



BEAM

By J. W. King, Sr.

It seems that some of the drivers of school buses, some difficulty on their routes, especially with people passing a bus in a car while it is unloading children. People ought to know, that besides being against the law to pass a school bus while it is unloading children it is extremely dangerous to the lives of the children. You wouldn't want to kill a child, would you? So listen to what one of the drivers wrote this week:

Stop! Look and Think!
If your bus driver should cross a railroad in front of a train and kill one of your children, he would be convicted of murder because of a violation of the law.

If your bus driver should drive your bus while intoxicated and kill one of your children, he would be a murdered because of a law violation.

If your bus driver should allow a loaded gun to be played with on a bus and a child were killed it would be murder.

There is a law that says: No vehicle shall pass a bus while loading or unloading pupils. Every school bus is marked Stop! and has signal lights to warn of stops—yet at least 95 percent of the parents of the children who ride the bus never stop while the buses are loading or unloading pupils. Our children can't grasp the danger of walking from behind the bus, so it is up to the parents to make the roads safe for them.

Lets think how we would feel if we ran over and killed a child who was getting on or off a bus. Think how your neighbor would feel toward you. Think how it would be to be convicted of manslaughter or even murder, for such a violation. Lets be sure that none of us ever pass a bus that is stopped on the road.

Just to get people to stop for school buses we suggest that each driver carry a pad and pencil with him, and when a car passes his bus while stopped just take down the number and turn it over to the sheriff or constable. When the driver pays the fine he will think to stop the next time he approaches a stopped bus.

MRS. MORGAN HOSTS CLUB

Mrs. O. K. Morgan entertained the sewing club Wednesday afternoon. The afternoon was spent in visiting and sewing.

A refreshment plate of chicken sandwiches, olives, potato chips, and hot tea was served to Mmes. S. E. Brown, Tom Finley, Frank Johnson, Frank Beights, J. H. Carlock, J. D. McDonald, Percy Bond, Alonzo Phillips, G. A. Hutchins, O. I. Griffin, E. P. Kuck, Homer Smith, Ruby Robertson, Tom Ray and a guest, Mrs. Young Hester.

TWO CELEBRATE BIRTHDAY

The birthdays of Elmer Lee Hays and J. S. Crownover were celebrated with a buffet luncheon Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Hays. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Hays and family, Elmer Lee, Davis and B. J. Jr., and Mrs. H. H. Hays and family, A. R. Yarbrough, all of Lorraine, R. T. Whisenant, A. M. Jonson, R. T. Magnus all of Breckenridge, J. H. Crownover and Mrs. Pruitt of Roscoe, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Crownover and family of McKenzie, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Reynolds and family, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Montgomery and family, Mrs. Ada Crownover, and Mrs. Lankford. In the evening they enjoyed a musical. Others present at night were Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Bennett and Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Martin and children. All reported a good time.

One Year Ago In Lorraine

Funeral services were held for Elmo Black, H. A. Peterson, and Nelda Payne, 3.

Miss Jean Henderson and Howard Bynum were married. Gynola Mearse and Sgt. Pearson Mieras married in Abilene.

TWO YEARS AGO

Ensign Rebecca Ann Britton died on January 25, while serving as nurse in the U. S. Navy.

Alma Ruth Collier and Burl Brock were married. Neil Johnson and Dr. W. N. Porter of Denison were married.



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OUR BOYS IN SERVICE

Headquarters 143rd Infantry
APO 36, U. S. Army,
15 November 1944

To: 2nd Lt. Harold R. Preston
In passing on to you this letter of commendation from your Division Commander, I wish to add my appreciation and commendation to you for your sterling qualities as a soldier. In combat you have conducted yourself with exemplary courage and determination, contributing materially to the success of our operation.

Paul D. Adams,
Colonel, 143rd Inf. Commanding



Headquarters 36th Inf. Div.
APO 36, U. S. Army

COMMENDATION

To Whom It May Concern
2d Lt. Harold R. Preston is com-

manded for exceptionally meritorious conduct CITATION
Harold R. Preston, 01691766, Second Lieutenant (then Technician Third Grade), Medical Detachment, 113rd Infantry Regiment, for exceptionally meritorious conduct from 21 May to 25 June 1944 in Italy. Tec. 3 Preston was assigned to the aid station of the 3d Battalion, 143rd Infantry Regiment, during the fighting and pursuit of the enemy to the north. Frequent long distance moves required that the aid station operate in two sections. Only one medical officer was available so Tec. 3 Preston was put in charge of one group. He rendered prompt, skillful aid to many seriously wounded soldiers whose lives depended on his ability and judgment in administering blood plasma, splinting broken bones, discerning the correct amounts of morphine to be given, and supervising all bandaging and medicinal treatment. Tec. 3 Preston fulfilled his responsibilities as adequately as any medical officer could have done under similar conditions. His work did full justice to the highest traditions of the medical corps. Entered the Service from

DR. JOHNSON HONORED ON BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Bruce Johnson entertained with a forty-two party Tuesday evening in honoring Dr. Johnson on his birthday.

The evening was spent playing 42. After games the hostess served birthday cake with fruit jello. Those present were Messrs. Gilbert Parish, Glen Coon, K. L. Taylor, Wiley Walker, W. W. Martin, Clyde Smith, and Mmes. Dale Johnson, Virgil Walker, Frank Johnson, and L. L. Medlock of Roscoe.

Mrs. Fae McCollum visited her daughter, Gypsy Ted at ACC in Abilene Monday and Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Neill were business visitors in Sweetwater Tuesday.

Mrs. Marion Rhodes and baby and Mrs. James Manley of Colorado visited their husbands at Camp Hood over the week end.

Mrs. T. J. Coffee and Mildred Coffee of Lubbock spent the week end here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Bradbury spent the week end with his father in Sweetwater.

Mrs. Annibel Long, Latrice Bassham and Lela Lefevre of Parsons Beauty College in Abilene spent the week end here.

Lorraine, Texas.
John E. Dahlquist
Major General, U. S. Army
Commanding.

With the Americal Infantry Division Somewhere in the South west Pacific: Earnest Chaney, Jr., of Lorraine, Texas, has been promoted from private to corporal in the Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop of the Americal Division. Corporal Chaney, a former employee of the Lorraine Cheese Plant, has been awarded the Combat Infantryman's Badge. He is a brother of Stacy D. Chaney of Lorraine.

15th AAF in Italy—William K. Day, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Day, 1718 So. 12th St., Abilene, Texas, a 15th AAF P-51 Mustang fighter pilot, has been promoted to the grade of First Lieutenant.

Lt. Day has been flying combat from an Italian base since September of last year and has completed 22 successful missions over Italy, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Rumania, Germany, and Austria. All of his missions have been flown as high altitude heavy bomber escort in attacks on strategic railroad yards, oil refineries, landing grounds, and aircraft production centers in Germany and German controlled territory.

In recognition of his meritorious achievements in participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy, Lt. Day has been awarded the Air Medal and one Oak Leaf Cluster.

He entered the Army Air Force in October 1942 and was awarded his pilot's wings on March 12, 1944, at Eagle Pass, Texas. He is a graduate of the Abilene High School and McMurry College.

Lt. Day's wife, Mrs. Ruby Jo Day, lives in Lorraine.

December 17, 1944

Dear Lions Club:

I received the beautiful Christmas card the other day and I thank you very much. It makes a fellow really feel good just to know that the folks at home are still thinking about you in times like these. Here's hoping that the war will be over real soon and all of us can be at home again to enjoy and celebrate Christmas in pre-war style. As ever,

Oscar Hackfeld
January 8, 1945

Dear Lions Club:

Just a few lines to let you know I received the Christmas card, and I appreciate it very much. It really makes a guy feel good to hear from people at home. I wish you the best of luck and success in the future.

Sincerely,
Hugh Elliott

Farmers Asked To Raise More Hogs

Texas farmers with adequate feed supplies are being asked by WFA to keep additional sows suitable for farrowing next spring to help meet the spring pig goal, Dan L. Boyd, WFA's District Representative, has announced.

Present support prices of \$12.50 per hundredweight, Chicago basis for good to choice butcher hogs weighing 200 to 270 pounds also has been extended to March 1, 1946, he said.

Calling on all hog producers in the nation to cooperate, War Food Administrator Marvin Jones said, "The continued high level of demand for meat for war needs makes it imperative that hog producers meet the goal of 57,500,000 spring pigs." He expressed concern over a pig crop next spring smaller than last spring adding, "The feed grain supplies available will feed more hogs than would be produced from next spring's pig crop, according to present indications."

The number of sows farrowing must be increased by about 11 percent over number now planned to reach the goal.

GLEANERS QUILT

The Gleaners S. S. class met at the home of Mrs. Frank Johnson Tuesday for an all day quilting.

At the noon hour a covered dish luncheon was enjoyed.

Those present were Mmes. E. P. Kuck, J. D. McDonald, Joe Bennett, Frank Beights, J. W. Price, Arlie Martin, J. B. Mahon, and Miss Annie Jarratt.

Next Tuesday, January 23, we will meet with Mrs. John Mahon for another all day quilting. Bring a covered dish and be with us.

CLASS ELECTS OFFICERS

The Young People's Sunday School class of the Methodist Church met in a short business session last Sunday morning before lesson period and elected Royce Beights president, LaRue West vice president, Melba Mahon secretary and treasurer, and Mrs. Lily Bennett teacher. The class voted to buy a government bond for the church and to help in the Crusade for Christ movement. Silent prayer was said for the members of our class who are in the armed forces.

We are always glad to have our members home from college to be with us. Visitors are always welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Coffee visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Coffee in Snyder Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Haralson and sons visited her mother, Mrs. Bertha Barber, in Abilene Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Muns and Mrs. Mrs. Harvey Muns of Sweetwater visited relatives here Sunday.

County Council Names Committees

The Mitchell County Home Demonstration Council had their first meeting of the new year on January 13, with 13 members representing 6 clubs present.

The outgoing president, Mrs. Holly Jackson, reported Christmas gifts were bought for Miss Hard, the new HD agent, Mrs. Pierson, hostess of the ladies lounge, and Mrs. Wallace, who worked so faithfully on the year book.

The year book committee was given a rising vote of thanks for their excellent job on the books. The club women have been furnishing sandwiches, cookies, eggs and cream for the USO on week ends. One club is responsible for the food each week. During January and February the following clubs will furnish food: Jan. 6, Fairview; Jan. 13, Hyman; Jan. 20, Landers; Jan. 27, Looney; Feb. 3, Bauman; Feb. 10, Buford; Feb. 17, Carr; Feb. 24, Fairview.

The new president, Mrs. Percy Bond of Bauman club, appointed her committees to work with her during the year: year book, Mrs. Henry Doss, Bauman, Mrs. E. L. Henderson, Buford, Mrs. J. C. Cook, Looney; finance, Mrs. A. J. Hooks, Buford, Mrs. J. L. Strain, Fairview, Mrs. M. A. Moore, Landers; education, Mrs. Holey Jackson, Carr, chairman. Her assistants are the chairmen of each local club: Expansion, Mrs. J. L. Jones, Landers, Mrs. Taft Morris, Carr, and chairmen of each local club.

Recreation, Mrs. Lynn Halbert, Carr, and all local chairmen; markets, Mrs. Lon Strain, Fairview, Mrs. Frank Andrews, Hyman, Mrs. A. E. Warner, Looney; exhibit, Mrs. W. C. Berry, Fairview, Mrs. Leonard Hallman, Looney, Mrs. Bobbie Rees, Carr; 4-H club sponsors, Mrs. Bobbie Rees, Carr, Mrs. R. D. White, Bauman, Mrs. John Womack, Fairview; rules, Mrs. Henry Doss Bauman, Mrs. O. L. Simpson, Fairview, and Mrs. Don Blasingame, Buford.

Reporter

W. S. C. S.

The W. S. C. S. met Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the church. The program was opened with a song and prayer. A program on the "Crusade for Christ" was brought. Mrs. J. M. Bruce discussed the topic "Behold I set before you an open door". Others taking part on the program were Mmes. J. W. Price, T. C. Wilson, and Arlie Martin. Rev. Price was a visitor and gave the closing prayer.

Miss Louise Jarratt visited in Odessa over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Norman and daughters of Colorado City, Miss Annie Jarratt, and Mrs. Marion Mahon visited relatives in San Angelo Sunday.

Aaron Johnson Dies Suddenly

Funeral services were conducted at the Methodist Church Sunday afternoon at 4:30 for Aaron W. Johnson, 74, with the pastor, Rev. J. W. Price, officiating, assisted by Minister A. R. Lawrence and Rev. Harold Jones. T. J. Kiden led the singing with Mrs. K. L. Taylor at the piano.

Mr. Johnson died suddenly Saturday afternoon at the Virgil Richards filling station while enroute to his home in West Lorraine.

Mr. Johnson was born in September 1870 in Williamson County, Texas. He moved with his family in 1889 to Lawn, Taylor County, where his father, J. H. T. Johnson, was postmaster for several years. They moved to Mitchell County in 1904, where he has lived since.

He was a member of the Presbyterian Church.

He is survived by three brothers, J. H. T., John and Joe Johnson, and a sister, Mrs. Minnie Barkley, all of Lorraine.

Burialbearers were Fred Ison, Richard Phillips, Earl Phillips, Virgil Richards, N. J. Brians and Owen Leggett.

Relatives from out of town to attend the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Matt Johnson and son Frank of San Angelo, Sam Sharp and daughter Velma and son Woodrow and wife and baby, Mrs. Liddie Collins and Mrs. Donley Stephenson, all of Abilene, Mrs. Derrill Smith of Colorado City, Raymond Johnson of Ft. Worth, and Dell Johnson of Ft. Worth.

BOY SCOUTS HIKE

The Scouts of Troop 24 last Friday afternoon went to the country home of Billy Ray and Jack Montgomery on a hike. A fire was built on the creek bank near their home and a chicken started roasting as well as potatoes. Stories and games whiled the time until about 9:15 when the chicken was well done and potatoes roasted. These, with onion and bread were enjoyed, followed by cookies as dessert.

After supper further games were enjoyed and a business meeting held. Patrols were organized for the new year and Billy Ray Montgomery and Merlyn Bruce were elected patrol leaders. Patrols formed were: Panthers, Billy Ray Montgomery, Orbie Ray Linder, Reagan Martin, Bobbie Johnson; and the Tigers, Merlyn Bruce, Jack Montgomery, Weldon McCollum, John Price.

The Troop will be registered at once, their charter expiring in December.

LANDERS H. D. CLUB

The Landers Home Demonstration Club met January 9, at the home of Mrs. Marlin Moore with five members and 2 new members. There were also three visitors.

Miss Graham Hard was unable to attend, so we looked at our new books and discussed the various meetings we will have during this year.

The president appointed committees on education, finance, and recreation.

The club adjourned to meet January 23, with Mrs. M. L. Adrian.

New members and visitors are always welcome. Reporter.

Billie Jean McCollum of Abilene spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Laine McCollum.

Rev. J. W. Price went to Abilene Thursday after Mrs. Price, who had spent a week there with her parents. Mrs. Dale Johnson and Mrs. Frank Johnson accompanied him and visited Mrs. Nannie Baker.

Mrs. E. C. Miles and daughter Mrs. L. G. Harrison of Big Spring visited relatives here Wednesday.

Several of the Boy Scout Troop Committee of the Lions Club will attend the Annual Council Meeting at Big Spring next Friday night. At this meeting officials for the Council are elected and other business matters considered.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bagwell of Colorado City were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Barron Sunday.

Rena Louise Taylor Presented In Recital

Rena Louise Taylor was presented in junior speech recital at Hardin-Simmons University at 8 p. m. Monday in the auditorium of Caldwell Hall. She is a pupil of Mrs. Nora Everton.

The program included a collection of poetry and short play which Miss Taylor directed. The play given was "Thy Will Be Done". Actors included Miss Taylor, John Earl Seelig, Jessie Dean Mullins, Doyle Cane, Darnell Gibbs, Margaret Vaughter, Regina May Cook, and Gayle Keeter. Mayna Simmons and John Petry provided the music.

Miss Taylor is a senior majoring in speech and minoring in English and religious education. She is president of the YWA and a member of the BSU, business administration club, players club Alpha Psi Omega, life service band, and future teachers club. She is a graduate of Lorraine High School and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Taylor.

HONORED ON BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Wiley Walker entertained with a six o'clock birthday dinner honoring her daughter Emma Jean on her 17th birthday. The menu consisted of chicken and dressing, giblet gravy, macaroni and cheese, vegetable salad, green beans, olives and pickles, birthday cake and peaches and whipped cream.

After dinner they enjoyed the show at the Lorex Theatre.

Those enjoying this occasion were Billie Jean Stewart, Josephine Nunn, Mavis Webb, Dorothy Jean Hallmark, Jane Coffee, Laverne Henderson, and Melba Mahon.

P. T. A. MEETING

The P. T. A. met Thursday, January 11, in regular meeting. The eighth grade presented the following program:

Piano solo, Nelda Jo Yarbrough Songs, An Irish Lullaby and A Fellow on a Furlough, Lila Linder, Patricia Martin, Nelda Jo Yarbrough, and Bonnie Rankin; A talk "The Community is Challenged" was given by Mrs. T. C. Wilson.

Mr. Brown reported that the Service Roll for the school has been selected and it was also reported that the committee selected to compile the list of names to go on the roll had about 200 names. These will appear in the paper in the near future. If you know of any name that should be on the roll that isn't there, the committee would appreciate your turning it in to Mr. Parish or Mrs. James.

The P. T. A. voted to sponsor the waste paper drive if no other organization of the town is now sponsoring it.

The 8th grade received the book for having the most representatives present for the grade school, and the 12th grade for high school.

Reporter

T. SGT. AND MRS. BRUCE HONORED AT DINNER

Mrs. Marvin Martin entertained Monday with a six o'clock dinner honoring T. Sgt. and Mrs. Marshall Bruce, Jr. Others present were Mrs. H. B. Wilson, Marvin Martin and Billie Joe, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Bruce, Sr. and sons Dayton and Merlin. The occasion also celebrated the 26th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Bruce, Sr.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Mitchell County War Price and Rationing Board will be open only from 2 p. m. to 4:45 p. m. on Saturday, January 20, 1945.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Teaff of Sweetwater visited his sister, Mrs. Everett Henderson and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Hoover received an announcement of the birth of a baby girl, born to Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Nix, Hobbs, N. M., on January 9, 1945.

Mrs. T. D. Hendricks returned Sunday after spending the week in San Angelo with Mrs. Evelyn House, who is in a San Angelo hospital suffering from pneumonia.

Mrs. Lucy Britton spent from Friday until Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Terrill in Abilene.

Up the Burma Road Go the Yanks



Here are some of our boys moving up the newly opened Burma road on their way to the Nips what it's like to be up against the American Army. The Germans have already found out and now it's the Japs' turn to learn the hard way. Lend your dollars to Uncle Sam by buying more War Bonds so that the war in the Far East may be over that much sooner.

From U. S. Treasury

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Yanks Clash with Japanese in Major Battle of Philippines; Act to Solve Manpower Problem

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union's news analysis and not necessarily of this newspaper.



Captured enemy film shows Adolf Hitler, surrounded by his party officials, treading ruins of German village devastated by war.

PACIFIC: Decisive Battle

Three years before, Gen. Douglas MacArthur had left Luzon in a small torpedo boat in the dead of night, with the Japanese breaking the last shred of U. S. resistance in the Philippines.

But he returned in a brilliant comeback, puffing hard on his corn-cob pipe at the rail of an American warship, one of 800 vessels in a 70-mile-long convoy which poured the sands of troops and tons of supplies on the sandy beaches of Iloilo, gulf in northeastern Luzon, 120 miles from Manila.

Coming shortly after the U. S. conquest of Leyte island to the southeast, General MacArthur's latest invasion was a bold stroke, setting the stage for the decisive battle of the Philippines. Japan's last great defensive battle before the Asiatic mainland, a battle in which the enemy was expected to commit 200,000 troops.

Fleet Aids

Preceding the Yank's landing, U. S. warships subjected the enemy's beachhead to a murderous three-day barrage, and mine sweepers ploughed in to clear away surface obstructions.

Lack of heavy enemy resistance to the landings, and the absence of any formidable beach defenses, indicated that the Japanese command resolved to reserve its forces for concentrated onslaughts inland instead of spreading them along the shores.

Heavily reduced by previous sustained U. S. army and navy air force raids, a pared Japanese aerial fleet offered desperate resistance to the spearhead of the huge American convoy steaming toward Lingayen, with preliminary reports indicating 79 enemy planes shot down by fighters and anti-aircraft fire.

MANPOWER: Act on Shortage

Its efforts to solve the nation's critical manpower problem brought to a head by the President's appeal for a national labor draft in his 12th annual message to congress, the government moved swiftly to channel workers into essential war plants and provide additional men for the services.

Although asking for a national labor draft to "assure that we have the right number of workers in the right places at the right times," the President specifically recommended action to route 4,000,000 4-Fs into war work and induct nurses into the services.

Although generally opposed to a national service act, but at the same time anxious to solve the manpower problem by less drastic means, congress considered legislation to compel 4-Fs to go into essential work or face induction into labor battalions without service-men's benefits. With 20,000 nurses needed now and recruitment drives having failed to enlist sufficient numbers, the lawmakers also reluctantly backed the drafting of nurses.

While congressional machinery ground into action, selective service sought to keep registrants in essential work by asking local boards to induct any leaving a deferred position without their consent, and

MEAT

With the government stepping up its purchases of all kinds of meat, both rationed and unrationed civilian supplies in the early part of this year will average slightly less than 2 1/2 pounds per week compared with more than 3 pounds at the same time in 1944, the American Meat Institute predicted. In addition to the government's increased purchases of meat, the institute said, the situation will be aggravated by a decreasing over-all production.

AGGRESSORS: Future Treatment

Parity treatment of Germany and Japan will be complicated by the important part these nations have played in the peacetime economy of their respective regions, discussions of experts indicate.

Once called to attention by Secretary of War Stimson at the time Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau proposed the deindustrialization of the enemy, Germany's industrial importance to Europe was re-emphasized by Eugene P. Thomas, president of the National Foreign Trade Council, who said that the country's productive machine should be used toward the rehabilitation of her neighbors as reparations.

Pointing out that as the industrial hub of Asia Japan supplied much of the region's goods, Chinese representatives at a conference of Far Eastern Affairs at Hot Springs, Va., stated that continued existence of the enemy's productive capacity might be necessary to help restore peace-time economy.

Including authorization of 72 billion dollars for war purposes, the President asked for an 87 billion dollar budget for the 12 months ending June 30, 1945, 12 billion dollars below his request for the present fiscal year. Expecting that smaller war expenditures will result in decreased tax payments by individuals and corporations and bring revenues down to less than 40 billion dollars, the president said the national debt will reach 232 billion dollars by 1946.

Lowering physical standards to provide for the drafting of such individuals. Meanwhile, selective service's order for the review of the deferments of approximately 360,000 young farmers between 18 and 25 years of age was attacked by agricultural leaders, who said that induction of substantial numbers of this group would seriously impact food production, particularly of wheat, beef and dairy products.

EUROPE: Nazis Pull Back

Measuring up of sardonic glances and grimace exchanges told a German soldier that the Allies were pulling back. The German soldier, who said that his unit was pulling back from the front line, was seen in a photograph.

Once the 4th and 12th from the Meuse and 19th from the Rhine, the German forces, originally said to number 200,000 men, gradually gave ground as the Allied armies under the command of the First and Second Armies in the north and 4th Army in the south, pushed their lines forward in constant supply roads and threatened to trap the enemy's armored divisions in the western portion of the Ruhr.

As the Allies delivered their trip-hammer blows against them, the Germans, who frequently counter-attacked to relieve pressure on their lines, were forced upon to withdraw to a new defense area around St. Vith, but four miles from the German border.

Reacting quickly to the Germans' diversions, the U. S. Seventh Army fought valiantly to nip the enemy's attempt to isolate its left from its right wing, and reformed elements from the French First Army rushed to the defense of the Strasbourg region.

Long dormant, the Polish front, bestirred, with the Nazis reporting Russian movements on the road to German Silesia, 120 miles below Warsaw, but claiming to have set back Moscow's winter offensive plans by going into the attack themselves in Latvia and East Prussia.

Principal action on the eastern front, however, continued to center in the Hungarian theater, where strong German armored forces struck at Russian lines northwest of Budapest, and the Reds tended to offset this heavy pressure by pushing forward just above the border in Czechoslovakia.

In bitter fighting in encircled Budapest, the Russians continued their block-by-block conquest of the once beautiful but now smoldering Hungarian capital, with tanks and self-propelled guns rumbling through the battered streets and towers firing from jumbled debris.

Murky Weather

Few observers back home realize how short the days and how long the nights are in west central Europe at this season of the year. Aachen, largest German city yet taken by American forces, and typical battle line marker, lies near the 51st degree of north latitude. Although in that zone in late December and early January about eight hours elapse between sunrise and sunset, effective daylight usually is cut sharply at both ends of the day by heavy fog.

POSTWAR AUTOS: Buyers' Plans

Long statisticians for the automobile industry, R. L. Polk and company, polling 50,000 representative car owners in an effort to get a slant on the postwar market, found 63 per cent of them intended to buy a new vehicle within two years after the war if there was no price increase.

Interviewing 10,000 auto dealers at the same time, Polk learned that most of them intended to greatly expand their service departments after the war to take care of demand for repairs before a complete peacetime adjustment permits new car purchases.

In conducting its poll, Polk also learned that 49 per cent of the car owners intended to buy the same make, while 40 per cent were undecided and 11 per cent planned to buy other machines.

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Ernie Pyle's Slant on the War:

British and American Air Cooperation Strong Non-Commissioned Officers Never Become Hardened to Men's Death

By Ernie Pyle

(Editor's Note: This dispatch was written and first published when Pyle was with the GIs at the Italian front. He is now on his way to cover the boys in the Pacific war zones.)

IN ITALY.—If you ever heard a dive bombing by our A-36 Invader planes you'd never forget it. Even in normal flight this plane makes a sort of screaming noise, and when that is multiplied many-fold by the velocity of the dive you can hear the wail for miles.

On the ground it sounds as though they are coming directly down upon you. It is a horrifying thing. The German Stuka could never touch them for their frightfulness of sound.

Also, the Stuka has always dived at an angle. But these planes come literally straight down. If you look up and see one a mile above you, you can't tell where it's headed. It could strike anywhere within a mile on any side of you. That's the reason it spreads its terror so wide.

But our pilots have to hand it to the Germans on the ground. They have steeled themselves to stand by their guns and keep shooting. Pilots say the Italians would shoot until the bombs were almost upon them, then dive for their foxholes, and then come out and start shooting again after the bombs had exploded. But not the Germans—they stick to their guns.

Major Ed Bland, a squadron leader, was telling me about coming suddenly over a hilltop one day and finding a German truck right in his sights.

Now it's the natural human impulse, when you see a plane come upon you, to dive for the ditch. But the German gunner in this truck swung a gun around and started shooting at Bland. German and American tracer bullets were streaming back and forth in the same groove in opposite directions, almost hitting each other. The German never stopped firing until Bland's six machine guns suddenly chewed the truck into complete disintegration.

Our dive bombers don't have much trouble with German fighters. The reasons are several. For one thing, the Luftwaffe is weak over here now. For another, the dive bombers' job is to work on the infantry front lines, so they seldom get back where the German fighters are. And for another, the invader is such a good fighter itself that the Jerries aren't too anxious to tangle with it.

Flying Allotment. For several months the posting period back to America was set at a certain number of missions. Then it was suddenly upped by more than a score. There were pilots here who were within one mission of going home when the order came. So they had to stay and fly a few more months. Some of them never lived to finish the new allotment.

Nowhere in our fighting forces is cooperation closer or friendship greater than between Americans and British in the air. I have yet to hear an American pilot make a disparaging remark about a British flier. Our pilots say the British are cooler under fire than we are.

They like to listen in on their radios as the RAF pilots talk to each other. For example, one day they heard one pilot call to another: "I say, old chap, there is a Jerry on your tail."

To which the imperiled pilot replied: "Quite so, quite so, thanks very much old man."

Another time, one of our Invaders got shot up over the target. His engine was smoking and his pressure was down and he was losing altitude. He made for the coast all alone, easy meat for any German fighter that might come along. He was just barely staying in the air, and he was a lonely boy indeed.

Then suddenly he heard over his earphones a distinctly British voice saying: "Cheer up, chicken, we have you."

He looked around and two Spitfires, one on either side, were mothering him back to his home field.

Rest Not Welcomed by Sergeant. Buck came to the little group of old-timers in the company with whom I was standing, to say goodbye. You'd have thought he was leaving forever. He shook hands all around, and his smile seemed sick and vulnerable. He was a man stalling off his departure.

He said, "Well, good luck to you all." And then he said, "I'll be back in just five days." He said

Platoon Leaders.

Buck Eversole is a platoon sergeant in an infantry company. That means he has charge of about 40 frontline fighting men.

He has been at the front for more than a year. War is old to him and he has become almost the master of it. He is a senior partner now in the institution of death.

His platoon has turned over many times as battle whittles down the old ones and the replacement system brings up the new ones. Only a handful now are veterans.

"It gets so it kinda gets you, seein' these new kids come up," Buck told me one night in his slow, barely audible Western voice, so full of honesty and sincerity.

"Some of them have just got fuzx on their faces, and don't know what it's all about, and they're scared to death. No matter what, some of them are bound to get killed."

We talked about some of the other old-time non-coms who could take battle themselves, but had gradually grown morose under the responsibility of leading green boys to their slaughter. Buck spoke of one sergeant especially, a brave and hardened man, who went to his captain and asked him to be reduced to a private in the lines.

"I know it ain't my fault that they get killed," Buck finally said. "And I do the best I can for them, but I've got so I feel like it's me killin' 'em instead of a German. I've got so I feel like a murderer. I hate to look at them when the new ones come in."

Buck himself has been fortunate. Once he was shot through the arm. His own skill and wisdom have saved him many times, but luck has saved him countless other times.

One night Buck and an officer took refuge from shelling in a two-room Italian stone house. As they sat there, a shell came through the wall of the far room, crossed the room and buried itself in the middle wall with its nose pointing upward. It didn't go off.

Another time Buck was leading his platoon on a night attack. They were walking in Indian file. Suddenly a mine went off, and killed the entire squad following Buck. He himself had miraculously walked through the mine field without hitting a one.

On day Buck went stalking a German officer in close combat, and wound up with the German on one side of a farmhouse and Buck on the other. They kept throwing grenades over the house at each other without success. Finally Buck stepped around one corner of the house and came face to face with the German, who'd had the same idea.

Buck was ready and pulled the trigger first. His slug hit the German just above the heart. The German had a wonderful pair of binoculars slung over his shoulders, and the bullet smashed them to bits. Buck had wanted some German binoculars for a long time.

The ties that grow up between men who live savagely and die relentlessly together are ties of great strength. There is a sense of fidelity to each other among little corps of men who have endured so long and whose hope in the end can be but so small.

One afternoon while I was with the company Sgt. Buck Eversole's turn came to go back to rest camp for five days. The company was due to attack that night.

Buck went to his company commander and said, "Lieutenant, I don't think I better go. I'll stay if you need me."

The lieutenant said, "Of course I need you, Buck. I always need you. But it's your turn and I want you to go. In fact, you're ordered to go."

The truck taking the few boys away to rest camp left just at dusk. It was drizzling and the valleys were swathed in a dismal mist. Artillery of both sides flashed and rumbled around the horizon. The encroaching darkness was heavy and foreboding.



Notes of a Newspaperman:

Peter Donald forwards the story about three GIs just back from overseas who went into the automat and found that the only available table was one that was occupied by a spinsterish female. Wanting a little privacy, they decided to sit down, hoping by means of conversation to make her finish up and leave in a hurry. . . . The first GI said: "Boy, life overseas sure was tough. I didn't have a bath in eight months."

"Think that's bad?" said the second. "I couldn't even wash my hands in four weeks."

"We were so busy," the third added, "I couldn't change my underwear in five months."

At that point, the old gal looked up and said: "Would one of you stinkers mind passing the salt?"

The government has stopped horse racing in America. We wish it were as easy to stop America's Trojan horses.

An American citizen of German ancestry was walking down Powell Street, in San Francisco, when he was stopped by a soldier who asked: "Can you tell me the way to Chinatown?" . . . He replied: "Yes, of course, it is two blocks over and two blocks to the left, but you don't want to go there because you are a Jap." . . . The soldier replied: "And you are a German?" . . . The citizen said: "How did you know?" . . . The soldier replied: "I know because I've killed a lot of them the last two months in Italy and I'm on my way home to Seattle." . . . The citizen of German ancestry looked at the uniform of the soldier and saw on it a Presidential citation, the Purple Heart and a few other campaign ribbons.

Telling this story about himself, he said: "Boy, was I embarrassed! The soldier was of Japanese ancestry and a member of the famous 100th Infantry Battalion!"

Edward Stettinius, who is certainly the most modest and democratic of our Secretaries of State, used to visit the Broadway night clubs occasionally a few years ago. One night he went into the old Paradise with a male companion. . . . Headwaiter Albert Berryman scanned them with an appraising and unrecognizing eye. . . . "Hello, Albert," said Stettinius, "don't you remember me?"

"Oh, yes," fibbed Albert (trying to place the man), as he showed him to a non-too-good table.

The part I like is that Stettinius (who was then only chairman of U. S. Steel) knew headwaiter Albert, but Albert didn't know him!

Ernest Hemingway went to Chicago years ago after working in Kansas City. He had lived in Oak Park, Ill., and was an old schoolmate of Ted Tod's, now working for Warners' . . . At the time, Tod was working for the Chicago Herald-Examiner as a reporter, and Hemingway hoped Tod would try to get him a job on the paper. . . . Tod went in to speak to Frank Carson, the city editor. He told him all about Hemingway—what a good writer he was. . . . He said: "He hasn't worked in Chicago, but he knows it, knows names, etc." . . . Carson looked up and ho-hummed: "Does he know any Chicago coppers?" . . . "No," said Tod. . . . "Well, I don't care how good a writer he is," replied Carson. "Our reporters have to know the Chicago coppers." . . . So Hemingway didn't get the job. Instead he went to Canada—worked on a Toronto paper and from there started his climb.

If it hadn't been for his not knowing any Chicago policemen, Hemingway might still be working on the Chicago paper.

All this talk of what to do with Germany—and, of course, it is more than talk, it is a grave, great problem—reminds me of this tale. . . . An apostle of conciliation once asked the late Georges Clemenceau if his hatred of the Germans was based on knowledge. "Have you ever been to Germany?" he inquired.

"No, Monsieur," replied the Tiger. "I have not been to Germany. But twice in my lifetime the Germans have been to France."

This isn't as good as the J-West-Inghouse—I'm westing! gag—but it's going the rounds among the lanky set—and makes me lick: "We're broom-mates. We sweep together. Dust us two."

It happened at an army training camp, reports Irving Hoffman. The sergeant had twenty recruits lined up for fatigue duty. . . . They were not as energetic as the sergeant thought they should be. . . . So he tried to cure them. . . . "I've got a nice easy job for the laziest man present," he barked. "Will the laziest man raise his right hand?" . . . Nineteen men raised their right paws. . . . "Why don't you raise your hand?" inquired the sergeant of the 20th lad. . . . "Too much trouble," he drawled

Household Hints

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The story thus far: After graduating from West Point, Robert Scott wins his wings at Kelly Field and takes up combat flying. He has been an instructor for four years when the war breaks out, and is told he is now too old for combat flying. He appeals to several Generals and is finally given an opportunity to get into the fight. He flies a bomber into India, but on arrival is made a ferry pilot and this does not suit him. After paying a visit to Gen. Chennault he gets a Kittyhawk and soon becomes a "one man air force" in the skies over Burma. Later he is made C.O. of the 23rd Fighter Group but still keeps knocking down Jap planes. His "Old Exterminator" is badly mauled and he gets a new P-40E.

CHAPTER XXIII

It had been only recently, when he had been taken from his thirteen four-engine bombers on the way to blast Tokyo, that he had been assigned to transports. The Japs must have known just how to get under his skin, but in the end I think the knowledge worked against them.

Now he was getting back at them by having thousands of little leaflets printed in several languages, especially in Japanese. They read:

COMPLIMENTS OF THE OLD BROKEN-DOWN TRANS-PORT PILOT

He used to drop some of these on every bombing mission he led. He'd go out and tie some to each bomb; put them in the bomb bay so that they fell out when the doors were opened; even throw them out over the Japanese-occupied cities that he blasted. I knew now that he was getting a new supply ready for Hongkong.

Towards the end of October came the word we had so long been waiting for. Victoria harbor was filled with Japanese shipping. In deepest secret we got ready to go.

Our ships would leave from Kuning, but we would of course use the intermediate bases in the Kwei-lin-Hengyang section, 500 miles to the East. Hongkong, you will recall, is about 325 miles Southeast of Kweilin. It is protected by surrounding enemy fighter fields at Canton and Kowloon. Our objectives would be the shipping in the harbor, the shipping at the docks in Kowloon, and the ships at the drydocks in Hongkong.

Early on the morning of October 25 our twelve bombers took off from Yunnan for Kweilin, and shortly afterwards Hill, Allison, Holloway and I led the fighters off. We were all to infiltrate into Kweilin, a few ships at a time, so as not to alert the coast of eastern China.

For two weeks I had worried about this attack. I thought it would come any day, and because of the tension I couldn't sleep.

When I learned that word hadn't come, I'd spend another sleepless night. I got the doctor to give me something to make me sleep and I had a headache the next day. I knew "my mind was up," as the British say—but why in hell didn't we go on and get the attack over with!

But now I was on the way. I could see the shark-mouths of the P-40's all around, and the whole thing was easy—just what I had wanted all the time. We sat down at Kweilin at one-minute intervals at eight o'clock. The bombers were soon in, and the Chinese were busy servicing the field full of ships. They were the happiest people I had ever seen. They'd point towards Japan and point down with their thumbs and say, "Bu-hao."

All of us were proud to be going. But as I looked at those seven P-40's escorting ten bombers, I could not help feeling apologetic for that greatest country in the world that we were representing. Oh, God, if the day could soon come when we could go against this enemy with a thousand bombers, even a hundred bombers!

Maybe the small fighter force that we had made up of lucky ones who were privileged to go resolve all the more that we would make up in quality what we lacked in quantity. Personally I felt like a veteran football player who has been on the bench and has now been called into the big game. Nearly a year before, when Hongkong had fallen to the Japanese attacks from the Asiatic mainland of Kowloon, I had sworn that I would see the first bombing hit the Crown Colony. I had no idea then that I would lead the fighters, that I would shoot down Japanese fighters in the raid, that we would be intercepted by a superior force of the enemy, but that in less than three minutes after the interception there would be only the ships of the U. S. Army Air Force over Victoria harbor.

Now I had the familiar "wind up" feeling that precedes combat. The palms of my hands perspired freely. As I wiped them on the legs of my trousers I saw that the sweat was like mud; it had mixed with the red dust of Kweilin field through which we had taken off.

Our altitude kept increasing to 20,000 feet, while down below at seventeen thousand were the medium bombers in javelin formation; two Vees of three, and the last element a diamond of four. We passed one of the river junction check-points that enabled me to compute our ground speed. In fifty minutes I could see the glint of the sun on the Pacific Ocean. As I saw the

bomber formation again, I felt proud of the crews of those perfectly spaced ships. This really was like a football game: the bombers were carrying the ball while we in the pea-shooters ran the interference.

I imagined General Haynes, down there in the lead bomber, grinning as he thought of dropping a few hundred more of his leaflet souvenirs to the Japs. "Compliments of the old broken-down transport pilot"—along with at least sixty 500-pound bombs. Big "Butch" Morgan, the best bombardier in the Air Force, had probably wormed his huge bulk through the tunnel into the nose of Haynes' bomber and was even now intensely interested in his pet bomb-sight.

Now I could even smell the freshness of the Pacific. The sky had never been so blue. The beauty of the day and the beauty of those weapons flying so smoothly under us made me forget the scorching of the oxygen mask on my sun-burned neck. It was a joy to look back and see the six shark-mouths on the other P-40's grinning at me. Some day, I thought, Jap mothers were going to frighten their children by referring to them and reminding the brats of Nippon that their fathers had more than likely had that view of an American P-40 for a last memory.

As we got closer to the target, we split our formation of fighters automatically. Tex Hill, Hampshire, and Sher stayed with me; Marks took the other three on the opposite flank of the bombers. The country below had become lower in elevation but was green and still hilly. Over the radio, as we reached a



The men were all showing combat fatigue and needed a rest. They were tired out by almost constant alert without relief for twenty-one days. Many of their flying mates had been killed in action, and this helped to lower their morale.

point North of Macao, came the jabbering of Japanese voices on our frequency, and we knew from its ominous sound that they were warning of our attack.

I tensed a little and looked about for enemy planes. Far to my left I could see the three rivers meeting at Canton, could see two fields from which I knew Zeros were taking off to intercept us. We had bypassed Canton purposely by thirty miles. I saw the bombers changing course: we were around Canton now, and were going to steer straight for the North of Kowloon peninsula. The blue Pacific looked friendly, reminding me of the southern California coast. The old, familiar fog banks that should have been covering San Clemente and Catalina were shrouding instead the Ladrone Islands, with only their hilltops visible, sticking out from the fog on the China Sea.

We were turning over Macao, where the Clippers used to land. To the South I could see another Jap field, Sanchau Island. Now to the right was Hongkong Island, shaped like a kidney and mountainous, just about nine miles long and three or four miles across. I could make out the indentations of the romantic-sounding bays whose names I knew—Sandy, Telegraph, Kellet, and Repulse. There were points of land jutting towards the mainland—Quarry Point, with its Naval Drydock, and Shek Tong Tsui, the point over which we would fight our aerial battle. Reaching towards the island like a finger was Kowloon peninsula, separated from it by the blue waters of Victoria harbor. Near the end of the spit of land closest to Hongkong, I saw the large modern Peninsula Hotel. All of us knew that Japanese Generals and staff officers slept there with their women.

I crossed around and over General Haynes and his formation, watching vigilantly. Far below I saw dust on Kai Tak airfield, and knew that enemy ships were taking off to attack us. My throat felt dry and I had trouble swallowing; I turned my gun switch off and on nervously.

Now I saw the bomb-bay doors opening, and I couldn't keep the tears of excitement from burning my eyes. Anti-aircraft was beginning to dot the sky with black and white puffs. As I dove almost to the level of the bombers, I could feel the ack-ack rock my fighter ship. I kept S-ing to watch for the enemy

fighters that must be coming.

I saw the yellow bombs begin to fall in long strings, imposed on the dark green of the world below. They got smaller and smaller as the noses pointed slowly down. Remembering my movie camera, I tried to take pictures of the explosions. The bombs seemed to take years to fall; and I began to think they were all duds. The ack-ack burst closer as the Japs got the range while we went straight in. I know I was never more excited in all my life. I yelled, "Okay, Hirohito—we have lots more where those came from!" I kept looking behind and under us for the bombs to burst.

And then I saw the first white explosion—right on the docks of Kowloon. After that they came so fast you couldn't count them. I let my camera run as the explosions turned from white to black—there were oil fires now. I could see the flash of the anti-aircraft guns from the North shore of Hongkong Island, as we continued across Victoria harbor. I risked another look at the target; it was covered with smoke from one end to the other. Then I got my eyes back to searching for enemy interceptors.

Why in hell didn't the bombers turn for home? They had dropped the damn bombs, but they were still going on endlessly towards that point of Shek Tong Tsui. All of us were keyed up. But then the long javelin of B-25's began to turn to the right. Mission accomplished—now they had the down-hill run to base, and I began to get that old feeling of relief. Then, somehow, I felt cheated. Where were the enemy fighters? I raised my camera, sighted again, and took the formation as it swung over the burning docks.

Then, as I glanced about, I saw them, silhouetted after silhouette, climbing terribly steeply towards the bombers. I know now that they had got there from Kai Tak below in four minutes; they had made the sixteen thousand feet in that short time. I felt my camera drop to my lap, hit my knee, then drop to the metal floor of the fighter. I was fumbling now for the "mike" button on the throttle; then I was calling: "Bandits ahead—Zeroes! At eleven o'clock." Fumbling again for the throttle quadrant, showing everything as far forward as I could, I marvelled at the steepness of the climb the enemy ships were maintaining. I called: "Zeros at twelve o'clock," to designate their direction clock-fashion from us. I heard Tex Hill reply: "Hell, I see 'em." I could wear the jabber of the Japs still trying to block our frequency.

I was diving now, aiming for the lead Zero, turning my gunsight on and off, a little nervously checking again and again to see that the gun-switch was at "on." I jerked the belly-tank release and felt the underslung fifty-gallon bamboo tank drop off. We rolled to our backs to gain speed for the attack and went hell-bent for the Zeros. I kept the first Zero right in the lighted sight and began to fire from over a thousand yards, for he was too close to the bombers. Orange tracers were coming from the B-25's, too.

Five hundred yards before I got to the Zero, I saw another P-40 bearing the number 151 speed in and take it. That was Tex Hill. He followed the Zero as it tried to turn sharply into the bombers and shot it down. Tex spun from his tight turn as the Jap burst into flames. I took the next Zero—into seemed to be all over the sky now. I went so close that I could see the pilot's head through the glass canopy and the little tail-wheel that was not retracted, and I knew it was a Navy Zero—the little wheel was built for the arresting-gear of a carrier. My tracers entered the cockpit and smoke poured back, hiding the canopy, and I went by.

As I turned to take another ship below me, I saw four airplanes falling in flames towards the waters of Victoria harbor. I half rolled again and skidded in my dive to shake any Zero that might be on my tail. I saw another P-40 shooting at a Jap, but there was a Zero right on his tail. I dove for this one. He grew in my sights, and as my tracers crossed in front of him he turned into me. I shot him down as his ship seemed to stand still in the vertical bank. The ship was three or four hundred yards from me, and it fell towards the water for a time that seemed ages. An explosion came, and there was only black smoke; then I could see the ship again, falling, turning in a slow spin, down—down—down.

I shot at everything I saw. Sometimes it was just a short burst as the Jap went in for our bombers. Sometimes I fired at one that was turning, and as I'd keep reeling back on my attack, my ship would spin, and I'd recover far below. I shot down another ship that didn't see me. I saw it with one short burst from directly astern, a no-deflection shot. In this attack I could see the Japanese ship vibrate as my burst of six fifty-calibre guns hit it. First it just shook, then one wing went up. I saw the canopy shot completely off; then I went across it. Turning back in a dive to keep my speed, I watched the enemy ship, as it dove straight down, stream flames for a distance the length of the airplane behind.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

Improved Uniform International LESSON

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STANDARDS OF THE KINGDOM

LESSON TEXT—Matthew 5:3-10, 43-48. GOLDEN TEXT—Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.—Matthew 5:10.

A kingdom must have laws, and here we have the laws for Christ's kingdom—the kingdom of heaven—which He shall one day establish on this earth. In the Church we have the joy of living as loyal subjects of Christ, and hence these standards are for our counsel and guidance.

The verses of this greatest of all discourses are addressed to those who have actually taken Christ as King of their lives. These beatitudes are not a substitute for the gospel. They are not laws that the unbeliever can keep and thus be saved, for this would be utterly impossible. Only he who knows and has called upon the power and grace of God in Christ can qualify to walk as a citizen of Christ's kingdom.

We note two things in this wonderful and instructive passage from God's Word:

I. The Character of the Follower of Christ (vv. 3-10).

The eight characteristics of the Christian here presented are worthy of extended individual attention, but we can offer only brief suggestions. "Blessed are the poor in spirit" speaks of humility as a commendable quality. How contradictory the present-day philosophy, which calls for self-assertion and self-reliance. But Jesus was not mistaken. The way into the kingdom of heaven is not that of assertive self-sufficiency. "Blessed are they that mourn." The world does not believe that statement. It shuns the house of mourning. It tries without avail to philosophize away the fact of sorrow. The Christian, on the other hand, feels with his fellow man and thus receives a blessing. One can really learn from sorrow.

I walked a mile with Pleasure; She chattered all the way. But left me none the wiser For all she had to say.

I walked a mile with Sorrow, And ne'er a word said she; But, oh, the things I learned from her When Sorrow walked with me.

"Blessed are the meek." Poverty of spirit comes when a man rightly sees himself, and has a sympathetic touch with sorrow. Then he "inherits the earth," because he truly comes to enjoy it as a place of service and Christian growth, and not because he has a deed to a single foot of its soil.

"It is the hunger and thirst for righteousness (v. 6), and not the possession of it, that is blessed" (Plummer). Self-satisfied people know nothing of the glory of having their hunger and thirst satisfied by God.

We have here also the Christian's spirit of mercy which invites divine mercy; a purity of heart, cleanness of mind, and sincerity of purpose, which enable a man really to see God even in this impure world; that Christlike spirit which makes him a peacemaker in a fighting world—yes, that spirit which makes him like the Master in sweetly bearing unjustified persecution. These indeed are the marks of the man who follows Christ as King.

II. The Conduct of the Follower of Christ (vv. 43-48).

There can possibly be no more severe test of a man's Christian character than the manner in which he treats his enemies. Many who pass the other tests meet failure (at least in part) at this point.

It is no easy thing to love your enemies, but it is the standard of Christ, and He will enable us to live up to it. Now is a good time to put it into practice, not only personally, but nationally.

There can be no doubt that love for the brethren will be a more intimate and satisfying experience because they return our affection (v. 46). Anyone can do that and enjoy it. Enemies often return hatred for our love—they persecute us (v. 44). But we are still to love them.

That love must move us to treat them kindly and to pray for them. Someone says, "It can't be done." Yes, it can by the grace of God in Christ, and it is being done.

We need to exercise care lest we fall into the easy habit of speaking with derision or scorn of the ungodly—that wicked, dissipated neighbor who hangs around taverns and other questionable places. Let us never condone their sin—that we should hate—but may God help us to love them and lead them to Christ.

This lesson is indicated as being a temperance lesson. The application can only be made indirectly, but it may have value. The use of alcohol is so destructive of everything that is good, that it is quite obvious it is not in accord with these standards of the kingdom of heaven. It is time some church people decided whether they want to belong to the world or belong to Christ. If the latter is their purpose, we believe the only consistent position to take is that of abstinence from alcoholic liquors.

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The Questions

1. Does the United States own the Panama Canal Zone?
2. What is the meaning of "comme il faut"?
3. What President in speaking of the White House said: "You don't live there. You're only exhibit A to the country"?
4. Submarines use peanut oil. For what purpose?
5. Do elephants, as well as camels, have water bags for a reserve supply of water?
6. What did it cost to build the first B-29?
7. In law what is meant by "double jeopardy"?
8. Do prima donnas frequently make errors in pitch?

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3. Theodore Roosevelt.
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5. Yes.
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Letter To Service Men

Mrs. Ruby Robertson received the first card from her son, Lt. Officer Pink Robertson, since he was taken prisoner by the Germans. The card received was a printed form which Pink had signed. He was at a temporary camp and would be moved from there soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Martin returned Tuesday from Bakersfield, California, where they visited their son A.C. Merrill Martin and wife and baby.

Mrs. Roland Fannin received a message Monday that her hus-

band, Pvt. Roland Fannin, who was in the medical corps in the Netherlands East Indies, was in a hospital suffering from wounds received in battle. Mrs. Fannin left Monday night for Pensacola, Florida, where she will visit her husband's parents.

The past week the C. C. Hamiltons were made glad by getting to see Lynn and hearing that Leland was back in the States, but the thing that marred their happiness was that their last son Darwin, (Gunny) left Monday

for Abilene where he enlisted in the Navy. He was sent to Dallas for his physical, and thought he would leave from there for navy training center. Since Gunny has enlisted this makes the four sons of the Hamiltons now in service. The two older boys, Harris and Lynn, are in the Marines and Leland and Darwin in the Navy.

Parents met Lynn at Big Spring Friday. He was enroute by troop train to the West coast from Camp LeJeune, N. C. They were with him almost an hour. The same day a telegram came from Leland, Coxswain, that he was back in the States after 19 months on a battleship in the South Pacific. Leland arrived home on Tuesday night and will spend a 36 day leave here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Price received a message Sunday that their son, Lt. Raymond Price, was missing on December 25. In last week's paper we had such a pleasant letter from Raymond written at a rest home where he was getting some much needed rest. Raymond has been in England since June. He was a pilot of a B-24 and on December 17 wrote he only had nine more before having the required number of missions.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lee received a message Tuesday night that their son, Pfc. George Lee, was missing in action. George was in the infantry and has been in battles in Germany the past few weeks. We hope both these families will soon receive good news from their sons.

Lt. Allen Nelson, pilot of B-24, who has been in the Philippines, is now in Netherlands East Indies. Pvt. and Mrs. Troy Lankford and son of Camp Wolters spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lankford. Capt. P. T. Martin arrived this week from a hospital in Nashville, Tenn., and is visiting his wife.

James Beights is now in the Hawaiian Islands, and Marvin

Beights in France. Price Hall has been transferred from California, where he has been in hospital for several months recovering from broken foot, to Sheppard Field, Wichita Falls. He spent the week end with his wife and baby.

Pvt. Jack Richey of Camp Wolters spent the week end with his wife and daughter.

Edgar Baumann recently left from the East coast for Overseas. Edward Baumann recently left from the West coast.

Roy Price of Kelley Field arrived Monday night and is spending this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Price.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Albright received two letters from Will this week, the latest one was written on January 2. He was in the Dutch East Indies and said he was fine. They also heard from Jack. He was back on duty after being in hospital recovering from wounds received in battle.

Bruce Hart Sile of San Diego arrived Saturday night and is spending this week with his family in Colorado City. Bruce was home recently but after returning he was given another leave while his ship was being repaired.

Mrs. G. H. Hoover received a message that her brother, S. Sgt. J. D. Ringner arrived at Camp Swift Saturday after 18 months in the Aleutians.

S. Sgt. Kenneth Hoover has been sent to Sebring, Florida, where he will take an advanced course in plane mechanics.

Mr. and Mrs. Britton received a card this week from Harold, which was written September 29. This one came quicker than any they have received. They are usually six months or longer coming. Harold said "I hope you are fine. It seems years since I last saw any of you. I practice my drawing a lot and when I return I think I will be able to earn a living as an artist. I would like to tell you many things, but cannot. All my love."

Lt. Armonda Baumann landed in New York on Saturday. He flew to San Antonio, where he was released for a 21 day furlough, arriving in Loraine Tuesday night. Armonda is fine, and was lucky, having made 106 missions and his plane was only hit one time. He landed in Africa in February, 1944, and has made missions from Sardinia, Corsica, and was in Italy when he received his orders to return to the States. We will report next week if we can persuade him to relate some of his experiences there.

Oscar Baumann and Mrs. F. H. Bauman went to San Antonio Monday to get Lt. Armonda Baumann. They arrived back here Tuesday night.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Reddin are in East Texas this week visiting their daughter and family.

Dell Johnson of Fort Worth spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson. Dell is being transferred from Fort Worth to Albuquerque, New Mexico, where she has position as radio operator.

Wanda Mae Smith and Gloria Martin are in a group of 25 girls composing the Chanters singers of McMurtry College who are on a ten day tour of North Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Walker received... announcement of the birth of a daughter to Sgt. and Mrs. Virgil Walker of St. Louis, Mo., on January 9, 1945. They have named the baby Judy Lou.

Rev. H. A. Polnac of Post visited in Loraine last Thursday.

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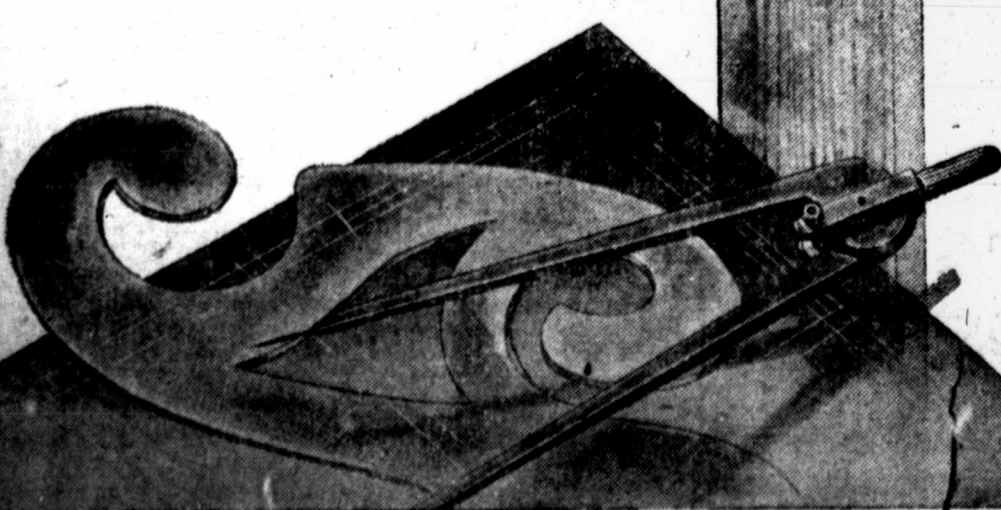
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Junior Report Activities

After a sunny week-end, most of the Juniors made it back to school to continue studying for our mid-term exams. Our exams are to be given Thursday and Friday, which means we only have a few days left to get in that fifty lines of poetry and ten book points; so why not be nice to your English teacher and see if you can't get them in a little sooner next time.

Last Tuesday the A. C. C. Quartette sang in assembly. We think we should have an assembly program like that more often as everyone really did enjoy it.

Now for the regular what ifs: What if Royce would keep his word? (Somebody would have been without a date Saturday night) What if Margaret Nell wasn't so true to her boyfriend? Is he still true to her? What if Mary Louise couldn't wait until the ball game Tuesday night? Could it be that a certain little boy from Highland is supposed to be there? What if Neysa Nell had a date Saturday night? Could it be because of the man shortage? Wonder whom Kathryn went with Sunday night?

F. F. A. News

The Ag. boys have been working hard since Christmas on various and sundry things. Prof. has been working hard trying to get the boys to fill their project books with information. The boys and Prof. are making a few field trips lately. Two were made last week to Clarence Thompson's where six cows were dehorned. Then the boys went to Harry Cranfill's where they looked his stock over. They reported to have found some very good cattle there.

Freshmen Studying for Exams

If you see any fish running around like chickens with their heads cut off, they just might be trying to gain a little knowledge before mid-term exams.

If you should see any Freshmen in town Friday don't report them to the superintendent. We're just going to have an hour or two to recuperate after exams.

By the time several Freshmen girls got to town Saturday night their dogs were really barking. It really was a long walk. For further information see Irma Jean, Eloise, Louise, Jeannie, or Elaine.

Introducing A Senior

George Willis Hughes was born September 26, 1928 at Valley View, Texas. He has attended school at Valley View, Buford, and Lorraine.

George has been a member of the F. F. A. Club for four years; second vice-president his Junior year and vice-president this year.

George is about five feet and eight inches tall, has blue eyes and brown hair, and weighs pounds. He has a swell personality and was Freshman class favorite. Some of his favorites are: subject, Math; day, Saturday; dish, chicken fried steak; sport, baseball; actor, George Montgomery; actress, Joan Leslie; and movie, Gone With the Wind.

His ideal girl is a blonde, with brown eyes, about five feet six inches tall and is a Sophomore in Sweetwater Junior High.

Next year George plans to enter John Tarleton, then to finish at Texas A&M. Lots of luck, George!

George is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hughes.

Sophomores Prefer Week-Ends

It's that time of the year again! Mid-term exams. Thats the phrase you hear the most around here. Here's hoping they turn out okay.

The week-end was enjoyed by everyone, as usual. Anything would be enjoyed though, after staying in school for five days.

Quite a few of the girls are sporting new bruises, not very becoming either. They are also getting quite a reputation from other towns. It seems they think we are rough playing basketball—I don't know where they got the idea, do you, Doodle?

Ecla Mae has looked far and wide for a boy-friend that is her type and she has finally found one—and guess where? Colorado of all places! Oh! well these Colorado boys always seem to get the girls; if any proof is needed, see Doodle.

Jackie has been going for joy rides lately. Only one of them turned out to be a "terror ride."

—New driver, I guess.
Janell's hobby making phone calls. Why she likes to talk so well she just called up a gin in Colorado to see what the price

of cottonseed was, or maybe she was trying to locate a certain party. Just take your pick, it could have been either one.

Bessie Ann also has a new flame—it must be nice to have a "steady".

Talmadge has also found a new girl-friend, and maybe just a re-modeled one. It could be either.

Seniors Mail First Annual Copy

This week will probably be the deciding factor for some of our Seniors. Some of them may have no use for those invitations that was ordered just a few days ago.

The annual staff is really proud of its progress so far. We sent in ten pages of our work Wednesday, January 10, and also sent in \$200 advanced payment on which we received a 3% discount. We want to do as well with our next copy. We are getting our group pictures made of grade schools and are trying to get things in shape so that we can take up our work as soon as mid-term exams are over.

Chemistry has taken on a new flavor. We are beginning to like it since we have started our experiments. Mr. Parish, we are sorry that we got a wrong impression for a while. Maybe we should have laboratory experiments in Plane Geometry. We need something to change the impression we got the first six weeks of school.

There is a new club here at school. It is called the "stag" club; just another name for the "Lonely Hearts" club. To become a member you must make an appointment with the president, Jo Nunn.

It seems as if Emma Jean and Mavis must have been trying to break the monotony. They skipped off to Lubbock Friday afternoon for the week-end. That makes the rest of us envious.

We have a few little things that make us curious. What is there to break the routine of writing each and every night.

Wonder why the boy's stag club, and the girls stag club don't, get together. Wonder what type of business took Allene and Norris to the office. Wonder what makes Emma Jean throw back

her shoulders. (Maybe it's because she is having a birthday today.)

Lorraine Some Basketball

There were eight basketball games played by the Lorraine boys and girls last week. The scores of the boys games on Tuesday night were: Merkel B team 17; Lorraine B team 13; Merkle A team 24; Lorraine A; team 20 Lorraine A 32; Westbrook A 28.

The girls played the Westbrook girls and lost 13-12.

The scores of the girls games on Friday night were: Lorraine A team 25; Colorado City A team 17; Colorado City B 26; Lorraine B team 9.

The scores of the boys games were: Colorado City A team 42; Lorraine A team 28; Colorado City B team 14; Lorraine B team 8.

The boys will play the Snyder boys here on Tuesday night, January 16. Then on Friday night, January 19, the boys and girls will both go to Baird, providing they can get ways.

Home Making 3 News

We are all studying hard for mid-term exams, so we don't have too much time to waste.

We cooked a meal Thursday, and it tasted real good. Some liked it, and still there were some who didn't care too much for it.

So far there hasn't been anyone in Home Making that we couldn't pin some what ifs on. Here they come now! What if Delma didn't have to leave the table Thursday while eating? Couldn't be because we had onions stuffed with rice! What if Miss Jarratt did make Marie change her "attitude." Instead of altitude. She might take Home Ec. the last half. The rest of the girls have been rather nice this week except one certain girl who seems to like to stuff onions with her fingers (Eh, Mary Louise?)

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Maydell Poe of Abilene visited over the week end with Christine Thomas.

Mrs. Lucious Comer of Stephenville underwent operation at the Colorado City hospital last week. She will be brought to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Roberts, the last of this week.

Guests in the home of Mrs. C. H. Thomas for dinner Sunday night were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Broddas of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Luke Thomas and children and Mrs. H. B. Broddas of Colorado City.

All Bonds and Warrants Paid to Date.
Mitchell County Financial Report for the year 1944 to January 1, 1945.

Total Outstanding Indebtedness
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\$119,000.00

FUNDS	Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1944	Ad Valorem Taxes	Registration Fees	Fines and Penalties	Other Receipts	Transfers	Total Receipts	Salaries and Commissions	Maintenance	Equipment	Service and Debt	Transfers	Withholding Tax	Sundries	War Bonds	Electricity	Prison Board Bill	Disbursements	Securities	Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1945	Total Cash & Securities
Jury	2,287.49	3,322.74			58.02		18,347.87	1,015.82	443.48	1,027.50	8,458.28			17.20	2,000.00			3,465.30	7,000.00	2,229.95	9,229.95
Road and Bridge	7,271.02	8,316.05			5,743.15	4,400.00	32,687.87	1,515.05	15,688.16	701.75					8,002.30			26,004.34	18,360.00	7,037.77	43,392.11
Road and Bridge No. 1	6,785.16	3,743.85			838.82	5,000.00	23,935.97	1,334.81	11,156.21	66.26					6,001.63			18,558.91	9,700.00	6,883.56	35,042.47
Road and Bridge No. 2	5,086.87	3,119.86			312.68	5,000.00	20,229.69	1,309.20	6,296.04	44.91					6,001.63			13,651.78	10,440.00	5,577.91	30,670.69
Road and Bridge No. 3	3,914.83	2,496.00			310.36	4,000.00	21,372.75	1,340.17	15,098.33	101.89					2,000.41			18,540.80	4,220.00	2,831.95	25,592.75
Road and Bridge No. 4	4,059.86	3,119.87			782.23	5,000.00	37,423.37	12,555.70	5,663.79	1,081.00					1,000.24			22,921.34	1,000.00	7,470.01	31,391.35
General	13,058.07	20,801.68			72.82	7,500.00	13,945.49	1,993.32		443.72								14,295.06	18,300.00	6,236.04	38,831.13
Courthouse and Jail	8,316.05	8,316.05			17.00	600.00	2,944.43	443.72		373.30								413.30	8,140.00	2,531.13	10,771.13
Courthouse Sinking	5,932.02	837.69			16.82	2,000.00	2,592.21	1,019.99										78.12	941.87	941.87	1,883.74
Road Bond Sinking	333.21				16.82	2,000.00	2,592.21	1,019.99										78.12	941.87	941.87	1,883.74
Available School	575.39				18.74	9,581.00	10,797.24	40.00												3,714.56	10,714.56
Permanent School	1,057.50						10,797.24														10,714.56
TOTAL	\$56,755.64	\$62,384.40			\$5,083.91	\$38,681.00	\$212,757.23	\$22,800.79	\$34,902.13	\$17,034.89	\$8,458.28			\$4,011.40	\$32,007.89	\$3,444.16	\$459.20	\$144,031.18	\$94,160.00	\$68,726.05	\$152,886.05

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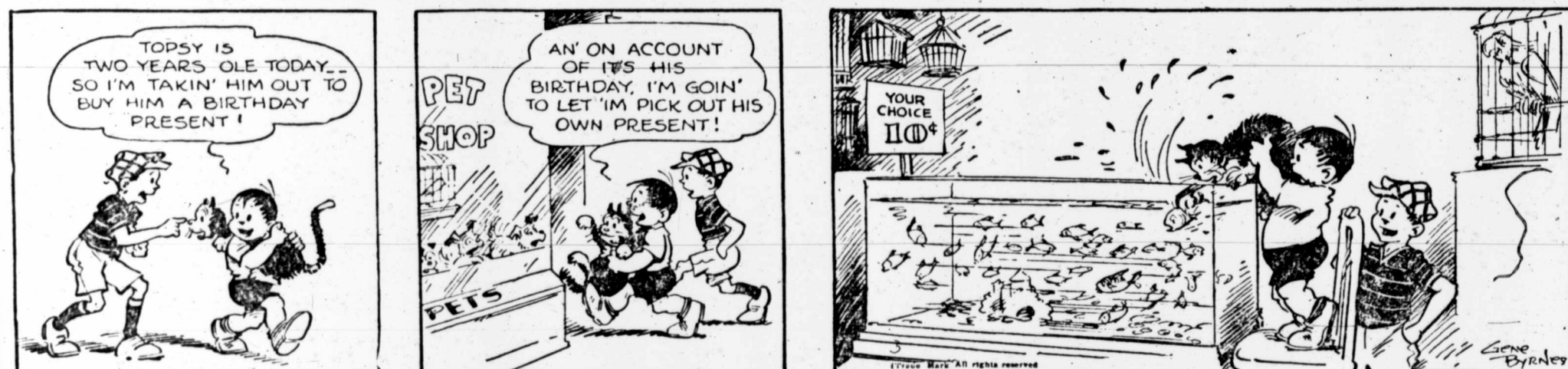


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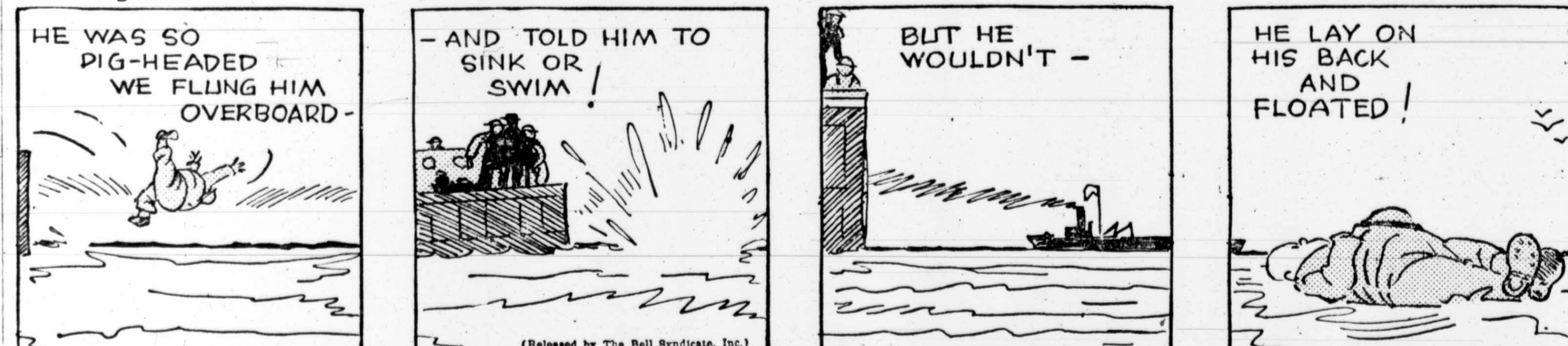


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DOAN'S PILLS

Kathleen Norris Says:

What Can Parents Do About It?

Bell Syndicate.—WNU Features.



"Sally has twice been reported to me by school authorities as frequenting roadhouses, smoking, drinking."

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

"WE HEAR a great deal about parents' responsibility for juvenile delinquency," writes Marna St. John from Seattle, "but not much about what and how and why and when parents can do anything about it!"

"Ours is a normal household of father, mother, two girls, one boy, small income, no servant, one car. My girls, 19 and 17, have jobs. Margaret makes good money in a local defense plant, Sally has a part-time job and keeps up with her college studies. Mart is in second year high."

"Margaret is a good, quiet, pretty girl, but she has always been discontented, feeling herself socially handicapped. Sally is independent, pleasure-loving, not affectionate or domestic. Mart seems to live a life of his own; his boy friends are all ways here, in the basement, or he is off with them in their basements. Incidentally we have a spacious, warm, well-lighted basement."

Go to Roadhouses.
"Never having had money enough to enable my girls to entertain, or take their place in society, I can't blame them for finding their pleasures away from home," the letter goes on. "But I feel deeply the disadvantages under which they have had to suffer. I am as distressed over Margaret's periods of depression as over Sally's irresponsibility and independence. Margaret's case is serious enough to have needed medical advice; Sally has twice been reported to me by school authorities as frequenting roadhouses, smoking, drinking. These are terrible words to write of one's daughter, but in my anxiety to find an answer to this problem I will not spare myself. I have worked hard all my life, am a good cook, manager; the house is always clean and comfortable, and my husband is a steady, hard-working man devoted to his family. But he is somewhat quiet, uncommunicative, and puzzled by what goes on."

"I know we have failed, with a neurotic child, an unmanageable child, and a boy whose interests appear to be anywhere but at home, but how have we failed?" the letter ends.

Well, Marna, I think perhaps you have failed as most of us do, in not realizing that good food, education, fatherly and motherly sympathy are not enough. We can't be merely negative in solving this problem of safety—moral safety for our children—we have to struggle and work and plan to achieve it.

Here in this college town where I live I often think of the Martins, and what Mrs. Martin did for her children. There were four of them, two boys and two girls; they have lived for two generations in a rambling shabby big place just out of town. They have always been poor, for the father is an asthma sufferer and works only intermittently. The mother has helped out the family income by taking children to board, raising vegetables, making cakes and jelly for the Woman's Exchange.

Yet hospitality and gaiety and co-operation were the rules of this home, and love was the undercurrent of it all. I have heard Bee, the oldest girl, greet calling swains from the strawberry bed: "come and help me fix these plants, and I'll see what Mother has for supper!"

Economize on Gas.
Since there's no practicable way to measure and ration out the gas and electricity as we do the oil and meat, the government has to depend on voluntary cooperation. Here are suggestions for saving on gas: See that the cooking flame burns clear blue; if it doesn't, clean the burner or correct burner adjustment. Use a small-size burner with a small size pot, a larger burner with a large pot. Cook with as little water as possible. Don't use your gas stove for heating purposes.

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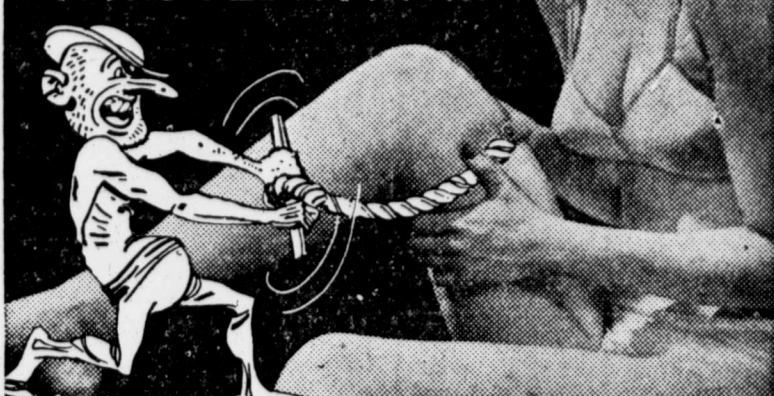
Bill With the Bull Voice Was Keeping It Quiet!

Two heavily laden trucks were approaching each other on the busy highway. When they were still separated by about a hundred yards, the respective drivers recognized each other and began their long-distance greetings, slowing their speed but slightly.

The vehicles soon passed each other and were almost out of hearing range when one of the drivers suddenly roared to the other: "Say, how's that daughter of yours, Bill?"

"Oh," replied Bill, in his bull-like voice, "she's gone and eloped, she has, but we're keeping it quiet!"

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SUNDAY-MONDAY
JANUARY 21-22

Till We Meet Again

Ray Milland, Barbara Britton The exciting events of today brought them together in flaming France!

TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY
JANUARY 23-24

The Rains Came

A RE-ISSUE
Myrna Loy, Tyrone Power

THURSDAY-FRIDAY
JANUARY 25-26

Mr. Winkler Goes to War

Edward G. Robinson This story ran as a serial in The Mitchell County News a short time ago—if you read it you will want to see it on the screen.

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LOCALS

Hospitalization for the entire family. See Dale Warren, Colorado Mutual Aid Ass'n. 225tf

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Parker of Houston arrived Tuesday and are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Parker, this week.

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Dr. W. R. Ragain of Lubbock was a visitor in Loraine Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Pippin spent the week end with his sister, Mrs. Weldon Ussery and husband in Odessa.

Classified Ads

For Sale—Wind charger, tower radio and water separator. M. D. Hall, Roscoe, Texas, Rt. 1. 3tp

I would like to do your plain, fancy, and tailored sewing at my home in East Loraine, formerly the Al Stepp place. Mrs. T. M. Ingram. 3tc

For Sale—F-12 tractor, new type equipment, \$450. Kearney Vowell, 5 mi. South Colorado on Robert Lee road. 2tp

Fort Sale—Coleman Gasoline Range in good shape, \$40. Buen Claxton, Roscoe, Rt. 2, 4 miles South, 1/4 mi. West of Champion. 2tp

Lost—Pair of black kid gloves in the Lorex Theatre or on the street Sunday afternoon. Return to Mitchell County News office. Edith Wilkerson.

SANITATION WITH PAR-O-SAN

BUYING BABY CHICKS SOON? Be sure your brooder house is ready with a thorough disinfecting with Dr. Salsbury's pleasant smelling PAR-O-SAN. It's economical. Claude Spikes, Feed and Transfer. 1tp

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Methodist Church

Jonn W. Price, Pastor

Church School at 10 o'clock, G. W. Parish, superintendent. A place for every Methodist, and visitors welcomed.

Morning worship at 11 o'clock, the pastor bringing the message. Youth Fellowship at 7:00, with evening service following at 7:30. Youth Fellowship program with Melba Mahon and Jeannine Martin as leaders.

Prayer Meeting Wednesday night at 7:45. Stewards meeting Monday night at 8 o'clock. Every steward requested to be present.

Our young people entertain the sub-district meeting of the young people on Tuesday night. An interesting program is being arranged.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Snyder and children of Coahoma spent Saturday night and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Wilkerson.

N. H. Henson and family have moved from Hyman to the Sauer farm north of Loraine. Mr. Henson came in this week and subscribed for The News.

Guests in the home of Mrs. J. E. Spikes Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Sam Spikes and children of Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hooker of Colorado City, and Mr. and Mrs. Burr Brown of Coahoma.

Mrs. Willie Mae Thompson of Wichita Falls is here this week visiting relatives.

SPECIAL

Reduction ON Ladies' Coats



\$15.00 Coat	\$11.98
\$18.00 Coat	\$14.40
\$22.50 Coat	\$17.98
\$25.00 Coat	\$20.98
\$27.50 Coat	\$22.98

Fred B. Ison
Dry Goods

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Small Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Gann of Colorado City, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Webb and daughter of Westbrook, Mrs. Clara Hall and Ralph, and Corp. Price Hall and wife and baby.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Phillips visited relatives in Colorado City Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bea Spurger of Silver City, New Mexico, spent from Friday until Thursday here with Mr. and Mrs. Dee McCollum and other relatives. They were enroute to Gladewater to visit his mother.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our thanks to our friends for every kindness shown us in the death of our brother. For the beautiful floral offering and for those who helped to dig the grave.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Johnson
Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Johnson
Mrs. Minnie Barkley
Mrs. Frank Johnson and family

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tucker and Mrs. Tucker's father, A. W. Caffee of Hanford, Washington, visited Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Elliott Wednesday. Mr. Caffee is Mrs. Elliott's brother. They were enroute to their home in Honey Grove, Texas.

Mavis Webb and Emma Jean Walker went to Lubbock Friday and visited with Mary Love Walker and Louise Hallmark over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. S. I. Reese are announcing the marriage of their daughter Doris Jean, to James St. John at 3 o'clock Dec. 30, at Colorado City.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Hart and family of Slaton and daughter, Cadet Nurse Nell Hart of Lubbock, visited Tuesday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Hart.

Mrs. G. H. Hoover and son Windell, and Mrs. Curtis Rodgers visited Mrs. Hoover's brother and family in Big Spring Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jabus Hall and son of Snyder spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Land.

Dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Bennett Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Jacobs and Mr. and Mrs. Willie Taylor and daughter Gaylene. Visitors in the afternoon were Miss Carlene Carnes of Lubbock, and Mrs. Ewell Jacobs and children of Sweetwater.

Mrs. R. E. Bennett and Earl Jackson of Lubbock spent the first of this week here on business.

Mrs. C. H. Thomas left Monday for Abilene after receiving a message that her sister, Mrs. C. C. Morris, had received word that her son James Merlin Morris, had been killed in action in Belgium.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Brantley and daughter of Odessa spent Sunday and Sunday night with Mrs. Ada Pearl Thompson.

Mrs. Ruth Smalligan and baby returned Saturday after spending last week in the Jess Bollinger home in Abilene.

The young people of the Methodist Church went to Colorado City Tuesday night to the Sweetwater District meeting of Young People. About 120 young people were present to enjoy a splendid spiritual program, Lt. Wade of the Army Air Forces, being the principal speaker. Recreation of stunts from each group present was enjoyed in the basement. A picnic supper was served.

Those attending from Loraine were: Melba Mahon, Margaret Nell Wilson, Patricia Martin, Patsy Beaty, John Wesley Price, Reagan Martin, Mrs. Arlie Martin, and Rev. and Mrs. Price.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Jackson entertained the Young People of the Bethel Church Sunday with a dinner. Those present were Billie Jewel Clifton, Kenneth Jackson, Gerald Compton, Douglas Collier, W. A. Miles, Billy Ray, Nadine and Geraldine Jackson. Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Clifton and children were also present.

Looney News

Dewey Turner of the medical corps in England, was wounded in Germany in October and has recently sent his Purple Heart to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Turner. He had stepped from the ambulance he was driving when a piece of shrapnel went through his shoulder. He was immediately flown to a hospital in England. He sent the shrapnel to his parents along with his Purple Heart.

A number of our people are moving to other communities this week. Mr. and Mrs. Luther Woods are moving to Dorn; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Morren to Westbrook; Mr. and Mrs. Fuller Colbert to Payne; and Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Martin to Champion.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Shoemaker are entertaining a new daughter who has been named Elizabeth Ann.

Looney singers attended the singing at Payne Sunday afternoon. The new books, "Living Grace" have arrived and singing in homes here has been popular this week.

Looney Baptist Church enjoyed a good day Sunday, 44 were present for Sunday School and 30 for Training Union. Prayer services were held Saturday night and Rev. Howard Bridges preached. The pastor preached Sunday and Sunday night. Plans for the revival, which begins Saturday night, January 27, with Rev. Roy Shahan preaching, were made. The pastor and local talent will have charge of the music.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Hart Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Ewell Coles and daughter of Coahoma, Bruce Hart Stie and family of Colorado City, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Butler, Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Smith, and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hart.

Mr. and Mrs. Gray Taylor attended the speech recital of their daughter Rena Louise at Hardin Simmons University Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Durwood Mahon and family of Lubbock spent the week end with his father, J. K. Mahon, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Carpenter moved to Ballinger this week.

Miss Eloise Hays, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Hays, left January 2, for San Angelo, where she entered the Jolly Beauty School. Kathryn Honea accompanied her and has accepted a position there.

Friends received word this week of the marriage of Lois Glass and Corp. Gene Holm. They were married in San Diego, California, on January 7. Lois is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Glass of El Paso.

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Fall and Winter

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Mrs. Lewis Wheeler left last week for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Dewey Nix and family, in Hobbs, New Mexico.

Mrs. Ullman Parker and Mrs. Billie Wald and baby have moved to Big Spring where Mrs. Wald is working.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Honea spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Honea, in Clyde.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Griffin of Hartselle, Alabama, are spending this week with his brother, Floyd Griffin and family.

Ida Glen Walker and Mary Ann Jennings of Sweetwater spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Johnson.

G. A. Hutchins left Saturday for Marlin, where he will spend a few weeks in the interest of his health.

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Syrup gal. Dixie Ribbon Cane 1.08

Post Toasties large box .14

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Mackerel tall can .18

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2 boxes, 2 cream pitchers

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Peanut Oil gal. Magnolia 1.84

Three 12 ounce cans

Gold Medal Bak. Powder .25

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Blackeye Peas 16 ozjar .15

Potted Meat 6 cans .30

Block Chili home made lb .38

Crackers 2 lb Sunshine .36

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RED & WHITE 30 Points
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RED & WHITE 60 Points
Apricots 1 lb 13 oz .34

20 Points
Corn R & W lb 4 oz .16

RED & WHITE 1 lb 4oz.
Mixed Vegetables .20

RED & WHITE
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RED & WHITE 10 Points
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