service men and their families.

Members are asked to bring a covered dish, but Mrs. Jones requests that each one bring an additional amount since a number of guests are expected.

The hall will be decorated for Christmas and Christmas carols will be sung during the evening.

Hosts for the party will be Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Larson, Mr. and

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Robinson Buys Lloyd's Cafe

Odis Robinson has announced the purchase of Lloyd's Cafe, located on the west side of the square, and formerly operated by Lloyd Robinson.

"We are happy to be able to serve you, and we extend a cordial invitation to all friends of this cafe to come by and see us," Mr. Robinson said.

Mr. Robinson is well known here, having made his home in Wellington for a number of years. Before buying Lloyd's cafe, he operated a truck for the Coco-Cola Company.

Mrs. Robinson will assist her husband in operating the cafe.





TO WICHITA FALLS

Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Harper, active in civic and church life of Wellington for a number of years, left Tuesday for Wichita Falls to make their home. Dr. Harper has accepted a place on the staff of the state hospital at that place.

First '43 Conservation Checks Received Dec. 9

First of the county's 1943 farm conservation checks arrived Thursday, December 9, and during the next six days checks distributed amounted to $43,730.25, Millard Brown of the county AAA office said Wednesday morning.

A total of 468 checks had been received.

This amount and number of checks represents approximately one-fifth of the total expected. This means that approximately $215,000 will be received by farmers and land owners for 1943 compliance with the AAA conservation regulations.

On the whole checks this year are from 10 to 15 per cent smaller than those last year, depending on the soil building allowance for the individual farms. In a few cases, however, the checks are larger than the 1942 amount.

The largest portion of the conservation checks are expected to arrive during the next few weeks, Mr. Brown said.

Dr. J. W. Harper Joins Staff Of State Hospital

Dr. J. W. Harper, prominent Wellington physician for a number of years, has accepted a place on the staff of the State Hospital at Wichita Falls, giving up the general medical practice which he has maintained since moving to Wellington.

He and Mrs. Harper left Tuesday for Wichita Falls.

Active in civic and religious life here, as well as those affairs pertaining to his work as a doctor, they had long been recognized as leaders in the county's activities.

During the time they have been in Wellington, Dr. Harper has served as president of the Kiwanis Club, has been active in the American Legion and the Childress-Hall-Collingsworth Counties Medical Society.

Mrs. Harper has served as production chairman for the Red Cross since war production work was instituted by the local chapter. She was an active member of the Medical Auxiliary and was serving

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Club Girls Plan Christmas Party

Four-H Club girls of the county will celebrate Christmas with a party at the new Community building Saturday evening, December 18, at 8 p. m., Miss Rose Erisman, county home demonstration agent, has announced.

The girls' mothers, home demonstration club members and their daughters are cordially invited to come.

Each person attending is requested to bring a gift to put on the Christmas tree.

The evening will be spent in games, the singing of Christmas carols and distribution of presents from the tree.

More Men Enter Armed Forces

Three men, sent by the local selective service board, were accepted by the Army at Lubbock last week. They were Ross Swift, Melvin C. Thomason, and Oris West. The latter was transferred here from the local board at Alice.

Three colored men were also accepted by the armed forces recently. Eddie Burns Jones was taken by the Navy, and Joe Arthur Gentry and Lafayette Anderson, both transferred here from Corsicana, were accepted by the Army.

Aberdeen Man Injures Hand In Fan Belt Accident

E. S. Hale of the Aberdeen community is recovering from painful injuries received Saturday, December 4, when he caught one hand in a fan belt.

Three fingers of the hand were almost severed. Mr. Hale was rushed to Wellington for medical attention and doctors believe they may be able to save two fingers,

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Farm Machinery Quota 80 Per Cent 1940 Sales

Farm machinery quotas for the county for 1944 were announced by Millard Brown of the AAA office Wednesday. This new quota is 80 per cent of the 1940 implement sales in the county, Mr. Brown was notified.

Quota impiements include 16 listers with planter attachments, 3 grain drills, 12 combines, 10 binders, 7 mowers, 2 rakes with side delivery, 1 pick up bailer, 41 tractors, and 1 manure spreader.

These implements are listed as Class 1 under the machinery rationing setup. Certificates must be secured through the U.S.D.A. war board for their purchase. Class 2 implements, those for which a certificate is required but no quota set for the county, include milking machines, feed grinders, power pumps and windmills. Other implements are included which are not generally used in this section.

Class 3 implements, those which are not rationed and for which no certificate is required include tractor drawn moldboard plows, tractor drawn disk plows, one way disk plows, listers without planting attachments, disc harrows, cultivators, dusters, grain binders, and stationary threshers.

There is no state reserve from which to increase county quotas this year, Mr. Brown was informed. The only way in which additional machinery may be secured when the quotas for the various implements are exhausted is by a surplus that dealers may have on hand, due to late deliveries.

Plans Complete For Concert

Plans have been completed for the High School Band Concert Thursday night, December 16, Logan Cummings, superintendent of Schools, announced this week.

The concert, under the direction of B. O. Wilson, band director, will be given at the high school auditorium, beginning at 8:00 o'clock.

The public is invited to attend. The admission will be any amount that these attending wish to donate to the band. This money will be used to buy additional equiqment.

Duke Man Opens Shoe Shop Here

C. P. McCutchen who recently installed a shoe repair shop in Wellington, has announced that he is now open and ready for business. Mr. McCutchen comes here from Duke, Oklahoma.

The shop is located in the building formerly occupied by the Electric Shoe Shop, and will continue to go under that name. The location is just north of the J. T. Slay Grocery.

"I want to extend a cordial invitation to the people of the county to come by and get acquainted," Mr. McCutchen said.

Annual Christmas Show For Kiddies December 24

The annual boys' and girls' Christmas show, sponsored by the Kiwanis Club in co-operation with the Ritz Theatre, has been scheduled for Christmas Eve morning, Friday, December 24, at 10:30 o'clock.

This will be carried out in as nearly the customary manner as war conditions will permit.

"We have a fine group of comedies and colored cartoons ready for showing—shorts that every boy and girl will get a hundred laughs out of," Horace Clark, Ritz manager, said Tuesday evening.

The show will be approximately an hour in length.

"Through the years this has become a regular event for the boys and girls. It's a good opportunity for their fathers and mothers, too, to do their late Christmas shopping and to make any plans that may be necessary for the holiday," Mr. Clark continued.

This show is for every boy and girl in the county 12 years of age and under.

The Kiwanis Club and the Ritz are estimating that between 1,500 and 2,000 boys and girls from the entire trade territory will attend.

City Can Participate In Post War Air Program

Wellington and Collingsworth County can have a part in the post-war aviation plans for the Panhandle. Just how much will depend entirely on the people and the work they do to get the required airfield and other improvements, County Judge Howard Riggs and City Engineer Bura Handley declared after attending the Southwestern Aviation Conference in Amarillo Tuesday and Wednesday, December 7 and 8.

Both men were enthusiastic over possibilities offered places the size of Wellington and even smaller. It is these small towns, they point out, that will take an important part in the aircraft transportation expansion program, they explained.

At the same time they emphasized that Wellington will have to take some definite action toward securing an airfield and have it approved by the Civil Aeronautics Administration if it expects to be included in the Panhandle Postwar program.

A committee composed of town and county leaders will probably be named in the near future to study the possibilities closely.

All through the conference, airline operators and plane manufacturers pointed out the enormous role that airplanes will play in the transportation scheme once the war is over. This will include not only carrying passengers and freight, but the impetus added by individually owned planes.

"Wellington is just a little off the direct route between Amarillo and Fort Worth and Dallas, but if we have adequate landing facilities, it is possible we can get a stopover, or at least get the service of a feeder line," Mr. Handley said. There is only one stop on the Amarillo to Fort Worth line now, but the controlling airline company has indicated that other stops may be provided as soon as business makes this practical.

Selection of an airport site and securing its approval by the CAA are regarded as the major step for towns to take at present.

Such a project may be entered into by the county and city jointly, or by either individually.

"There are now more than a million men in the armed services who are able to fly airplanes, to say nothing of the hundreds of thousands of others who will learn before this war ends. Not all of them by any means will want to drop out of this work when they go back into civilian life. We might as well realize that aviation such as we are talking about is on us whether we want it or not," Mr. Handley said.

"The plans we are talking about are a long way off, but if we don't get ready for them now, we'll just get left out."

Mr. Handley attended both days of the conference. Judge Riggs was present for the second day.

Negro Murder Case Thursday

The trial of John Abernethy, colored man charged with the murder of his wife near Wellington last spring, will begin Thursday, December 16, Judge A. S. Moss, presiding judge, said Wednesday morning.

This is a special venire case.

The criminal docket opened Monday morning and the entire time since then has been devoted to the trial of one case, involving a charge of seduction. This case will probably be finished Wednesday, Judge Moss said.

Rev. J. W. Russell To Preach At Central Baptist Church Sun.

Rev. J. W. Russell of Quail will preach again Sunday, December 19, at the Central Baptist Church. The church is located one block east of the First Baptist Church. His subject will be "The Meanest Man in the World." Sunday School will be at eleven o'clock and preaching at twelve. The public is cordially invited to attend, Mrs. Jap Smith, church reporter, said.

Real Winter Here With 12 Degree Weather

Coldest weather of the season reached Wellington Tuesday night, with the temperature dropping to around 10 degrees.

The thermometer at Cicero Smith Lumber Co. recorded 12 degrees at 8:00 a. m., Ben Hurst, manager, said.

By noon temperature had risen to 32 degrees.

Many local residents reported frozen water pipes, and a few added that inside pipes had burst.

J. A. Lucas Dies Monday In California

J. A. Lucas, Wellington banker for a number of years, died Monday, December 13 in North Hollywood, Calif., where he had made his home for several months. Mr. Lucas had been in failing health for about a year and a half.

Telegrams sent several friends here by his son, Robert Lucas, said that funeral services would be held at Forrest Lawn, Glendale, Calif., Thursday afternoon.

Mr. Lucas came to Wellington about 1928 and was associated with the City State Bank for approximately 12 years, serving for some time as vice-president. He then resigned that place and became associated with the First National Bank, where he also served as a vice-president.

After his health failed, Mr. Lucas was forced to give up his banking duties, and engaged in the insurance business. He left here in the late summer to join his family in California, planning to return this fall.

Friends here said that Mr. Lucas spent his childhood in the north-central states and came to Texas from St. Louis, Mo. He organized a bank at Edgewood and continued with that institution until he moved to Wellington.

Mr. Lucas was of a quiet but friendly nature, and during the time he lived here he had the respect and admiration of the people

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Two-Day Christmas Vacation Planned For Norwood School

Samnorwood students will receive but two days Christmas vacation, in addition to the usual Saturday and Sunday, it was announced this week.

School will be dismissed Wednesday evening and will be resumed Monday morning. This short holiday is due to dismissal for cotton picking longer this fall than had been planned on.

No classes were held Thursday and Friday of last week, due to the rain making it impossible for the buses to run.

Lucas Buys Gibson Station

Jack Gibson, who has operated the Gibson filling station one block east of the northeast corner of the square for a number of years, this week announced that he is leaving this business and in the future it will be operated by Shorty Lucas.

Mr. Gibson stated that he was forced to give this up due to ill health. He has lived here since 1927. He and Mrs. Gibson will continue to make their home at their farm at the northeast corner of the town section.

Mr. Lucas has had approximately twelve years of experience in employment at and operating filling stations. For several years he operated a filling station and grocery at the northeast corner of the town section until he closed out his stock last year.

In thanking his customers of many years, Mr. Gibson expressed his appreciation for their patronage during the time he has operated the station.

"I want to invite all former customers of the station back to visit us. You will find the same friendly and courteous attention and the same high quality of service that has characterized this station since it was established," Mr. Lucas said.

Wells Family Due This Week

Rev. and Mrs. Oscar Wells and their baby daughter, prisoners of the Japanese in Shanghai, China, since the outbreak of war, will arrive in Wellington on Wednesday of this week to be with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Wells.

Along with other repatriates, they returned to America on the Swedish ship, Gripsholm, which reached New York December 2. They are now with relatives of Mrs. Wells in Grand Rapids, Mich.

Mr. Wells said Monday that it was necessary for Rev. and Mrs. Wells to rest before making the trip from New York here, as they are in physically run-down condition, and he has suffered a light attack of influenza since landing. Their little daughter, born last January, is well.

A sister of Mrs. Wells also returned on the Gripsholm, but her parents and other members of her

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Churches Urge Observance Of Quiet Christmas Season

Churches of the city will observe the Christmas season quietly, stressing worship in a spirit of simplicity and service to others. Plans have not been completed by all groups, but among the services announced have been those by the following:

First Christian Church

The First Christian Church will not only observe the regular Sunday service, but a Christmas tree and program is being provided for the underprivileged children of Wellington Christmas eve, Friday night, December 24, Rev. J. F. Mathews, the pastor, announced this week.

Christmas music and a program by the church will be given. Gifts of fruit and candy will then be distributed from the tree.

The committee in charge includes Mrs. J. M. Strong, Mrs. Guy Clay and Mrs. Heber Brantley.

The Sunday services will include two sermons by the pastor. The Christmas sermon, preached at the morning hour, will be entitled, "Unto Us a Child is Born." The subject at the evening service will be "The Former Treaties." These services begin at 7:30 p. m.

First Baptist Church

Not of a Christmas nature, but undoubtedly one of the outstanding services of the year is planned for Sunday night, when Rev. and Mrs. Oscar Wells are due to speak. They and their baby daughter are due to arrive in Wellington Wednesday after having been prisoners of the Japanese for nearly two years.

Rev. Wells was reared here and preached in the local church a few times before going to Shanghai, China, as a missionary.

These services were announced taking into consideration that Mr. and Mrs. Wells will speak if they feel able to do so after their long trip home. He has addressed two groups, in Grand Rapids and Detroit, since arriving here on the Gripsholm.

This service begins at 8:00 p. m.

"We invite all who will to come and worship with us," Rev. H. H. Kinkeade, the pastor said.

The Christmas sermon will be given by Rev. Kinkeade at the morning service, beginning at 11:30.

Methodist Church

Special Christmas music by the choir and the Christmas sermon by the pastor are planned for the morning service of the Methodist Church, it was announced early this week.

In addition to all regular members of the choir, several additional singers will be included in this Christmas anthem.

Church of the Nazarene

Regular services will be con-

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More Santa Claus Letters To Be Printed Next Week

A large number of letters to Santa Claus from boys and girls of the county are printed in this issue. So many were received, however, that not all of them could be included. The others will be printed next week, along with all those letters that reach The Wellington Leader before Wednesday morning, December 22.

Every boy and girl who has not yet written a letter to Santa Claus, is urged by The Leader to do so, mailing it in care of the paper. The letter will be printed, then mailed on to Santa Claus at the North Pole.

LETTERS FROM MEN IN SERVICE

Santa Ana, Calif.

Dear Deck:

I don't suppose you know me. I am the son of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Mabery, Route 5, Wellington. Tomorrow is the day I get the Leader. Some one is sending it to me and I don't know who it is. I want to take this time to thank that person for sending me so much pleasure. I really enjoy every line. It's really a lot of company. Especially the news of Men in Service. It is good to read about boys that I know and used to run around with.

There is a boy here from the Bronx. He sure gets a kick out of reading the Leader. He likes to read the classified ads. He doesn't know anything about farm life. He asks all kinds of questions about livestock. He didn't know what a smoothmouth mule was.

Well, I will tell you a little about what I do. I am assistant Crew Chief on a P-38. I try to keep it flying. We train pilots for combat service. When they leave here they are ready for overseas. They leave here with 100 flying hours in P-38's. We have to have the ships ready to fly at 6:30 in the morning and some times they fly till 11:00 and 12:00 at night.

Well, I suppose this is enough for one time. So I will close for now. Tell all my friends hello and good luck and anyone that wishes to drop me a letter I will try to answer. Thanks again to the person sending me the Leader.

Sincerely,
Sgt. Robert L. Mabery

(The following letter was received by Mr. and Mrs. Jess White from their son, Willie White, who is stationed somewhere in North Africa.)

Dear Folks:

Got a bunch of your letters this week and was so glad to hear that you're still in good health, and you'd better stay that way, too.

There's nothing the matter with me, except that I'm just a little tired and I'm resting now. My new address simply means that the doctor said my nerves were jumping a bit, and for the time being I won't go into combat. No, I don't think I'll be coming home for a while yet. The war should be over by next April or May anyway. I hear that Leon is trying for a commission in the Navy. Hope he gets it. For living conditions the Navy beats the Army any day. Well you and Dad and Doris take care of yourselves and please don't worry about me. I know that God is mindful of us all.

Willie.

(The following letter was written by Cpl. William Radford, who formerly lived here, to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Radford, now living in Los Angeles, Calif. It was sent by them to Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Tenison of Wellington. Mrs. Tenison said that any of Cpl. Radford's friends wishing to write him could get his address from her.)

England
November 3rd, 1943

Dear Mom, Dad and all:

Will drop you a few lines tonight to let you know that everything is o. k. with me. I've been working pretty hard lately and will be doing the same thing for the next few weeks to come.

I still haven't been back to the company since I last wrote you and haven't had any mail in six weeks now. I saw Red Walters a couple of days ago and he is bringing my mail to me within the next week. He told me that I had some parcels so maybe your package finally got here. If it isn't here, I know that it will never come so I can forget all about it.

How is Dad making out with his job now?

My job is pretty rough because we never spend two nights in the same place. I have to find a different bed to sleep in each night. Most of the time we stay in a Red Cross station. They usually have good beds and pretty good meals. The meals part is what I like best.

This is one swell country right now. It has been raining for the past week and the mud is about six inches deep. They tell me that it might stay this way for two months. If it does, I'm selling out and moving to some other country to spend the winter.

I haven't heard from Virginia or Granny, so I don't know any of the news from home. If you don't hear from me regularly, keep writing to me anyway, because it will catch up with me some day. I can't write very often because I have no one to turn my mail over to for censoring. I can get it censored about once each week. I will let you hear from me everytime I can.

I will close for now. Tell everyone to keep writing me and I will answer them when I get the time.

Love to all,
Dub.

Beware Coughs from common colds That Hang On

Creomulsion relieves promptly because it 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. Tell your druggist to sell you a bottle of Creomulsion with the understanding you must like the way it quickly allays the cough or you are to have your money back.

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"LET'S SEE, WHAT'LL I GET FOR—?"
Mrs. Frank Bockwinkel invites Corp. Howard Dale, Pvt. Tommie Curry, and Pvt. Joe Farrar to avail themselves of the shopping aid for service men established by the Navy Mother's Club at Lt. Louis, Mo. The ladies say more than a hundred soldiers a day drop in and ask for help.

SAMNORWOOD
By MRS. C. W. FRITTS

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Neely of Los Angeles, Calif., are visiting his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ledbetter and children, and friends.

The Neelys are former residents of Norwood and are now doing defense work in California.

Mrs. George DeBord and daughter are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Jeffries and baby.

Everyone is happy over the good rain of Thursday and Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fritts and Mae Jean and Belva attended singing in Wellington Sunday afternoon.

Nellie Jolly and Geneva Montgomery are working in Wellington.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cunningham and son, James Allen, recently returned from a deer hunt in South Texas.

I am happy to report that Mary Ruth Montgomery, who has been ill in the hospital at Wellington for 70 days, is gradually improving.

LILLIE
By MRS. G. D. THOMAS

Lillie community was blessed with rain and some snow last week.

Grandmother Horton returned home from a visit with her son, Japth Horton, at Wichita Falls Thursday.

Jack Harwell spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Harwell. Jack is at College Station taking a radio course in the Navy.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Thomas and Zook Thomas and son, John Alph, of Wellington visited in the G. D. Thomas home Sunday evening.

We are glad to report that Mrs. Chaudoin is still improving after her operation last week. We wish her a speedy recovery.

S-Sgt. Finis Hall of Camp Maxey, Paris, Texas, is here visiting his wife and son, Finis Keith. Mrs. Hall and son, Finis Keith, were brought home Sunday from the hospital. Both are doing fine.

Mrs. Nell Ebers of Springfield, Ill., arrived recently to spend the remainder of the winter at St. Joseph's Hospital here. Mrs. Ebers spent last winter in Wellington.

Poultry Hints

HOW TO PROTECT CHICKENS FROM COLDS

Pullets usually are laying well in October, and the job of poultry raisers in this area is to keep them laying, believes Guy Clay of the Clay Hatchery. Eggs are needed for defense, and every additional egg the birds can be induced to lay by just a bit of extra care will mean more income from the flock.

An early fall and winter plague which attacks flocks of laying pullets is colds. Colds are one of those pesky ailments that too many people tolerate, when vaccination of the flock with Mixed Bacterin (Avian) Chicken Formula, very likely, would give the protection needed to avoid this nuisance.

To be able to fight colds effectively, it is necessary to understand them. Colds usually attack a flock in three steps. First, the resistance of the flock becomes low due to a run-down condition from a worm or louse infestation, or both. Second, sudden changes in temperature, drafty houses and floor drafts, extended exposure to cold, wet weather, wet floors, improper ventilation, overcrowding, and filthy houses all contribute toward colds attacking laying flocks.

Third, when these unfavorable conditions are present in a flock for any length of time, a specific infection may become localized in the respiratory membranes. This means trouble as pus-producing bacteria and others gain entrance into the inflamed membranes, and the result is a drawn-out, complicated siege of roup.

If virus gains entrance into the respiratory system of the pullets, coryza results, and if the virus of infectious laryngotracheitis gains a foothold, considerable death loss may ensue.

"The way to solve cold troubles," says Mr. Clay, "is to see that the laying houses are as ideal as possible—clean, free from drafts, and thoroughly disinfected with a high-quality, dependable disinfectant. As a protective measure against colds, vaccination has proved successful, and it is now suggested widely as a definite measure which may be used in building resistance."

Over 8,000 retired workers receiving monthly benefits under the Social Security Act were past the of 80 at the close of 1942. There were 1,474 wives who were 80 years of age receiving monthly benefits based on their husbands' wage records.

Australia's population of 7,000,000 is only 2 per square mile of the continent.

Say "Merry Christmas" with these GIFTS

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The Fair Store

TO PRODUCE MORE--DO IT RIGHT

Haphazard chicken raising is out this year. Our government needs poultry and eggs as never before — so do your part. Check up on your poultry management for the cold winter months. Read the suggestions contained in this checklist ad, the thirteenth in our series of practical pointers for poultry raisers. Watch, also, for more ads to come.

Check List No. 13

COLD WEATHER MANAGEMENT SUGGESTIONS

CHECK THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTIONS AGAINST YOUR POULTRY RAISING METHODS

☐ **Provide Good Ventilation**

Good ventilation is a "must" in poultry management this year. When your laying houses are well-aired, you won't have difficulty with dampness. Fix loose-fitting doors and windows — they cause drafts. Cracks and crevices should be filled up. Remember, a damp, drafty laying house helps to bring on colds . . . roup. Insulation helps to avoid radical changes in temperature, and that's important too. We'll be glad to help you plan the most economical way to insulate your laying house.

☐ **Keep Drinking Water From Freezing**

Always provide the hens with plenty of fresh, clean, drinking water. If it's cold enough in the poultry house to freeze water, you need one of our heated fountains to keep it from freezing. Use Dr. Salsbury's PHEN-O-SAL in the drinking water also, to check germ growth. We have a complete stock of poultry supplies, waterers, and feeders. Let us help you solve your poultry equipment problems.

☐ **Provide Extra Incentives to Eat**

In cold weather, more of the feed consumed by the birds goes to supply heat for their bodies . . . less for egg production. To keep egg production from lagging, it's important to keep layers eating heartily. They need extra incentives to eat. We recommend that you use Dr. Salsbury's AVI-TAB in the mash; it helps pep up lagging appetites. Another thing — warm, moist mash feeding once or twice a day are helpful, too.

LET US HELP YOU

Feeding problems can be solved easily if you will come in and talk it over with us. We have a complete line of poultry equipment. The emblem at the right tells you that we are co-operating 100% in the National Poultry Conservation Program. Come in and let us help you.

National Poultry Conservation Program — We are cooperating as a member of Dr. Salsbury's Nation Wide Poultry Health Service

CLAY HATCHERY

PHONE 28J WELLINGTON, TEXAS



Announcement of Change of OWNERSHIP

This is to announce that I have bought Lloyd's Cafe and to extend you a cordial invitation to visit us and try our tasty food.

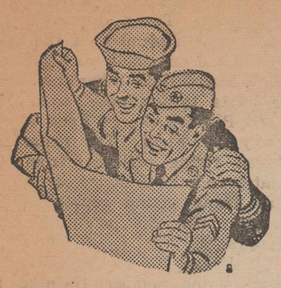
Here you will find appetizing plate lunches served at moderate prices and you will find that the quantity as well as the quality will be ample. In addition we also serve all kinds of short orders and cold drinks.

At this time we would like to wish each and every one of you a very Merry Christmas and a Victorious New Year.

OTIS ROBINSON

LLOYD'S CAFE

WEST SIDE SQUARE



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— from the —
Army Navy Air Force Marines Coast Guard

S1-c T. D. Austin, son of Mrs. Ida Austin, arrived in Wellington December 10, after being on active sea duty since September of 1943. He recently underwent an operation for appendicitis and was given a ten day leave.

Seaman Austin has been serving in the Atlantic and has been to Iceland, Brazil, and the North Sea between Norway and Spitzbergen. While on Convoy duty his ship had several submarine contacts and is credited with sinking one and probably two others. He said the weather was "pretty rough."

In the Mediterranean his ship was engaged in screening for an Aircraft Carrier.

Seaman Austin entered the Navy in May of 1942 and took his boot training at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station.

As souvenirs Austin brought with him English, French, Cuban and Russian coins. Others include handkerchiefs from various countries.

While here Austin will visit his mother, Mrs. Ida Austin, and sisters.

Aviation Cadet Reece Norman, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Norman, has completed nine weeks of basic flight training at Majors Field, Greenville, and has been graduated to the advanced flying school at Frederick, Oklahoma.

Pfc. Robert W. Dickey, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Dickey of Wellington, has graduated from an intensive course in airplane mechanics and now is prepared to join the ranks of "coverall commandos" who keep our American planes aloft. Sheppard Field, near Wichita Falls, is one of the largest schools of the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command, training specialist technicians for the ground crews which "Keep 'Em Flying."

Before entering the school, he was trained at one of the basic training centers of the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command.

S1-c R. C. Patrick, who has been in the Pacific for the past few months, arrived Saturday to spend a 7 day leave with his mother, Mrs. Susie Patrick.

Sgt. Nolan Huffhines was recently made an instructor at Battle Creek, Michigan. Both he and his brother, S1-c Edward Huffhines who is stationed at Treasure Island, visited with their sister, Mrs. Buddy Gibson, last week.

After taking part in four major sea battles and five raids, GM1-c Aden Hunt is spending his first leave with his father, R. L. Hunt of Denton, who is visiting in Dodson at the present time.

Hunt, who is a gunner's mate, has been from Alaska to South America, as well as to Australia, New Guinea, New Caledonia, the Marcus Islands, Midway, Santa Cruz and Eastern Solomons.

Hunt saw Pearl Harbor soon after the sneak attack, but his first action in battle was at Midway. It was there that his ship received credit for shooting out the searchlights of a Japanese battleship which was later sunk. Hunt says that he actually saw only one Jap ship go down in this historic battle, which experts have designated as the turning point of the naval warfare in the Pacific.

Hunt had high praise for the air arm of both the Navy and Army. In one battle in the Solomons the surface fleet of which his ship was a member was attacked by 107 Japanese planes, but they were intercepted by U. S. fliers who shot down 63 before the Japs fled.

Hunt, who looked to be in the pink of health himself, expressed great pride in the expansion of the U. S. Navy and declared that all the sailors he had talked to were itching for a showdown with the main Japanese fleet. It might cost some men and ships he said, but our thought is to sink the whole Jap navy and then get home. When asked if he thought the Japs would risk the main part of their surface craft in one decisive battle, he said: "I don't know, of course, but my mates hope that someday they will have to. Midway won't be in it if they do." Then he added thoughtfully, "We may have to go on picking them off a few at a time."

Hunt, who has been in the Navy for the past three years, arrived in Dodson November 30 and plans to spend his entire leave in Collingsworth County.

Seaman First Class Beatrice Walters, who recently completed a period of training with the WAVES at the Naval Training Station, Norman, Oklahoma, arrived Monday for a 7-day leave with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Walters. She will also visit with her brother, Sgt. T. J. Walters, at the Amarillo Army Air Field.

Seaman Walters will report for duty at the Naval Air Training Station at Corpus Christi.

In her work as an aviation metalsmith, she will work on the big Navy planes, welding, working with plastics, applying watertight patches, riveting, and "reskinning" planes. This latter, she explained, means removing the light aluminum covering on the planes and applying a new one.

Seaman Walters graduated from high school here in 1938. For three years before entering the WAVES, she made her home at Denver, Colo., and Ogden, Utah. She entered the Naval Reserve eight months ago and received her initial training at Hunter College, New York City.

Cpl. Roy White of Port Berry, Calif., spent a 16-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse White. Cpl. White has been in the service for two years and this was his first furlough since entering. He left last week to return to his post in Camp Berry.

Pvt. Polly McCullough, now stationed with the WAC at Gardner Field, California, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dean M. Hobbs, while on a 21-day furlough.

Pvt. McCullough left Monday to visit her husband, James B. McCullough, who is also in the services, and now at Casa Grande, Arizona. She will stay there a week before reporting back for duty.

She is a beauty operator for the WACS at Gardner Field.

Sgt. and Mrs. J. H. Wilson of Nopier Field, Ala., were here last week visiting her father, J. R. Childress, of Wellington. Sgt. Wilson entered the Army the day war was declared. He is a mechanic in the Air Corps.

Pvt. John Alva Hobbs, now stationed in Lubbock A.A.F. in the Guard Squadron, spent a 3-day pass with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dean M. Hobbs, last week.

Pvt. Hobbs was recently married to Miss Dorothy Reese of Ropesville. Pvt. and Mrs. Hobbs are now living in Lubbock.

FORT BENNING, Ga.—Pvt. Roland Z. Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Wilson of Quail, Texas, R. 1, successfully made his fifth and qualifying jump Friday night. This tactical night jump completed his Parachute Jump training which lasted the standard four weeks and which included jumping from the towers 250 feet high and learning completely the technique of safe parachute jumping and landing. He has earned the right to wear the coveted Wings and Boots of the U. S. Armys' most modern soldier, the Paratrooper.

The Parachute School at Fort Benning is the school at which all Army parachutists in Tunisia, Sicily, New Guinea and all over the world, received their initial jump training. In the last six months, as the result of constant study and refinement in instruction, casualties in training have been reduced over one-third. At the present time a man jumping from a plane at the Parachute School has less than 1 percent chance of being injured.

Cpl. Clyde Hall received his sergeant's rating and was made a crew chief on a huge cargo plane the first of December. He is with the First Troop Carrier Command Sqdn. now stationed at the Sedalia Army Air Field near Kansas City, Missouri.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Taylor, Corney Taylor, Miss Ruth Taylor, Ben Saied and family, Frank Dakil, Theodore Dakil, and Farha Dakil, all of Childress, visited in the home of Mack Saied Sunday, who has been ill for the past few days.



BOATNER'S BOUDOIR

Brig.-Gen. Haydon L. Boatner, General Stilwell's chief of staff in India, utilizes the rear-vision mirror of a jeep for a road-side shave on one of the hikes he requires of his men to condition them for tougher times ahead.

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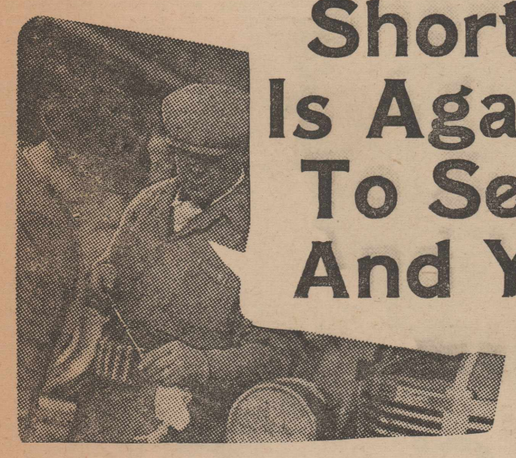
I have returned my lease of the Magnolia station located just east of the Hotel Wellington to the com- and it is now in charge of Shorty Lucas, an experienced filling station man. I respectfully ask all of my old customers to give him a trial for I am sure you will be pleased with the service he will render.

And at this time I would like to thank the many people who have given me such generous patronage for the past 17 years. I am deeply grateful to each one of you for your friendship and your patronage.

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FOR SALE

FOR SALE Or Trade—Stock in City State Bank of Wellington, Texas. W. H. Lynn. 22-tfc

FOR SALE—25 one-year-old Leghorn hens. Four Star quality. Jack Boverie. 22-2-c

FOR SALE—Practically new five burner, table top, Wesco oil stove. See Mrs. P. H. Thomas 2½ miles west from Southwest corner of town section. 23-2-p

FOR SALE OR TRADE—4 burner Florence oil stove, new bedstead. C. B. Evans, box 84, Quail. 23-1-p

FOR SALE—Living room suites reduced from $119.50 to $89.50. Terms if desired. Starkey Electric. South Side Square. 23-1-c

FOR SALE—One office safe, one Burroughs adding machine. Both in good condition. Jack Gibson, phone 302R. 23-3-c

FOR SALE—We have a nice assortment of ovenware that we are closing out at one-half price. Lewis Brothers. 23-1-c

FOR SALE—Full vision seven foot meat case, porcelain lined. Good condition. Will sell at bargain. Lewis Brothers. 23-1-c

FOR SALE—Simmons half bed, extra good springs and mattress. J. W. Breedlove, 701 Childress street. 23-1-p

FOR SALE—Xmas tree up to six feet in height. Your choice, each 50c. Lewis Brothers. 23-1-c

FOR SALE—Nearly new 4-foot refrigerator. See at West Texas Utilities. Ralph Stowell. 23-1-p

FOR SALE—'38 model Dodge coupe. Good rubber, motor fair. Reasonable. Albert Van, Route 5. 23-2-p

FOR SALE—Two ice boxes and one breakfast table. See Mrs. F. C. Fuson, Route 5. 22-2-p

FOR SALE—Smooth mouth mare, weighs 1200 lbs.; 2 9-year-old horses, weight 1200 lbs.; smooth mouth horse, weight 1000 lbs.; mule, 2 years old past. 3-year-old Jersey cow with month old calf. 3-year-old Jersey cow, fresh in January; one-row lister; one-row godevil; wagon; 2 sets chain harness. Floyd McNabb, 4 miles north, 3 east of Quail. 23-2-p

FOR SALE—10 milk cows all fresh. See Barney Cook. 22-3-p

FOR SALE—1200 hegari bundles, 60 bales of peanut hay, one sow and 6 pigs. O. A. Means, 2 1-2 miles north on Talley Farm. 23-1p

FOR SALE — 1940 Chevrolet Coach, 4 practically new tires, radio and heater, motor good shape. Also practically new saddle. 2½ mi. S. Fresno school. Woodrow Byrd. 22-3-p

FOR SALE—80 acres two miles west, 160 acres six miles east and 160 acres seven miles east, both on new pavement, priced to sell. C. C. Bishop. 22-3-p

FOR SALE—160 acres good sandy land, well improved. Beatrice Jenkins, second house north Lillie Church. Rt. 3, Wellington. 22-2-p

PINTO BEANS for sale. $7.00 a hundred. U. V. Helbert, 4 miles north of Shinnery School. 22-2-p

FOR SALE — Frigidaire. First class condition. Mrs. Barney Gleen, East Blue Trim Apartment, Call 412 w. 21-3-c

FOR SALE—101 acre farm, 3 miles east of Wellington on paved highway. 6-room modern house with good soft water, bath and sleeping porch, lights and telephone, 7 acres in good orchard consisting of apples, peahces, grapes, plums and berries, running creek across place with 17 acres of bermuda grass pasture fenced for either a sheep or hog pasture. 76 acres of tillable land. See J. S. Driskill, Wellington, Texas 21-3-c

FOR SALE — Apples, Oranges, grapes, nuts, candy, and Bobby pins; also home grown vegetables and bulbs. Christmas trees in due time. Come to T. B. Starkey, south side Square. 16-tfc

FOR SALE—Farmall 14 tractor. A-1 condition. Good rubber. Lister and cultivator included. O. Z. Bartlett, 3 miles south on highway, 1 east, half south. 19-5-p

FOR SALE—Hybrid seed corn. If you want to plant corn next spring, place your order now. Starkey Seed Store. 18-tfc.

FOR SALE—Good 5 burner oil stove. See Mrs. H. V. Martindale, Route 6. 22-2-p

WANTED

WANTED—Peas. T. B. Starkey, Seeds and Plants. 23-tfc

WANTED — To buy good used cigar lighter with windshield for soldier overseas who keeps asking for lighter. No new ones available. Mrs. Pearl Shaw, RFD 2, Wellington. 23-1-p

WANT TO RENT 160 acre farm. Must be good land. Have force to work it. Can give references. H. N. Gray, Route 1, Wellington, quarter mile north Fresno School. 22-2-p

WANTED—500,000 rats to kill with Rays new improved rat killer. Harmless to anything but rats and mice. Guaranteed at Pruden Drug Store. 17-16-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

HELP WANTED

HELP WANTED—Young Lady, 18 year old or older, for grocery checker, one with experience preferred. Good pay, reasonable hours. Lewis Bros. Grocery. 23-1-c

LOST

LOST—Strayed or stolen 2 large black mares. One had some white on face and feet, other solid black. Will be glad to pay feed bill, Mrs. O. C. Chapman Rt. 3, 1 mile south and ½ mile east of Lillie store. 3 room house on south side of road. 22-2-p

FOUND

FOUND—Man's oxford. Owner may have by identifying and paying for ad. 23-1c

MISCELLANEOUS

FOR RENT—640 acres sandy farm land in west end of county. Box 833, Hedley. 22-2-p

PERMANENT WAVE, 59c! Do your own Permanent with Charm-Kurl Kit. Complete equipment, including 40 curlers and shampoo. Easy to do, absolutely harmless. Praised by thousands including Fay McKenzie, glamorous movie star. Money refunded if not satisfied. Parsons Drug Company. 21-10p

RENTALS

FOR RENT—Farm with sale of teams and equipment. Will sell farm at a bargain or will trade farm and 5 room modern house in Wellington. Good location, on pavement for other land. See Fred Bell, Slay Grocery 23-tfc

NOTICE

IOOF

Meets each Thursday Night, 9:00 P. M.
W. M. Tucker, Noble Grand
Buster Hughs, Secretary

Stated meeting of Wellington Lodge No. 763 A F & A M second Thursday each month at 8:00 p. m.
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Panel Asks Co-operation In Price Control

The work of the Price Panel of the Collingsworth County War Price and Rationing Board is now getting under way and according to Lee Fortenberry, local Price Panel chairman. "If you have not already had some contact with your local Price Panel you'll be surprised to learn what is being done each day to protect the value of your earnings and your savings by fighting to keep prices down," he declared.

The Collingsworth County Price Panel consists of the following volunteer members who serve entirely without pay: Lee Fortenberry, chairman, R. L. Gillentine, T. J. Way and Bonnie L. Hall, Price Panel Clerk.

"What we need," Mr. Fortenberry said, "is more people who are willing to volunteer their time to help price control work effectively for the protection of their neighbors and themselves." "We feel," he said, "that since our panel is made up of people who know local conditions and local people who can settle most complaints about price control violations in a neighborly way without a lot of red tape and unpleasant legal action." "Please don't get the idea," Mr. Fortenberry added, "that the price panel is working just to protect consumers against overcharges. We think that is only half our job. We're just as much concerned about helping the retailer here in town to stay in business and earn a decent living."

Mr. Fortenberry also stated that he wanted the people of Collingsworth County to use the price panel. He suggested that any one who felt that prices were out of line on any article should first talk about it to the merchant. Then if a satisfactory answer on the prices could not be had, the purchaser should again check the price list in the store just to make sure he is right. Then go home and write a note to the price panel of the local board, giving all the necessary facts—what was bought, where and when it was bought and how much was paid. If the complaint seems to be justified, he said, the merchant may receive a phone call within a few days. If there has just been a misunderstanding and if it can be cleared up without taking a lot of everyone's time, the facts will come out in the telephone conversation. But if necessary, the price panel will talk to the merchant. Just to make sure that no one is embarrassed, names will not be used in these discussions.

Mr. Fortenberry stated that men on the panel were not judges and certainly not policemen. They'll ask a few questions and explain the regulations. In most cases, the whole situation will be straightened out in a friendly way. He also stated that the board was always glad for the retailer to call on them for any information needed regarding prices and price regulations.

Mrs. Fred Watkins visited Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday in Dallas with her son, Dr. Dale Watkins, and her niece, Mrs. Shirley Llorente. Dr. Watkins will complete his internship at St. Paul's Hospital around the first of the year and will enter active service with the Army. Mrs. Watkins rteurned home Wednesday.

Two different social security account numbers might decrease and could never increase benefit payments. Excess cards should be returned to the nearest field office of the Social Security Board.



THAT FAMOUS AUTOMATIC PILOT

Ever wonder what an automatic pilot looks like? Well, here's one of the two-unit contraptions being inspected by Navy Capt. Joseph S. Evans at General Electric's Schenectady, N. Y., plant under guidance of aeronautics and marine engineer C. M. Young. The pilot sets the course and the "pilot" does the work. Soft? Sometimes.

Wellington FFA Represented At Area Meeting

CANYON.—Three representatives of Collingsworth County attended a meeting of the officers of Area I of the Future Farmers of America which was held at West Texas State College last week end.

Marion Baumgardner, state FFA parliamentarian, and Billy Nelson, merchant of Wellington representing the Memphis district, and Vocational Agriculture Teacher T. J. Henry of Wellington, took the boys in his car and included one or two from other places. A banquet, a carefully planned business session, and a tour through the Panhandle Plains Historical Society Museum under the guidance of Boone McClure, assistant curator, were features of the two-day session.

The FFA representatives of the area will gather in Canyon in April for their spring meeting.

The week end conference was planned by the Canyon FFA chapters with the assistance of Milton Morris of West Texas State College, and W. G. Sanderson of the Canyon High School.

DODSON

By CORRESPONDENT

Sam Thompson returned from Dutch Harbor last Wednesday to spend a 30 day Furlough with his wife, Mrs. Sam Thompson, formerly Miss Tribble Camp, and his father Mr. Thompson in Howe, Texas.

It has been reported that Walter Camp has returned back to his post in Md., after spending a few days leave with his wife, Mrs. Walter Camp and his parents Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Camp.

Miss Oleta Camp, who is employed with the Ordiance Plant in Pampa, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Camp.

Church services at the Nazarene church, were well attended Sunday. The church will have a Christmas tree and Christmas program Thursday night at 7:30.

The stock sale was well attended last week. Although, it was raining hard a $3,0000 sale was enjoyed by all who attended.

Malaria is endemic in seventeen southern and southwestern states, and in all of the South American countries north of the Rio Plata.

More than 4,600 persons are engaged in the leather industry in Canada.

42 Reclassified In 1-A Section

Forty-two men, almost all of whom are fathers or 18-year-olds not previously registered, were placed in class 1-A by the selective service board in its Saturday night meeting.

Included in this group was the second county official to be reclassified within the last two weeks, Kenneth Johnson, commissioner from Precinct 2. Mr. Johnson is farming in the Roundup community.

The list includes:

1-A: Marcus A. Mitchell, Chas. M. Baber, Ervin S. Brewer, Isaac N. Sears, Alvin E. Horton, William U. Adams, William P. Brewer, James S. Humphrey, Alfred M. Gregston, Chester M. Moore, Milburn Gibbs, R. T. Skaggs, Floyd R. Hood, Loyle L. Murry, John M. Smith, Othar L. Winegeart, Lonnie P. Vaughan, C. A. Smith, Cecil R. Johnson, Frank L. Gentry, Ara Burkhalter, Urban C. Brown, Clifford M. Wheeler, William H. Stall, Darvin R. Nix, Lenard M. Essman, R. J. Howell, William V. White, Kenneth E. Johnson, Dewey Branch, Charles H. Summers, Herschel M. Glass, Ross A. Swift, George L. Newman, Lewis C. Youree, Floyd N. Colson, Byron M. Cole, Kenneth D. Farris, John A. Boverie, Frank J. Coleman (limited service), Troy C. Bass and Jack E. Woods.

1-C: Ross Swift, Eddie B. Jones and Melvin C. Thomason.

4-A: Luther M. Ritter.

2-B: Virgil L. Ivey.

3-C: Denton Anthony.

3-D: Bulb Alexander.

An American soldier consumes about one and a half times as much food as an average civilian.

Canada's new wartime 5-cent coin is 88 per cent copper, 12 per cent zinc.

Quail Wins Ball Series

By LETHA LOWE

Most highly complimented games of the season were played Tuesday, December 7, from the standpoint of high sportsmanship, good ball handling, excellent basket shooting, and speed. The Quail teams proved themselves to be strong contenders for the district championship this year by deefating Samnorwood's Eagles four games in a double header played that day.

Even though, people are living under a nervous strain a huge crowd was present to boost their teams to victory. Many stated that it was like "old times" to see Quail boys and girls run the scores up.

Both Samnorwood and Quail teams played excellent ball in the afternoon and evening games.

The enthusiastic Bobwhites took the lead off in the first afternoon game, scoring 46 to 17 in their favor.

Alpha Neeley took first place with 23 points to her credit and Della Mae Coffee second with 14 points.

The starting lineup for the Bobwhites were Alpha Neeley, Wauline Spier, and Della Mae Coffee as forwards, Alma Powell, Bonnie Lou Blevins and Lennie Faye Feemster as guards.

Substitutes were Evelyn Joe Farmer, Grace Aaron, and Odell Murley.

Samnorwood players were Young, Crossland, Shaw, Fritts, Clement, King, Turner, Massey and Boding.

The evening game ended 26 to 7 in favor of the Bobwhites.

Although the Quail boys were usually in the lead the Norwood boys were so close to their heels that neither the players nor the fans could relax until the final whistle had blown. The scores for the afternoon game were 37 to 23 and the evening game, 37 to 21, both in favor of Quail.

The lineup for Quail were L. J. Jones, Billy Joe Peggram, Alvie Clay, J. W. Emmert, John Coffee, Teddy Wayne Brock, Bob Sessions, Ervie Robinson, Charles Little and Richard Gilbreth.

Norwood players were Jones, Cunningham, Massey, Conway, Bryant and Bradley.

Dec. 31 and Jan. 1 are the dates set for the Quail basketball tournament for both boys and girls teams. The tournament will be held in the Quail High School gymnasium on Friday and Saturday on the dates mentioned above. Arrangements are being made for some outstanding teams to be present. Those who wish to enter this tournament get in touch with Herman Moseley, high school principal and coach, at the earliest possible date.

Silk worm silk is carried in the worm's glands as a fluid and not until the air touches it does it become a silken thread.

Every social security account number has nine digits in it, divided into three groups, as 000-00-0000.



OUTSTANDING 4-H FOLKS

Proudly holding Moses Perpetual Trophies awarded them at the 4-H Club Congress in Chicago are Robert Mayer, 20, of Marysville, Kan., and Emily E. McHattie, 19, of Newport, Minn. Presented for outstanding participation in economic, cultural and civic life, the awards carry college scholarships.

News — from the — Army Navy Air Force Marines Coast Guard

It Had to Happen: Pvt. Oris Miller, after a year and a half in semi-tropical Puerto Rico, was transferred back to the States, arriving in New Jersey during one of the coldest spells the east coast has had so far this year.

"And let me tell you, that Statue of Liberty was the most beautiful girl I ever saw," he wrote his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Miller of Wellington, the day after arriving.

Pvt. Miller is with an anti-aircraft unit.

He expects to be sent to Camp Stewart, Ga., in the near future.

Before entering the army, Pvt. Miller, probably better known by his nickname Ish, was employed at the Wellington Leader.

His brother, Clyde Miller, also a former Leader employee, entered the Army last week at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and has been assigned to the army band.

Miller, in addition to his other work, has also played in an conducted dance orchestras here and in New Mexico.

FORT WORTH.—Second Lieut. Frank C. Fuson, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Fuson, Sr., of Wellington, Texas, Route 5, recently was a member of the thirteenth and second largest graduation class of B-24, Liberator bomber pilots to graduate from the AAR Pilot School at Fort Worth Army Air Field. The roster included flying officers from 37 States and the District of Columbia, Texas taking representation honors with 25 potential Axis busters.

Lt. Fuson, 23, received his pre-four - engine - bomber - training at Coleman, Sherman, and Houston, Texas.

The nine week course at Texas' only Liberator pilot school entails every phase of servicing and flying the giant bombers that are making aerial history in every theater of war. Functioning on an around-the-clock schedule, the specialized four-engine school curriculum includes many hours of ground school, combined with a brisk athletic program, and long, cross-country navigation flights under every type of weather condition and altitude.

When the graduate pilot receives his certificate attesting his mastery of the 28-ton sky giants, he receives immediate assignment as a Liberator flight instructor, or is sent to a tactical unit for final, pre-combat training.

The word "Specimen" does not appear on any genuine social security account number card. Employers should ask to see the card of each new employee to assure themselves that the name and number furnished them are correct.

Miss Mary Lou Hawkins visited relatives in Hedley Sunday.

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Be Careful With Allotment Checks, Scruggs Warns

Chief of Police G. N. Scruggs announced today that the United States Secret Service at Dallas again warns persons in this vicinity who receive or cash checks to be watchful for mail thieves and forgers, as many allowance and allotment checks are going astray and are being cashed on forged endorsements. Chief Scruggs and the Secret Police urge that the following rules be observed:

To those who receive checks—

1. Have a good, deep mail box. Have your name clearly printed on it. Keep it locked!

2. Whenever possible, have your mail carrier deliver checks in person rather than to your box.

3. Never endorse a check until you are actually in the presence of the person who will cash it.

4. Cash your check at the same place each month. Cash it yourself! Don't send children to cash checks! This encourages juvenile delinquency.

5. If you change your address, notify the Post Office immediately.

6. Do not fold, pin or mutilate allotment or allowance checks!

To those who cash checks:

1. Know your endorser!

2. Ask for positive identification. Before you cash a check, ask yourself this question, "If this check is returned, can I find the person who gave it to me?"

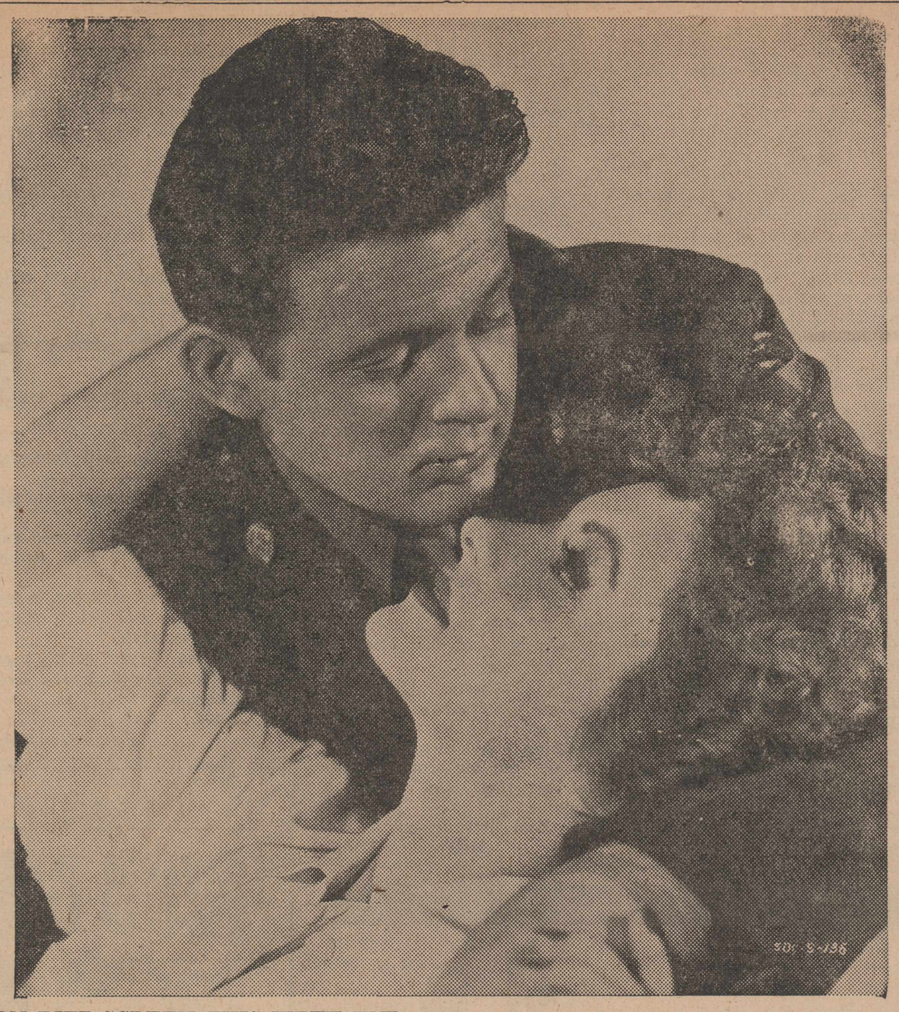
3. Never cash a check already endorsed. Have it endorsed again in your presence.

4. Require that all employees who cash checks shall initial them.

The Secret Service has for many years been engaged in a program of Crime Prevention. In 1938 they began a campaign known as "Know Your Money" and since then counterfeiting has dropped 97 percent. In addition to the great reduction in counterfeting, the campaign has helped a great deal to keep down juvenile delinquency. Since many offenders in check cases are juveniles, the Secret Service is not only hopeful that their present campaign of "Know Your Endorsers" will save the taxpayers money in reduced investigative time, and expense of keeping prisoners in penitentiaries, but will help keep juveniles out of trouble. Also, because of the effect on morale of the armed forces, the Government is extremely anxious that no allotment or allowance check be delayed even one day, and Chief Scruggs states that every effort will be made to make this effort successful here.

Judge and Mrs. L. D. Tallent of Altus spent the week end with Mrs. Tallent's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Walker and family.

Miss Jerry Graham spent the week end in Childress with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Graham.



ON RITZ SCREEN THIS WEEK END

48 top personalities of screen, stage and radio headline the cast of "Stage Door Canteen," a stirring romantic story of a young American soldier and a pretty junior hostess set in the glamorous atmosphere of New York's well-known entertainment spot for servicemen of the United Nations. Cheryl Walker and William Terry have the principal roles in Sol Lesser's star-studded production, which is slated to open at the Ritz Theatre on Sunday through United Artists release.

ROUNDUP

By THELMA W. JOHNSON

Mr. and Mrs. John Walker and W. R. Benton visited with relatives and friends in Locoma over the week end.

Kenneth E. Johnson made a business trip to Oklahoma City this past week.

W. R. Benton and two sons, E. J. and Clyde, took their brother-in-law, Buddy Wheley, to his home in Morrow last week end and they visited friends and relatives there.

Miss Thelma Lee Overcast of Shamrock spent one night with Miss Bonnie Ruth Johnson last week.

Mrs. Kenneth Johnson spent a day with Mrs. Thressa Johnson last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Calcote of Aberdeen spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Raper, Sr., and family.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Matthews and son, Billie, visited Mr. and Mrs. Grady Williams and family of Aberdeen last week.

Mrs. W. R. Benton and children spent Sunday with Mrs. Benton's son, Mason Benton, of Aberdeen.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Benton of Aberdeen spent Sunday night with Mrs. W. R. Benton and family.

Miss Juanita Johnson of Amarillo visited several days with relatives and friends. Her sister, Miss Florence, returned with her for a short visit.

Miss Roberta Johnson of Wichita Falls is spending several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth E. Johnson and family.

Bob Johnson visited his grandmother, Mrs. Thressa A. Johnson, Saturday.

Mrs. Wayne Johnson will be in Wichita Falls taking special treatment for several months. The community wishes her speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Jackson had as their guest Sunday T-Sgt. A. L. Jackson, Jr., of the Army Air Forces stationed at Frederick, Okla. He was en route to Spearman to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Jackson. Edith Jackson accompanied him there.

Mrs. Fred Watkins left Sunday for Dallas to visit her son, Dr. Dale Watkins. She will remain with him until some time Wednesday.

CLEAN ROOMS

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J. M. Taylor and wife to S. W Nelson—part of section 98, block 14.

Mrs. Lula Kell, Willie Mae Kell, Charles I. Francis and Flora A. Kemp, to J. M. Taylor—4 acres in the northeast part of section 98, block 14.

Mrs. Estelle Burks McDowell to R. J. Holland—the northwest one-fourth of section 45, block 10 and the south one-half of the northeast one-fourth of section 45, block 10.

Virgil K. Scott and wife to J. H. Lewis—lots 7, 8, 9 and 10, block 60, Dodson.

Carl Bullington and wife to Haskell Essman—lots 9, 10, 11, and 12, block 181, Wellington.

Richard Cocke and wife to W. C. McGill—the northwest one-fourth of section 29, block 21.

R. H. Eads and wife to Ray Cothrun—20 acres in section 18, block 15.

Robert Seeds and wife to Richard Cocke—the northwest one-fourth of section 29, block 21.

Mrs. Lizette Cudd to E. J. Norman—the southwest one-fourth of section 2, block 15.

Edith Estes to Troy W. Gardner—lots 20 and 21, block 90, Wellington.

RING

By TOMMIE BILL LENTZ

There was a large crowd out for Young People's meeting Sunday night, and an interesting lesson was discussed.

Eugene Mote is still in a Clarendon hospital after having a serious appendix operation two weeks ago. His condition is reported better at present.

Wilson Dobbins is here on furlough for a few days with his parents and brother.

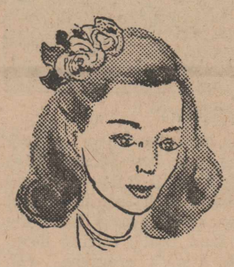
Mr. and Mrs. Bill Allen attended conference at Ashtola Sunday.

The people of this community are planning a Christmas party and a Christmas tree to be given Christmas Eve.

Tommie Bill Lentz and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Simmons were in Childress last week to visit Buddy Simmons S 1-c who was home on leave.

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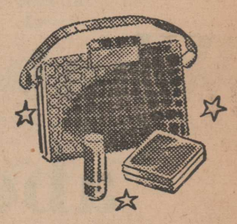
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Deck's DIDACTICS

—By Deskins Wells

The rain was fine for future wheat prospects, but the cold weather was hard on cattle. Unless more cake is released there may be serious trouble ahead for the cattlemen.

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This may be the sort of the winter that demonstrates why good Herefords are the choice of Panhandle cattlemen. In talking of the blizzard of 1917 or whenever it was, one old cattleman said: "Before the blizzard my herd was 20 per cent Herefords and 80 per cent of other breeds, some of which were registered. After the blizzard my entire herd was 80 per cent Herefords."

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I have found out about the house Homer Holton is remodeling. It was built before 1893 or that year; because Mrs. W. O. Richards taught school in it in 1893. It was used as the Wellington school building until the first white school building was built. After this burned, it was again used as a school building until the second white school building was built north of the Katy track.

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I nearly freeze to death when I see these little girls from age 7 to 15 going to school these cold mornings with their legs absolutely bare. And the dresses do not come to within two inches of their knees on some of the younger ones. This does not seem right. If you parents can't get them to wear long stockings that will come just below the knee, can't you get them to wear pants—and I don't mean panties.

* * *

There is either a mild flu epidemic underway in this county or else there are a lot of bad colds. Next I may wake up and learn that none of the bare legged girls have caught the flu; but that most of the men who wear long underwear have gone to bed to cure their cold. Even then, I won't believe it.

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Ben Hurst says that up to date the total rainfall for 1943 has been 12 and four tenths inches. Our average rainfall is between 22 and 23 inches. It is a wonder that the county made any crop at all. But we are in a wet cycle of years. The way it works out is this, we have one or two wet years in a dry cycle and we have one or two dry years in a wet cycle.

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We may make bumper crops next fall—for 34 years The Leader has anticipated a bumper crop next fall. Far be it from me to blast a tradition established by Thomas Durham and cemented by L. L. Ladd and Claude Wells.

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But we may make it anyway. This year is a dead ringer for the fall of 1918 when wheat was planted as late as Christmas eve day. The harvest in June of 1919 was a record one, and row crop yield of feed and cotton was so bountiful that many farmers went so crazy with optimism that they went broke in 20 and 21.

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The seed of failure is planted in boom times; but the harvest of failure is reaped in bad times. And the seed of success is planted in hard times; but the harvest of success is gathered in the years of prosperity.



"GOO-SHOO"

It's the new "gooshoo," a foot covering our best-dressed boys are effecting in Italy—a burlap bag around each foot to protect footgear and trousers from the sloppy mud that's miring down the 5th Army's progress. (U. S. Army Signal Corps Radiophoto.)

Miss Richards Joins WACs

Miss Effie Lee Richards has returned from Lubbock, where she enlisted in the WACs. She will report for active duty on January 9.

Miss Richards was reared here and has been active in the work of the Methodist Church, as well as in club work. She is the local correspondent for The Childress Index.

She is the daughter of Mrs. W. O. Richards.

The patron saint of England is St. George.

William Caxton was the first to print a book in England.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Kerens, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy four years old and I will be five my next birthday. I have been a good little boy while I was asleep. Santa, I want a little electric train, a cap gun, and plenty of candy, nuts, and fruit. Don't forget other little boys and girls. Goodbye and lots of love.

Kenneth E. Tramel

P. S.—Please don't forget Uncle Ollie Winters at Wellington, Texas.

Quail, Texas

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl nearly seven. My birthday is December 30th. I just started to school this year. Sure like my teacher.

Santa will you please bring me a big doll with hair, and eyes that go to sleep, and that cries, and some little story book. That is all I will ask for. If you have anything else when you give all the other little boys and girls something would be glad to get it.

I have four big brothers. Please remember them, and mother and daddy.

Your little friend,
Melba Beth Langley

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl four years old Will you please bring me a doll, doll buggy and set of dishes for Christmas. I would also like to have some fruits, nuts and candy. Don't forget the other good little boys and girls.

Your little friend,
Betty LaVerne Dollar

Denver, Colorado

Dear Santa:

I am five years old, have tried very hard to be good. For Christmas please bring me a gun, leather gloves, pocketbook and watch. Don't forget candy, nuts and fruit.

Remember my mother and daddy.

I love you,
Marshall Youngren

Denver, Colorado

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl just two and a half years old. I help mother a lot.

Please bring me a dress, bracelet, house shoes and dishes, candy, apples and oranges.

Please, dear Santa, don't forget my Grandmother West who lives in Wellington.

Love,
Penny Youngren

Denver, Colorado

Dear Santa:

Mother said I am a very good little boy just to be one year old.

Please bring me a rocking duck, fuzzy dog, pair of socks, candy, nuts and fruit.

Please be good to Uncle Bud and Grandmother West.

Love,
Virgil Youngren

Phoenix, Arizona

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a baby doll and some new clothes for my old dolly; also a set of little dishes and an Indian ring and bracelet set. I like lots of oranges, apples and candy, Santa, and bring my mother something.

Thanks, Santa Claus.

Your little friend,
Juana Lou Pritchard

Dear Santa:

I want a doll. I am five years old.

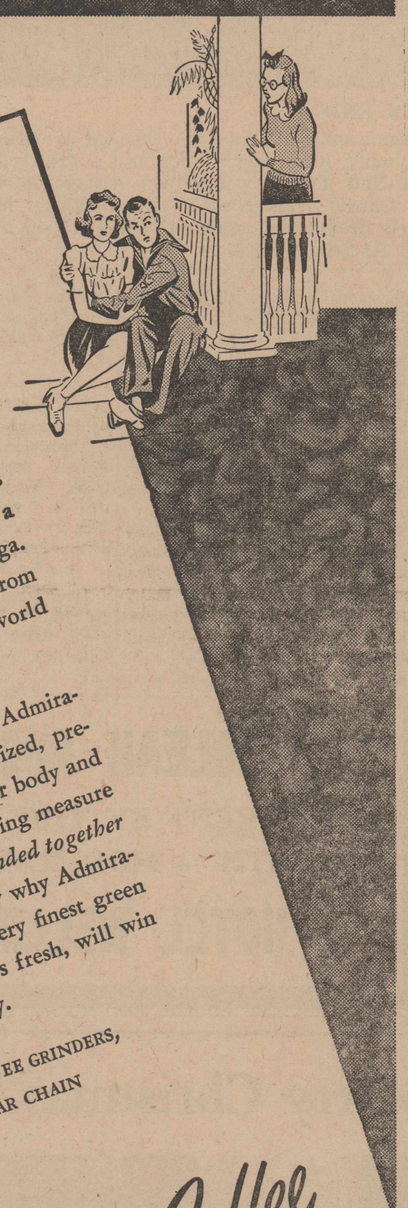
Freda Ruth Heckard

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll, teddy bear, and lots of candy, nuts, and fruit.

Your friend,
Doris Faye Whitson

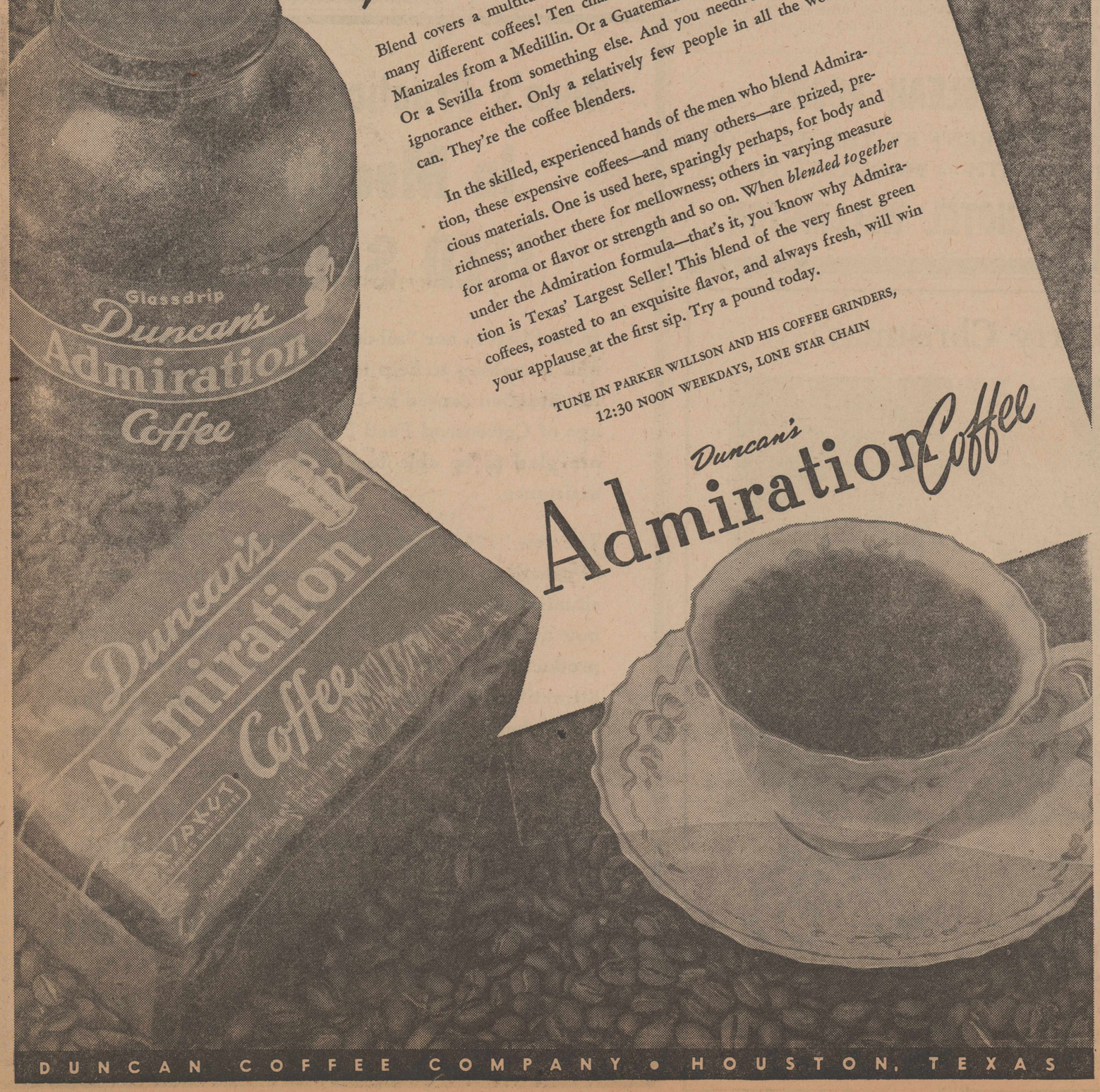
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Raisins	2 lb. bag	**25c**
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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a new Dinah. My Dinah got its leg broke and I left her in the rain.

I want a little piano and blackboard and chalk and table and chairs and dishes and also a bottle of perfume. Mother's is almost all spilled out. I want some chew gum and candy and some peanuts.

I will be good for two weeks if you won't forget Butter Baby too.

Thank you,
Sandra Kay White

Dear Santa Claus:

We are two little boys, John Phillips, age 9, and Leon Phillips, six years old. We go to school at Buck Creek. We each want a machine gun. We want a big wagon between us.

We have a little sister who is three years old. Her name is Virginia Lee. She wants a doll and some dishes. We all three want candy, nuts and fruits.

Please Santa, don't forget our dear soldier and sailor boys.

Your little friends,
John, Leon and Virginia Lee Phillips.

Shamrock, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy eight years old. I go to school at Samnorwood and I am in the third grade. For Christmas I want a bow and arrow and a story book, some candy, apples, oranges and nuts. Don't forget my teacher, Miss Rankin, and all my school mates.

From your little friend,
Joe Ray Thompson

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a very good little boy and I want you to bring me a jeep, gun, airplane, army tank, and a pair of gloves and of course some candy and nuts.

Love,
E. W. Harkleroads

Dear Santa:

I have tried to be a good little boy. I am four years old. Please bring me a horse, a poppie bubble set, airplane, blackboard, gun, candy, fruit and nuts and please remember little brother, also mother and daddy.

Yours truly,
Loyd Payne

Dear Santa:

I have tried to be a good little boy. I am six years old. Please bring me an airplane, poppie bubble set, gun, a horse, blackboard, fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget my four year old brother, also all the other little boys and girls, mother and daddy and my teacher.

Yours truly,
I. D. Payne

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl two years old. I have been a real good little girl. I want you to bring me a doll, doll cradle, house coat. Bring my brothers, E. N. and Ike, something for I think they have been writing you to bring me something. Bring us lots to eat. We will have a tree up for you to put everything on and be looking for you.

With love,
Reta Dell Smith

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa:

You will be surprised when I tell you that I am big enough to go to school. I have tried to be a good little girl since you were here last year. For Xmas I want a doll and a bed big enough for it to sleep in. I don't want so many things but would enjoy some finger nail polish please. Be sure to bring something for all the little boys and girls, for it would just be awful if you forgot someone. Don't forget that I probably will be at Grandmother's Xmas eve.

With lots of love, from
Joyce Amerson

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a boy 10 years old and I want a croquet set, Bible and a story book. I want lots of candy, fruit and nuts. I hope you have a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Your friend,
Wayne Whitson

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a tricycle and a train. I want a set of tools and an army truck.

Love,
John Wilks Masten



4-H ACHIEVEMENT WINNERS

National Achievement winners at the 4-H Club Congress in Chicago are Geneva G. Duhm, 18, left, Black Creek, Wis., and Billie Sol Estes, 17, right, Clyde, Tex., awarded identical silverware trophies given by the president of the U. S. In the middle is runner-up Beverly Beth George, Janesville, Ia. All three receive college scholarships awarded by the 4-H Club work committee.

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa:

I am nearly as big as Joyce. I want a doll and a little bed. I don't need any finger nail polish as I can use Sissy's, but I would like a nice cabinet. Please, Santa, don't forget that Jimmy Raye is at Corpus Christi, and be sure to take him something.

I hope I have been a good girl. I have tried to take care of the doll you gave me last year. I only punched a hole in its mouth so it could hold its own bottle. Hope to see you at Grandmother's.

With love,
Anita Lois Amerson

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy six years old. I go to school at East Ward. Am in the first grade. My teacher is Mrs. Roberts. I have been a very good boy. Please Santa, bring me a football, a book kit to carry my book and tablet in, some pistol caps if you have them, and a gun. I still have my dump truck, tractor and drum. Also bring me candy, nuts and fruit. If you have any, bring me a wooden choo-choo train.

Please remember my twin brothers in the Coast Guard.

Bye Bye Santa.

Your little friend,
Jimmie Rogers

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll with red hair and two books not fairy tales. I want a little broom and a pair of sox size 8.

Love,
Patricia Masten

Dear Santa:

Since you have so many boys and girls as well as our men in service to see, we thought we had better write you early.

We are a little girl and boy. We live at 1305 East 9th Street.

We have tried to be as good as possible this year, so you would not pass us by.

I (Patsy) want a nice desk to study my school lessons on. I (Clifford) want a wagon. Please dear Santa, bring us just whatever else you can. We do not want to be selfish, so please bring us something.

Please remember Mother, Daddy, our grandparents, and everyone else.

We'll be looking for you Christmas Eve night at our Christmas tree.

Bye for now.

Your little friends,
Patsy and Clifford Harper

Quail, Texas

Dear Santa:

I want some skates and a big doll and a doll bed and buggy and a house coat and house shoes and a whole lot of candy and fruit and nuts. I am eight years old.

Johnnie Aaron

Morton, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a set of tools and a tricycle. I want an army truck too.

Love,
Verdel Masten

Dodson, Texas

Dear Santa:

I have been a good little girl. I help mother a lot. Will you please bring me a pretty doll, candy, nuts and fruit.

And don't forget my brother, R. J., and cousin Irvin, that is at Lubbock and bring them a little gun. Remember mother and dad and Uncle Aaron.

Love,
Peggy Sue Lamb

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy eight years old and in the third grade. I go to school at Buck Creek.

I would like for you to bring me a farm set, a pair of house shoes, a log building set. Please bring me candy, nuts and fruit also.

Your friend,
Jasper Peeples.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy four years old and help daddy a lot. Will you please bring me a pair of house shoes, a gun and holster set, also a lariat rope.

Will you also bring my little brother, Harold Gene, some rattlers and some small toys as he is just a year old the day after Christmas.

Will you also bring us some fruit and candy.

Your friend,
Jerry Wayne Peeples

2158 Avenue G
Wichita Falls, Texas

Dear Santa Claus:

Here it is almost Christmas again. I have been a good little girl, and am planning on your coming to see me. I will be in Wichita on Xmas Eve, but want to go to Wellington Xmas morning to be with my granddaddy and grandmother Tyler.

If you have plenty of toys, please leave me a doll, dresser, typewriter and paint set, and anything else you can spare.

Love,
Sandra Joyce Faulkner

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy age nine. I go to school at Quail. Am in the second grade. I like to go to school. I won't ask for much for Christmas. Just a cap gun and caps is all and nuts and candy, too. And please remember my soldier brother somewhere on the desert training center California maneuvers. I will be a soldier some day and help whip the Japs. I only wish I was large enough now. I have a saving stamp book. I hope to be able to trade it for a war bond soon.

Lots of love.

Your little friend,
Junior Sturgill

P. S.—Please, Santa, visit my little nieces and nephews. I have three in Glendale, Arizona.

Dear Santa:

I have been a pretty good little girl this year. Sometimes I have been naughty but aren't all children naughty sometimes? I would like for you to bring me a doll, story book, a color book and some dishes. I have a little sister that you haven't ever visited yet. She is three months old. Please bring her a rattler, and a teddy bear and anything you have you think she would like.

Don't forget the soldier boys, especially Uncle Herman and Uncle Alva.

Your little friends,
Melba Lee and
Geneva Ruth Winegeart

Dear Santa:

I am a small girl seven years old. I have been as good all year as I know how. I would like to have a cabinet, a small sink and a doll dressed in wedding clothes. I need a book satchel also.

Don't forget my brother and all my friends.

I love you,
Betty Jeanette Karnes.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl seven years old. I go to school and am in the second grade. Will you please bring me for Christmas a doll which has curly hair, some doll clothes and lots of candy, nuts, and fruits. Don't forget all the other little girls and boys, mother, daddy and my sister and brother.

Your friend,
Norma Faye Hunt

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl four years old. My name is Dorothy Porter. I want you to bring me a doll, a doll bed, and a set of dishes. Please remember my brother and two sisters. I am a good girl.

I love you,
Dorothy Porter

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy six years old. I do not go to school. My name is Freddie Porter. I want you to bring me a wheelbarrow, a barn and lot with animals. Please remember my three sisters, Dorthy, Lawanda, and Myrlene. I am a good boy.

Lots of love,
Freddie Porter

Dear Santa:

They tell me that this is Pearl Harbor Day so I won't ask for much.

Would you please bring me one of those big dollies from Mrs. Sullivan's Store and a set of dishes from Sandy's. I have so many toys now you might tell the relatives to send me War Stamps.

I'll meet you near the Christmas tree on Christmas Eve.

Love,
Ruby Alice Chitwood

Loco, Texas

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy nine years old. Am in the fifth grade. Please bring me for Christmas a soldier suit and a gun to match, and anything else.

Please don't forget my mother, daddy and my teacher, Mrs. Mitchell.

With love,
Jack Hunter

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a boy seven years old and I have been very good. I want a baseball and bat and a gun and scabbard. Lots of candy, fruit and nuts.

Your friend,
Tom Whitson

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl seven years old and in the second grade. Will you please send me a doll and some doll clothes and some dishes, also house shoes. Will you also leave me lots of candy, nuts and fruit.

Your friend,
Fayteen Peeples

Dear Santie:

I love you very much so I want you to bring me a little rubber doll that can drink water out of a bottle and also a little housecoat. Be sure you bring a size fourteen.

Santa, I have a little brother. His name is Sammy. He would like to have a little red car and a little green airplane. Please bring them to him because he is a good little boy.

We also want lots of candy and oranges.

Loads of love,
Billie Frances Tabor

Dear Santa:

I have tried to be a good little girl this year. I want a doll, doll buggy, and a ring for Christmas. Nuts, candy and fruit.

Remember mother and all good little boys and girls.

I love you, Santa.
Beatrice Claunch

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like to have a doll with yellow hair, long plaits, and a nurse kit and some candy and nuts. That is all I want so the other little girls and boys can have some too. I will see you.

Mary Nell Birchfield

P. S.—Think of the men in service and be sure to think of my Uncle Paul and my cousins, Jack, Clovis and Newton.

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl five years old. I wish you would bring me a sleepy doll if you are able, and I would like to have a large stove and some cook vessels, and if you have a tricycle I would like to have one, too, and if you have a little broom, please bring me one. A little doll suit case is what I want.

Your little friend,
Opal Shanks

Dear Santa:

I'm a little girl. I'm nine years old. I want a little doll that walks and I want a ring. I wonder if I can, Santa.

Your friend,
Elane Shanks

Quail, Texas
Ring community

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl eight years old and am in the third grade. I have tried to be a good girl this year. I would like for you to bring me a big doll with red hair, a doll buggy, some little dishes and set of knives, forks and spoons. Also bring me some fruit, nuts and candy.

Don't forget my brothers and sisters and mother and daddy, also my teacher and little friends.

Thank you,
Cora Mae Mote

Dear Santa:

I am in the first grade. Please bring me some toys, fruit, nuts and a P-38, an airplane carrier ship and a B-B gun if you can get it. I want a Flying Fortress to bomb toy Germans.

Your friend,
Lyle Martin

Dear Santa:

I am in the first grade. Please bring me some toys, fruits and candy.

Your friend,
Joy Lester

Dear Santa:

I am two years old. I live at Dallas. Please bring me a wagon, blackboard, ball, gun and I guess that will be enough toys for me. I have a baby brother and he will have to have a bowl and spoon to eat with, some little toys to play with, and some new clothes.

I have been a good boy and so has my brother, Jerry. We both want some candy, nuts and fruit.

Don't forget my little cousins, Paulette and Linda Kay Morris, who live at Dallas.

I love you,
Michael John Rainey

Hollis, Oklahoma

Dear Santa:

I am six years old and I started to school this year. My teacher is Mrs. Lloyd Curry and I love her, so don't forget her.

Santa, please bring me a blackboard, a truck, a gun and any other toys you can get. Fill my sock with candy, nuts and fruit.

Please come to our Xmas tree and program at school if you can. I go to school at Hollis.

I love you,
Regie Lewis

Quail, Texas
Ring community

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy ten years old and I am in the sixth grade. I have tried to be good this year. I am in the hospital at Clarendon now. I have had an operation. I would like for you to bring me a gun and scabbard, a little truck, and a nice shirt and tie to wear with my new suit, also fruit, nuts and candy.

Don't forget anyone this year.

Thank you, Santa,
Eugene Mote

Quail, Texas
Ring community

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy four years old. I have tried to be a good boy this year. I would like for you to bring me a little truck, a scabbard and a gun if you have one, and some fruit and candy and nuts. Don't forget my little brothers and sisters and my mother and daddy.

My little brother, A. V., is two years old. He would like to have a little truck and a gun, also fruit and candy.

I would also like to have a pair of cowboy boots and a cowboy hat and firecrackers.

Thank you so much,
Johnny Mac and A. V. Mote

Quail, Texas
Ring community

Dear Santa Claus:
Dear Santa:

I am eleven years old and in the seventh grade. I would like for you to bring me a big doll with red hair, some dishes and some knives and forks, and spoons, and a dresser set and some fruit, nuts and candy.

Don't forget all the other boys and girls.

Thank you,
Frances Anne Mote

Denver, Colorado

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a very good little boy the past year.

For Christmas I want a rocking horse, pocketbook, gloves, turnover tank and story book. I also want candy, fruit and nuts.

Remember all the other good little boys and girls.

Love,
Theodore Youngren

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Editorial

In reading the editorials in other small-town newspapers, we are impressed by the great interest being shown, even in the smallest towns, in the need for a local airport.

The air transport organizations have made our whole nation conscious of the fact that plane transportation of both passengers and freight will reach out into every corner of the United States when the war ends. The most active airlines will, of course, be those from one big city to another, but just as there are bus lines fanning out today from the cities to every farm village, "jitney" planes will undoubtedly do the same thing after the war.

For both fast freight and transportation, planes will be used on a huge scale. Just how long it will be before all of the public takes to the air will depend on the safety factor, but when over a million trained fliers come back to this country it seems almost certain that private flying will get off to a good start as soon as new planes can be built.

Realizing that the airplane age is upon us, the towns of the nation are getting ready for it by planning their airports now. What is Paducah doing?

Isn't there any civic organization interested enough in the future development of Paducah to start the ball rolling? Aren't there any civic-minded citizens who want to see the town grow and better itself?

We wonder!—Paducah Post.

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Not so much has been heard lately of the Nazis importing labor. Apparently the Allied air forces have seen to it that Hitler doesn't have more factories than he can operate handily.

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No two ways about it, either the WLB will have to give the white collar man a break or sick the S. P. C. A. on the laundry industry.

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General Clark gave his wife Naples as a birthday present. What do you suppose he's doing about his Christmas shopping?

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The RAF night bombings of Berlin are a further argument in favor of daylight precision operations. The British and American embassies have been hit.

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Some of our experts think there will be a definite peace overture from Germany this winter. But our leaders say we aren't going to listen to the overture; the grand finale is what we've got to hear.

Other Editors Say

• The Leader

When three or four men operate together, it is certain that the strongest in mental and material will naturally take the lead. His colleagues will do lots of talking and suggesting but the final decision will fall to the stronger and usually most of the profits of the venture. Some voice opinion that our president is not the strongest personality in the Allied foursome. He may not be but we think that the strongest member must be determined later. We only believe that all are brainy and sincere. For had any one been stupid and egotistical there would not have been the harmony in their combined efforts that is apparent up to date.—J. A. Koch in The Quanah Tribune Chief.

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• Untiring Work

Second winter of the war for America and third for some nations and fourth for others. And still no big outbreak of an epidemic in America in sight unless one is beginning to develop in the northern camps of the country. Tribute to the untiring work of the medical corps and the fine physicians who have given up their work at home to help out in the war. These professional men realize that the army's usefulness can be seriously impaired by an epidemic, in fact that the balance of war power could be turned by disease. They also realize that people on the home front have fewer doctors and nurses per person than are really needed in time of reasonable good health. An epidemic would quickly overwhelm the thinly spread health workers we have left in civilian life. Hence the extreme care and caution which mark the medical corps' work. The world is a small one now. Planes are charting courses in formerly unknown areas in great numbers. No telling which one, unguarded, might bring home a little virus which, under favorable conditions, might thrive and grow and multiply into an army more powerful than all the armies of Hitler. Understand this is all just talk but it does have a counterpart in the trained minds of the medical men, army and civilian. They sure want to guard against such an eventuality from whatever source it may develop, including those diseases which breed in the filth of starving hordes. At least twice in recorded history such an epidemic has killed off half the population of Europe.—Homer Steen in The Floyd County Hesperian.

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• Buying

Talked the other day with a man who said he was as hard up as he had ever been despite the war-time prosperity.

But according to the neighborhood gossip his wife last week purchased a $250 coat and never before in her life had she paid more than $75. As wages and salaries have gone up, where they have gone up, the women have spent more money. Most of the men are living just about the same as they did.

This is no criticism, as human nature is human nature. For many years women, and children, have been hungry for better things they have been seeing others wearing and enjoying. And now that they have the money there isn't any power on earth that can keep them from buying.

Go into any store and you'll find that those who formerly bought the most, and the most expensive, are now buying much, much less. And those who bought very little before are now buying the most and the most expensive.—Gene Howe in The Amarillo News.

Here's That Man Again





I GIVE YOU TEXAS

by BOYCE HOUSE

One of the subjects we used to argue about in school:

"Was the boy in the wagon when he fell out?"

Well, he was bound to have been in the wagon or he couldn't have fallen out of it.

On the other hand, he wasn't in the wagon when he fell out—he was out of it.

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So serious is the loan shark evil that a nation-wide investigation is being launched by federal authorities and Texas was selected as the starting place, which shows that this State is worst of all.

The illegal toll—amounting to many millions of dollars in our State and to hundreds of millions over the entire country—which sharks are collecting in the form of 240 per cent interest and more, is slowing down the war effort. War workers are being bled white and so can't buy war bonds, officials declare, and, in many cases, worry—caused by trying to keep up the heavy usury payments has reduced the efficiency of workers in turning out planes, guns and ships.

More power to authorities, federal, State and local, in their effort to end the sabotaging of the war effort that loan sharks are guilty of!

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Readers enjoy pointing out typographical errors but when one considers that the newspapers of America print 500,000,000 words a day, he can readily see that mistakes will be made. Several newspapers recently printed this account of some amusing slips:

Lack of a "b" gave this item a preposterous swing: "An employe was accused of having stolen a small ox from the mail. The stolen property was found in his vest pocket."

The linotype operator hit the "t" instead of the "n" and this appeared: "Following the business session, the club members were entertained by Mrs. Edgeworth's little sot, at the piano."

The "g" at the end of "sing" failed to fall and here's what was printed: "Miss Blank is scheduled to sin By the Waters of Minnetonka. She will be dressed in Indian costume and special lighting will be used for the performance."

Sometimes the humor is not the result of a typographical error but is due to the phrasing, as in this ad: "For sale—Baker's business, good trade; large oven, present owner been in it seven years; good reason for leaving."

Odd Bits Of News

A "kissing bug" or triatoma, potential carrier of Chagas Disease—virulent South American fever—has been discovered in Texas, biologists meeting at the University of Texas recently learned. The fever is caused by a microscopic organism, or protozoan parasite, living within the bug's intestinal tract.

Love thy neighbor—especially if he has Victory Garden tools that you don't have.

The first printing press in the New World was set up by Juan Pablos in Mexico City.

TEST YOUR I. Q.

1. How many average-size eggs does it take to weigh a pound?
2. What are the measurements of a board foot?
3. What is the meaning of the name Transvaal, and to what does it allude?
4. What is Eleanor Roosevelt's first name?
5. What is the Roman numeral for 1000?

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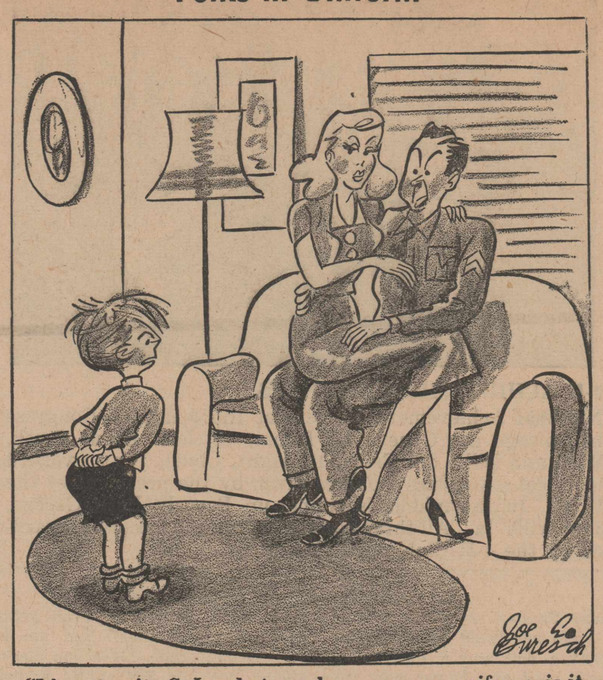
Bible Notes

THE TEST OF TRUE RELIGION

If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain.

Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this: to visit the fatherless and the widows in their affliction and keep himself unspotted from the world.—**James 1: 26-27.**

Folks in Uniform



"It's not quite G. I., what you have on your uniform, is it, Mr. Carter?"

Town And Farm In Wartime

Ration Reminder

Gasoline—In 17 east coast states, A-8 coupons are good through February 8. In states outside the east coast area, A-9 coupons are good through January 21.

Sugar—Stamp No. 29 in book four is good for 5 pounds through January 15.

Shoes—Stamp No. 18 in book one is good for 1 pair. Stamp No. 1 on the "Airplane" sheet in book three is good for 1 pair.

Meats, Fats—Brown stamps L, M, N, and P is good through January 1, 1944. Brown stamp Q becomes good December 19 and remains good through January 1, 1944.

Processed Foods — Green stamps A, B, and C in book four is good through December 20. Green stamps D, E, and F in book four is good through January 20.

Fuel Oil—Period 2 coupons are good through February 8 in all areas except the south where they are good through January 25. Period 3 coupons now valid in the middle west and south remain good through March 15 in the middle west and through February 22 in the south. Period 3 coupons become valid in the east January 4.

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Acts On Livestock Feed

As part of the government program to conserve livestock feed and make the best use of available supplies in producing the maximum volume of livestock products, WFA has taken the following steps: (1) Elimination of the subsidy the Commodity Credit Corporation has been paying on corn moving from surplus to eastern and southern deficit areas; (2) An increase of 20 cents a bushel in the price of feed wheat on and after December 6; (3) An offer to buy corn during the remainder of this month at the old ceiling price in approximately 150 counties on the fringe of the corn belt where the new ceiling on corn (effective December 6) represents a reduction in prices. OPA raised the maximum price of corn 9 cents a bushel at Chicago to correct inequities in the previous regulation. At the same time, the prices of oats, barley, and sorghum grains were "frozen" at the highest prices of the five-day period. November 29 to December 3, pending issuance within 60 days of a permanent regulation on these feeds.

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Control Seed Prices

The 1944 program for winter cover crop seed will support prices on hairy vetch, common vetch, crimson clover, and ryegrass seeds at levels from 5 to 40 per cent higher than last season, through purchases by the Commodity Credit Corporation. Fourteen types of vegetable seeds, including about 200 domestic and imported varieties, have been placed under ceiling prices by OPA. Seeds included are bean, pea, corn; beet, cabbage, carrot, cauliflower, Swiss chard, cucumber, lettuce, mangel, onion, rutabaga, and turnip. All alfalfa seeds, including all state certified improved varieties, have been made subject to control of the price regulation governing legume and grass seeds by OPA. This regulation now includes the following domestic and Canadian seeds: alfalfa, medium red clover, mammoth red clover, alsike clover, sweet clover, timothy, and all mixtures of those seeds.

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Points For Waste Fats

The housewife may now receive one brown ration point for each half-pound of salvage kitchen fats she takes to her retailer. In addition, she will continue to receive four cents a pound. Retailers will not give points for less than one-half pound, nor for any fractional overweight.

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Increase In Apple Prices

Increase in apple prices over those for 1942 will mean that a 28-ounce jar of apple butter will cost from 3 to 4 cents more at retail, OPA reports. This reflects an increase of approximately 80 cents to $1.65 a hundredweight in apple prices and an increase of approximately 7½ cents to 15 cents a pound in apple chops. The method by which dealers in apples for home consumption determined their maximum prices in sales prior to retail was changed. With maximum prices for terminal markets the same as those for rural markets, apples tended to become scarce in rural markets. So, a premium of 3-8 of a cent a pound now is allowed on sales in rural markets.

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Plan Victory Gardens Now

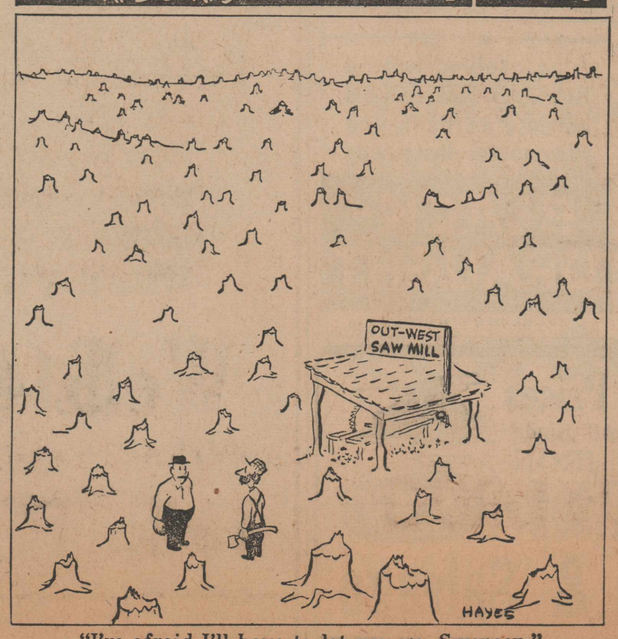
Although victory gardeners exceeded their goal of 18 million gardens for 1943 by about 10 per cent, they are asked for another 10 per cent increase in 1944. Arrangements should be made now for the use of vacant land, and considerable preparatory work can go on through the winter. Hard coal ashes can be sifted and stored on plots. Compost piles and supplies of manure can be accumulated, and either turned under wherever ground is not frozen or stacked for use in early spring.

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Gift Packages Point Free

Gift packages of jams, jellies, fruit butter, preserves, and non-citrus marmalade that were packed before October 23 for sale as Christmas gifts may be bought point-free through January 8, OPA said recently. Because the packages were made up before these foods were rationed, and because they are often assembled in packages with such highly perishable products as cakes and cookies, it is necessary to sell them speedily to prevent waste.

TICKLERS by HAYES



"I'm afraid I'll have to let you go, Swensen."

I Saw

—By VIRGINIA ROBEY

J. A. Beard, who collects trash about town, driving down the street in his wagon newly painted green on the outside and red on the inside. He had new harness on his two horses, with red tassles hanging from their bridles.

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Ira Brisbin, down with his family from Borger bringing some samples of the synthetic rubber being made from butadiene and styrene in the plant where he works. Although only the crude rubber is made there, he had along a piece of the new rubber after more of the ingredients had been added. The odor of this rubber faintly resembles smoked bacon, but it wasn't until after he left that someone said it had been cured to keep out insects, etc.

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Robert Lucas, now of Monterrey Park, Calif., sending in his renewal to The Leader and adding: "I hear there is a good chance of Texas going Republican in 1944. How about this?" You remember he and his father, along with Gene and Ernest Lewis, have been the Republican stand-bys in the county for a number of years.

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Mrs. Frank Eikenburg looking at the Christmas goods in display windows. But from the leisurely way that she was doing it, it looks as though she has all her own shopping done.

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Those who know the Joe Baumgardner family are aware that it has always been the custom for all of them to sit together every Sunday at Church. Just a day or two after Lieut. Haynes Baumgardner married, Priscilla, the youngest, was heard to say: "Now can't anyone else sit on the seat with us at church. We'll fill it all up ourselves."

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Mrs. Irene Harris and Marie Puckett, high school teachers, wondering when they'd have time to get anything done. Here it was Sunday and they were still grading papers. . . Mr. and Mrs. Orval Couch, Carolyn and Marilyn, coming from church.

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Horton Kutch looking at the match folders recently distributed by the Hughes Estate, and saying several people had asked him if the cowhand pictured was Clee Rothwell, pioneer Mill Iron employee. It wasn't, Mr. Kutch said, but he was just as typically a Texan as the picture.

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Lyda Thomas, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Thomas, coming in the Leader office to talk over her letter to Santa Claus that she was going to write.

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Judge C. C. Bishop borrowing the REA extension ladder from Orval Couch so he could open his office window. He'd lost his keys.

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Mrs. Doc Barjenbruch wearing a rose and brown hat and dress that looked like the colors were made just for her. . . Mrs. Reda Brickey buying Leader subscriptions for Christmas gifts.

Personal

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Anderson of Perryton visited last week with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Jackson and children.

Winston Paul Berryman of Littlefield underwent a tonsil operation in St. Joseph's Hospital last week.

Mrs. M. J. Holland received medical treatment in St. Joseph's Hospital last week.

W. J. Hudspeth of Hollis underwent an appendix operation in St. Joseph's Hospital recently.

Mrs. Mary Ruth Claunch underwent a major operation in St. Joseph's Hospital last week.

Mrs. Z. E. Chaudoin was a patient last week in St. Joseph's Hospital, where she underwent a major operation.

I. N. Rogers received treatment in St. Joseph's Hospital last week for an infected hand.

Mrs. A. J. Bryant was a medical patient in St. Joseph's Hospital last week.

Madelyn Eikenburg, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Eikenburg, was a medical patient in St. Joseph's Hospital last week.

Mrs. John Jackson underwent a tonsil operation in St. Joseph's Hospital last week.

Mrs. Neil Braboy returned home from Camp Lauringburg last week after spending a two weeks visit with her husband there.

Miss Claudine Melton attended Mrs. Glen Goodson's shower in Shamrock last week.

Mrs. Louise Wade visited friends and relatives in Shamrock over the week end.

Miss Helen Roberson left last week for Hereford where she will be employed and make her home.

Mrs. John W. Vaughan of Sherman arrived Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Fires, and her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ward.

Miss Marie Shadid of Childress visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. Shadid, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Graham of Quail attended the Second Sunday Singing at the Calvary Baptist Church Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Earl Conner and children of Arlington are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Handley, this week.

Mrs. W. R. Bray and daughter are here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Pepper. Mr. Bray was transferred to Hollis, Oklahoma, recently to work for the present.

Mrs. J. G. Gardner is visiting her mother, Mrs. L. D. Wells, in Stephenville this week.

Mrs. H. H. Shanks has had as her guest her sister, Mrs. Joe Locke of Amarillo.

Mrs. S. T. Ledbetter of Shafter, Calif., who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ethel Terry, left Monday for Frederick, Okla., where she will visit her other daughter, Mrs. Mollie Agee.

J. W. Sugg of Boise, Idaho, is visiting his mother, Mrs. W. W. Sugg, and other relatives this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Miller and family of Memphis visited Mr. Miller's mother, Mrs. L. V. Miller, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Fisher and Mr. and Mrs. Alexander of Pampa visited Mr. Fisher's parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Fisher, Sunday.

Mrs. Buster Hughs and daughter, Patricia, visited their husband and father, Buster Hughs, in Fort Sill, Oklahoma, Sunday.

Mrs. Annie Wall returned Friday from Fort Worth where she visited her sister, who has been ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Small, Jr., of Amarillo visited in Wellington several days last week with Mrs. Small's father, Paul Starr.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Neeley of San Diego, Calif., arrived Friday for a visit of several weeks with relatives and friends. They formerly lived here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Brisbin and son, Harold, and Mrs. Woodrow Ham and children of Borger spent the week end visiting relatives and friends here.

Howard Moore, the son of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Moore, underwent an appendix operation in St. Joseph's Hospital Sunday morning. Howard, a student in the local schools, has been employed at Parsons Drug on week ends.

Mrs. Hall has just returned after a month's visit with her husband, Sgt. Hall, who is stationed at Sedalia Army Air Field near Kansas City, Missouri.

Mrs. H. D. Clark of Forrest, and Mrs. Anna Miller of Philadelphia, Penn. are here this week visiting their sister Mrs. R. W. Brantley. Before coming here Mrs. Miller visited in Salt Lake City.

Mr. and Mrs. George Groves were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ezzell Sunday.

Hilburn Infant Buried Friday

Funeral services for Willie Dale Hilburn, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hilburn, were held Friday, December 10, from the Ellis Funeral Home with Min. Will M. Thompson of the Church of Christ in charge.

The child was born December 8.

Survivors in addition to the parents include these grandparents, Mrs. R. H. Hilburn and Mr. and Mrs. H. Y. Mitchell of Wellington.

Interment was in the Wellington cemetery with the Ellis Funeral Home in charge.



FAREWELL TO ARMS

An American 5th Army sergeant puts the frisk on German prisoners in Italy before they are shipped to North Africa. The Nazi facing this way is an airman.

Defense School Ends December 24

The Samnorwood Defense School will close December 24, L. B. Carter, vocational agriculture teacher and supervisor of the school, said this week.

Seventy-nine men have been enrolled in this class, which has been in farm machinery repair work. H. E. Conway is instructor.

A short course, also in farm machinery repair, will be offered some time after Christmas, Mr. Carter said.

MARELLA

By MRS. PRESTON GILBRETH

A small group attended Sunday School and both churches Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Farmer and daughter, Evelyn Joe, and R. E. Farmer and Mrs. C. C. Taylor went to Morton Saturday to attend the Memorial Services of their son and brother, Sgt. Gene Farmer, who died in a plane crash in Labrador.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat O'Hair and daughters visited Mr. and Mrs. Grover Pettit Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Gilbreth attended church at Quail Sunday.

Jack Pettit and Joe Claunch visited Lowell Keesee Sunday.

Floyd McNabb visited Mr. and Mrs. Ogletree Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Depauw visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Depauw, Sunday.

The rains we had last week held up work in the community. Several farmers still have peanuts to thrash and some cotton to pull.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Coleman and Frank, Jr., are leaving this week to work in Pantex Ordnance Plant at Amarillo.

J. T. Ogletree of Grand Prairie visited relatives in this community last week.

The common cold usually runs a definite course of from three to ten days.

WTCC Outlines 1944 Wartime Work Program

The West Texas Chamber of Commerce, largest and oldest of its type in the nation, is announcing ready for another year—its 26th. The 1944 wartime work program, as drawn up by the officers' committee headed by President M. C. Ulmer of Midland, is in the mails to all directors, executive board members and chamber of commerce managers in the 132 counties served by the WTCC.

The president's letter of transmittal to directors noted the conciseness and brevity of the organizational setup as compared with previous years. Ulmer said, "The commission work will be carried on this year through the chairmen, under the policies enunciated by our convention, together with any other personnel the chairmen may choose for given projects. I believe we have a well defined, progressive and in many ways an original program of work, and I am looking forward to having, with you, another good year for our organization."

The 1944 program stresses war and postwar planning. On that point the officers' committee said, "Another year has arrived bringing problems, incident to war, without parallel in our nation's history, and the end of war and return of peace will confront us with more and even graver problems. It is necessary that intelligent thought be devoted to the solution of these manifold problems and perplexities. Your West Texas Chamber of Commerce, therefore, as never before, an economic planning agency as well as a development agency."

Commissions

Ten commissions have been created with 31 major jobs to be performed. Three are directly tied into the war and postwar planning phase. These, with their chairmen, are on War and Preservation, C. M. Caldwell, of Abilene; Postwar Economy and Planning, C. W. Meadows, Sr., San Angelo; and War and Postwar Industries, H. G. Parr, Fort Worth. Among its objectives the commission headed by Caldwell will foster chamber of commerce leadership behind community war effort campaigns; urge the restoration of free enterprise and the end of bureaucracy after the victory has been won; and stand firmly against non-essential war spending by the government. The Meadows commission will promote the creation of local planning committees by chambers of commerce over the territory, and lend aid in the formation of a production and resource development plan for every county. Tying in with this, the Parr commission will conduct an industrial opportunities survey for West Texas.

Other commissions, with their chairmen, are: Transportation Parity, Jess L. Showers, Vernon; Public Expenditure, Taxation and Debt, Jas. D. Hamlin, Farwell; Rationing, G. H. McKinney, Fort Worth; Oil and Gas, R. E. Wertz, Amarillo; Cooperative Activities, J. S. Bridwell, Wichita Falls; Agricultural Legislative and Regulation, Senator George Moffett, Chillicothe; and Agricultural and Livestock, Winfield Holbrook, Plainview. Among the jobs to be undertaken by these groups will be directing the WTCC's long campaign for freight rate equalization and for state fiscal reorganization and control; working to protect and aid small businesses; for increased oil prices and elimination of price and transportation differentials; for equity for West Texas farmers in acreage and production allotments of regulated crops, and for chemurgic and other research movements looking to greater utilization of the area's agricultural resources.

New Contest

In the two commissions directed by Winfield Holbrook and C. W. Meadows will head up the WTCC's upcoming inter-county Agricultural Production and Improvement contest. The new contest was authorized in the October referendum by affiliates, as successor to the War and Preservation contest terminated Nov. 3 with award of $1,000 in cash prizes to Albany, Hereford, Vernon and Brownwood as the four winners. The agricultural contest will be launched in March 1944. Entries will be made by chambers of commerce in a county acting in concert, and contestants' activities will clear through county agricultural planning boards organized by the chambers. The contest will run nearly two years with prizes to be awarded at the WTCC's 1945 convention. The complete plan is in preparation and will be announced soon, says D. A. Bandeen, regional chamber manager.

The 1944 work program, says WTCC officers, is the organization's rededication, as it enters upon its second quarter-century of service, "to continued aggressive leadership in the solution of territorial problems as they arise; to protecting our section from exploitation and unjust laws; alertly furthering the interests of our producers and consumers; to striving for the development of our resources and for the growth and growing prosperity of our towns; and to intelligently publicizing what we have to attract outside investments."



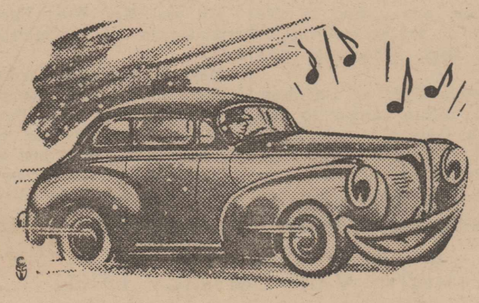
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First Lady Of North Carolina

Mrs. J. Melville Broughton, First Lady of North Carolina, and her daughter, Alice, pose in the stately ballroom of the Governor's Mansion at Raleigh for this portrait which will appear in the November issue of Vogue. Mrs. Broughton is wearing a gown of blue cotton lace. The beautiful gown that Alice is wearing was designed by Hattie Carnegie, and is white organdy appliqued in navy blue lace.

Miss Lyna Mae Lowry Bride Of Staff Sergeant Aaron Hurst Sunday December 5

A wedding of interest to Collingsworth County friends took place Sunday, December 5, in Hattisburg, Mississippi, when Miss Lyna Mae Lowry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Lowry of Lutie, became the bride of Staff Sergeant Calvin Aaron Hurst, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hurst. The wedding took place on Sunday, December 5, at 8 o'clock p. m.

The wedding was solemnized in the parsonage of the First Methodist Church which was beautifully decorated for the occasion. They were accompanied by ten corporals who will live in the same apartment building with the Hursts. The bride wore a white dress with brown trimmings and her accesories were brown.

Mrs. Hurst, a resident of this county all of her life, graduated from Samnorwood High School in the class of 1942. She attended college at West Texas State College at Canyon.

The groom, also a resident of Collingsworth County all of his life, graduated from Wellington High Schools in the class of 1941. He attended business college at Wichita Falls and later was associated with the Axtell Company in Fort Worth. At the time of his induction into the U. S. Army he was with the Todd Dry Dock in Seattle, Washington. He has been in service since December, 1942, and is stationed in Hattisburg, Mississippi, where he is in the courtmartial department as a court stenographer.

Sergeant and Mrs. Hurst will make their home in Hattisburg, Mississippi. at the present time.



Mrs. Aaron Hurst

Mrs. Aaron Hurst was before her recent marriage, Miss Lyna Mae Lowry. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Lowry of Lutie. Staff Sergeant and Mrs. Hurst were married on Sunday, December 5, at Hattisburg, Mississippi.

Tuberculin Tests Given Under Direction Of Hospital Auxiliary

The St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary met Friday, December 10, at St. Joseph's Hospital with an excellent attendance. Reports were given by the various committee chairmen. Mrs. Jack Hurst reported that the Tuberculin Patch Tests had been given at the Colored School with a number of 71 in all with only eight positive reactions. A total of 240 tests had been given at the high school with only one reaction. The dental work which is being done at East Ward School is almost completed. Three movies on health have been shown during the past month. Since there is no Red Cross work available at the present time, it was voted that all who are interested in this kind of work, to come to the hospital two afternoons a week and help with supplies and mending. Anyone who has time to give to this volunteer work is cordially invited. The two days are Tuesdays and Fridays from 2:00 p. m. to 5:00 p. m.

The Hospital Auxiliary has become a member of the Texas Hospital Association, thus availing themselves of many advantages by having membership in this association. This is a new project which is being worked out in Texas. At present there are eleven hospital auxiliaries who belong to this association.

A generous contribution was made to the Post Hospital at Childress.

Miss Katherine Boverie gave a most interesting review of Mama's Bank Account in her usual charming manner.

Attractive gifts in keeping with the holiday season were given to all the ladies with the compliments of the Sisters.

Mrs. C. C. Tennison Given Farewell Party In Bearden Home

Mrs. C. S. Bearden and Mrs. O. A. Kiker were joint hostesses in entertaining with a farewell party Monday evening for Mrs. C. C. Tennison, who is moving to Arkansas. The party was held in the home of Mrs. Bearden.

Many enjoyable games were played climaxed by the "Tea Pot" game. When Mrs. Tennison left the room the gifts were placed in and around her chair. After Mrs. Tennison unwrapped and displayed the gifts, the guests were served refreshments of cocoa and cookies by Mrs. Herbert Bearden and Mrs. Hazel Bearden.

The following were present: Mmes. Frank Light, Pete Chandler, M. C. Pigg, Bob Stephenson, Bill Smith, J. C. Cason, Bill Brock, Leonard Karnes, A. L. Head, Bob Wilder, and hostesses.

Gifts were sent by the following: Mrs. Floyd McNabb, Miss Imogene Light, Mrs. Bob Bowen, Mrs. W. S. Burden, Mrs. Guy Bumpass, Mrs. Robert Karnes, Mrs. Alvin Winter and Mrs. Pete Brock.

Brashears-Clement Wedding Solemnized December 13

Miss Willie Clyde Clement, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Clement of Samnorwood, became the bride of Pfc. Douglas V. Brashears, Jr. of Camp Swift, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Brashears of the Hackberry community, on Tuesday, December 13, at Shamrock.

The bride was reared in this county and at the present time is attending High School at Samnorwood.

The groom lived at Davidson, Oklahoma, before moving to Collingsworth County several years ago.

Mrs. Brashears will remain at home for the present.

S. S. Party In Campbell Home For Methodist Intermediates

Mrs. Tom Campbell was hostess last Friday evening at a party in her home for the members of her Sunday School class, the Intermediates of the Methodist Church.

The children exchanged Christmas gifts from a lighted tree and were given a gift from the hostess. After the games refreshments of hot chocolate and cookies were served to Jeanne Way, Betty Sue Walker, Betty Ruth Thomson, Diane Wells, Louise Alexander, Veda Mae Kiker, Buddy Stevenson, Bobby Taylor, Bobby Newell Van Pelt, Tim Campbell and Tommy Ann Campbell.

Tommy Ann assisted Mrs. Campbell in entertaining, and also played Christmas music. Members of the class played piano and instrumental music following the games.

Circle No. 1 And 3 Meet For All Day Quilting Party

Circles No. 1 and No. 3 of the Baptist Women's Missionary Society met in the home of Mrs. Noble Murray for an all day quilting and luncheon. The morning was spent quilting and the afternoon was devoted to a program and mission study.

Mrs. W. A. Squires, Mrs. Arvezene Winter and Mrs. Claude Groves furnished the music for the occasion. Scripture reading was given by Mrs. J. L. Hays. Mrs. Harley Kern and Mrs. Henry Davidson each gave talks on Missions. Each received gifts from a beautifully decorated tree.

Attending were Mmes. H. D. Willoughby, McBroome, A. B. Cooper, Fulton, Harley Kern, J. A. Lowe, W. M. Tucker, H. H. Kinkeade, H. T. Williams, Wayne Cudd, Arvezene Winter, W. A. Squires, Claude Groves, J. L. Hays, Henry Davidson, G. T. Austin, and hostess, Mrs. N. W. Murray.

Children present were Barton Groves, Joe Lynn and Virginia Groves, Pat Kern, Farrell Ray Kent, Wendell Williams, Celia Williams, Carolyn Cudd and Wayne Cooper.

SHINNERY

By MRS. E. L. HIVELY

We had a good rain in this community Saturday night and Sunday morning, which will help wheat pasture very much.

Mrs. J. B. Downs who has been sick for the last week, is reported to be doing better. She has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ruby O. Verton, Mrs. Fred Yarbrough, and Mrs. Douns of Wellington.

D. Lacy and E. L. Hively made a business trip to Mangum Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Yarbrough attended the sale in Childress Friday.

Mrs. Rita Jane Stevenson is visiting her husband who is in the hospital at Memphis, Tennessee.

Several people in this community killed their hogs last week.

People are almost through pulling bolls in this community.

Home Makers Class Holds Annual Christmas Party

Members of the Homemakers Class of the First Baptist Church held their annual Christmas party Wednesday, December 8, in the home of Mrs. Lee Fortenberry with Mrs. C. C. Bishop as cohostess. The party began at 1 o'clock with a covered dish luncheon served buffet style. The table was centered with a miniature Christmas tree which contained gifts for all present. Red, white and blue candles were used in the table decorations.

Attending were Mmes. J. A. Dukeminier, J. C. Whisenant, Zora Austin, Juanita Love, Rene Slay, Lola Dunson, Nell Cook, Dona Tucker, Myrtle Harper, Loa Barton, V. J. Simpson, J. B. Trew, J. L. Burt, E. M. Trew, Rebecca Hutcherson, Jasie Fortenberry and Iva Bishop.

Birthday Party Honors Billy Nelson Wednesday Evening

On Wednesdey night, December 8, friends of Billy Nelson surprised him on his birthday with a party. The evening was spent playing games.

Refreshments of hot chocolate and cake were served to the following: Earlene Thomson, Yvonne Shields, Johnnie Wiles, Betty Jean Robertson, Amy Sue Way, Margaret Bumpass, Peggy White, Sue Nelson, Edmund Schaded, O. B. Raburn, Howard Moore, James Winter, Dick Ellis, Gerald Squires, Earl Wayne Janes, C. G. Gray, and honoree, Billy Nelson.



Tea For Two

Gold sequin scrolls outline the boat neck and cover the sleeves of this creation of black rayon crepe. The tiny waist and narrow hip look are achieved by a front peplum. A black satin hat with potent pink feather swirling close to the face adds a note of festivity.

Mr. And Mrs. J. S. Driskill Celebrate Golden Wedding Anniversary On December 12

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Driskill celebrated a day Sunday which only a few couples are privileged to share the joy of observing, their fiftieth wedding anniversary. Their friends were guests at their home east of Wellington Sunday afternoon, December 12, at a tea and open house.

The entertaining rooms were decorated with yellow chrysanthemums and yellow roses.

Guests were received by Mr. and Mrs. Driskill, Mrs. Orvil Vaughn, Mrs. H. C. Wendel and Mrs. Urban Gibbs. Mrs. Clyde Miller registered the guests and Mrs. Mike Lechman and Mrs. Ralph Stowell received and displayed the gifts.

Mrs. Woody Driskill presided at the silver tea service and Mrs. Mac Hunter served cake. The serving table was appointed in silver and crystal with a large three-tiered wedding cake as the center piece. The cake was decorated in white rosettes and topped with a single yellow rose and red rose. Gold tapers in crystal holders was the only lighting used. The white napkins were imprinted with the couple's names and wedding date, December 10, 1893. Mrs. Ted Driskill and Mrs. Fletcher Curry assisted in serving.

Mr. and Mrs. Driskill were married on Sunday morning, December 10, 1893 at 11 O'clock in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Seay at Marble Falls, Texas. Mrs. Driskill was before her marriage Miss Ola Gardner of Marble Falls. Her parents came to Texas from Chattanooga, Tennessee; and Mr. Driskill's parents came to Texas from Richmond, Virginia. Mr. Driskill has four living brothers and one sister; Mrs. Driskill four brothers and three sisters. Mr. and Mrs. Driskill have twelve living children, nineteen grandchildren and three great grandchildren. The Driskills settled in Collingsworth County in 1904.

The following children and their husbands and wives were present: Mrs. H. C. Wendel of Stockton, California; Hardy Driskill and Mrs. Urban Gibbs of Albuquerque, New Mexico; Lawrence Driskill of Clovis, N. M., Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Stowell of Berkeley, California; Mr. and Mrs. Woody Driskill of Hollis; Mr. and Mrs. Ted Driskill of Paducah; Mr. and Mrs. Orvil Vaughn of Wellington; and Mrs. Mike Lechman of Wellington.

Children and families not present were: Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Driskill and daughter of Franklin, Tenn.; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Driskill and daughter of Franklin, Tenn.; and Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Driskill and s[illegible] Mrs. moreland, C[illegible]ons of Westmoreland, California.

Four grand children present were Larry Driskill of Clovis, N. M.; and Harriett Rose, Carroll Judith and Terrell Driskill of Hollis.

Grandchildren unable to attend were: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fanning, Long Island, N. Y.; Major and Mrs. Bill Kamerer of Muskogee, Okla.; S-Sgt. and Mrs. Brice C. Driskill of Denver, Colo.; Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Cornelius of Bakersfield, Calif.; Francis Cornelius of Bakerfield, Calif.; Curtis Cornelius, U. S. Navy, San Francisco; Frances Jean Driskill of Clovis, N. M.; James A. Driskill, U. S. Navy San Diego; Richard C. Driskill, Albuquerque, N. M.; Col William J. Wendel, Stockton, Calif.; Laquences and Darrell Gibbs of Albuquerque, N. M.; Wendel Driskill, Westmoreland, Calif.; and Rose Marie, Austia Jean Driskill of Franklin, Tenn.

Great grand children are Janis Carrol Driskill of Denver, Colo.; Bill Fanning of Long Island, N. Y. and Marcella Kamerer of Muskogee, Okla.

The following friends called Sunday at the Driskill home: Mrs. W. D. Aldridge, Clark Anderson, Miss Frances Stowell, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Stowell, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Castleberry, Mr. and Mrs. Deskins Wells, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. White, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Vaughan, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Glenn, Tobe Deahl, Dodson; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Young, Hollis; Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Kesler, Dodson; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Holder and Joe, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Owens of Dodson; Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Lewis, Dodson; Miss Margaret Shields, Viola Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Fleet Pruden, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Strong, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Benge, Dr. and Mrs. S. W. Hopkins, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Bowen, Oran Starkey, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Longino, Mr. and Mrs. John Puryear, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Hopper, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Devenport, Mrs. Arvezene Winter, Mrs. Ervin Brewer, Mrs. Bert Miller, Mr. and Mrs. A. Reneau, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Norman, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Brewer, Mrs. C. J. Glenn, Rev. and Mrs. L. H. Dickerson and Mrs. W. S. James.

Giftswere sent by Messrs. and Mmes. Bill Whitley, Morris Reed, Marion Hix, Homer Holton, Grady Finley, Enis Schaded, Howard Riggs, F. A. Hatch, M. A. Barton, E. J. Smith, G. T. Austin, Earl Gibbs, P. E. Starr, Cliff Camp, John Forbis, Mac Saied, Lester Benge, Dick Wiley, Tom Bryant, Pink Sullivan, J. H. Birchfield, Russell Yates, Dewey Ellis, C. C. Gardner, Meade, Kansas; Elmer Driskill, Jimmie Kelso, Lee White, M. Winter, J. A. Dickerson, Mmes. Ona Smith, A. L. Cochran, Messrs. Lee Gragg, Miss Frances Jean Driskill of Clovis, N. M.; Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Johnson and Dr. and Mrs. E. W. Jones.

1924 Study Club Gives Farewell Party For Mrs. J. W. Harper, Charter Member

Mrs. John W. Harper, charter member of the 1924 Study Club, was complimented last Friday by members of the club with a farewell luncheon in the home of Mrs. James Doneghy. Mrs. Harper left the first of the week for Wichita Falls where she will make her home.

Mrs. Harper has served as one of the club's most active members during the nineteen years since its organization. She has been president and served in most of the offices and on the various committees during these years. As a parting gift members presented Mrs. Harper with a wool blanket.

The arrangements committee for the luncheon was made up by Mrs. Morris Wells, Mrs. Kelly Pigg, Mrs. John D. Glenn and Mrs. Deskins Wells. Luncheon was served buffet style from the dining table which was decorated with red berries and red candles. A turkey dinner was served to twenty guests.

Attending were Mmes. W. O. Richards, W. H. Lynn, J. B. Castleberry, D. G. Ellis, Fred LeDerer, Frank Eikenburg, M. M. Kern, John W. Harper, Tom Campbell; Miss Katherine Boverie, new member; Mrs. Temple Atkins of Shamrock, guest; hostesses, Mmes. James Doneghy, D. Wells, K. Pigg, Glenn and M. Wells.

Miss Myra Vae Barkeley Bride Of Lieutenant H. Baumgardner In Lubbock, December 6

Wedding vows for Miss Myrna Vae Barkley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Barkley of Matador, and Lt. Haynes Baumgardner, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Baumgardner of Wellington, were exchanged Monday evening in a candlelight ceremony at 8:30 o'clock at St. John's Methodist church, Lubbock. Rev. Alsie H. Carleton read the double ring ceremony.

The altar was decorated with salmon pink gladioli and fern, and lighted with white candles in candelabra.

Traditional wedding music was played by Miss Rachel Patton, the bride's aunt, who accompanied Miss Bonnie Campbell as she sang "Because." Other pre-nuptial selections, played by Miss Patton were, "I Love You Truly" and "I Promise You." The Lohengrin Bridal March by Wagner was used and for recessional, Mendelsohn's Wedding March.

Bride Wears Blue —bf ....

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a deep blue crepe ensemble with a corsage of red rose buds. Accessories were black. Her attendant, Miss Jean Wilkins of Krum, Texas, and Texas Technological College student, wore a gold crepe dress and a corsage of Talisman roses.

Lt. Thurman Pinkerton was best man. The bridegroom's brother, Forrest Baumgardner, instructor at Tech, was usher.

Parents of the young couple and the bride's classmates at Texas Technological college were guests.

The bride is a senior student at Texas Tech, where she is majoring in home economics. She is a member of Las Vivarachas social club and of the Tech Home Economics club. After mid-semester she will go to Fort Worth to join her husband who is reporting to the Army Air field there after receiving his wings and commission from Blackland Army Air Field, Waco, Sunday.

Mrs. Baumgardner was born and reared in Matador, and is a graduate of Matador High School.

Lt. Baumgardner received his degree from Texas Tech in 1942 where he was active in campus organizations. He was president of Block and Bridle club, a member of Los Camaradas social club and was vice president of the Student Council. He finished high school at Wellington, where he was reared.

Miss Eddie Jo Gilbert Bride Of Lou Rich Lyon In Sunday Ceremony At Borger

Miss Eddie Jo Gilbert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gilbert of Wellington, and Lou Rich Lyon of Bartlesville, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Lyon of Coldwater, Kansas, were married Sunday afternoon, December 12, at 2 o'clock in the First Methodist Church of Borger. The Rev. J. Edmund Kirby read the ceremony before an altar banked with fern and baskets of chrysanthemums and baby's breath. Slender peach colored tapers in floor candelabra lighted the church.

Mrs. E. F. Copeland played the organ music which preceded the ceremony, and accompanied Mr. R. E. Pierson who sang "The Lord's Prayer" and "Because."

George F. L. Bishop of Phillips was usher and lighted the candles.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a pastel blue wool, two piece dress with brown accessories. Her shoulder corsage was fashioned of gardenias and talisman roses tied with maline.

Miss Patricia Sullivan of Phillips, formerly of Wellington, was maid of honor. She wore a natural wool jersey dress with brown accessories and a corsage of Talisman roses and Iris.

C. H. Trotter of Phillips was best man.

The bride, a resident of Wellington most of her life, graduated from Wellington High School and T.S.C.W. at Denton where she received a B. A. degree. At the time of her marriage she was making her home in Phillips and was employed by the Phillips Petroleum Company.

The groom graduated from Coldwater High School and the University of Kansas where he received a degree in engineering. While in the university he was a member of the Kappa Sigma social fraternity, and a member of Sigma Tau and Tau Beta Phi, honorary fraternities.

Mr. Lyon is now with the Phillips Petroleum Company in the Process Engineering Refining Department at Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

Reception

Immediately following the wedding, a reception was held in the home of C. H. Trotter for members of the wedding party and out of town guests.

Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gilbert of Wellington, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Lyon of Coldwater, Kansas, and Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Rice of Coldwater, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyon will be at home at 728 Seneca street, Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

Shower

The bride was honoree at a number of parties and showers during the past few weeks. A shower was given in the home of Mrs. Pink Sullivan in Wellington on November 27, and a shower, the following week, in Phillips, was given by Miss Frances Copeland and Miss Frankie Nell Snyder in the home of Mrs. Lindsey.

A miscellaneous shower of gifts was presented to Miss Gilbert by her friends on this occasion. During the evening each guest made a dish towel and embroidered her name in the corner.

Refreshments were served from a beautifully appointed table laid with a cut work cloth. A centerpiece of pink carnations was flanked by lighted candles in crystal holders. The crystal punch bowl was encircled with an arrangement of pink and orchid sweetpeas and the lime punch blended with the floral decorations.

About twenty-five guests were present for the evening.

Another pre-nuptial courtesy was a rehearsal party given by George Bishop on Saturday evening preceding the wedding.

Circle No. 2 Honors Mrs. J. W. Harper At Dukeminier Home

Mrs. J. A. Dukeminier was hostess Monday afternoon to Circle No. 2 of the Baptist W. M. U. for a Christmas party and to honor Mrs. J. W. Harper who left for Wichita Falls on Tuesday to make her home. Mrs. Harper was presented a gift by the members.

The members exchanged gifts and following the regular Bible program and business meeting. A group of Christmas songs were sung at the close of the program.

Attending were Mmes. Orval Couch, Logan Cummings, J. C. Whisenant, T. E. Benge, D. L. Worley, Lee Fortenberry, A. N. Hutcherson, C. C. Bishop, J. W. Harper, H. H. Kinkeade and hostess, Mrs. Dukeminier.

Mrs. Jack Smith of Childress returned home last week after receiving treatment in St. Joseph's Hospital.

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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus:
I'm a boy seven years old. This is my first year in school and I think it's wonderful. Please bring me a wooden rifle, duck pin set, blackboard and a pair of warm houseslippers.

Bring Barbara Ann (my little four-year-old sister) a big doll with red hair, a laundry set, house slippers and jigsaw puzzle.

Don't forget the boys in the service, especially those on foreign soil.

Remember mother and dad, my grandparents, and my teacher, Mrs. Ponder.

We love you,
Jimmie and Barbara Ann Burton,
Shamrock, Rt. 3

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy seven years old. I go to school. I am in the second grade. I study hard. I try to be a good boy. I work hard. I pulled 134 younds of bolls. I saved my pennies and bought a war bond.

I would be glad if you would bring me a B-B gun.

Raymond Daugherty,
Dodson

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl six years old and am in the first grade. I don't want very much for Christmas because I want all little girls and boys to have toys. Santa, I want you to bring me a dolly, suit case, and birthstone ring and don't forget my mother and daddy and bring me candy, nuts, and fruit. Will see you Christmas.

Goodbye,
Manty Sue Bell

P. S.—Don't forget my little nephew, Junior Bell. Please bring him a rubber doll.

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl eight months old. I have tried to be a good little girl, Santa. I want you to bring me a little red rocker, a teddy bear, bracelet, ring, and locket set and anything you think little girls my age like to play with. Be sure you stop in San Diego for my daddy is in the Marines there. Be sure and leave some candy. I like it very much. Be sure to remember my little cousins, Eddie Carrol Riley, Janet Judd and Allen Wayne Green.

Lots of love,
Rosetta Rochelle Brown

Dean Santa:
I am a little boy three years old and I have been real good. Please bring me a jeep, dominoes, gun and a lot of candy, fruit and nuts. And don't forget my brothers, J. D. and Charles, and my mother and dad.

With all my love to you, Santa.
Eugene Bell

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy six years old. I started to school this year. I like it fine. I like my teacher. I have been a good little boy.

For Christmas I would like a gun, blackboard, football, along with a lot of candy, fruit and nuts.

With love,
Albert Bell.



STANDS UP AT AGE ONE-HALF HOUR
With a nudge from his Jersey mother, Carnation Fashion Lucile, little Bindle's Daily News Fashion manages to stand shakily just 30 minutes after birth at the Great Western Livestock Show at Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Santa:
I have been a pretty good little boy this year. I will be six years old January 16, and will go to school next year. I'm not going to ask for much this year as I know toys are going to be hard to get. I would like to have a big tinker toy set, a blackboard, one that folds up, and a wooden gun. And Santa, if you have an extra pair of houseshoes you can bring me a pair.

Please don't forget my two uncles. They are in the Army. R. E. Shumate is in Long Beach, California, and James Lee Shumate is in Camp Wolters, Texas, and please don't forget mother and daddy.

Your little friend,
Wayne Keller

Hello Santie:
Here we are to whisper in your big ear what we want you to bring us for Christmas.

I, Lewis Edward, six years old, would like a billfold, wagon and gun.

I, Leon, three years old, wish you would bring me a gun, car and doll.

I, Janice, four years old, want a doll, doll buggy and brush and mirror set.

Say, Santie, please don't forget baby brother who is a year old. He'd like to have a little wagon and some rattlers.

Please don't forget any other children far and near. Please remember everyone this year.

You can drop us any candy, nuts, fruit in which you wish.

Thank you, Santie.

Your little friends,
Lewis Edward,
Leon, Janice and
Hubert Oatman

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy six years old. I go to school and like my teacher fine.

I have been pretty good and I want you to bring me a tommy gun, building blocks and anything else you can bring, also candys, nuts and fruit.

Don't forget my great aunt Carrie. She is sick. I have an Uncle Roy somewhere in England. Don't forget him and all the other boys who will be away from home on Christmas.

Your friend,
Jack Brock

Dear Santie:
Will write you a letter to let you know what I want for Christmas. I want a doll and doll walker and a set of dishes. Please remember to bring me nuts, candy, oranges and apples. Well, Santie, I close. I know you are busy, working getting ready for Xmas.

Love,
Floyida Jean Henry

P. S.—Don't forget my Granddaddie and Grandmother Reeves. They live in California.

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl in the first grade. I try to be good and obey my teacher.

Please bring me some toys, fruits, nuts and candy.

Your friend,
Bobby Nell Long

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl three years old. I want you to bring me a table, chairs, dishes, doll, nuts, fruit and candy. Don't forget our sister, Freddie Jean. She lives at Pampa.

Your friend,
Glenda Sue Brock

Dear Santa:
I am in the second grade.

I made all B's the first six weeks and all A's the second six weeks. Mrs. Wilks is my teacher.

Please bring me a comic jigsaw puzzle and some paper dolls. Bring my brother Bill and baby sister Betty something. Bill would like a tricycle, but will wait until the war is over.

Love,
Georgia Ann Durfey

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl. Will soon be eight years old. I wish you would bring me a pretty set of dishes and a house coat. I have a new doll and would like you to bring it a blanket. Don't forget my two-year-old brother and don't forget to bring us lots of Christmas candy.

Yours truly,
Beatrice Hutchins

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy five years old. I would like for you to bring me a tractor, a wheelbarrow, and some toy soldiers. I have been a good boy all year. Please don't forget all my other little friends.

Your friend,
Tim Campbell

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a doll and a broom, a set of dishes, a set of knives and forks and spoons and a telephone.

Genevieve Bartlett.

Dear Santa:
Last year I didn't ask for much because of the war. This year I'm asking for a little less because my daddy has gone to be a soldier. Please bring me a big choo-choo and some candy. Don't forget my mommy and daddy.

Michael Louis Miller

Shinnery, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl a year old. Would you please bring me a dolly and a rocking chair. If you go out to California leave something for my little cousin, Chad Holland. Thanking you very much.

Yours truly,
Bonnie Jean Helbert

Dear Santie:
Remember to bring me a doll and a dollwalker and a set of dishes and some oranges and apples and nuts.

To Santie from Doshia, and Goodbye. Will see you later, Santie. I am going to bed.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl three years old. I have been a good little girl.

For Christmas I would like to have a little stove and icebox, also a little ironing board and iron.

Lots of love,
Carolyn Ann Gamill

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy in the first grade I try to be good and obey my teacher. Please bring me toys, fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend,
Mac Oxford

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl in the first grade. I try to be good and obey my teacher. Please bring me toys, fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend,
Kathryn Meader

Dear Santa:
I am in the first grade. Please bring me some candy, fruit, nuts, a B-B gun, a basketball and basket. I will be good.

Wayne Maxwell

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl a year and a half old. I am a good girl. I want you to bring me a doll and a doll house. Please remember my brother and two sisters.

I love you,
Myrlene Porter

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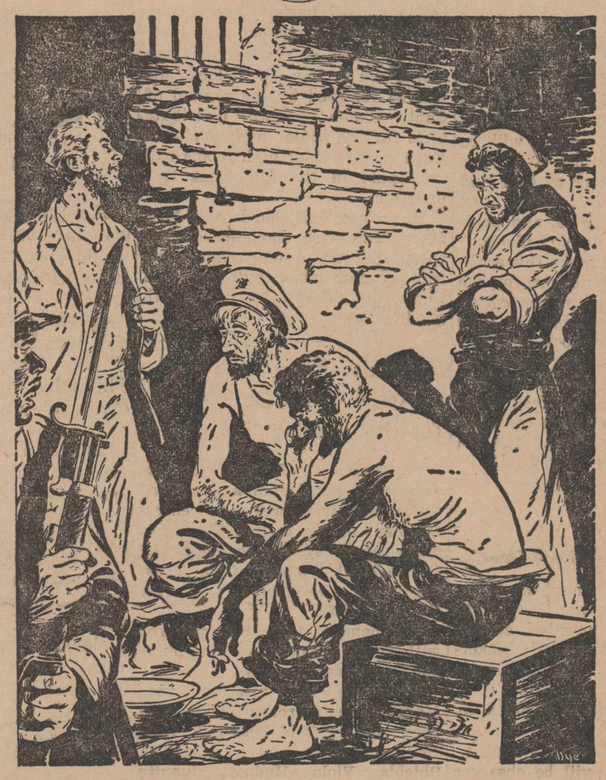
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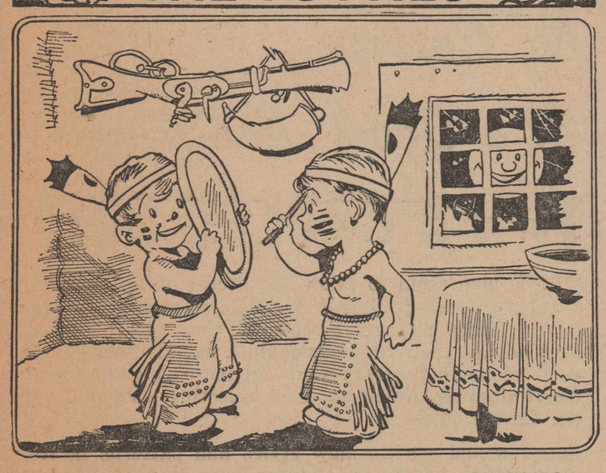
An *extra* War Bond this Christmas will hasten the day when their prayers will be answered. A War Bond for Christmas helps three ways . . . it buys the material necessary to liberate those who fought for us . . . it is a present which will increase in value until the time they come home . . . it is a present which will help to conserve the freedom they suffer for.

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How many EXTRA War Bonds are YOU buying this Christmas?

West Texas Utilities Company

Adventures of THE TOTTIES



(READ THE STORY, THEN COLOR THE PICTURE)

THE fish meal was a big success. Soon Dotty loudly said, "I guess that I have had enough to eat. I'm going to take a snooze."

"Oh, no," cried Scouty, with a smile. "Please save your sleep till after while. We have to find wee Duncy, and there is no time to lose."

"Now, wait," the fisherman cried out. "I know right where he's bound to be. Now, please leave everything to me and I will see that you reach Duncy ere day turns to night.

* * *

"YOU see, I have a happy hunch, that I am sure will please this bunch. Come right into my cabin. Then I'll show you what I mean."

"All right," said Goldy. "Lead the way. I trust you. That's all I can say."

So, to the cabin they all ran, and shortly the old fisherman said, "I am going to paint you up like Indians.

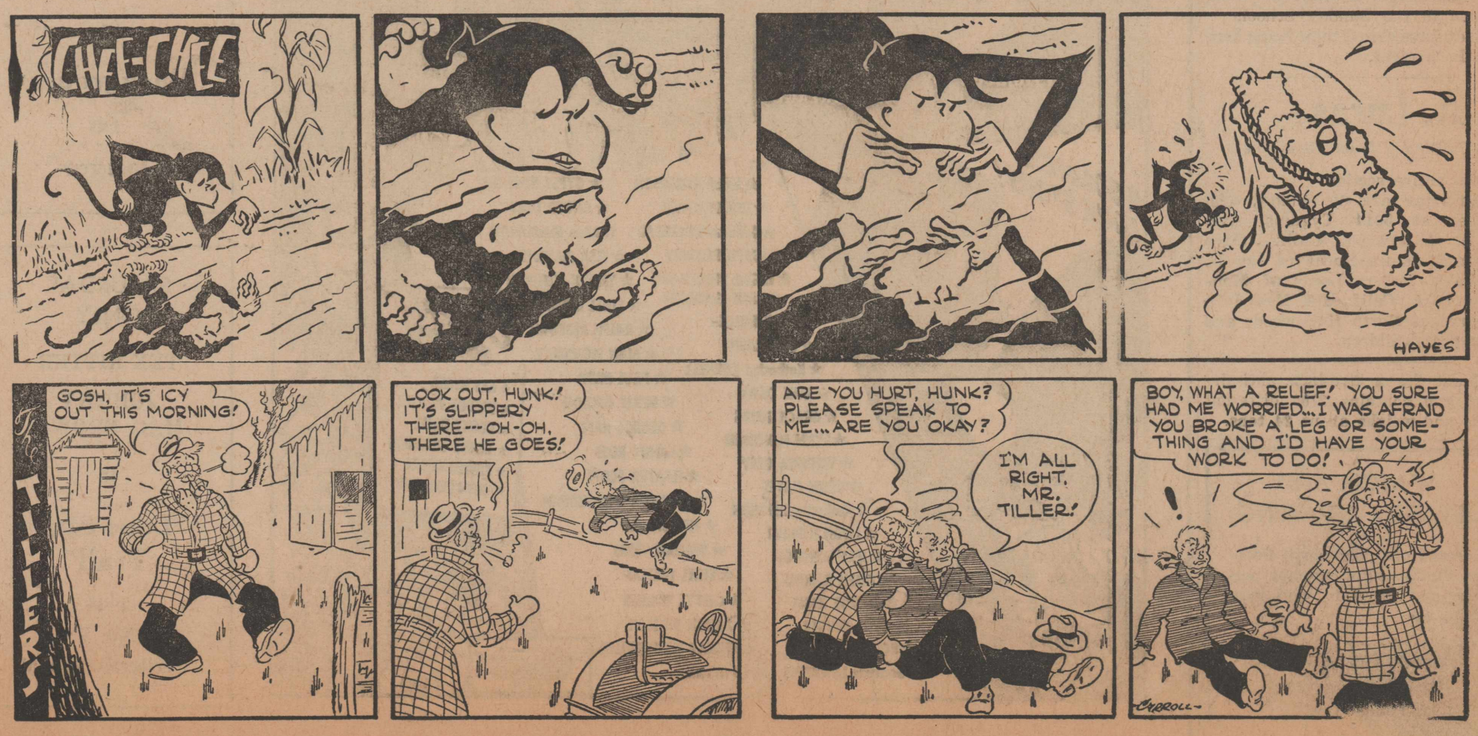
"I have the clothes and everything. Just wait right here and I will bring them out. I'll also paint your faces. 'Twill be lots of fun."

* * *

SOME Indian suits were then brought out, and greeted with a merry shout. "I hope they're warm," said Dotty. "'Cause I don't want to catch cold."

A suit was found for every lad and Coppy shouted. "Gee. I'm glad that we are dressing up like this. Some funny things we'll do."

"Be patient," said the kind old man. "I'll help you every way I can to have real fun, but right now, lads, stand still until I'm through."



Mill Helping Farmers Solve Feed Problem

To help feeders save scarce feeds and replace unavailable feeds with others of comparable value, the Childress Cotton Oil Mill is distributing the "1944 Feeding Practices" bulletin, without charge, to livestock producers of this area, Arthur Power, Manager, has announced.

"This bulletin has been especially prepared to help livestock feeders solve the problem of saving and replacing scarce protein concentrates and other feedstuffs," he points out. "Rations and recommendations are based upon careful study of the present feed situation and the recommendations of Experiment Station, College and Extension livestock authorities who are thoroughly familiar with conditions in this section.

By securing this bulletin from our office and following the information carefully, local livestock producers can 'stretch' the available supply of protein concentrates, grains and roughages to take care of the requirements of more livestock, and maintain efficient production of meat, milk and other needed products."

A natural color photograph of Herefords in a field of bluebonnet flowers, with a U. S. Navy plane in the background, makes an attractive front cover for the bulletin, and numerous illustrations, throughout its 40 pages, will be of interest to livestock and poultry raisers. Feeding of beef and dairy cattle, hogs, horses and mules, sheep and goats, and poultry, is discussed in the bulletin.

"We are glad to make this authoritative bulletin, published by the Educational Service of the cotton oil industry, available to our friends in the livestock industry as part of the 'all-out' effort of our mill is making to help the livestock industry meet the feed situation and make maximum contribution to the war effort," the Oil Mill Manager commented.

Churches -

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ducted at the Church of the Nazarene. Christmas music will be featured at the morning service and the pastor, Rev. L. H. Dickerson, will preach the Christmas sermon.

Services are held at 11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.

Our Lady Of Mercy Church

Midnight Mass will be observer at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church at 12:00 o'clock Christmas eve night. Father J. H. Kruk kert will say the mass.

Answers To TEST YOUR I. Q.

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1. Ten.
2. One foot by one foot by one inch.
3. Transvaal means beyond the Vaal, a river in South Africa. The Transvaal is a province.
4. Anna.
5. M.

Dr. J. W. Harper-

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as reporter for this county. She was also a member of the 1924 Study Club.

Both Dr. and Mrs. Harper were active in the work of the Baptist Church. For a number of years she had taught a class of young women in the Sunday School.

They have closed their home here for the present.

J. A. Lucas -

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of the entire section.

Surviving are his widow, who resides at 5014 Tygunia Ave. North Hollywood, Calif., three children, James Lucas of the U. S. Navy, Robert Lucas of Monterey Park, Calif., and Mrs. Ione Osborne of North Hollywood; and four grandchildren.

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Christmas Program Scheduled For High And Junior High School Friday Afternoon

Wellington High and Junior High School students will assemble for their annual Christmas program in the High School auditorium on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Following the program school will be dismissed for the holidays. All parents are invited to attend the program.

A program of musical numbers and a talk by Rev. H. H. Kinkeade will be followed by the arrival of Santa Claus who will distribute gifts for the junior high students. Each of the junior high rooms will take part in the Christmas tree program.

Mrs. Jimmie Richards and Mrs. Mary Katherine Barjenbruch are sponsoring the Junior High musical program which will include a Christmas contata by the eighth grade chorus.

Christmas Party For B. And P. W. Club Tuesday Evening

Christmas carols and the exchange of gifts from a decorated Christmas tree was the entertainment at the annual Christmas party given by the Business and Professional Women's Club Tuesday night, December 14, at the Pullman Cafe.

The banquet table was centered with an arrangement of pine burrs and evergreen sprays.

Attending the meeting were Mary Alston, Dorothy Allday, Exa Rice, visitor; Bula Bess Bell, Rose Erisman, Inez Leach, Margaret Shields, Viola Hudson, Juanita Clark, Irma Garner, Estelline Glenn, Bessie Jean Willis, Hattie D. Wells, Katherine Boverie, Cleo Templeton, Bonnie Willis, Clay Sullivan, Dora E. McClaskey, Bessie Rainer and Mrs. Eddie Smith, visitor.

Who's New In Collingsworth



Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Powell are the parents of a daughter, Sandra Kay, born Monday, December 6, in St. Joseph's Hospital.

A daughter, Dorothy Carol, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wood December 1, in St. Joseph's Hospital.

Ronald Neelan Reeves, a son, was born to Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Reeves December 6. The baby was born in St. Joseph's Hospital.

Sgt. and Mrs. F. C. Hall are the parents of a son born Tuesday night, December 7, in St. Joseph's Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Hill are the parents of a son, named Creed Lewis, born Saturday morning, December 11, at 3 o'clock, in St. Joseph's Hospital. The baby weighed seven pounds at birth.

Wells Family -

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family were forced to remain in China.

Rev. Wells was a missionary for the Baptist Church in Shanhai until the outbreak of war. Mrs. Wells was reared in that country.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy in the first grade. Please bring me some nuts and candy, a P-38 airplane, a carrier ship, a gun and three little airplanes.
Thank you, Santa.
Your little friend,
Pat Kern

Dear Santa:
I am in the first grade. Please bring me some toys, fruit, nuts and candy.
Your friend,
Mary Ann Hunter

Dear Santa:
I have been a very good boy this year, so I hope you will believe me because no one else will. I have not been perfect but I guess I was pretty good. I want a war set with tanks, jeeps, motorcycles, soldiers and everything that is in them. I guess you will be sending all the real tanks and guns to the boys but I just want a play war set. I want some more things but I will tell grandmother and granddaddy to get me the other things.
Be sure and give my two uncles plenty of things. They are the ones that are supposed to get the guns and tanks. Be sure to bring me the war set.
Lots of love,
Gerald William Allday
(Jerry)

Dear Santa:
Xmas is almost here. Thought I better let you know what I want this year.
I've been pretty nice little girl and I am not going to ask for much. Would like to have a little doll, doll buggy, set of little dishes, fruits, nuts and candy.
Now, Santa, please don't forget my little brother, Jerry Cook that lives at Melrose, New Mexico. I know he has been a nice little boy, too.
By, Santa, will be expecting you Xmas night.
Your little friend,
Rebecca Lee Cook

Quail, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy four years old. Please bring me a blackboard, football, tinkertoys and a train.
I love you,
Don Helbert

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy six years old. I go to school at San Jon, New Mexico. Could you or would you bring me a Bambi puzzle, red house shoes and a little candy, fruits, and nuts. We will try to be at Muner and Dad Smith's for Christmas.
With Love,
Johny Ray Waller,
San Jon, N. M.
P. S.—Don't forget the other little boys and girls. Please don't forget Uncle E. R. away over in Hawaii.



HERSCHEL DUNCAN



CHARLES DUNCAN

Herschel and Charles Duncan, sole owners of the Duncan Coffee Company, manufacturers of Admiration Coffee, this week announced that profit sharing bonuses for all employees of their company would be paid in war bonds.

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl 5 years old. My name is Glenda Lee. I want you to bring me a doll and doll bed and lots of fruit, nuts and candy. I have a little brother who is two years old. His name is Billie Wayne. He wants a horse and gun and also fruit, nuts and candy.
We have been a good little girl and boy. Hope you don't forget us.
Your little friends,
Glendao and Billie Anglin

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl seven years old and in the first grade. For Christmas I want a doll trunk, set of dishes and some house shoes. Don't forget to bring me some candy, nuts, and fruit. Santa, please don't forget my little cousin, Mary Sharron, at Dumas.
Your friend,
Nelda Joyce Woodman

Dear Santa Claus:
I am Juana's and Gayla's little cousin, and I will be four years old in February.
Please bring me a little dog and a red wagon so I can pull my mother's groceries home for her.
I have a baby sister named Emma Juanita, and she wants a teddy bear and some wooden beads. We both want some fruit.
Your little friends,
Bobby and Emma Hecox

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy five years old. For Christmas I want a cowboy suit, boxing gloves and house shoes and bath robe. Don't forget to bring me some candy, nuts and fruit.
Your friend,
James Don Woodman

Legion-Auxiliary

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Mrs. Ernest Lewis, and Dr. and Mrs. C. B. Jones.

The social will begin at 7:30 o'clock.

Aberdeen Man -

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if not all three, he said last week.

The accident occurred at Mr. Hale's home when his feet slipped and he caught his fingers in the fan belt trying to balance himself.

Too Late To Classify

FOR SALE—Practically new table top oil stove, frigidaire, other household articles. 1409 Corsicana. 23-1p

FOR SALE—Fresh and springing milk cows. G. T. Austin. 23-1-p

FOR SALE—Brand new pre-war bicycle. Ridden very little. An ideal Christmas gift. Mrs. W. C. Killingsworth. 13th and Bowie. 23-2-p

Coffee Company Buys Bonds For Xmas Bonuses

HOUSTON. — Herschel and Charles Duncan, sole owners of the Duncan Coffee Company, announced today for the 25th consective year participation of their 350 employees in the company's annual profits. This year payment of ten per cent of each employee's gross salary will be made part in cash and part in War Bonds. Commencing with modest beginnings and a staff of eight people, the company, which is celebrating its silver jubilee, is today the largest independent coffee roaster in the Southwest.

The policies and growth of Duncan Coffee Company were recently cited by Representative Wright Patman in an address before congress entitled "Free Enterprise Must Prevail". Speaking of the Duncan brothers, Patman said "They had to establish a reputation for fair dealing and civic consciousness best illustrated in a letter to them from Governor Coke Stevenson of Texas." Stevenson's letter related how under free, independent American enterprise the growth of an organization like Duncan Coffee Company was possible.

Lt. John Ben Castleberry visited his parents here Tuesday night and Wednesday en route to San Fransico where he will be stationed. Lt. Castleberry completed his officers training at Miami Beach four weeks ago and since that time has been in Orlando, Florida taking a special course in applied tactics. Lt. Castleberry is in the flight control division of the Army Air Forces.

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