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FFA Boys Second In Chapter Conducting Contest

The officers of the Loraine Chapter were beaten by a three point margin by Westbrook in the F. F. A. Chapter Conducting Contest at Loscoe Saturday. The Chapter Conducting Contest is a contest on parliamentary procedure. The officers taking part were: Leon Duke, president; Wayland Roberts, vice-president; Merlin Bennett, secretary; Leland Hamilton, treasurer; M. D. Cheek, reporter; Forrest Meadows and Albert Givens, Conductors; and William Bohm, Pierce Givens, and Edwin Hamilton, Green Hands.

During the three years of vocational agriculture at Loraine the local chapter has never been lower than second in the district contest. They finished second in 1938-39 and won last year. They were third in the area contest last year.

STAMPS SHOULD BE AFFIXED TO MAIL PUT IN RURAL BOXES

Washington, November 20, 1940. In order to facilitate the collection and dispatch of mail matter on rural routes, particularly during the impending holiday season, all first- and third-class mail matter deposited in rural letter boxes for collection by the carrier should have stamps affixed at the proper rate of postage.

Postmasters at office from which rural service originates are directed to see that rural carriers are provided a stamp supply sufficient to accomplish this objective.

Both postmasters and rural carriers should advise patrons, so far as practicable, without expense to the Department, of the desirability for their co-operation to the end that Christmas mail be handled as expeditiously as possible.

METHODIST ATTEND DISTRICT MEETING

The annual Harvest Day and District Stewards meeting of the Methodist for the Sweetwater District was held at the First Methodist Church at Colorado last Thursday. This meeting drew some 300 delegates. The program opened at 10 A. M. with a joint devotional led by Mrs. Ralph Odum of Snyder, former District Secretary of the women's work. Following the devotional Bro. Boen, District Superintendent called the stewards and ministers to meet with him in another room and the ladies then entered their Harvest Day program. Miss Flora Foreman, a missionary to Africa home on furlough this year spoke of the work there. Mrs. C. A. Bledsoe of Abilene, Conference President spoke of plans for the new year and led a forum on the work in general.

Bro. Bowen presided over the mens section. Dean Boger and Dr. Gordon of McMurry spoke as did Rev. Shewbert of Loraine on the new financial setup. Rev. Howell and Hollowell on McMurry College Day, and Rev. Porterfield of Blackwell on Evangelism. Mr. Yoder of Snyder District Lay leader brought some fine remarks about the laymans part in the new program.

Loraine had one of the largest delegates of any church in the District and a fine report as well. There were nineteen women and three men and the pastor who attended this meeting.

Lunch was served in the basement of the church by the Colorado ladies. Every one went away inspired to do greater things for their Master in the building of His Kingdom.

BELL BENNETT CIRCLE

The young women of the Methodist church, composing the Bell Bennett Circle of the Women's Society of Christian Service, went caroling Wednesday afternoon. They called on many shut-ins of the Methodist membership, giving a brief program and leaving a fruit gift at each visit.

You will enjoy Christmas much better with a clean suit or dress for Christmas when you have it done at Leggotts.

Loraine Boy Wins Swine Contest

Wayland Roberts won first place in the annual Westbrook Swine Essay Contest according to information just received from Mr. C. V. Cox, vocational agriculture teacher, Westbrook. The subject for this years contest was "Selecting and Feeding a Barrow".

The eight high ranking boys each year receive registered gift pigs, selecting the pigs in order of their rank. Four of the pigs are Poland Chinas and four are Duroc Jerseys.

The boys sign contracts to care for the pigs properly and return a gift for the next years prizes.

This is the second year that a Loraine boy has won the contest. Marvin Beights was last year's winner, with Herbert Mearse and Leon Duke finishing second and fourth respectively.

Wayland Roberts is enrolled in the third year class of vocational agriculture.

PEP SQUAD AND BAND TO BANQUET FOOTBALLERS

Members of the Loraine Bulldog football squad will be guests of the pep squad and band at a banquet Thursday night of this week in the gymnasium.

The following program has been arranged for the occasion. Louise Hallmark is to be toastmaster.

Invocation—Supt. Ed Williams
Welcome—Louise Hallmark
Response—Gene Baird
Reading—Jean Henderson
Song—Sextette
Talk of the Evening—Ed Williams

Talk—Eleanor Green
Talk and Presentation of Sweaters—Coach McCasland

Alma Mater Song—Students
Eighteen members of the football squad will receive sweaters, eight of whom will receive the last token from the high school as they are to graduate next spring. Those to receive sweaters are: Armando Bauman, Leon Duke, Sidney Meek, M. D. Cheek, Thomas Robertson, James Loftis, Tuff Mathers, Jack Rowland, Jack Albright, Royal James, Gene Baird, Harold Simmons, Raymond Lee, Charley Marth, Harold Johnson, Royce Mahon, David Faulkenberry, and Hugh Elliott.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. Owen Leggett gave her husband a surprise birthday party Monday night. Dominoes were played with Ham Preston and Owen Leggett winning high honors. Popcorn balls were served to Mr. and Mrs. Ham Preston, J. H. Neil, Carl Price, Roy Sisson, S. B. Watlington, J. T. Hock, and George Leggett.

Local AAA Committee Elected Friday

About fifty farmers of the Loraine community met at the chamber of commerce building Friday afternoon to elect delegates to the county convention which met at Colorado Saturday.

The farmers voted that the delegate elected to the county convention be instructed to vote for himself for county committeeman.

S. E. Meadows was elected delegate and Frank Beights alternate delegate to the convention, and Mr. Meadows will be a member of the county committee.

The community committee was elected as follows: E. B. Hale, chairman, Willie Taylor, vice chairman, Luke Finley, committeeman, and Allen Kuykendall, first alternate, and R. D. Lefever, second alternate.

COTTON GINNING REPORT

Census report shows that 21,381 bales of cotton were ginned in Mitchell County, Texas, from the crop of 1939 prior to Dec. 1 1940 as compared with 16,736 bales for the crop of 1939.

NEWS WILL BE PLUSH EARLY NEXT WEEK

Because Christmas comes on Wednesday, this year The Mitchell County News will be published early next week so it will reach subscribers before the holiday.

All news items and advertising for publication next week must be in the office not later than Monday. Those who send in church and society items will please remember to have their copy in Monday. Merchants are asked to get their advertising copy in on Monday also. Next week will be the Christmas Greeting edition of the paper and all merchants will want to greet their customers and friends in the issue.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Thompson of Colorado City visited their father, C. M. Thompson, Sunday afternoon.

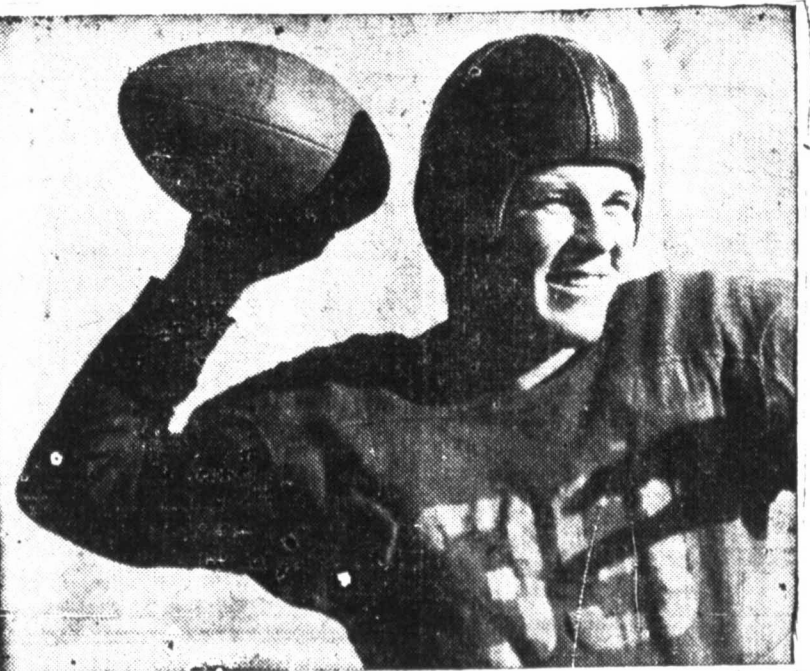
Roger and Gallett, Eau de Cologne and Sachet \$1.00. The Martin Drug Store. adv.

Give "Martha Washington" candies. The Martin Drug Store. adv.

Mrs. K. L. Taylor, Mrs. Floyd Griffin, Mattie Euell, and Mrs. T. R. Bennett spent Monday with Mrs. Clifton Gage in Sweetwater.

Cigars—in Christmas packages The Martin Drug Store. adv.

James Brothers Letter At ACC



Abilene, Texas, Dec. 14.—Two of the 24 players lettered in football at Abilene Christian college were W. F. James, senior, and his brother Robert, sophomore, they are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. James of Loraine, Texas.

W. F. James, known to the student body as "Chubby", has played in the backfield during his four years on the squad, outstanding as a passer, punter and ball-carrier. Robert has shown special lugging

ability and is expected to be a regular next fall.

The Wildcats won five and lost one game in conference play to gain a three way tie for the title with Howard Payne of Brownwood and Texas Wesleyan of Fort Worth.

W. F. James has accepted a position as assistant coach in Roscoe High School and as head coach in the junior high there. He is finishing his college work by conference.

Santa Claus Is Coming To Town

CHRISTMAS TREE AT METHODIST CHURCH

On next Tuesday evening at 7 P. M. at the Methodist Church old Santa Claus will come. There will be a beautiful Christmas tree with lots of bags of candy ready for Santa to distribute to every little boy and girl that is there. The Primary and Junior Departments will have charge of a brief program directed by Miss Isla Bruce, Miss Opal Richburg, and Mrs. F. Williams. Mr. Plez Beaty, the S. S. Superintendent is in charge of general arrangements.

So boys and girl, plan now to come and greet old Santa Claus at the Methodist Church on next Tuesday night, Christmas Eve. Santa says: "Let all the little boys and girls of this community plan to meet me at the Methodist Church Tuesday night when I arrive. I am planning to have lots of candy and fruit on this trip but will not give out any toys, I will save those for Christmas Day."

Be sure you see those new Beau Brummel Shirts. The very latest patterns and shades. Leggotts adv.

JOE C ENTERTAINS LADIES WITH SUPPER

Members of the chamber of commerce Monday night entertained their wives with a bean supper at the C of C Hall. More than 100 were present.

After supper Ed Williams acted as master of ceremonies and conducted games and tricks that proved to be lots of fun for all. Mr. Williams' plans did not work out as he had planned, however. It seems that Mrs. Williams had mistreated Ed in some way and he tried to get revenge by bringing her to the banquet and seating her on the electric chair. But it is too bad for Ed from now on because the chair was not hot enough to get rid of his wife. Mrs. Claude Spikes should coach her husband a little on how to put on ladies clothes so he won't put the dress on upside down and the hat on backwards next time. Parks Bryant should come to the CC more often and learn where to sit and not come in as a stranger and pop down on any kind of seat and then have to exert himself so much in rising.

In addition to the pranks and fun the Boy Scouts put on a program which showed the progress they are making in their work. Butsie Hall and Paul Stewart should be commended for the work they are doing with the Boy Scouts. Those who attended the party and won prizes in the various contests are J. B. Mahon, V. Tempelton, Frank Simmons, V. E. Page, Bob Martin, and H. E. Thomas.

We have a nice assortment of Mens Shirts, Ties, Belts, and Sox for Christmas presents. Leggotts. adv.

Happenings at the Baptist Church

Considering the bad weather last Sunday was a day to be proud of in attendance and offering. Now you were not there but you will be thoughtful and know that the expense went right along so you bring your offering with you for the lost Sunday. Thank you very kindly.

The ladies had a fine meeting in their meeting and the Lottie Moon offering was good, but some were absent so you don't want to be left out do you? Well you still have time to get your offering in, so do that. The Christmas program at the Church Tuesday night was under the direction of the Choral Club, directed by Mrs. Bill Martin was something for Loraine to be proud of. I am sorry you missed it. The Church was beautifully decorated.

Looking for you next Sunday. Come praying for a great day in the service of our Lord.

Old Santa Claus will be in Loraine in person Saturday afternoon to greet the children and pass out small gifts to remind them that he will be back the following Wednesday for the real Christmas.

Santa did not say the exact hour he would be here, but assured us that he will be here some time Saturday afternoon. So, children, be here early and stay until Santa arrives. It will not be very late surely.

The high school band will be on hand to welcome the old gentleman with music and entertain the folks before Santa arrives.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT AT METHODIST CHURCH

A Christmas program which will include a group of songs by a Junior childrens choir and a pageant will be given next Sunday night at the Methodist Church beginning at 7 P. M. The pageant is directed by Miss Richard Looby and is entitled "The Greatest Gifts". It involves a Bohemian Christmas story which will prove very interesting to all.

Mrs. Showbert and Mrs. Kirk Taylor will have charge of the Junior Choral group for the songs. The entire public is cordially invited to come out and attend this beautiful and effective Christmas program next Sunday night at the Methodist Church. Don't miss this pageant.

Rev. Shewbert states "This pageant is a simple Christmas pageant and it brings to us very interestingly the true spirit. I am sure all will enjoy this splendid program."

Get your Gift Wrapping at Hutchins & Hall Drugs.



Letters To Santa Claus

Loraine, Texas
Dec. 16, 1940

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl three years old. I have tried to be a good girl. I have kept all my toys nice that you brought me last Christmas so I am not asking you to bring me much this time but please Santa, bring me a big baby doll, a little Vanity Dresser, some real little dishes to set my little table with and also candy fruits and nuts.

Your little friend
Bobbie Oneta Mote

Loraine, Texas

Dear Santa,

I am a little boy five years old. Will you please bring me a truck full of candy and a box of tools. I want to be a carpenter like my daddy. Be sure and bring my little brother something to play with, and don't forget my sisters. Remember Daddy and mama, also bring me some fruits and nuts.

Please don't forget all the little boys and girls everywhere.

Your friend,
Arnold Lee Faulkenberry

Loraine, Texas

Dear Santa,
I am a little curly headed girl seven years old. If it isn't asking too much I would like for you to bring me a nice little doll with a pretty dress on and a vanity case. Also candy, fruits, and nuts and a few fire works. And please don't forget any little girl or boy.

Your friend,
Johnny Vonclie Faulkenberry

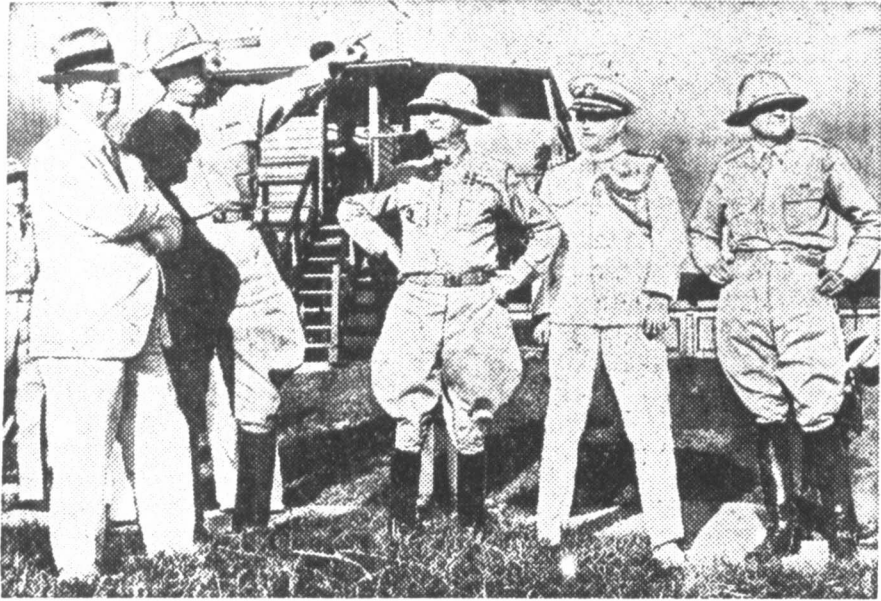
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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

By Edward C. Wayne

Hitler Seeks Way to End Misadventure Of Mussolini Against Battling Greeks; Farm Group Asks New 'Parity' Loans; Lord Lothian, British Envoy to U. S., Dies

(EDITOR'S NOTE—When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the news analyst and not necessarily of this newspaper.)
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CANAL ZONE.—A picture by the Signal Corps, U. S. A., showing Secretary of Navy Frank Knox (left) as he inspected the army's coastal defenses, "Somewhere in Panama." Shown left to right are: Secretary Knox; Maj. Gen. Jarman, commanding the Panama coast artillery brigade; Lieut. Gen. Van Voorhis, commanding the army's Canal forces; Captain Hickey, 15th naval district chief of staff; and Lieut. Col. Carl Rohsenberger.

PEACE TALK: On Many Fronts

While cannon roared and ships were torpedoed into the deep, talk of peace broke out in Europe. But there was no peace. The fury on land, sea and in the air did not abate, nor did there seem much chance that the peace moves would be successful.

In England a motion was made in commons by Independent Laborites from Glasgow that the government seek a negotiated peace. The government's reply was made by Maj. Clement Attlee, Labor leader, who said the choice was not war or peace but "war and what kind of peace." The motion was defeated 341 to 4. The following day in a Northampton election a candidate who campaigned on a "stop the war" platform was defeated 1,167 to 16,587.

In Germany there were indications that Adolf Hitler was seeking a formula to bring an end to the Italian misadventure against Greece. The effort was handled by Franz von Papen in Turkey who sought to have that nation intervene with Greece.

This was important since any German move to help Mussolini would require movement of Nazi troops through Bulgaria or Yugoslavia and risk involvement with Turkey. But Greece was in no mood for a cessation of hostilities.

In Portugal there were rumors of underground movements seeking peace. Many looked upon this as the most logical step of all, since Hitler would rather trust dictator-controlled Portugal than either the pope or President Roosevelt. Also Portugal has for 400 years been allied to England.

War Goes On

In Italy, Premier Mussolini was continuing reorganization of his combat forces. Added to the retirement list was Marshal Pietro Badoglio, hero of Ethiopia and commander of all armed forces; Gen. Ettore Bastico, governor of the strategic Dodecanese Islands; and Admiral Cavagnari, chief of the naval staff who had served Italy in five wars.

The "invasion of Greece" begun a month earlier was turning into a debacle. Italian forces had lost all supply bases and airfields in southern Albania. Many of the bases had been built and equipped since Italy took over Albania and all were aimed at carrying on the march toward the Aegean. How far into central Albania the Italians would be forced to retreat before finding a new defense line was uncertain.

In Egypt the British opened another blitz against the Italians. For weeks the army of Marshal Graziani sat at Sidi Barrani, 75 miles within the Egyptian border. Then the British struck. In the first three days they took 4,000 prisoners, killed the commanding officer of the post and captured his assistant.

All this was aimed at pressing a concerted drive to crack Italy and put a wedge into the Axis alliance. Within Italy there were reports of anti-Fascist riots and murmurs of discontent.

Otherwise on the war front: Britain pressed its case for financial aid from the United States and the movement was highlighted by an expression from Jesse Jones, administrator of the RFC, that he regarded England as "a good risk." Sir Frederick Phillips, British under-secretary of the treasury, conferred in Washington on English holdings in the U. S., which may not be sufficient to last another year.

The U. S. navy reported its building program was ahead of schedule and one new ship was being turned out every 12 days.

LOSS:

One Ambassador

"It's like a plank had dropped out of things," was one official reaction in London to the news that Lord Lothian, British ambassador to the United States, had died in Washington, D. C. Victim of a uremic infection, Lord Lothian was ill but a few days and died at the age of 58 years. Little before his death he had been forced by his illness to cancel an appearance before the American Farm Bureau federation meeting in Baltimore.

However, in a speech written by him and delivered by Neville Butler, counselor of the British embassy, Lothian made a strong appeal for more aid by the United States for the British war cause.

Announcement of his death followed only by a few hours the news of the speech.

Popular in Washington circles, Lothian was respected by his superiors and his countrymen at home. Official British sources said quite frankly that his influence in Washington would be sorely missed in these critical days. Lord Lothian came to the United States as ambassador in 1939.

FARM PROGRAM:

Loan Advocated

The American Farm Bureau federation, meeting in Baltimore, advocated a program, which through the use of government loans, would peg prices of major crops considerably above current market quotations.

The federation, which has been pro-New Deal, admitted the plan would require congressional revision of the present agricultural legislation. The present law permits loans up to 75 per cent of parity rates. The proposed legislation would make loans to farmers at rates equivalent to 85 per cent.

Edward A. O'Neal, federation president, said parity prices based on current conditions were about \$1.12 a bushel for wheat, 15.75 a pound for cotton and 81.5 cents a bushel for corn.

Coupled with the high loan feature would be a system of marketing quotas and heavy penalties for farmers who sold in excess of their allotments.

EPIDEMIC:

But Not Serious

Developing in California and sweeping eastward with reduced strength, an epidemic of influenza sent thousands of people to sick beds but at no time became serious in the eyes of medical authorities. Greatest cause of rejoicing among them however, was the fact that the type of influenza was not the deadly one that covered the nation in 1918-1919. The present type contained none of the forms of pneumonia present in the World War epidemic.

However hundreds of men in army cantonments were placed in hospitals and precautions were set up among the civilian population. Doctors mostly ordered rest and sleep.

Right at the moment, there is no sure way of controlling influenza, according to the public health service. Medical science is better than in 1918, however, in at least one case—the virus which causes the malady has been isolated.

SUPERLATIVES

... of the week

Newest—A concave screen is going on the market for movie theaters. It is designed to give a three-dimensional effect to ordinary films.

Most Forgetful—Atlanta, Ga., forgot about an election day. The liquor stores opened for business and almost everyone forgot to vote. It was the municipal general election and primaries are what count.

School Days



LONDON, ENGLAND.—A Harrow schoolboy laughingly holding parts of a German incendiary bomb which had fallen on the famous English school during a recent air raid. Slight damage was done to the school's museum, which houses many British relics.

LIFE JOBS:

At the Top

Resignations of Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes and Associate Justice James McReynolds from the Supreme court are expected shortly after the inauguration. It has been gossip in the capital for weeks that Hughes offered his resignation, but was prevailed upon by the President to withhold it until after the campaign.

The appointments, which are for life, are greatly sought after by lawyers who regard it as the highest honor that can come to their professions. Many have been mentioned for the two places, but there is some indication the chief justice place may be filled from members now sitting, either Mr. Justice Stone or Mr. Justice Douglas. If such would happen, the President could make three appointments instead of two.

For the other places there has been mention of Senator Minton of Indiana, who was defeated in the recent campaign; Leon Henderson of the SEC, and Attorney General Jackson. Appointment of Jackson might raise to cabinet status Francis Biddle, now solicitor general.

NAMES

... in the news

Prisoner—Mrs. Elizabeth Deegan, clerk in the U. S. embassy, was taken into custody by German secret police in Paris. The granddaughter of the former senator from North Carolina was accused of assisting British officers escape occupied territory.

Citizen—In 1936 Ruth Bryan Owen, daughter of the "Great Commoner" and minister to Denmark, married Capt. Boerge Rohde, gentleman-in-waiting to Denmark's King Christian X. Now in Lewisburg, W. Va., the former commander of the king's life guards has taken the oath of allegiance to the United States. He said he adopted citizenship because no other country in the world guarantees such freedom.

Romance—Diego Rivera, Mexican muralist, was married. Cupid shot him in a duel with Freda Kohla, who, incidentally, was the artist's third wife, from whom he was divorced in 1939.

TRAVELERS:

Sea and Air

President Roosevelt studied the Caribbean defense situation first hand, on the ground. On the U. S. S. Tuscaloosa he visited French-owned Martinique, British-owned Antigua, in the Leeward Islands, as well as American territory.

The duke and duchess of Windsor reversed that schedule, coming from the Caribbean Bahamas, where the former king is governor, to Miami, Fla. The voyage was entirely informal and was to give the duchess an opportunity to visit a dentist.

Col. William J. Donovan, wartime commander of the "Fighting Sixty-Ninth," was a passenger on the European-bound Clipper plane under the name "Donald Williams." Last July Colonel Donovan visited England mysteriously just before the swap of U. S. destroyers for British air bases in the Western hemisphere was announced. On this trip his destination is unknown and his mission unrevealed.

MISCELLANY:

Turkish newspapers reported that approximately 200 Jewish refugees bound from Bulgaria to Palestine were drowned when their ship broke to pieces in rough seas near Istanbul, Turkey.

After 55,000 uneventful trips on the Chicago-Cleveland route, a United Airlines Mainliner with 16 people aboard crashed at the Chicago airport during dirty weather. Ten were killed, six injured.

For 10 years a gray-haired man lived in Johnson City, Tenn., raised a family, attained a splendid reputation and became a member of the police force. Then it was revealed he was E. E. Sapp, wanted by Texas police after his escape on a 99-year term in connection with murder of his first wife. Fingerprints in another case trapped him.

Washington Digest

Civil Service Strives to Keep Politics Out of Defense Work

Merit System Increases Efficiency of Rearmament; U. S. Foreign Policy Awaits Clarification in Roosevelt's Inaugural Address.

By BAUKHAGE

(National Farm and Home Commentator.)

(Released by Western Newspaper Union.) Washington is a nervous and jittery place these days with winter running in and out so fast that the squirrels in the park hardly know whether to bury nuts, eat them or just watch the ones that walk by.

Part of the atmosphere of suspense is due to wondering what is going to come out of those notes which the President took with him when he sailed away from his fishing-and-inspection trip and which he is still working on.

When he left, men who usually know at least something of what the White House is thinking about, told us:

"The President has closed his mind to any additional aid to Britain now. There will be no change in the present program. We will try to send more supplies but there won't be any change in the nature of the help that we've been supplying."

Most of us who observed Mr. Roosevelt closely at his last conferences before he left thought we saw confirmation of this statement in the way he answered questions on the subject, the tone of his voice, his look, his gestures.

Some of the people clamoring for more active participation in British efforts went so far as to say: "He's walked out on us."

But hardly had the Tuscaloosa weighed anchor than things began to happen which made us wonder.

There was the widely printed story that the United States was preparing to send American merchantmen with supplies right through the war zone to England. Another that American warships would act as convoys, at least part way.

Discuss Financial Aid to Britain

Then there was heated controversy concerning financial aid to Britain. After a meeting of department heads admittedly for the purpose of "exploring" the subject, Jesse Jones, federal loan administrator, said that he considered Britain "a good risk."

Senator Johnson of California came right out and said he expected a drive to repeal the Johnson act, which forbids loans to defaulting nations, at the next session of congress. He said he would fight it.

These were some of the signs which seemed to point toward the consideration of new and drastic methods of helping John Bull.

But still the people who made their original predictions to the effect that the President wasn't planning action, certainly none that might involve us in the war, held their ground.

At this writing no one professes to know what form the notes in the President's portfolio will take. We can only wait for the inaugural address, the budget message and the report to congress on the state of the nation. When we know what these state papers contain it will be interesting to look back and see who was right, the people who, like Senator Johnson, said we are "edging into war" or those who believed that the President had set the Ship of State on a neutral course and then lashed the helm.

Rearmament Story

Has Two Sides

There are a lot of stories circulating about inefficiency in rearmament work. Some tell of men who are employed in industries where they are pitifully inexperienced.

That's one side of the defense story that you hear a good deal about these days. But it isn't the only side. I heard the government's side of the defense hiring story the other day from Arthur Flemming, one of the three-member civil service commission.

"The United States civil service commission," Mr. Flemming said to me, "is faced with the heaviest load in its history."

Today the civil service commission is the "central civilian recruiting agency for the entire defense program," as Mr. Flemming described it and when I had finished my interview with him I took two of the most hopeful thoughts away with me that I have been able to nourish in the 25 years since I began watching the failures, faults and foibles, as well as the achievements of the Washington "side show."

The first thought was this: we have a fair chance of keeping politics out of defense work.

IMPORTS

During the first year following the outbreak of war in Europe, total imports into the United States increased because of a marked expansion in this country's purchases of raw material, according to a report, "War and Its Effect on United States Imports," issued by the U. S. tariff commission. These raw materials originate principally in Asia and to a lesser extent in Canada and Latin America.

tics, scandal and disgrace out of the defense program, such as we had in the last war, if it is humanly possible to do it. And second, if this is done, we may take the greatest step in our history toward cleaning up the rottenness of the patronage system that is the curse of democracies.

Perhaps I am over optimistic. But here are the facts as I learned them.

In the first place the civil service commission has recruited, examined and certified 240,000 workers



JOHN C. GARAND

between July 1 and November 23 of this year. There were 176,000 placements alone in the war and navy departments. Most of the workers, of course, were employed in navy yards and arsenals. Take Watervliet, for instance, up in Connecticut where they make the big guns. That arsenal has a hard time keeping 120 men busy normally; now it employs 3,000.

The civil service commission staff has been enlarged for the emergency recruiting from 1,800 members in June to 4,000 today. Besides the force in Washington there are 13 district offices and 5,000 local secretaries, one in every first and second class post office. These secretaries, who are usually postal employees, have information on examinations and requirements of positions open. Here the persons who want jobs can go and find out just how to apply for them.

Red Tape Slashed To Increase Efficiency

But there is a side of this recruiting work that does not show up in figures. It is the spirit which is evident from the attitude of the commissioners themselves and the whole staff. There is no clock-watching here. Hours mean nothing. Red tape has been slashed. There is one objective—to get the best men and women available for Uncle Sam and to get them quickly.

"The best example of the benefits of the system," Mr. Flemming explained, "is the skilled worker who has worked up through the service and who, though he could easily secure higher wages in private business, is loyal to the government and prefers to stay in the federal service."

"One of the outstanding examples of these men is John C. Garand. Long before the national defense program got under way this man, one of the key figures in our defense, was working inconspicuously in a drafting room in the armory in Springfield, Mass. Now his name is known around the world as the inventor of the Garand rifle."

John C. Garand, Mr. Flemming told me, was born in Canada and came to this country when he was 10 years old. When the World War broke out he enlisted in the artillery and was assigned to the bureau of standards in Washington to do ordnance work. After the war Garand took a civil service examination for draftsman and was sent to the armory in Springfield. He perfected a number of inventions and finally produced the Garand rifle. Loyal to the civilian service of the United States as he had been to the armed forces, he patriotically turned his patent over to the government. His rewards are simply the promotions he has won. He is now senior ordnance engineer. You'll find him at his desk today.

A vigorous campaign is going on on the part of educators to teach democracy. An Educational Policies association for five years has been working for the improvement of democratic citizenship. Recently a wide study of 90 schools was made and the report is fascinating reading. It reveals six entirely different ideas of what democratic education was.

Not merely the teachers and pupils but people in the community were interviewed in preparing this important survey.

Star Dust

STAGE-SCREEN-RADIO

By VIRGINIA VALE

(Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

THE March of Time has come to the rescue of all of us who have an interest in someone affected by the new selective service law. In "Army and the Men—U. S. A." we are taken into our history toward cleaning up the rottenness of the patronage system that is the curse of democracies.

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When Howard Hughes finishes waving his magic wand over Jack Beutel we may have a new star on our movie screens. Beutel gets his chance as one of the leads in the new Hughes film, "The Outlaw." He hails from Dallas, where he had little-theater experience, and wasn't getting far in his ambition to succeed in Hollywood when he got the Hughes assignment.

Eleanor Powell has finally completely recovered from that operation that kept her on the sidelines all this time, and will start work soon in "Lady Be Good," which was



ELEANOR POWELL

a successful musical comedy years, and years ago. It will co-star Ann Southern (giving her a chance to get away from playing "Maise" for awhile) and Tony Martin. Arthur Freed and Busby Berkeley, producer and director of "Strike Up the Band," will produce and direct, and the George Gershwin music will be used.

What old favorite do you suppose has been scheduled for a new appearance now? None other than "The Phantom of the Opera," with Broderick Crawford playing the "Phantom." But the real surprise is the girl who'll play opposite him—It's none other than Deanna Durbin.

She's always done comedy, and sung a few songs, superbly. But when she finishes "Nice Girl" she'll get away from all that temporarily, and appear in Universal's famous thriller.

Something new in casting has bobbed up at Paramount. Book reviewers on newspapers and magazines are to be polled for their nominations for players to appear in the screen version of the Hemingway novel, "For Whom the Bell Tolls." Since book reviewers who know one motion actor from another are scarcer than hen's teeth it seems unlikely that their opinions will be of very great value.

Jill Esmond, a talented English actress whom you hear on the air as Emily Bronte, author and narrator in "Wuthering Heights," spent her last night before leaving England in a Liverpool air-raid shelter, reciting fairy tales for hours on end to keep a group of children entertained. If you haven't been listening to "Wuthering Heights" you're missing something; it sets a new high mark in radio serial drama.

Loretta Young unintentionally stole the show from Santa Claus the other evening. On her way to a radio rehearsal, she parked her car in a lot near the theater just as a Santa Claus parade was passing. Hundreds of mothers were holding their children high enough to see Santa Claus; somebody shouted: "There's Loretta Young!" and instantly backs were turned on Santa Claus while everybody gazed at Loretta.

ODDS AND ENDS—That new Sunday afternoon radio program, which has started off so well, changed its name just before the first broadcast—it's "The Pause That Refreshes," not "Music That Refreshes." . . . Gene Autry, of the CBS "Melody Ranch" and the movies, recently bought a number of antique music boxes, one for each guest room in his new ranch house. . . . Bob Burns is vacationing right now, on a trip to New York which he and Mrs. Burns planned two years ago, but had to postpone because of an injury which she suffered. It is Bob's second trip to New York since he landed there jobless in 1935 and got a job on the air with Rudy Vallee.

Hidden Ways

By FREDERIC F. VAN DE WATER

CHAPTER XIX—Continued.

Silently Hoyt looked at me with a smirk of terror. Intent on the uproar in the foyer, shocked by the disembodied voice we both had heard, he had let the elevator down, without checking it, on the crossbeams that guarded the shaft pit. "What was it?" he babbled. "Ja, hear that?"

Then I saw that the car rested unevenly on the beams as though something were pinned beneath one side and I knew what that last, abruptly stilled outcry had meant.

"He had done trapeze work," I told Miss Agatha. "When the elevator was at the floor above him, it was easy for him to open the shaft door below it and leap to the traveling cables. They're the power cables that are attached to the bottom of the car."

The old lady sat in her living room, cigarette in hand, highball beside her. She was personification of the quiet that spread after tempest. The useless ambulance that had tarried before the Morello had gone away. Shannon had left, with Cochrane. Allegra had vanished. I hoped that I, too, might depart before her return. Meanwhile, I gulped my drink and supplied, at Miss Agatha's insistence, those fragments of the tragedy that were not already hers.

"Apparently, then, with a thrust of his foot he shut the open door and went down unseen to the basement beneath the car, dropping into the elevator pit when the elevator halted at the foyer. Tonight, you see, it didn't stop. He jumped too late, or else he lost count of the floors and was pinned between the pit crossbeams and the car floor."

I drained my glass. Miss Agatha said: "So that is why his hands were grimed the night after the murder and why he wore no overcoat?"

"Right," I answered. "The cables are greased, and dirty. Perhaps he threw his overcoat into the furnace. At any rate he wiped off the knife and hid it in the basement, for fear someone would stop him when he went out into the street."

"Pride killed him," the old lady told me. "Let that be a warning to you, David. He had killed in self-defense. A lawyer no better than Tertius Groesbeck could have saved him. Lyon Ferriter had too much sense of drama."

"He'd been on the stage," I pointed out. "That's why he spoke so well, until he got excited, and then lapsed into his native tongue. It was just a veneer he had acquired."

"Odd, isn't it," Miss Agatha asked, "what you find when you pry off veneer—odd and terrible, David? I'll do no more prying. The Paget book will never be written. People that throw stones should live in intact glass houses."

She peered at me and my face seemed to disappoint her.

"Usually," she prompted, "you grin at my epigrams. That's been one of several reasons I've endured you."

"Sorry," I said. "I was thinking of lone. Her father's gone. They must have loved each other. It's going to be brutal for her."

"I sent Allegra to see her," Miss Agatha said briefly.

"That was generous." She shook her head. "It's easy to be generous when you've won. Presumably she'll be financially secure, for she'll inherit Lyon's—I mean Horstman's—property. She'll never have Grove now. Grove will know how nearly he was

trapped and how little she really cared. And I can't see him marrying a widow who had been a dance-hall hostess and was accessory to her husband's death. There's that thing I call noblesse oblige. You probably call it snobbery."

I grinned and rose, explaining that I was to meet Cochrane at the Press office at seven. I fumbled badly over my farewell, for I owed much to the woman who listened to my floundering and offered me no aid.

"And tell," I stumbled, "your niece good-by for me, too." Her sharp gray eyes dug into me. "I wonder," asked Miss Agatha, "if you think I'm the utter fool that I know you are, David Mallory. You talk as if we never were to meet again."

"That," I answered, "is exactly what I do mean." I had faced it for the last half-hour. Quarrels and rasped feelings seemed in the aftermath of tragedy trivial things, but my purpose ran deeper than that. By every measurement one might employ, Allegra was out of my reach and the best tribute I could pay her was to leave her so.

The old lady had leaned forward in her effort to beat down my eyes. "David," she said, "life doesn't begin at fourteen and stay there. What happened to the last person who went in pride out of this apartment should make you think a little. I'm fond of you, which is more than I admit to most people. Don't be a posturing idiot."

"Miss Agatha," I said and it was hard to speak clearly, after the odd tenderness I had heard in her voice, "I love your niece. That sounds old-fashioned."

"All the important things in the world are old-fashioned," she told me. "And that's why you want to make things as distressing as possible for everyone concerned? Because you love Allegra?"

What I knew was truth seemed trite when spoken under her steady regard. I went on:

"I've got a job. At about fifty a week. I can't offer that to a girl who has everything."

"My dear boy," said Miss Agatha and jerked her head, "match-making isn't among my sins. And besides I've never fixed Allegra's worth in dollars. Have you?"

"That's why," I went on fast because my throat was tightening. "I'm saying good-by. Probably this also sounds idiotic to you, but I love her too dearly to ask her to marry me."

"Rhetoric, rhetoric," said Miss Agatha and laid her hands on her chair's wheels. "I hope newspaper work sweats some of it out of you, David. Will you wait a minute?"

She propelled herself through that door which opened into her bedroom. I picked up my hat and coat and turned toward the hall, half minded to go.

Allegra stood there. I thought that, till now, I had not known how fair she was. She was a cool wind blowing through my mind, routing the rubbish of old wickedness.

"Going?" she asked.

"I am," I said. "Or—I mean, I was just saying to your aunt—"

Part of my mind screamed "Idiot!" at me. None of it did anything else to help me. She came nearer.

"I heard you," she told me. "I've been standing here for five minutes. Let's not review that again; let's go on from there. Have you no better reason for not marrying me, David?"

Miss Agatha did not come back for a long while.

[THE END]

When Christmas Came



The Fireplace Glowed With Logs.

BRICE HARPER stepped from her train happily. A whole month, with Christmas only ten days away. That meant nearly three weeks for after-Christmas jollification, skating, visiting round with old friends and just squatted before the big fireplace reading and talking. Wouldn't Aunt Margaret and Uncle Jake be pleased and surprised, for she had not written. After three steady, grinding, monotonous years in the department store, it would be heavenly.

She flashed a look down the platform. Yes, there was wooden-legged Sam, the expressman. Things hadn't changed a bit in three years.

"Hoo-hoo!" she challenged. The old expressman looked up, stared, then stumped forward.

"Blest if 'tain't Brice Harper!" he cried. "Back among your old friends ag'in. Fine! Come to stay, or a-visitin'?"

House Is Deserted. "Just visiting, Uncle Sam—two whole weeks, though. Out to Aunt Margaret Holmes. After three years! I'd never have believed I could stay away that long. But 500 miles—too far for a poor girl to afford paying fare for a few days' vacation. Now it's a month, though, because I haven't taken a vacation in so long. Can you take me and my trunk right out? I'll ride with you, and—"

"Ain't ye heered—had no letter ner nothin'?" asked the old man, whose face had been growing troubled.

"No-no. Anything the matter?" "No, except they ain't there. Your Aunt Margaret said Christmas was so lonesome here she couldn't spend another like the last. So two, three days ago she an' your Uncle Jack went into the next county to spend Christmas with a cousin who has a passio o' children. I was by there yes-day, an' the house did look dismal all shot up."

"Isn't there any one to look after it?" "One o' the Dill boys was asked to, I b'lieve. He—"

A shrill hail came from a store front across from the station. "S-say, Brice," wheedled the old expressman, "would ye mind waitin' three, four seconds? That mad shouter was Storekeeper Tomson. Been 'spectin' a box o' Christmas stuff more'n a week, an' 'twas jest throwed off this train. S'pose I take the box 'cross to him, then come an' carry you an' the trunk out to any o' your girl friends? They'll all be glad to have ye visit 'em."

But Brice had been thinking rapidly.

Invites Girl Friends. "Take the box over to the store, Uncle Sam," she said, "and I'll run across to the post office while you're gone. I want to write some postals. And no, I won't embarrass any of my girl friends. You may carry me right out to the farmhouse. I know where Aunt Margaret hides the keys, and I'm perfectly sure she and Uncle Jack would want me to go right there and use everything as my own. I'll take care of the poultry," enthusiastically, "and I'll roast one of the turkeys for Christmas and cook everything that goes with it, pies and cakes and all. Won't it be fun?"

"You can invite a lot of your girl friends to eat with you," grinned the expressman, entering into the spirit. "Afterward," agreed Brice. "They'll all want to eat at home on Christmas. Then we'll have a round

of nice times. But for the real Christmas I'm going to depend on their postals. There are lots of nice girls in the department store who haven't any home and who will have to depend on the cheap boarding-houses they live at. I'll write a postal to Aunt Margaret and to five or six girls I know will be glad to spend a week or ten days with me. And say, Uncle Sam, I'll look round and then make out a list of groceries and other things I want you to bring out, and—any place where I can buy a Christmas tree?"

"Ain't none better than grow right down on your uncle's place."

"All right, I'll get the Dill boy to help, an' we'll rig up a nice one."

"Need any Christmas present stuff?" chuckled old Sam. "Mebbe ye'd like to see Tomson pry the cover off that box."

"Deed I would," promptly. "I'll be right over from the post office."

The girls condemned to a prospective boarding-house Christmas accepted Brice's invitation relievedly. On the third day Old Sam brought the hilarious five out in his ancient express wagon.

Then the girls piled in like a whole jolly Christmas in itself, and the old farmhouse seemed like to burst itself. The Christmas tree was cut and drawn home with all the appropriate songs and carols and huzzas they could think of, and trimmed as never a Christmas tree had been trimmed before. Dressed in all sorts of costumes, the happy girls sang hymns hour after hour, quitting only when they were too tired to continue.

And then, right in the midst of it the hearty voice of Uncle Jack roared through the door, mellowed by the softer, happy laugh of Aunt Margaret.

"I'm going to have that dinky post office over there indicted," guffawed Uncle Jack. "Kept that postal four days before the R. F. D. delivered it. Fifteen minutes after that we were on our way. Of course, we had to come. Five more girls to help wake the old house up! Whoopee! Why didn't you write so we needn't have left the lonesome place?"

Need More Food. "Why didn't you write so I'd have known what to expect?" retorted Brice.

"Lucky none of us did," laughed Aunt Margaret, "for then we might not have these five extra nice girls. Come, I must get into the kitchen."

"But we've cooked and cooked, and cooked, till—"

"Not enough," declared Aunt Margaret firmly. "no matter how much you've done. There are all your old friends that must be invited to come—though they'll come anyhow. And we must invite a lot of extra young people in evenings to help keep things going. Then—my land! There's a wagon-load outside. Cousin Mary didn't want us to leave, so we brought 'em all along. Jack's going into town this evening to buy what he can find. If any of your girls want to go along he'd like your company."

"But, Aunt Margaret, we've got a tree ram-jammed full," protested Brice.

"Not enough," firmly. "We can pack on the floor under the tree. Now I'm going into the kitchen. Can't you see, girls?" her firm voice dropping pathetically, "being Christmas, I've just got to cook something."

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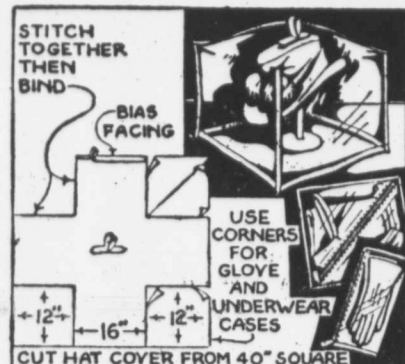
German Priest and Schoolmaster Wrote 'Silent Night' "SILENT NIGHT," the favorite Christmas carol, was written by a German country priest and his friend, the schoolmaster of a neighboring village, for a Christmas now a century gone. After its first use in 1818, in a little Austrian town, it gradually made friends until it came to be known in all Germany and, in translation, in many other countries, observes a writer in the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The author of the verses of "Stille Nacht! Heilige Nacht!" was Joseph Mohr, born in Salzburg, Austria, in 1792. He was ordained a priest in 1815, and when he wrote the song was assistant at Laufen, on the Salz, near Salzburg. Later he held pastorates in various other places, and died in 1848.

The schoolmaster of Arnsdorf, near Laufen, who wrote the music of this and also of a number of lesser known hymns, was Franz Gruber, born in Hochburg in 1797.

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by Ruth Wyeth Spears



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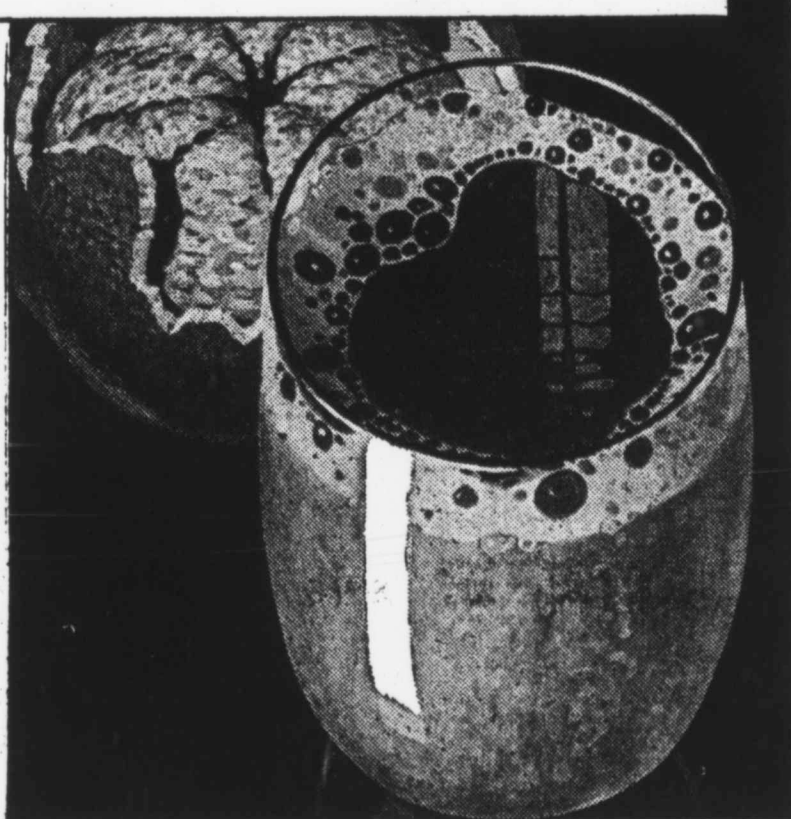
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JUNIOR FLASHES

"Damsels in Distress", the Junior Play, was a great success, so far as we know. We all enjoyed working on it very much, and we hope you enjoyed it also. As the class reporter, I want to thank everyone who had a part on making our play a success. Especially we want to thank Mrs. Ison for working and spending her time with us.

Can you realize Christmas is almost here? I hope Santa fills your stocking to the very top. Of course you can't expect much if you have been bad, but most of us have been pretty good. "Thanks to someone" for your being good.

A letter from a junior girl.

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl all year. Please, fill my stocking with a blonde headed boy from Lorraine who is a Junior.

Yours truly
Lucille Martin

Did Jack Frost bite you during those cold, rainy days. It seemed that not many of our Junior were wandering around as usual over the week end. Almost everyone stayed near their fire.

Oh boy did you see what I saw, a large stack of new books for the library.

A merry Christmas to you from the Juniors.

SENIOR SKETCH

Freda Fair Derryberry was born August 10, 1924, in the little town of Lorraine, Texas. She stands 5 ft. 5 inches tall, weighing 110 pounds. She has a very light complexion with a bridge of freckles across her nose, her eyes are blue, and her hair is light brown.

Freda has been attending Lorraine High School for eleven years.

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BAND NEWS

Wayland Roberts was born on Dec. 29, 1924 in Lorraine, Texas. He started to school in Lorraine in the first grade. He started in band in the seventh grade, playing a snare drum. When he was a freshman he graduated to the bass drum and later he started playing a baritone. which he played that spring at the contest. Last year he started playing an Eflat bass. This year he is playing a BBflat sousaphone. Wayland is a Junior and he played the part of Shelby Parsons in the Junior play. Wayland is 5' 11" tall and he weighs one hundred and fifty pounds and some girls think he's the answer to a maiden's prayer. We wonder who.

The band still wants those Nola Soap Flakes and Magic Washer Soap Flakes bog tops. We will get an instrument for the band if we get enough of the tops and we wish everyone in Lorraine would cooperate with us on this.

Christmas is coming soon and the band is being as nice as possible, in hopes that Santa will be generous with everything they want. Here's a letter from the band to Santa.

Dear Santa:
We have been good boys and girls. We have played our scales every day and tried to remember not to talk in class. We have memorized four tunes and know them perfectly? Here's what we want for Christmas. For the whole band a new bass horn. Arleen wants a doll with sleepy eyes. Mary Love wants somebody to work in place of her. Mary Frances wants a 19-40 Chevy Coupe. Blue, to be exact. Benny McGowan wants a Freshman doll with brown hair and a dimple. Melvin, Clare, Wayland, and Merrill want to know why they should be confirmed bachelors the rest of their life. Joy Green wants a date every night during

Christmas week. Margaret Watson wants a dog that squawks and Jett Lee wants one too. Wanda Fay wants a set of doll dishes. Alvin and Rodney want firecrackers! Mason Richburg wants a set of blocks and a real toy fire engine. Dorothy Myers and Freda Derryberry want sewing sets and Freda also wants a wine 1941 Oldsmobile. Catherine Foreman wants a six-shooter! Doris Butler wants Santa Claus to bring her a certain Soph boy, no name mentioned. Forest Meadows wants a horse for Christmas! "Hi-yo Silver!" W. A. wants a machine gun. Alleen Hallmark wants some cowboy boots. Gloria Martin wants to know why she has to be an old maid the rest of her life.

Yours truly,
The Band

SENIOR NEWS

Since Santa is coming soon, Royal has already written him a letter:

Dear Santa: Please bring me some paper shell pecans, so when I crack them in English class they won't make so much noise.

Wishing you would hurry,

I am Lovingly yours,

Royal James.

P. S. Also bring me a little red wagon.

LIBRARY GETS NEW BOOKS

The High School Library received several new books this week. The books are: A. Lincoln—Drinkwater, Story of My Life—Kelley, Coronado's Children—Dobie, It Can't Happen Here—Lewis, Shawl With Silver Bells—Crew, Rivers End—Curwood, Marmion—Scott, Beau Geste—Wren, Man From Glengarry—Connor, Hoosier Schoolmaster—Eggleston, Janice Meredith—Ford, Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come—Fox, Covered Wa-

gon—Hough, If I Have Four Apples—Lawrence, We—Lindbergh, Just David—Porter, Seventeen—Targington, Escape—Vance, Little Men—Alcott, Robinson Crusoe, Scarlet Letter—Hawthorne, Tom Brown's School Days—Hughes, Tales From Shakespeare—Lamb.

HOMEMAKING III A NEWS

Miss Harris, one of the County Health Nurses in Nolan County, visited the Homemaking department of the Lorraine High School Thursday the 5th of December.

She gave a very interesting talk and demonstration for the Home making III A Class on "The Care of the Mother and Infant".

While here, she told us about the dentist of The State Department, of Health, that would be in Roscoe Tuesday the tenth. All of the arrangements were made for us to go. The demonstration was in form of a show. We enjoyed the trip and appreciated his talk very much.

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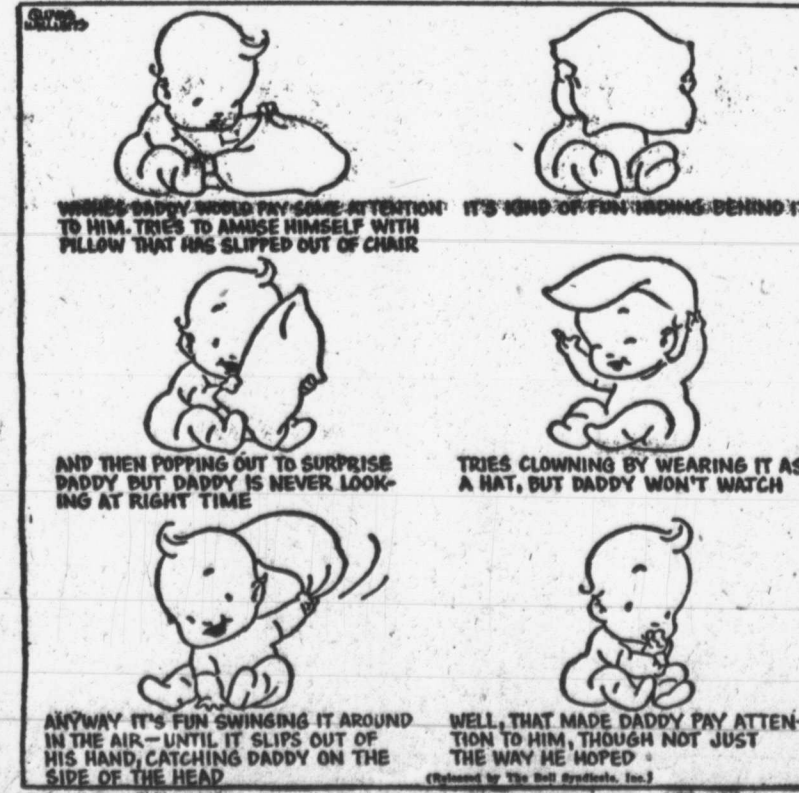
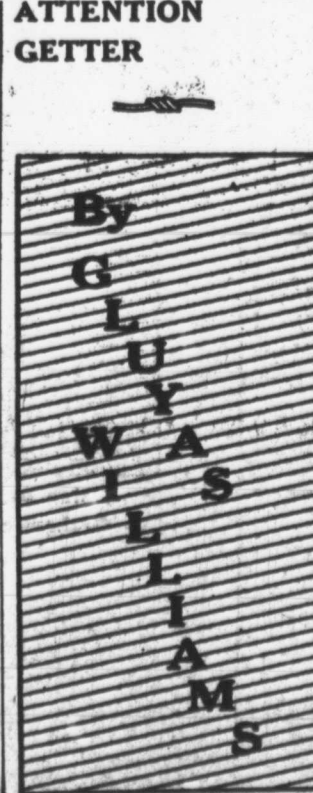
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Household News By Eleanor Howe



IT COMES UPON THE MIDNIGHT CLEAR... MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A CUP OF CHEER!
(See Recipes Below)

'Tis the night before Christmas and all through the house everybody's stirring except the wee people who are wandering in dreamland with Santa Claus. The little stockings have been filled to bursting, the last package has been tied up in tissue and ribbon, the Christmas angel has taken the tree under the shadow of its wings... and everybody's hungry!

So... when it comes upon the midnight clear—that glorious song of old—the family wish each other Merry Christmas and gather round the buffet table for a snack and a cup of cheer.

The bill of fare, on such an occasion, is as simple as the way it's served; a platter of cold meats, served with hot chili sauce; soft rolls or French bread or perhaps melba toast; and cookies for the sweet tooth are the perfect accompaniment to hot tea which quickens the Christmas spirit.

Or perhaps you'd like to serve bowls of creamy, old-fashioned oyster stew, with toasted hard rolls, a green salad if you like, and for dessert doughnuts with hot, spicy apple sauce.

Oyster Stew
(Serves 6 to 8)
1 quart oysters
1/2 cup butter
2 quarts rich milk
Salt and pepper to taste

Place oysters, strained oyster liquor, and butter in a saucepan and cook gently until edges of oysters begin to curl. Heat milk in a separate saucepan at the same time. (Caution: Milk should be thoroughly heated, but should not boil.) Add oysters to milk and season to taste. Serve immediately.

Stir-up Chocolate Cake.
(Makes 1 8-inch square cake)
1 egg (unbeaten)
1/2 cup cocoa
1/2 cup shortening
1 1/2 cups flour
1/2 cup sour milk
1 teaspoon soda
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup hot water
1 cup sugar
1/2 teaspoon salt

Put ingredients in mixing bowl in order given. Stir or beat until the batter is smooth. Pour into greased cake pan 8 by 8 by 2 inches square. Bake in a moderately slow oven (325 degrees) for about 50 minutes.

Boiled Icing.
2 1/2 cups sugar
1/2 cup light corn syrup
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup water
2 egg whites (well beaten)
1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Place sugar, corn syrup, salt and water together in a saucepan and cook to the firm ball stage (250 degrees). Pour the hot syrup slowly into the well-beaten egg whites, beating constantly. Add vanilla extract and continue beating until the frosting will hold its shape when tossed over the back of a spoon. Should the icing become too stiff to manipulate easily, a very small amount of hot water may be added, or the icing may be remelted in the top of a double boiler. Spread on cake in swirls.

Buttermilk Rolls.
(Makes 3 dozen)
1 cake yeast
2 cups buttermilk (scalded and cooled)
2 tablespoons sugar
2 teaspoons salt
1/4 teaspoon soda
4 cups flour

2 tablespoons shortening (melted)
Soften yeast in buttermilk which has been scalded and cooled to lukewarm. Add sugar, salt, and soda to the rest of the buttermilk. Add softened yeast and half of the flour. Beat until the batter is smooth and full of bubbles. Beat in fat and remaining flour, mixing until dough forms a ball. Turn onto a well-

Feeding Father.
For the married folk you like to remember with an inexpensive Christmas gift, or for clever party favors, how about a copy of Eleanor Howe's cookbook "Feeding Father"? You'll find in it the recipes for the foods that men like best, tested recipes, too, for foods like Old Fashioned Navy Bean Soup, Baked Onions, Stuffed Pork Chops and Chocolate Cream Pie!

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floured board (using 1/2 cup flour) and knead until the dough is smooth and elastic. Roll out to 1/2-inch thickness. Cut into rounds and place 1/2-inch apart on greased baking sheet. Brush with melted butter, and let rise in a warm place until double in bulk (about 1 hour). Bake in a hot oven (425 degrees) for 15 to 20 minutes.

Deviled Eggs.
6 hard cooked eggs
5 tablespoons mayonnaise-type salad dressing
2 teaspoons onion (minced)
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon prepared mustard
Tabasco sauce

Cut hard cooked eggs in half lengthwise. Remove yolks and force through sieve. Add remaining ingredients and mix well, using additional salad dressing if desired. Refill whites with yolk mixture. Chill. Sprinkle with paprika or minced chives.

Spicy Apple Sauce.
(Serves 6)
8 medium-sized tart apples
Water
1 cup sugar
1/4 teaspoon cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg

Wash, quarter, and core apples. Place in saucepan with just enough water to cover. Add sugar and spices. Cover, and cook over low heat for about 10 minutes. Rub through coarse strainer. Serve hot.

Sour Cream Doughnuts.
(Makes 3 dozen)
2 eggs
1/2 cup sugar
1 cup thick sour cream
3 cups flour
1 teaspoon nutmeg
1/2 teaspoon soda
1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt

Beat eggs until thick and light; add sugar and sour cream. Beat well. Sift remaining 5 dry ingredients together. Add to first mixture to make a soft dough. More flour may be needed if dough is very sticky and is to be rolled and cut immediately. If not used at once, chill overnight or several hours. Roll out dough, small portions at a time, 1/4 inch thick, using as little flour on board as possible. Cut with floured cutter.

Preheat enough frying fat to 375 degrees Fahrenheit. Fry a few doughnuts at a time, turning them only once. When browned on both sides, remove from fat and drain on soft, absorbent paper. When cold, sprinkle with powdered sugar, if desired. (Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

If your kitchen storage space is limited, make filelike shelves in a lower cupboard and use them for storing lids, pie and cake pans and other flat utensils. This will be a time saver.

Hard-cooked eggs will peel easily if, as soon as they are cooked, their shells are cracked slightly and the eggs are dropped into cold water for five minutes. The eggs may then be chilled and used.

IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D.
Dean of The Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.
(Released by Western Newspaper Union.)

Lesson for December 22

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SHARING THE SHEPHERDS' JOY (Christmas Lesson)

LESSON TEXT—Luke 2:8-20.
GOLDEN TEXT—Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.—Luke 2:14.

Tinsel and toys, snow and sleigh bells, crowded department stores and rushing throngs, gifts and greeting cards, Christmas dinner and fellowship with family and friends—is that all Christmas means to us? All these things are proper in their place—exciting and interesting—but they are not enough.

They have never been enough and certainly they will not do this year, with a world in chaos. We need not lose any of the thrilling enjoyment of Christmas by properly observing the day; in fact, we shall only enhance its meaning and bring out its real glory by keeping Christ at the heart of our Christmas.

The opening verses of Luke 2 tell us of the coming of Mary with Joseph to God's appointed place at His appointed time for the coming into this world of His Son to be made flesh and dwell among us (John 1:14). Our lesson tells us of

I. Good Tidings of Great Joy (vv. 8-14).

God had good news for the people of this world and He gave it, as was His custom, to those who were faithfully discharging their humble duties (cf. Judg. 6:11, 12; I Kings 19:19). God is still ready to reveal His glory and grace in the "office, kitchen, mill, barn school-room, and open field—places where people are at work on daily tasks" (Douglas). You need not be in the great church in a large city to meet Him on Christmas day. He will reveal Himself in all His beauty where you are, though you be in the humblest surroundings and at the most menial task. Look for Him!

Jesus came as a Saviour. "The world did not want an adviser. The world had advised itself almost into hell. The world did not ask for a spectator. Everything that man could do had been done, and men sat in the darkness of their own wisdom. The world did not want a reformer, a man who could change his outward and transient relations, an engineer that would continually devote his time (for appropriate remuneration) to the readjustment of the wheels and the pulleys and the various mechanical forces of society. The world wanted a saviour" (Joseph Parker).

Note that the army of heaven came to declare peace, not war; but only to those in "whom He is well pleased" (v. 14, R. V.). As long as men serve the devil and displease God, they will have no peace.

II. Great Faith and Constant Action (vv. 15, 16).

The shepherds did not say, "Let us now go and see if this thing has come to pass," or "which we expect or hope will come to pass," but said, "which is come to pass." They went not to test God's word, but in the assurance that they would "see" what had come to pass. Blessed faith! Let us too believe God's word to us.

But "faith without works is dead" (James 2:17). The shepherds might have made many excuses for not going but "they came" and "found" the Saviour. Perhaps you who read these words have failed at that point; you have not come to Jesus as your Saviour. No more appropriate time could be found to come than right now. Believe, then act on your faith.

Some of us who are Christians need also to learn of the shepherds. We talk a great deal about our devotion to Christ. Especially at this Christmas season we render much "lip service" to Him. Let us make it real, and our lives virile and active for Him.

III. Good News for Meditation and Proclamation (vv. 17-20).

The gospel is literally "good news." What a blessed privilege it is to have such good news in a day of evil tidings, of darkness and despair. There are two things we ought to do with the gospel of God's redeeming grace. We should make it known to the ends of the earth, but we should also do as Mary, "who kept all these things and pondered them in her heart." We know she had special reasons for doing so, but may we not suggest that you too make this Christmas a time when you will ponder in your own heart what God has done for you in Christ?

The shepherds also set us a Christmas example, for they "made known abroad" the coming of the Saviour. Will you tell someone else today? Will you, like the shepherds, be "glorifying and praising God" this Christmas? You will if you, like them, go to the manger and meet Jesus. If you go to this world's empty show of celebration, you will return empty (see v. 20).

May the blessed peace of Christ be yours this Christmas. That is my wish from the heart to you.

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When you list livestock to Sweetwater Land-Cattle Commission Co. in Sweetwater you can always depend upon getting the best market value for livestock as they are among the most favorably known dealers in this line.

Sweetwater Land-Cattle Commission Co. has always assisted materially in the growth and expansion of the city as a trade center and has been partially respon-

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Here the stockraisers of this section are assured of honest weight for livestock and therefore conduct a business that is high of commercial value to the public. Remember that were the stockraisers of this community compelled to ship their livestock elsewhere they would fall far short of getting the prices Sweetwater Land-Cattle Commission Co. will offer them.

The dealings with the producer are courteous and accommodating

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As we think of the affliction that mankind is incidental subject to. We look at the smooth exterior of our bodies and wonder why. The baby is born with its organism working normally. As long as nature can continue its constructive energy the baby will grow and remain normal in every respect, until like an old machine, it will finally wear out. If we were once well and normal, why are we sick now?

Dr. Dann will prove that the so-called disease of the stomach, kidneys and constipation dyspepsia, headaches are caused partially or wholly through pressure on the spinal nerves causing disease wherever those nerves extend.

By making analysis of the spine, Dr. Dann can detect any displacement. Can remove the pressure that causes disease, good health follows naturally.

The nerve system is designed to give perfect health to all organs and keep them in repair if through abnormal curvature joints, strains, falls or wrenches at some time in life the movable bones of the spine are displaced even slightly, they press on these nerves and obstruct the flow of life energy. Weakness and disease result in the organs that these nerves supply.

Dr. Dann features massage, x-ray-terpezone, electric treatments, colon therapy. Colon therapy is given by trained technicians.

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For Sale—Set of blacksmith tools. Mrs. S. D. Dunnahoo. 29-2p

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If you want to buy or sell real estate see me, Joe Tom Draper, licensed real estate dealer. 2tp

For Sale—1935 Ford Tudor in good shape. Meadows Grocery.

My bedroom suit for sale two good mattresses. Will trade for good second hand trunk. Mrs. Pearl Bennet. 1tc

Wanted: Ironing to do. 25 a doz. Mixed pieces. Mrs. S. I. Reese. 1tc

Lost—Black mare mule with scar on front foot. \$5.00 reward. Notify the Mitchell County News or Luis Aguilar, Lorraine, Texas

The party who has my Fresno will please return same. J. M. Bruce
Early American Gift Sets \$1.00 and up. The Martin Drug Store. adv.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Long and Thomas Bob of Colorado City, visited in the T. R. Bennett home Tuesday night.

Evening in Paris Gift Sets. The Martin Drug Store. adv.

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Early American Cologne for men—\$1.00. The Martin Drug Store adv.

**ORDER FROM US****JOHN DEERE FIELD DAY AT ROSCOE JANUARY 6**

R. E. Gracey, dealer for John Deere Tractors and farm implements at Roscoe, will stage a John Deere Field Day at his place on Monday, January 6, 1941.

The days activities will start at ten o'clock in the morning and climax with a free show in the afternoon. At noon pig sandwiches and coffee will be served and during the afternoon a machinery demonstration will be held if the weather permits. Everybody is invited to attend the Field Day.

See our Holiday Gift line at Hutchins & Hall Drugs.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Thompson and sons of Colorado City visited Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Griffin Sunday afternoon.

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Colorado City, Texas



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SUGAR Pure Cane 10 lb Cloth Bag49

FLOUR, Texas Lily Best Grade 24 lb75 48 lb\$1.39

Coconut fresh 2 for .15

SALMON 2 cans Chum25

OATS Any Kind White Premium pkg.25

TOMATOES 6 No. 1 cans.....25 4 No. 2 cans25

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Many other Gifts. We invite you to give us a visit and wishing you one and all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The Lorraine Mercantile Co.**H. E. Thomas**

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LARD Swifts Jewel 4 lb .35

PECANS lb .10

DATES lb .20

RAISINS 2 lb .17

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