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New County Officials To Take Office Friday, Jan. 1

Friday, January 1, will be a busy day in the Dawson County Courthouse when new officials, as well as those returned to office, will take their oaths. The ceremony will take place in the County Judge's office between 9 and 10 a. m. The public is invited to attend.

Five new officials were elected and will take office, Kilmer Corbin will take the County Judge oath, succeeding R. R. Townsend. W. W. Petteway succeeds Allie Mae Salsar. The two new Commissioners are R. L. Buchee, succeeding G. T. Aten in precinct 2, and J. A. Hogg, succeeding Oley Shofner in precinct 1, and Constable Tim Boyd.

The balance of the official family were returned to office for another term by the voters of this county. They are County Clerk, Howard Humphrey; Sheriff, A. M. Bennett; Tax Assessor-Collector, R. W. Herndon; County Attorney, Karl Cayton; County Treasurer, Roxie A. Gaines; Commissioner Precinct 3, J. F. O'Brien; and Commissioner Precinct 4, J. E. Debnam; Justice of Peace, D. M. Campbell; Public Weigher, Mrs. Granville Wyatt.

Baptist Leader



Dr. J. M. Dawson of Texas' top-ranking churchmen, long has been prominent in affairs of various branches of the Baptist Church. He entered the ministry in 1899, and since Jan. 1, 1915, has been pastor of the First Baptist Church of Waco.

Administrators To Have Meeting

State Superintendent L. A. Woods informs county superintendent P. K. Humes, that the Tenth Annual Administrators meeting will be held in Austin, January 7, 8, and 9th.

Outstanding Army and Navy men, together with well known educational administrators of the state and nation will be on the program. Dr. J. W. Studebaker, U. S. Commissioner of Education, Washington, D. C., Brigadier General Henry McSherry and Commander Ekstrom will appear on the program.

According to Mr. Humes several from Dawson will probably attend this meeting.

Cotton Marketing Quotas Continued

Eighty-four per cent of the Texas cotton farmers voting in the cotton marketing quota referendum favored using quotas on the 1943 crop. George Slaughter, state AAA committee chairman, has announced.

Virtually complete returns indicate that 89,654 farmers voted "yes" and 16,121 voted "no," Slaughter said.

Since quotas were approved nationally, they will be in effect during 1943. Loans at 90 per cent of parity also will be applicable on next year's crop.

By limiting the number of acres which they can plant to cotton in 1943, farmers are making certain that all available land, labor, equipment and fertilizer will be used to the greatest advantage in the production of more essential war crops, he said.

LOUIS D. HUSE HAS BEEN PROMOTED TO CORPORAL

Louis D. Huse, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Huse has recently been promoted to Corporal and is now located at Ft. Brown, Texas.

COOPERATING IN BOND ADS FOR THIS MONTH

A list containing the names of firms and individuals, who are cooperating in the Treasury Department War Bond Stamp program, will be published in this space each issue of the Courier.

A special series of advertisements, encouraging the sale of War Bonds and Stamps, has been prepared by the Treasury Department and will be offered for sale by the Courier each week.

The following list includes those who have purchased War Bond and Stamp advertising this month:

Hurt's Lamesa Creamery	Barney McKinney Appliance
M. Q. Martin—Insurance	Dal-Paso Hotel
Lamesa National Bank	Rogers Studio
Clark-McDonald Drug	Roy's Cafe
Cavern Cafe	E. R. Yates
O. H. Morris & Son	Adams Jewelry
Bryant-Link Co.	W. H. Strange & Son
J. C. Penney Co.	Firestone Feed and Poultry
Forrest Lumber Co.	Davis Furniture Co.
Painter & Mayfield	Miller Tire Company
Piggy Wiggy	Hull's Cash Grocery
Boyd Motor Co.	Farmers Food Way
Cicero Smith Lumber Co.	Whitehead Laundry
Boone Drug	Jordan's Trucking Co.
Dyer Hdw. & Auto Supply	Hudgens Grocery
Globe Dry Cleaners	V. O. Key
Kenneth Cox Implement Co.	Richardson's Stores
	Rubys Beauty Shop

Nineteen Applications For New Equipment Approved

The Dawson County Farm Machinery Rationing Board have approved nineteen applications for new farm machinery, during the period from November 10, and December 21.

The following is a list of the men receiving new machinery, and the type of machinery each received: Travis Scott, hammer mill; D. I. Hogg, hammer mill; W. S. Townsend, hammer mill; J. E. Aihart, hammer mill; L. S. Munger, seed cleaning machine; Mrs. Roy Myers, hammer mill complete; Mrs. May Brooks, poultry and rabbit netting.

J. A. Fletcher, cream separator; R. B. Brown, windmill; E. M. Latham, feed mill; L. R. Earnest, hammer mill with belt; Ed C. Hatch feed mill; Randolph-Norman Grain Company, hammer mill; Clay Howell, hammer mill; E. E. Barron, two redwood stock tanks; J. R. Westmoreland, tractor; Charlie Schneider, cream separator; R. T. Bedwell, feed mill; and S. L. Stephens, cream can.

Five Colored Men To Leave Dec. 31 For Induction

Five Dawson County colored men will leave on Thursday, December 31 for induction into the armed forces, according to a release from the local Selective Service Board Tuesday.

The colored men to leave and their order numbers are: 21144 Albert Stevenson; 2134 Willie K. Bolton; 1714 Fate Anthony; 1033 J. D. Driver; and 11748 Rufus Castle.

Washington's government is headed by three commissioners, appointed by the President to three-year terms at \$9,000 annually.

Teachers May Get Emergency Certificates

C. L. Kuykendall, chairman of the Board of Examiners of the State Department of Education writes P. K. Humes concerning teachers receiving emergency teaching certificates. His letter is as follows:

"We realize that the teacher shortage situation has become quite acute. Rather than give State Examinations each month, which our finances will not permit, we have devised a plan that we hope will take care of the situation. Your former teachers who are actually to be employed will be issued an emergency certificate that will serve the purpose until April examinations. A request must come from the county superintendent or the local board of trustees before the document may be issued."

Mr. Humes explains further, that a teacher who formerly held a certificate, which now has expired, may secure an emergency certificate, which will allow her to go back to teaching, and take the teachers examination in April. For other information on this those interested are asked to contact Mr. Humes.

Mrs. G. Boswell Dies In Fort Worth Hospital

Mrs. Fannie Boswell, 57, passed away in a Fort Worth hospital on Sunday, December 20, following major surgery.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday afternoon, December 22 at the Higginbotham Chapel with Rev. E. F. Cole officiating. Burial was made in the Lamesa Cemetery.

Mrs. Boswell was born on August 5, 1885. She had made her home in Lamesa for a number of years. She was a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors are her husband, Glen Boswell, and the following children, Mrs. D. H. Loyd, Latex, Texas; Mrs. B. H. Wade, Mrs. C. K. Jeter, Houston; Ollie Boswell, New Orleans, La.; Aubrey Boswell, Camp White, Oregon; Audrey Boswell, San Francisco; Gene Boswell, Fort Worth; Oscar Boswell, and Glenn Jr., Boswell, U. S. Army, and Arnold Boswell, Lamesa.

MR. AND MRS. CRAWLEY HEAR FROM SON OVERSEAS

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Crawley had a communication this week from their son, Richard, stating that he had arrived at his overseas destination and was safe and doing well.

EPISCOPAL SERVICES SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27

Episcopal Services will be held Sunday night, December 27 at 8:15 at the Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Robert J. Snell officiating. The public is cordially invited to attend.

A tornado often runs its entire course in less than an hour.

Any proposed law for the District of Columbia has to be approved by the federal Bureau of the Budget, even if it is not a financial measure.

As Sunset Beat Sandies



Ned Welch, fullback of Sunset High of Dallas, is smothered after going around right end for a four-yard gain in the fourth quarter of the game with Amarillo's Golden Sandies at Dallas Saturday. Sunset defeated Amarillo 13 to 0.

Many Business Houses To Close Both Friday-Saturday

Practically all business houses in Lamesa will be closed on Saturday, December 26, according to information from the Chamber of Commerce. Every Store will be closed on Friday, Christmas Day, with the majority of them staying closed Saturday, the following day.

Both of the banks will be closed all day Friday and all day Saturday.

Local business houses have had a record business during this Christmas shopping period and many of them state that their clerks are due a much needed vacation, so therefore they have decided to close on both Friday and Saturday this week, and will be open for business again on Monday morning, December 28.

Bigger Food Production With Fewer Machines

According to R. W. Kelley, local J. I. Case Company dealer, in the past, American Farmers in war years and for several years following each war period, have purchased substantially more farm machinery, (with fewer persons on the farms), to meet the War Food requirements—and the demands of the following readjustment period.

Now, for the first time in history, increased food production is planned with fewer persons on the farm and less new farm machinery. The quantity of each new farm machine to be manufactured, has been determined by the Federal Government. Federal Government Distribution is allocating these to the various states, whose State War Production Boards are allotting the state quotas to the individual counties for rationing to farmers through County Rationing Committees. The states now have their quotas, and County Rationing Committees who have not recently received their allotments, by units, will receive them soon.

LOYD B. MURPHY PROMOTED TO CORPORAL

Word has been received here that Lloyd B. Murphy has been promoted to Corporal. Corporal Murphy has been in service 2 1/2 months and is receiving his training at Big Spring Bombardier Flying School, as a specialist in airplane mechanical work.

FIVE BUCKS BRING THESE HUNTERS ONE

PIERRE, S. D. (AP) — Buying a 55 license was almost tantamount to getting an antelope during the special four-day season prescribed by the South Dakota Game Commission.

Of 487 licenses to report on their hunt, 486 said they bagged game. The commission issued the licenses to cull old bucks from herds which an airplane census showed numbered more than 10,000 animals.

There are more than 15,000 Masonic lodges in the United States.

The suicide rate in England in 1941 among males was about 15 per cent below that of 1939.

Designation Of War Crops Announced By State AAA

Martin Creel Reported Killed In Naval Action

E. R. Creel of the Shumake community received a telegram Tuesday from the Navy Department at Washington, telling him that his son, Martin Creel, had been killed in action in the performance of his duty and in the service of his country. The Navy Department extended to the family their sincerest sympathy in their great loss. If further details are received he would be informed. The telegram was signed by Rear Admiral Randall Jacobs, Chief of Personnel.

Young Creel was 20 years old and had been in the service a little over 4 months.

Mrs. Lewis Eager Mother Dies In Lubbock Sunday

Mrs. Mary Lou Howell, 75, of Big Spring, mother of Mrs. Lewis Eager of this city, passed away Sunday at the home of another daughter, Mrs. Willie D. Watson in Lubbock.

Funeral services were held at the First Methodist Church in Big Spring Monday afternoon. Burial was made in the Big Spring Cemetery besides her husband, who preceded her in death three years.

Mrs. Howell is survived by her two daughters, Mrs. Eager and Mrs. Watson; two sisters, Mrs. Maggie Hodge of Abilene and Mrs. Ollie Week of Stephenville, and two grandchildren.

Mrs. Howell has resided in Big Spring for 42 years, and had only been in Lubbock a month before her death. She was well known in Lamesa.

I. T. Truitt, 83 Passes Away On Tuesday, Dec. 22

I. T. Truitt, 83, a resident of the Key Community, died at his home on Tuesday, December 22.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. on Wednesday at the Key Baptist Church. Burial was made in the Lamesa Cemetery.

Mr. Truitt was born on October 7, 1859 in Freestone County. He moved to Dawson County 26 years ago. He was a member of the Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Mary Belle Truitt and the following children, H. E. Truitt, Wellman; Mrs. E. J. Dyess, Roy Truitt, Granville Truitt, Mrs. Bernice Collett, and Eugene Truitt, all of Lamesa, and Mrs. Opal Riley, Carlsbad, N. M. Twenty-one grandchildren also survive.

LT. CAYLOS CHAPMAN ARRIVES OVERSEAS

Mrs. R. E. Britt has received the information that her son, Lt. Caylos Chapman, who is in the air corps, has reached his overseas destination and is safe and doing fine.

Peanuts for oil and soybeans for beans head the list of farm crops designated as warcrops for Texas, the state AAA office has announced.

Other war crops grown in Texas include American-Egyptian cotton, tomatoes for canning, peas for canning, and dry edible beans, and others that may be announced later, George Slaughter, state AAA committee chairman, said.

Production goals for these war crops will be set up for individual farms. Failure to reach at least 90 per cent of goals will result in deductions from AAA production adjustment (commodity) payments at the rate of \$15 for each acre by which the war crop goal for the farm is not reached, Slaughter said.

Although the AAA requires that at least 90 per cent of the allotments of basic crops (cotton, wheat and rice) be planted for the farm to earn full production payments, either war crops or essential crops over and above the normal acreage may be substituted acre for acre for the basic crops to earn the payments. The full list of essential crops has not been announced, but it will include corn, oats, grain sorghums, barley, and certain other crops.

Peanuts planted in excess of allotments will qualify as war crops to meet production goals and to substitute for cotton, Slaughter pointed out.

To encourage full use of all available cropland under the 1943 program, production adjustment payments will be made to cooperating farmers.

Rates of payments, based on the normal yield of allotted acres, include: cotton 11 cents per pound; wheat, 92 cents per bushel; rice 32 cents per barrel and allotment peanuts, 55 cents per 100 pounds.

In addition to the crop production adjustment payments, farmers also will be able to earn a production practice payment by carrying out specified agricultural practices which improve soil, help prevent erosion and increase yields of needed war crops, Slaughter said.

All gasoline ration coupons must be endorsed on the back J. T. Allen, chairman of the Gasoline Panel of the Dawson County War Price and Rationing Board informs us. All 'A', 'B', 'C' and 'D' coupons must be endorsed on the back with the car license number and state. Fleet operators must write the fleet name on the back of each coupon.

Holders of 'E' and 'F' coupons must endorse them on back with the name and address of user. 'T' coupons must be endorsed on the back with War Certificate number of fleet name.

All car and truck owners in the county must comply with this ruling. Mr. Allen said, and if you have not already done this, do so at once. Filing Station operators are not to accept coupons that are not endorsed.

The average age of father in the United States at the birth of their children is 32 years.

Honored At Ship Launching



Texas school children representing schools which made best Texas Records in the Newspaper sponsored Scrap Metal drive, held the limelight at the launching of the Liberty Ship, Big Foot Wallace, at Houston, Dec. 12. Left to right: Florine Lisso, Lowake; Grover Stephens, Sierra Blanca; Dale Shepherd, chairman of Harris county scrap drive; Cornelia Bennett, Marathon, and Riley Lowe, Lowake. The small girl in front is Emma Jean Gordon of Jefferson.

Sponsors Liberty Ship At Houston



Mrs. Jesse H. Jones, wife of Commerce Secretary, (holding bottle) sponsors Liberty Ship launching at Houston, Texas, as part of a celebration Dec. 21 climaxing a bond selling drive to cover cost of a new cruiser Houston. Left to Right: Mrs. Tilford Jones, daughter-in-law of Mrs. Jesse H. Jones; Mrs. Jesse Jones; Arthur Stout, general manager of Houston Shipbuilding Corp., and Tilford Jones, son of Mrs. Jesse Jones.

BUY BONDS AND STAMPS



We wish to thank our friends and customers for your patronage and to wish you a very Merry Christmas!

MARTIN LINEN SUPPLY CO.

"Cleanliness Is Health Insurance"

A Christmas Salute to All the Folks in LAMESA, TEXAS

We wish to express to you our appreciation of the pleasant association between us, and extend our sincere wishes for a Merry Christmas and the fulfillment of every bright promise for your happiness in the New Year.

SEARS, ROEBUCK AND CO.
ORDER OFFICE

FARM NEWS

from YOUR COUNTY AGENT TEXAS EXTENSION SERVICE

Requests for terracing dates are coming in rapidly, states B. J. Baskin, County Agent of the Texas A. and M. College Extension Service.

The new AAA terracing program makes it possible for a farmer to terrace his entire farm in 1943 and receive full payment for such terraces at the rate of 80¢ per 100 feet. This payment is an additional payment OVER and ABOVE his regular AAA payments. Too, he can receive this payment within a very short time after the completion of the terrace construction.

Farmers wishing terrace lines established by the county agent should make tentative dates as early as possible.

Texas quota of hogs under the "Food For Freedom" program has been increased 15 per cent in numbers and also an average of 10 pounds added weight per hog for 1943.

Farmers are asked to feed more hogs—and feed these hogs to heavier weights. In other words, if Mr. 'A' fed out 100 hogs in 1942 and they averaged 235 when sold then he is asked to feed out 115 hogs averaging 245 pounds in 1943. This means the Mr. 'A' will increase his pork production by 3675 pounds in 1943.

We hear and read much about "War Units" and the deferment of farmers as "essential farmers," states B. J. Baskin, County Agent of the Texas A. and M. College Extension Service.

Most farmers are wondering what is a "War Unit" and how many does a farmer have to have to be classed as essential. A farmer must have at least 12 War Units in the beginning and within a short time have at least 16 War Units to be classed as essential.

A War Unit has several sources of production, and all have varying number of points in determining value. A dairy cow—dry or in production—counts as 1 War Unit. Twenty steers on feed count as one War Unit. Fifteen acres of wheat equals one War Unit. Five acres of beans, same to be harvested as dry beans, count as one War Unit. Hogs, turkeys, chickens, etc., all have their value in determining the number of War Units a farm can score.

In other words a farm's value as an "Essential Farm" is based on its actual value in contributing FOOD to the War Effort, states Mr. Baskin.

Any farmer wishing to determine the War Unit value of his farming operations may contact his AAA County Chairman, AAA Secretary or

CHRISTMAS BELLS

I heard the bells on Christmas Day
Their old, familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet
The words repeat
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

And thought how, as the day had come,
The belfries of all Christendom
Had rolled along
The unbroken song
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

Till, ringing, swinging, on its way,
The world revolved from night to day

A voice, a chime,
A chant sublime
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

Then from each black, accursed mouth
The cannon thundered in the South
And with the sound
The carols drowned
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

It was as if an earthquake rent
The hearth-stones of a continent,
And made forlorn
The households born
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!

And in despair I bowed my head:
"There is no peace on earth," I said;
"For hate is strong
And mocks the song
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!"

Then pealed the bells more loud and deep,
"God is not dead; nor doth He sleep!
The Wrong shall fall,
The Right prevail,
With peace on earth, good-will to men!"

—Henry Wadsworth Longfellow.

"These Are Times That Try Men's Souls"

Especially now, when Christmas and all it stands for means so very much more



On Christmas Morn

... many's the home that will have a member of its family observing Yuletide rites in distant lands and in remote camps. To those homes ... as to the families that are happily intact... we extend every good wish for a joyous Christmas, and peace through devotion.

Good Lawyer



Forty-three-year-old Tom C. Clark, who started out as a lawyer in his native Dallas, is stacking up an enviable record as an attorney for Uncle Sam. Already he has tried about 75 cases ranging from anti-trust suits to violation of marketing agreements by watermelon growers and hasn't lost a suit.

Two Canadian lakes lie astride of the continental divide and send their waters into both the Atlantic and Pacific oceans.

his county agent.

Bonita, a new Hegari hybrid, is now on the market and available to West Texas farmers.

This new Hegari is a hybrid developed by crossing Hegari, kaffir and feterita. It is double drawl in type; is adaptable to combining; very early in maturity; and retains its highly palatable forage.

"Early Hegari", a new Hegari, that retains its high yield of grain and very palatable forage, has also been put on the market. This Early Hegari matures in about 10 days less time than the standard Hegari, and is more resistant to drought.

Dolls, They're Almost Human

Even in the doll world, science has come through with its help.

It has perfected an "almost human" doll whose heart beat can be distinguished by means of the stethoscope that is furnished with the doll's layette. So now little Janey, if she becomes worried about the condition of her "little baby's" health—even though its checks are rosy—need but put the stethoscope to use. The health, of course, all depends on Janey's decision.

There are today, even little doll-babies that eat, from a spoon, makes use of a nursery bottle like any little veteran of the crib, and even blow bubbles. Why, if Janey wants them to, they'll even walk along with her, provided, of course, she holds at least one hand. You will note, too, when Janey and her doll walks much more gracefully than ever before.

Little Janey will also notice that this year reaches a new high in smart clothing for her doll. The right style wardrobes and even accessories for all occasions have been designed.

Miss Janey is going to have a fine time with her new, modern doll this Christmas.

STAGES 'AIR RAID' WITH PISTOL, GARBAGE CAN
TULSA, Okla. (AP) — Oscar Payne, Red Cross instructor, is a realist.

He staged a mock raid on a civil air patrol unit taking an evening lesson.

The room was dimmed out as the raid was reported and Payne laid on the drama heavily as the planes came closer and closer.

As the first bombs were supposed to strike, the lights went out, there was an explosion and a terrific series of crashes.

Payne had slipped a horse-pistol

from a brief case and had fired it in the small room at the same moment that he kicked a large garbage can lid and sent it bouncing across the floor.

utes later several people were so nervous they had trouble lighting cigarettes," reported Payne. During the evacuation of Burma, a former American passenger plane, designed to seat 21, actually carried 74 persons.

Christmas Good Cheer

It is our sincere wish that loads of old-time Christmas joy will again be with us all during the Yule season. May the sacrifices of 1942 usher in soon a genuine era of good will. And thanks a thousand times for your many kindnesses during the past year.

ERNEST BARRETT GROCERY and SERVICE STATION



GREETINGS

IT'S an old-fashioned greeting, hal-
lowed by centuries of use, but we know of no other greeting to take its place, so in 1942, as in other years, we simply say to you, our friends,

MERRY CHRISTMAS

GET BORDEN'S ICE CREAM AT THESE DAWSON COUNTY STORES—

DAL-PASO DRUG
MORRIS PHARMACY
BOONE DRUG
CLARK-McDONALD DRUG
GREEN HUT CAFE
BILL'S CAFE
BLUE BONNETT CAFE
OSBORN'S DRIVE-INN
PIG STAND
EHEL'S PLACE
CAMPBELL GROCERY

BARRETT GROCERY
HATCH GROCERY
IDEAL FOOD MARKET
ROBERTS GROCERY

KLONDIKE GROCERY, Klondike
APPLGATE GROCERY, Patricia
FOREMAN GROCERY, Lenora
SPARENBERG GRO. Sparenberg
MIDWAY STORE, Midway

ELWYN KUTCH, Distributor

Borden's

"IF IT'S BORDEN'S, IT'S GOT TO BE GOOD"



Not just a wish for Christmas,
But a wish for each day of the year,
And never were greetings more hearty,
Or wishes more true and sincere.

GREETINGS

AND CHRIST SAID:

"He that hath no sword, let him sell his garment and buy one"—"and they said Lord, behold there are two swords. And he said unto them it is enough."

Moral: Ye Christians and non-Christians whet up your sword with war Bonds.

"Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us" but first help St. Peter trim off the ear of another wicked trespasser.

Here is hoping Love will finally prevail throughout the world.

CAVERN CAFE

V. O. KEY

EARNEST & NIX SAYS... MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Massive antlers of the American elk are tipped with as many as seven points each.

"Bugling" is the term used to describe the challenge issued by bull elk to their rivals.



Season's Greetings to our Friends and Customers!

MR. AND MRS. J. M. WOOD, SR.

WOOD SERVICE STATION

Buy Bonds and Stamps



With Gratitude we thank you for your patronage and assure you we will be happy to have you as one of our many satisfied customers during 1943.

**W. H. STRANGE & SON
GROCERY**

222 NORTH AUSTIN STREET

Please Put Off Your Holiday Rail Trip until after January 12th

Please do not make a trip by rail, unless it is urgently necessary, between now and January 12th.

The Santa Fe, in cooperation with other western railroads and the Office of Defense Transportation, makes this direct appeal to the general traveling public, for these reasons:

Christmas Furloughs

Between December 12 and January 12, hundreds of thousands of our men in service will have holiday leaves.

We all want them to be able to travel without delay on these brief and precious furloughs.

In this same period the railroads must transport a million men of the armed forces moving

on duty; handle the heavy seasonal flow of students; and care for the ever-growing number of persons who must make trips by rail on urgent government business or private emergency.

Not Enough Cars for All

If, on top of all this, civilian America "travels as usual" during the Christmas-New Year holidays, there just will not be enough passenger coaches and sleeping cars to go around.

So, if you possibly can, postpone your trip at least until after January 12—and thus do your share to ensure seats or berths for our men in service on their all-too-brief Christmas-New Year furloughs.

• More than ever, in these difficult times, please turn freely to your local Santa Fe agent for friendly help on travel and shipping problems.



LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy five years old. My maid says that I have been a good little boy. So please bring me a train, baseball glove, machine gun, airplane, story books, candy, fruit and nuts. And Santa bring my Mamma and Daddy enough gas so we can come to Lamesa for Christmas.

Your friend,
R. E. Peterson.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a doctor kit, a pair of skates, a set of dishes and knives and forks, and a cooking set, also some fruits and nuts.

Lots of love,
Belinda Kline.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a doll and a nurse kit. I go to school now. We have a new baby this year. Bring Patsy a doll and blocks. Please bring us both candy, nuts and fruit.

Your friends,
Carlyn and Patsy McMullen.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl two and half years old and have been good this year. Please bring me a big doll bed, doll buggy, table and chairs, dishes, a red tricycle, candy, fruit and nuts.

Please don't forget me.

Linda Rutledge.

P. S. Please remember other little girls and boys.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl nearly five years old. I would like for you to bring me a little table and chair set, some dishes with a drip-o-later like mothers, a telephone and a big tricycle. I promise to be a good girl.

Your little friend,

Rose Ann Medford.

P. S. Please remember all of my little friends, also mother and daddy.

Dear Santa Claus:
How are you? I am fine are your reindeers ready for Christmas. I do not want much this Christmas. I want an air gun, a big bow and arrow, and tool chest.

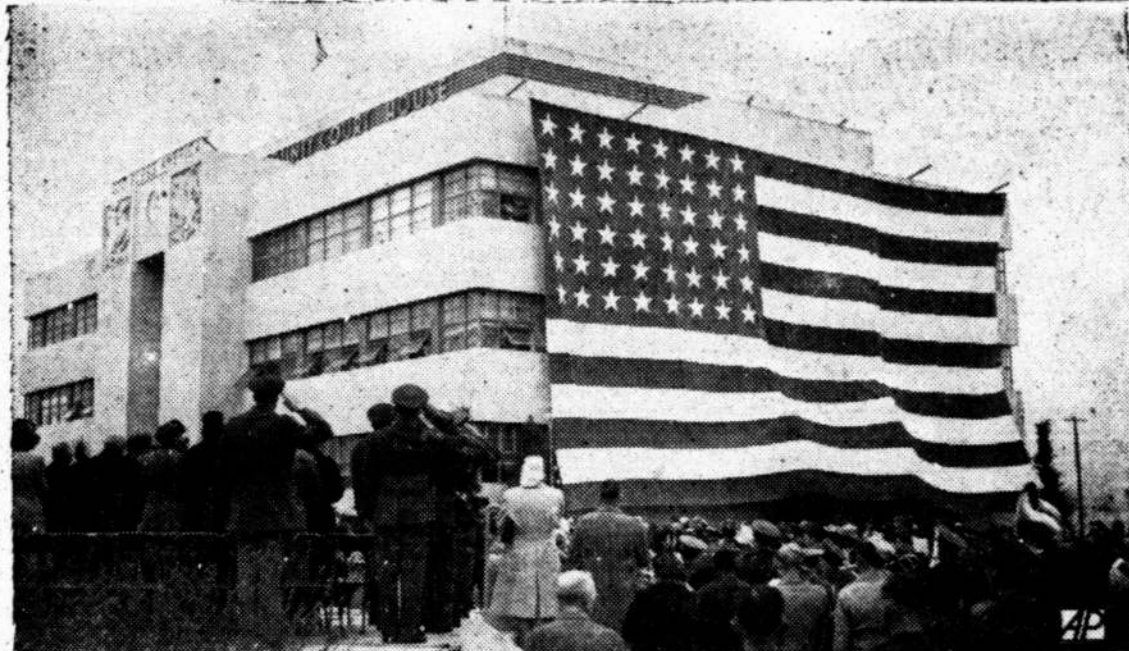
That is all this Christmas.

Your friend,

J. L. Alexander.

—BUY WAR BONDS AND STAMPS—

Odessans Salute Flag; Buy War Bonds



Citizens of Odessa, Texas, and officers of the Army Air Force Bombardier School at Midland, Texas, salute a huge flag which was raised at the close of a Pearl Harbor Day mass meeting at the Ector County seat. Brig. Gen. Isaiah Davies auctioned off a practice bomb case to the highest bond buyer, Tom Davis, Odessa automobile dealer, who took \$7,500 worth. During the celebration, sponsored by the world's largest bombardier school, Midland and Odessa folk joined in buying \$1,024,818 worth of war bonds.

Dear Santa:
I've tried to be a good boy Santa, and if you can would you please bring me a black board, a wrecker, and a doctors set, also some nuts, candy and fruit. I'd like some defense stamps for my book. Don't forget all the little children in Russia, and England.

Lots of love,
John Frank Grissom.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a school girl six years old. I want some American Bricks, Bang A Peg Table and Bench, four nursery rhyme records, magic skin doll, Pastry Table, Gen. MacArthur Doll, Bucket of Clay, Krazy Ikes, Float Bath toys, blue house shoes, candy, fruit and nuts, and a toaster.

Gloria Esmond.

Dear Santa:
This year I want only a few things, a bath robe and house shoes, air gun, boat and a bow and arrow that has four arrows.

Thank you very much.

Neil Pruitt.

SAFECRACKER SOUGHT TO DO A JOB
BLUEFIELD, W. Va. (AP) — The Bluefield chamber of commerce is looking for a safecracker. The chamber salvage drive turned up an old rusty steel safe calculated to weigh about 50 tons. But the owners are reluctant to turn it in unless it's

opened to learn if any old records are in it.

The combination was lost years ago, hence the need for someone who "understands safes."

A SLIGHT DIFFERENCE

PUEBLO, Colo. (AP) — A grade teacher sent out her boys to bring

in some scrap after a man called and said he had an old bed to donate to the collection. Hours later the seventh grade students came back lugging piles of corrugated iron. "It wasn't a bed; it was a shed he wanted to donate," they explained.

—BUY WAR BONDS AND STAMPS—



JESSE CARROLL INSURANCE



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CALDWELL HARNESS SHOP

J. H. STANFIELD, Proprietor

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

It is a happy privilege we enjoy, this custom of being able to greet our friends and customers at Christmas time...

We would also like to express to you our deep appreciation for your loyalty and patronage during the year fast drawing to a close, and solicit your continued trust throughout the New Year.

BUY BONDS AND STAMPS

KENNETH COX IMPL. CO.



M. C. LINDSEY



WELDON A. LINDSEY
Absent for Duration with
United States Navy

SEASON'S GREETINGS

This privilege we have of greeting our friends, neighbors and the stranger within our gates at Christmas Time, is one we deeply cherish and appreciate... The very best of everything is the least we can wish for you, who have made the past year one of the most pleasant in our business career... We sincerely trust that this Christmas may bring you only happiness and good cheer and that the New Year will be your most pleasant and profitable one. And to one and all everywhere we say, MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

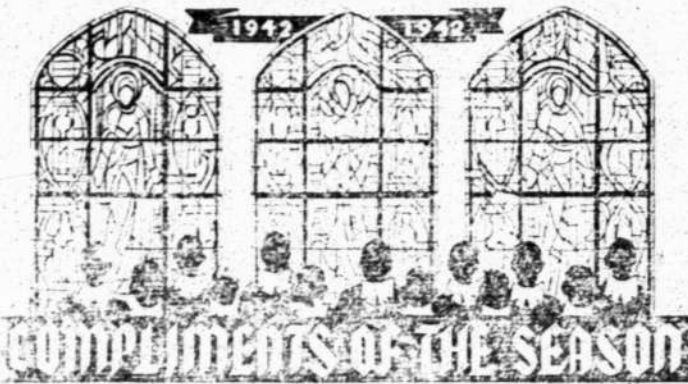
for Farms and Ranches...
for Oil Leases and Royalties...
for Business Sites
for Home Sites... See

M. C. LINDSEY & SON



... and when it does come, we want it to come with all the old-fashioned trimmings that make this season so joyous. Thanks, one and all, for your kindness to us during 1942.

RHOADES SERVICE STATION



To each and all of you we say "Merry Christmas." We say it—yes—in the very same spirit that we have said it in the past, knowing that the full enjoyment of Christmas is an affair of the heart and of the spirit. Pausing for a moment in the twilight of 1942 we look forward with our friends hopefully to the future.

**BUY BONDS AND STAMPS
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A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS...

As the Yuletide Season approaches, we are pleasantly reminded of a debt of gratitude which we owe to the good people of this territory, who have made 1942 one of the most pleasant years in our history, and we want you to know that we sincerely appreciate every favor you have granted us. We look forward to again numbering you as a customer and friend in the New Year!

RESOLVE...

TO START THE NEW YEAR RIGHT... SAVE FOR A home of your own!

Since 1924 Lamesans have saved safely with us! Our simple savings plan makes it possible for the citizen of average financial standing to have a home. Just put away a certain amount each week or month. Savings are insured up to \$5000.00 for each investor by Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, a Federal instrumentality having total assets of upwards of \$128,000,000.00. Resolve now to build your own before another year is gone! Open a savings account today!

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TOGETHER WITH THE OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

IN MEMORY OF WELDON SCOTT
A Wonderful Brother
God made a wonderful brother.
A brother who never grows old.
He made his smile of the sun-shine.
And he made his heart of pure gold.
In his eyes, he placed bright shining stars
In his cheeks, fair roses, you see.
God made a wonderful brother.
And he gave that dear brother to me.
—Brothers and Sisters.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Bill Underwood will leave Thursday for Fort Worth, where she will join her husband, Ensign Underwood.

Robert T. Dopson, Miss Zera Dopson, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Rials, and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dopson and children, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Keeling and children, Mrs. J. J. Robbins, all of Lubbock, Tex. and Mrs. A. A. Bryan and children of Levelland will spend the Christmas holidays here visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Dopson.

Pvt. Alvin O'Neal of Big Spring is visiting with relatives here during the Christmas holidays.

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Miss Letha Clara Wilson will spend the Christmas holidays at Pottsburg, with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Harrell left Tuesday for Los Angeles, California, where they will spend the Christmas holidays visiting with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Dyer of Odessa spent the week end here visiting with relatives and friends.

Mrs. W. A. Stephens and daughter, Stephanie of San Antonio are visiting here with Mrs. S. E. Cleveland and other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Parks and daughter of San Antonio are visiting with relatives and friends here this week.

Mrs. Jackie Vaughn and daughter of Riverside, California, are visiting here this week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Vaughn.

Miss Corrie Zell Barnes left Saturday for Austin, where she will spend the Christmas holidays visiting with relatives.

W. B. McWhorter is visiting in Austin this week with Lt. and Mrs. Murray McWhorter.

Miss Frances McCollum, a student at Baylor University, Waco, is spending the Christmas holidays here visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. McCollum.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cameron of Lockhart will spend the Christmas holidays here visiting with relatives and friends.

Hall W. Cutler, Jr., a student of the University of Texas, Austin, is spending the Christmas holidays here visiting with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Cutler.

Mrs. C. E. Sumner will leave Thursday for Laredo, where she will visit with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Roy McKinnon.

Pvt. Tommie Roberts of Duncan Field, San Antonio, will spend the Christmas holidays here visiting with relatives and friends.

Miss Maxine and Wanda V. Speck of Sonora are spending the Christmas holidays here visiting with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Speck.

Mrs. Ida Mae McElvey of Snyder has accepted a position at the Lamesa General Hospital.

Miss Rosie Lee Borden is spending the Christmas holidays in Oklahoma City visiting with relatives and friends.

Than McCracken of Albany is spending the Christmas holidays here visiting with friends.

Audie McElvey and daughter of Snyder are spending the Christmas holidays here visiting with Mrs. McElvey.

Miss Mary Jo Priddy a student at West Texas State Teachers College at Canyon is here to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Priddy.

Miss Kathleen Moore student of Southwestern University at Georgetown, is spending the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Moore.

Hospital News

Mr. and Mrs. Excel Mixon are the parents of a baby girl born December 19.

Mrs. Annie Daffern was a medical patient at a local hospital this week. Mrs. Will McKey underwent minor surgery this week.

Travis Stringer was a medical patient this week.

Tommie Hinkle received medical treatment at a local hospital this week.

Mrs. R. W. Williamson received medical treatment this week at a local hospital.

Mrs. H. T. Griffin underwent major surgery this week.

Jimmie Epperson is a medical patient this week. Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Nix are the parents of a baby girl born December 21.

Miss Ruth Tarter of Snyder is here spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Tarter.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Tarter will go to Snyder for the Christmas holidays for a visit with relatives.

Claude Robinson and family of Odessa visited Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Priddy here last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Audrey Cox have returned from a visit with Lt. Perry Cox on the Atlantic Coast and report him in good health and doing fine.

Miss Regina Terral, a student of Draughton's Business College, Lubbock is here to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Q. E. Terral.

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Mrs. Douglas Hill of Dallas will be visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Mitchell.

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HATCHING SEASON IS OPENING NOW

Our First Chicks Will Be Off—
DECEMBER 30

LAMESA FEED & HATCHERY
PHONE 325

JOYOUS SEASON TO ALL



At this time, when common tasks begin to glimmer with new glory, we pause to wish you all the Christmas joys this joyous season can bring.

THE VOGUE

MERRY CHRISTMAS... PEACE ON EARTH



HOLIDAY GREETINGS TO EVERYONE. 1942

REGARDLESS of what has happened to this queer old world in 1942, there is still love and cheer and friendship out of which we may fashion another happy Christmas season.

We want to say now that we wish all of our friends every success in finding during this Yuletide all the happiness it can possibly bring.



If We had the command of the English language to adequately express our feelings to you, our customers and friends, at this Holiday Season, this page would not be large enough to convey our message... If we were inclined towards the poetical expressions, we could write verse upon verse... But as it is, we only have the average command of language, so we hope that you will believe us sincere when we simply say "Merry Christmas."

We would feel that this ad was incomplete and that something had been left undone if we were to overlook this opportunity of telling you how much we appreciate your good will and patronage during the year which is fast drawing to a close. It is impossible for us to fully express ourselves in cold type, so we simply say, "We Thank You."

And to one and all everywhere, we sincerely hope this will the Merriest Christmas you have ever known and that the New Year will bring you an abundance of all the good things of life.

TOP THAT

10% BY NEW YEAR'S

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FOR SALE: Typewriter No. 5 Oliver Standard, \$15.00, 905 North First Street, Lamesa, Texas. 100-101 pd

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FOR SALE: Remington automatic 12 gauge shotgun with Weaver choke. Also 12 gauge Marlin Hammerless pump gun. Phipps Barber Shop. 100-101 pd

FOR SALE: Allis-Chalmers WC tractor and two-row equipment. Good rubber. Reasonable. Phone 208-J. 100-101 pd

FOR SALE: Butane plant, cook and heating stoves, superflex Refrigerator, John Deere Tractor, good rubber. Doyle Ashley, Wilson Community. 100-102 pd

FOR SALE: High tower tank. R. H. Kinnison, Rt. C. 99-102 pd

FOR SALE: 1942 Frigidaire, Lewis Atterbury, Fairview Community. 99-100 pd

FOR SALE: 1941 Chevrolet Coupe. H. R. Cope at Cope Oil Co. 99 tfe

FOR SALE: Baby Beef Stocker Turkeys, 4 1-2 miles northeast of Lamesa. F. P. King. 98-101 pd

FOR SALE: Good Jersey milch cow, 1009 South Fifth Street. 98-101 pd

FOR SALE: 1330 pounds black horse. Harpers Feed Mill. 98 tfe

FOR SALE: House, 4 rooms and bath, 1 1-2 block from school. Will take some trade in. H. L. Kidd, 1211 South 2nd, or see me at Gulf Oil Company. 97-102 pd

FOR SALE: 120 acre farm 7 miles from Lamesa \$25 net. Courier Office. 96-101 pd

FARMS FOR SALE: 480 acres, 6 miles from Seminole, nearly 400 acres in cultivation. Good well, 2 room house. 220 acres in Dawson County, located about 14 miles south west of Lamesa, 4 room house, good well and mill, all in cultivation. 320 acres, 6 miles east of Lamesa, no-better farm in Dawson County, 6 room house, good well and mill. Butane plant, also one 3 room house, good well and mill and outbuildings. If interested see M. C. Kidd. 97 tfe

FOR SALE: Good section land at \$20.00 per acre. Fairly well improved, 300 acres in cultivation. Good oil prospects, down payment \$3500 with \$3300 in Federal loan, balance \$500 per year at 6 1-2 per cent. Leased to Sun Oil Co., at 50 cents per acre yearly. Government payments have been about \$400 yearly, one half minerals reserved. S. R. Simpson or P. W. Dubose. 97 tfe

FOR SALE: Some good young mares and horses. John C. Barron, Rt. 1. 96 tfe

FOR SALE: 37 Ford Pickup. Kelley Implement Co. 96 tfe

FOR SALE: Good half section, all in cultivation; 2 sets improvements. 10 miles north 2 east of Lamesa—C. A. Miller, 402 Northeast Elm St. 94 tfe

FOR SALE: One used 6 foot Frigidaire, excellent condition. Call 907-F4 or see Webb Randle at Joe Greens. 91-100 pd

FOR SALE: 180 acre farm. Call 907-F4 or see Webb Randle at Joe Greens. 91-100 pd

FOR SALE: 1941 Chevrolet, 2 door sedan. Arvel Brown, Rt. C. 89 tfe

FOR SALE: 6 gallon oil cans, Barney McKinney. 74 tfe

FOR SALE: Table Top New Perfection Oil Range. Good as new. Radio and Wincharger, also Electric Light wiring and fixtures for 6 room house. Hub Spraberry, Rt. 2, three miles east of Key. 97-100 pd

FOR SALE: Gulbranson Piano, good condition \$100.00. W. J. Beckham, Phone 10-J. 96 tfe

FOR SALE OR TRADE: Complete line of groceries and meats. Give us a trial. Sellers Grocery. Phone 212. 73 tfe

Miscellaneous

READY to doctor your broken trees. Prices reasonable. O. M. Land, Box 332 or 1006 South 4th St. Lamesa. 99-100 pd

BRING your tractor heads, car heads or any kind of valve and seat work to us. We have the latest and best equipment in town to do this work. Kelley Implement Company. 98 tfe

I AM KILLING hogs for the public. S. L. Daniels, 103 North 4th. 97-100 pd

BRING US YOUR TIRES AND TUBES FOR VULCANIZING BEST MATERIAL AND WORKMANSHIP SHOOK TIRE CO.—Phone 79-M. 36 tfe

LIVESTOCK OWNERS

Free Removal of Dead Animals —Call—

McGuire's Ser. Station
PHONE 506 Collect
LAMESA, TEXAS
Open All Nite

Want Quick Better Relief Pile Pain, Itch?

Try Doctor's Way
Doesn't this make sense? Why use just any ointment when we can supply you with a DOCTOR'S ointment? The same as is used adjutively by doctors at noted Thornton & Minor Clinic. For quick, palliative relief of pain, itching, soreness of piles, fissures, rectal irritations; simple, non-surgical cases. Get a tube of Thornton & Minor's Doctor Ointment (with pile pipe cover) TODAY. If not delighted, money back.

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INSURANCE AGENCY
Phone 108-M
Lamesa

Lost and Found

STRAYED from my place a black horse, with white face and three white feet. Three years old. Reward. Archie Moore, Rt. A. 99-100 p

LOST: Package in Richardson's Store, Thursday December 17, containing blue and tan dress material, 2 spools thread. The return to the Courier Office would be appreciated by the wife of a soldier. 100-101 pd

LOST: Black leather bill fold containing drivers license, and small amount of money. J. J. Hammett, Rt. D. 100-101 pd

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For INSURANCE or LOANS See
CARL STROM
Phone 123 213 West 3rd St. BIG SPRING, TEXAS

Miss Elizabeth Smith, teacher in the Balmorhea High School is here to spend the holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Smith.

Miss Dorothy Crow of Lubbock will spend the holidays here with her mother, Mrs. Annie Crow.

Pvt. Watson Bracey of the Big Spring Bombardier School is here for a ten day visit with his mother, Mrs. S. E. Bracey and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dahneke and daughter are spending the Christmas holidays with relatives in Fort Worth.

Mrs. Wilson Sellers of Brownfield spent Tuesday here visiting with friends.

Mrs. Lawrence Rudd and son, Larry, are spending the Christmas holidays at Burleson and Laredo visiting with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Dan Ogletree returned Tuesday from Decatur where she visited with relatives.

Miss Pinkie Brack is spending the Christmas holidays in Sherman, visiting with relatives and friends.

Lamesa Steam Laundry
Phone 141
"A Service For Every Need"



GOOD WILL, music, happiness, health—a foursome without a peer—our wish for you and yours as Christmas comes in this fateful year of 1942. Your kindness has meant a great deal to us, and we thank you most cordially.

HUDDLESTON DRUG

MAY PEACE AND GOOD WILL REIGN AGAIN

As we extend our Greetings to you at this Christmas Season may we remind you that we must all throw our very best efforts together for the hastening of the day when we shall again have peace and have our boys back in the warmth and security of their own homes.



SOUTHWESTERN ASSOCIATED TELEPHONE COMPANY

Mrs. Ruth Hall, student of WSTC, Canyon, is here for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hall.

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Lamesa Tin & Radiator Shop
If it is made of sheet metal we make it—or repair it.
Radiator repaired, recoiled and cleaned out. 53-tfe.

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Come in by Saturday noon Phone 238 Lamesa, Texas

For A Complete Beauty Service Visit
HOTEL BEAUTY SHOP
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BARGAIN DAYS ARE here again. Fort Worth Star Telegram \$7.95 and \$8.75 by mail. Your orders appreciated. CLAUD F. GOWEN, care Boone Drug. 74 tfe.



JUST A LINE to extend our heartfelt thanks for your kindness to us during 1942, and to wish you and yours the merriest Christmas of them all.



ASHLEY ELECTRIC SHOP

DAL-PASO DRUGS



A MERRY YULETIDE TO ALL

WISHES FROM OUR CHRISTMAS TREE

The same old greeting, but with the added fervor of many year's repetition. It is our sincere wish that each member of your family will enjoy Christmas. And may we add a word of thanks for your much appreciated patronage during the past year, and we hope to be of still more service to you in the years to come.



DR. J. M. HARRINGTON
OPTOMETRIST

Leathernecks Get The Bird

(AP) Features
Here are some odd species of marine life peculiar to the halls of Montezuma and the shores of Tri-

poli. They were recently captured and placed on exhibit in the pages of The Leatherneck, publication of the U. S. Marine Corps.
MARINE SERGEANT, or SEMPER FIDELIS AMERICANUS MARINUS — This bird can easily be distinguished by its gaudy plumage. It is the only bird we know outside of the common bellhop and several

species of lodge members which has a red stripe running all the way down its leg. The body is blue and splashed with yellow. It is common aboard battleships and other large craft, and at shore stations, but is seldom seen on board a destroyer. This bird has a very raucous cry and when in flight makes a tinkling noise

with medals on its chest.
MARINE CORPORAL, GUARDHOUSE STOOGER BIRD — This species resembles the Marine Sergeant Bird to a great extent but does not have quite as much of a fat head. It is of a curious and quarrelsome disposition, with a strut much like that of the barn yard rooster. It may be found roosting in large numbers in the post exchange shack sipping jamoke. It is very fond of jamoke and sandwiches, especially after midnight in the galley or guardhouse. It has a peculiar cry that sounds like "Lunyah, Lunyah-up!" The Marine Corporal Bird preys on Private Birds and is known to be a pest.
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS, or EARBANGER BIRD — Most of these birds congregate in the O. C. rookery at Quantico, but there are some around every barracks. They may be seen any evening around drug stores where they let their hair grow long into drape shapes which is then weighed down with a perfumed oil. The Earbanger spends most of his time preening himself and ranks close to the American peacock when it comes to vanity. In the mating season, these birds flock ashore in great numbers and prey on blondes, brunettes and all other varieties of female.

BUCK PRIVATE, BLUE-WINGED GUMBEATER or YARDBIRD — This bird is definitely the scavenger type and is not as colorful as the others. The absence of yellow from his blue body, and red stripe from his legs is probably the reason for his downtrodden look. The species is sometimes called Gribber, a nickname acquired because of its very long, monotonous and repetitious call which sounds like: "Wishinelliwuzasagent, Wishinelliwuzasagent." It is very migratory — goes where ever the company goes. If you would observe it closely, break out a pack of cigarettes ten days from payday and drop a dozen of them on the deck.

Plane Expert At Nineteen



Wizard with a wrench, though only 19, Staff Sgt. D. L. Cain of Temple, Texas, displays the excellence award banner given his squadron for efficiency in keeping Kelly Field planes in the air. Sgt. Cain is a veteran of 20 months service at the field.

Sharing Meat At Butchering Time Is Democratic

Butchering time has arrived and farmers are asking how to comply with the Share-the-Meat program when they have excess quantities of fresh meat.

Roy W. Snyder, animal industries specialist for the A. and M. College Extension Service, suggests an answer to this question.

First, he says, stagger butchering of hogs. Instead of butchering two or three at one time, butcher one, then wait a few weeks to butcher another.

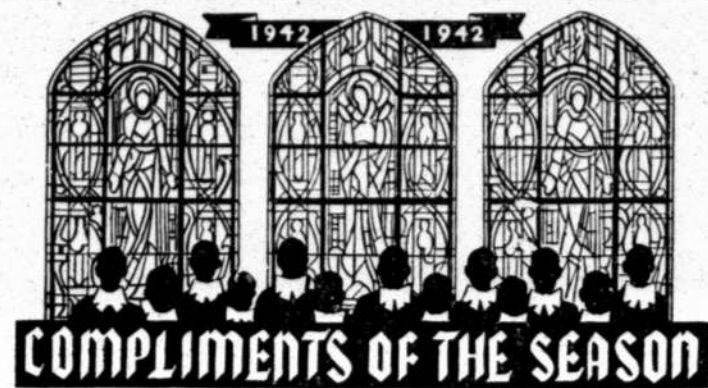
Second, share fresh meat with neighbors at butchering time. Families can "take turn about" in butchering, trading meat between them.

Third, cure hams, shoulders, bacon, and loins. Can the sausage. This leaves the spare-ribs, head and feet the only meat to be consumed at the time of butchering. The other parts of the animal such as the heart, liver, and tongue are not included in the weekly sharing allowance. Mr. Snyder says similar management should be followed when a family butchers beef, veal, and mutton.

Finally, the specialist says: "If these suggestions cannot be followed, farmers may find it necessary to consume larger quantities of meat in any one week, but the average of two and one-half pounds per adult should be maintained throughout the year. The important thing is: Don't waste meat and don't eat more than your share."

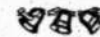
Free publications on killing, cutting, and storing are available from county Extension Service agents or from Extension headquarters at College Station.

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WE WOULD LIKE TO WISH THAT YOUR CHRISTMAS STOCKING HAVE MUCH MORE IN IT THAN EVER BEFORE, BUT, AS THIS MIGHT SEEM TO BE AN EXTRA-AGANT HOPE, WE WISH THAT IT CONTAIN FAR MORE THAN YOU EXPECT.

YOU HAVE STOOD BY US LOYALLY IN 1942, AND WE CANNOT TELL YOU HOW MUCH WE APPRECIATE IT.



HIGGINBOTHAM-BARTLETT COMPANY



MAKE EVERY PAY DAY

BOND DAY

JOIN THE PAY-ROLL SAVINGS PLAN

FARMER BOMBED—FROM UNDER GROUND

CHICKASHA, Okla. (AP)—Hoot Tucker thought the day of aerial bombing had struck in Oklahoma.

He was shucking corn and minding his own business on a farm near Tabler when there was a terrific blast nearby, a big hole was torn in the ground, and flames spurted 20

feet high.

Tucker's team ran away. He admitted he felt like doing the same thing but he had to investigate, found a high-pressure natural gas line had burst.

Enough ice remains encased in Antarctica to cloak the entire globe in ice 120 thick.

USE FOR NYLON

(AP) Features

One of the reasons why nylon hosiery is scarce is because the towlines being used to pull the biggest Army gliders are being made of a special nylon composition, strong as any rope made.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

This year our employees are mostly in the service of Uncle Sam. Like all of our American people we are trying to do our part in sacrificing our employees and our time and money to win this horrible war. But from each of the following men in service as well as those left behind, we wish for you and yours A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year.

C. L. HOUSTON, C M 2 C—Batt. 47 Co. A Platt 2, Barracks 10205—Camp Perry, Williamsburg, Virginia

PVT. FRANK M. ST. CLAIR—Vega-43—17 F Edgewater Hotel, Santa Monica, California

CORPORAL ELBERT W. PRATT—U. S. Army Co. S. 801st. Sig. Serv. Reg't—T. B. 243, Camp Murphy, Florida

PVT. SCOTT ST. CLAIR—Hdq. Squadron 10th Service Group B 225, Baer Field, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

May the new year bring the happiness of peace that these boys, and your boys and all our friends and neighbors boys and families may be reunited to live like peace loving people should.

CICERO SMITH LUMBER CO.

OFFICE PHONE 15

RESIDENCE PHONE 152

HOMER ST. CLAIR, Manager



TO OUR FRIENDS and CUSTOMERS,
A MERRY CHRISTMAS,
A HAPPY NEW YEAR
AND PROSPERITY
Through Out The Whole Year
Is Our Wish To You.
ADAMS JEWELRY
Buy Bonds and Stamps



YES, there IS a Santa Claus.
There were times during this year of 1942 when we had begun to doubt it, and no doubt YOU had begun to doubt it, but now, when the Christmas spirit steals over the land we know that the Christmas story is true and that Santa Claus will come again, as he has always done. And so, with this cheering thought, we wish you a Merry Christmas.



LAMESA SALVAGE COMPANY
ELMO SMITH, Owner

WIN STATE 4-H DAIRY FOODS AWARD



TWO 17-year-old boy clubsters of Frio county, Calvin Boyd, of Bigfoot, and Myers Thornton, of Pearsall, are the Texas entry in the nationwide 4-H dairy foods demonstration contest to be held during the 21st National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago, Nov. 29-Dec. 2. The boys' demonstration, titled "Milk Drinks," shows that milk is the most nearly perfect food, and points out that man is the only

living thing on earth smart enough to utilize milk for other purposes than suckling the young. They use live poultry and models of humans to show the effect of milk on growth. As state winners the boys receive all-expense trips to Chicago through the Kraft Cheese Company, which also provides \$2,800 in college scholarships for the eight first and second place teams in the final there.

Mileage Cases May Be Appealed

Texas farmers will not be put out of business by present mileage-saving regulations.

B. F. Vance, chairman, Texas

USDA War Board, announced this week that farmers who have not received sufficient gasoline for normal operations should ask local war price and rationing boards for temporary transport rations. At the same time temporary rations are asked for, they also should make formal appeal for additional

mileage, he said.

Appeals are made through county farm transportation committees who assist farmers in filling out required forms which later will be considered and approved by the Office of Defense Transportation.

The date for obtaining temporary transport rations has been extended

to January 31, 1943. Previous deadline date had been set for December 31, 1942.

Under the temporary rationing phase of the program, farmers may receive sufficient gasoline to tide them over until appeals are approved, he said and explained that all temporary allocations later would be

deducted from the final amount of mileage allowed under the Certificate of War Necessity.

If Certificates of War Necessity have been applied for and not received and if obvious errors were made on the Certificates when they were issued are other conditions under which temporary transport

rations may be received, he said. Failure of many truck operators to fill out application blanks properly and promptly has been the principal difficulty in issuing Certificates of War Necessity throughout the state, Vance said.

—BUY WAR BONDS AND STAMPS—



THIS YEAR OF 1942 has been one of world tribulation, but nevertheless, many good things have come our way. Chief among them is your continued patronage, for which we thank you very earnestly now, and wish you a very

MERRY CHRISTMAS



**RANDOLPH-NORMAN
GRAIN CO.**

HOLIDAY GREETINGS TO ALL



PEACE ON EARTH ... GOOD WILL TO ALL MEN

May this Christmas add joys to the shining heap of past Christmas joys. May it bring fond remembrances and priceless new pleasures. It has been our good pleasure to serve in a business way a great many people of our community during the past year and it is now our satisfaction to express our thanks for all favors shown. We shall strive harder than ever to serve you better during the New Year.



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Bess Stephenson has covered many important assignments for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram because she is one of the ablest reporters in Texas. The Fort Worth Business and Professional Women's Club honored her talents with the title "Girl of the Hour Newspaper Reporter," bestowed recently at a dinner.

The Tree Of The Christ-Child

The Christmas tree has many legendary origins. One of these legends has it that when St. Boniface was converting the Germanic tribes from their heathen worship of Thor to Christianity, he turned their attention from the fallen Thunder Oak, under which the human sacrifices demanded by their barbarous religion had been made, and singled out a young fir tree.

Here was a new symbol: a tree dedicated to love and good deeds. With no stain of blood upon it, its tip pointing towards the undying stars, it should be a sign of the new faith: the tree of the Christ-child. No longer was the emblem of faith to be a thing of dread, but set up in the halls of the chieftain and surrounding with friendship and feasting.

In the homes of the tribesmen, the new tree of the Christ-Child honored the birthday of the Saviour and children played beneath it. It became the symbol of love and simplicity: for

"Unless ye become as little children, ye cannot enter the Kingdom of God."

In America, families gather around

ANCIENT YULE CUSTOMS STILL LIVE IN ENGLAND

Many ancient customs prevail in England at Christmas, according to present day records. One custom that goes back to Saxon times is still observed at Okehampton, Devon. Here a "market" is held the Sunday after Christmas at which a man may speak to or kiss any girl who takes his fancy. Mistletoe definitely is not necessary.

In the village of Cam on the day after Christmas the poor are again remembered. For, according to the will of Margaret Trotman, one of Cam's former citizens, any parishioner is entitled to the gift of a loaf of bread. Also, the first 50 widows who apply are given money.

The Christmas tree in the home throughout the land community trees are lighted and the old carols are sung: symbols of the spirit of the Christ-Child—the brotherhood of men.

THESE ARE THE THINGS WE FIGHT FOR

To keep our American way of life, to uphold America's finer ideals of living, our right to sing Christmas Carols and to observe the Sacred Christmas Season. A Season when we wish to remember others—we would not have it otherwise this year or ever.

--BEST WISHES TO ONE AND ALL--

We are cooperating with our Government and if our service has been somewhat curtailed to help win the war you may be assured we will bend every effort to serve you as efficiently as possible.

WE APPRECIATE YOUR KINDNESS AND PATRONAGE



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JUST the friendliest wishes for your happiness and cheer at Christmas time and always. Let not the sacrifices of 1942 have been in vain.



**ROBERTS BARBER &
BEAUTY SHOP**

MERRY CHRISTMAS
—and—
A HAPPY NEW YEAR
TO OUR FRIENDS
AND CUSTOMERS

THE TEXAS CO.
SIMPSON OIL CO.

Miss Retti Meek Takes Vows With Mr. Herbert Abrams Wednesday At Lubbock

Miss Retti Meek, daughter of Mrs. H. M. Meek, became the bride of Herbert C. Abrams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Abrams, of Detroit, Michigan, Wednesday, December 16, at Lubbock.

The bride was attractive in a black costume suit with black accessories and a corsage of red rose buds and cornflowers. Mrs. Abrams is a graduate of the Lamesa High School and attended W. T. S. T. C. at Canyon. For the past year she has been employed at the Lamesa National Bank.

Mr. Abrams attended Lawrence Tech. in Michigan, and for the past several months has made his home in Lamesa where he is connected with the Lamesa Glider School.

Mr. and Mrs. Abrams are at home at 1301 North Third, Lamesa.

PRIMARY DEPT. OF METHODIST CHURCH ENTERTAINED

Members of the Primary Department of the First Methodist Church were entertained with a Christmas party at the church Monday evening.

During the evening various games were enjoyed after which gifts were exchanged. Hot chocolate and star cookies were served to about 25 guests.

Sponsors attending were Mrs. M. H. Crawford, Mrs. J. R. Bizzell, Mrs. Harry Pace and Miss Lillian Mitchell.

EMPLOYEES OF A. A. A. OFFICE ENTERTAINED WITH PARTY

Employees of the AAA office were entertained with a Christmas party Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Tarter.

The Christmas motif was carried out in all decorations and refreshments. During the evening various games were enjoyed after which gifts were exchanged.

Those attending were Mrs. Robert Moore, Mrs. Gene Green, Miss Helen McCoy, Miss Dorothy Nell Berry, Miss Wanda Jean Esmond, Cyril McGilvray, J. C. Bristol, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Vaughn, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rainey and son, Miss Lillian Mitchell, and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Tarter and children, Joe and Ruth.

Beeswax is an important by-product of honey production.

MRS. VALERIA SHARP PRATT PRESENTED PUPILS IN RECITAL

In keeping with the Christmas Season a group of Mrs. Valeria Sharp Pratt's High School speech students reviewed, "Home For Christmas," at the Country Club Friday afternoon, December 18.

The book, written by Lloyd C. Douglas, who has given us such stories as "White Banners," "Green Light," and "Magnificent Obsession," is a beautiful reminiscent story of a family reunion of "Claytons" in their old home some twenty years after their life there as children.

Both boys and girls gave chapters from the story and the book was given without a bridgework.

Those participating were Patricia Meech, Ann Crawley, Maurine Sharp, Sue Jean Beardon, Jack Reese, Glen Ray White, Bill Taylor, Lynette Carroll, Ann Boyd, Maxine Peterson, Marjorie Green, Martha Alice Rape, George Norman, Jimmie Little, Betty Pace, Billie Sue White, and Patsy Jo Rountree.

Alaska has a coastline of 26,000 miles.

MRS. JAP RANDLE ENTERTAINS WITH DINNER MONDAY

Mrs. Jap Randle entertained at her home Monday evening for the nurses of the Lamesa General Hospital and Clinic with a dinner.

The Christmas motif was carried out in the decorations and appointments.

Those attending were Miss Grace England, Miss Dorothy Copenhaver, Miss Joy Gregg, Miss Lois Foyt, Miss Lavell Gable, Miss Berdie Gordon and Mesdames Oil D. Harris, Hilda Whittle, W. E. Morton, Carl Cox, James Hathcote and Mrs. Audie McElyea.

KLONDIKE W. M. U. HOLDS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Klondike W. M. U. met Tuesday, December 15th for the annual Christmas Social with 27 members present.

After a devotional was given by

Mrs. W. H. McCulloch, there were a number of readings, duets and solos given. After the program gifts were exchanged.

Mrs. E. B. McCulloch, president, urges the women of the Klondike community to attend W. M. U., which meets each Tuesday.

Dear Santa Claus:

Will you please bring me a 5 blade knife this year? You can come to 1000 North Third St. I live there with Noble and Asalie and Pam Price. I've been a good boy, and haven't teased Pam too much. Will you please bring my little kitten, named Partnership a dress.

I'm sending you lots of love, Santa, John V. Price.

Dear Santa:

We are two little girls nine and six years old. We go to Mt. Olive school and love our teachers and playmates. For Christmas we each want a doll, house shoes and a silk

gown and of course we want some fruit and nuts.

During the holiday vacation we plan to help mother keep house and make candy. We have our tree decorated and our gifts for our friends under it. We will leave the lights on it, the night you come so you can see how pretty it is.

Your little friends, Jerriene and Sudie Pearle Whitehead.

Dearest Santa Claus:

I'm three years old and John V. is five, and don't you think I'm big enough for some skates? I wish I had a dolly, too. Will you bring me some candy too? and I will divide it with John V.

Lots of love Pamela Price.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Brown left this week for Stephenville where they will spend the Christmas holidays visiting with relatives.



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MERRY CHRISTMAS



**JOBE & EARNEST
FURNITURE**

TO OUR FRIENDS:

We realize to help the war effort is to help everyone. The sooner we get this war over and relieve our country of the threat that is now facing us the sooner we will have our Boys and Girls home with us.

Every dollar that we invest in War Bonds and Stamps is a help, therefore we are not mailing our greeting cards this year, but instead we are using this method of extending our appreciations and thanks to our many friends for ourselves and our Son, H. H. (Herbie) who has been in foreign service for the last twenty months and well knows the smell of gun fire and the horrors of war.

LET US NOT FORGET AND LET US NOT NEGLECT OUR BOYS AND GIRLS IN SERVICE.



MR. and MRS. A. B. HEFFERNAN
LAMESA, TEXAS

H. H. HEFFERNAN
SOMEWHERE IN THE PACIFIC



It is our sincere wish that loads of old-time Christmas joy will again be with us all during the Yule season. May the sacrifices of 1942 usher in soon a genuine era of good will. And thanks a thousand times for your many kindnesses during the past year.

HURT'S



Wishing you
all the
joys and blessing
of this holy
Christmas season
of 1942

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CLEANERS**
Closed Friday and Saturday



CARL PETERSON

**MERRY
CHRISTMAS
TO ALL...**

Not simply because it is a custom to do so, but because down deep in our hearts we hope that every person in this territory, regardless of age or creed, will enjoy the happiest Christmas they have ever known.

... To you, our friends and customer, we wish especially for you that this holiday season will hold only joy and happiness, and with the New Year, we hope you will enjoy Peace, Happiness, Good Health and Prosperity.

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DRUG COMPANY**

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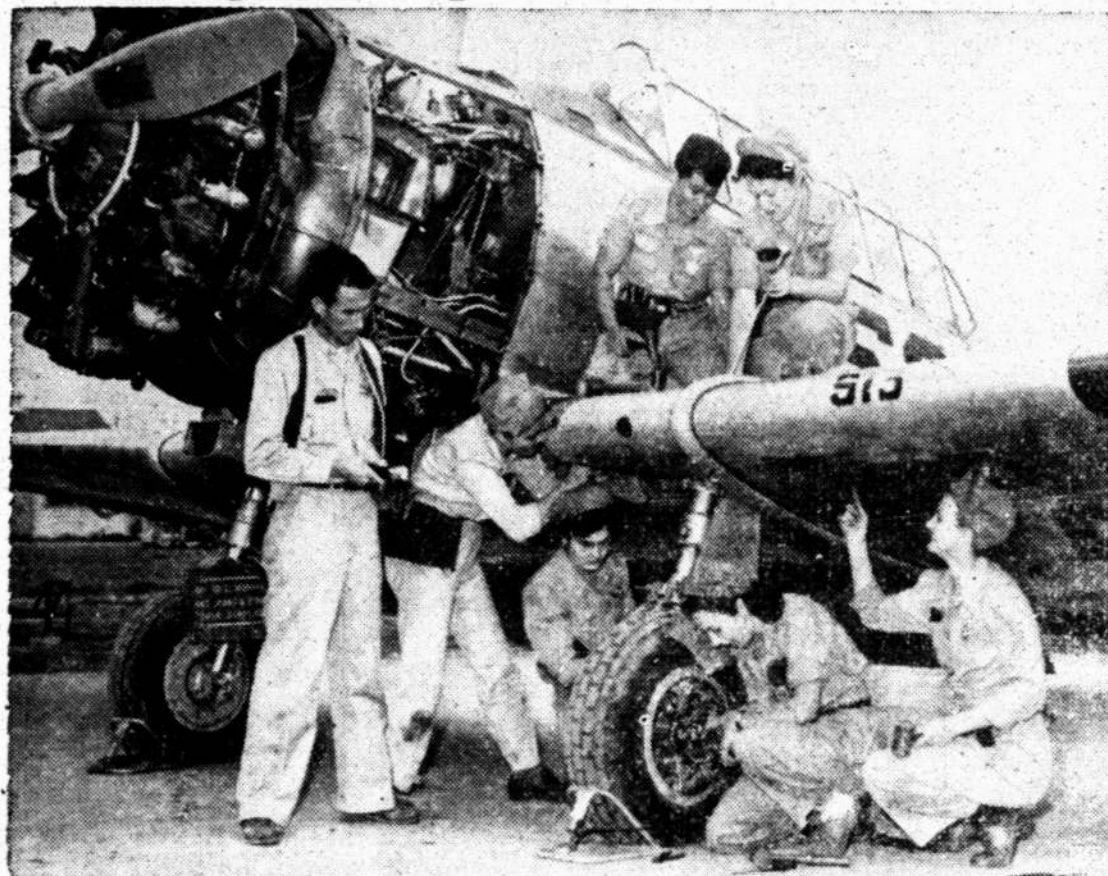
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Showing Their Speed As Mechanics



These girls really know their airplanes. Here they are completing a wing assembly job at Ellington Field, Texas, in the fast time of 14 minutes, 6 seconds. They are (left to right on wing) Henrietta Heaton and Rose Brashier; (standing) Verna Murry; (under wing) Lois Stevenson, Jenette Jenkins and Maxine Grover. John E. Smith, crew chief, watches the finishing touches.

Decorate Xmas Tree 1,300 Feet Under Ground

About ten years ago, in Ishpeming, Mich., timber haulers were on their way to a mine to put up some trussing, found a small Christmas tree on the side of the road which had probably fallen from a truck.

One of the men picked up the tree and threw it on top of the timber. At the mine the tree was sent down 1,300 feet into the mine. One of the miners picked it up, put it on the side of the passageway. At lunch time some of the miners decorated the tree with bits of paper from their lunch kits.

"Let's do this every year," one of them suggested. Since then a small Christmas tree is set up in that Michigan mine passageway. And not only the min-

ers, but their guests, gather 'round the tree at 6 a. m., exchange gifts and indulge in small talk for about a half hour before starting their shift.

ORIGIN OF YULE GIFTS

The giving of gifts to the poor at Christmas time originated with the belief that the Christ Child sometimes came to the door as a beggar.

Backbones of sharks are used as walking sticks.

Roving Reporter Checks Oldest Christmas Gifts

In Chicago, a roving reporter for a daily newspaper was given the assignment to go out and ask various persons what were the oldest presents they had saved from past Christmas holidays.

What he learned from a young musician was that when he was 12 years old his parents gave him a red, white and blue decorated snare drum. That very drum started him on his professional music career. The musician said it was more than "just a gift" for it had influenced his whole life.

Then the roving reporter asked a housewife what gift she had saved from her early days. She replied that it was a doll given by her mother. Since her mother is dead, she keeps it in her memory for it has great sentimental value.

Another woman, a "collection correspondent," told the reporter that when she was eight years old an aunt gave her a doll. She, too, as a fitting remembrance of her aunt, has kept the doll though little of the original remains, having had to replace its head and clothes. It still retains its charm, she said.

Another young man, a cutter by trade, was stopped and asked what he had saved. He said that the Christmas following the death of his mother, his father gave him her ring. He had it made over to fit his finger and has worn it ever since. He has hopes of passing it on to a child of his own.

It Happened On Christmas Day

Ironically enough, several strange and important war activities have taken place on Christmas day.

One which many of the British and German soldiers of the last World War remember is the strange Christmas day that took place on the 1914 front. The World war was definitely on, but for a short time, on Christmas day, there was a period of peace on earth between the fighting soldiers.

In the Flanders sector, German and British soldiers ceased firing by mutual agreement, and went over to each other's trenches and dugouts to spend the day in feasting and celebration.

A very important military event in colonial American history also took place on Christmas day. George Washington, leading his brave, but weather-beaten army of 2,400 men across the Delaware, captured the city of Trenton, N. J., which British and Hessian troops were then occupying. Over 1,500 enemy troops were captured in the surprise march.

Christmas Stories Revealed By History

Fortunately, the "idea" in the minds of some to tell the truth to the kiddies—that there isn't a Santa Claus—isn't catching on as well as they hoped.

Everybody—and this includes the kids—enjoys a good story, especially around the Christmas season. Down through the years have come many beautiful stories, jammed with the kindness of the best in humanity. It is from such stories that many of our Christmas customs have come. For the observance of such customs the United States is indebted to many lands. Palestine, Egypt, Turkey, Italy, Germany, England and Holland have done their bit to contribute to our added enjoyment of Christmas customs and traditions. To the Holy Land, more than any other, all civilization is indebted for the matchless history of the Christ child.

One writer who has investigated the observance of the birth of the Christ Child has noticed one curious fact. That is, Christmas was not among the earliest festivals of the church. Irenaeus and Tertullian, early church fathers, omitted it from the list of feasts. According to what Arigen noticed in the Bible, only sinners, not saints, celebrated their birthday.

It was in the year 200 A. D. that evidence of the feast of Christmas was first noted. This was in Egypt. And it wasn't until years afterwards that December 25 was decided upon as being the date for the celebration of Christ's birthday. During that time Christmas was celebrated on various days, one of the date being as late as May 20. Eight hundred years after the first feast of Christmas, church authorities used the term Christes Maessli, from which comes the English word Christmas. This was in 1038.

CHRISTMAS GREENS

For a great number of people, a house not decorated with Christmas greens would be dull indeed. One expert has pointed out, though that there need be no fear that there ever will be a shortage of the greens peculiar to the various sections of this nation if proper care is taken in collecting the greenery.

But as it is today, wanton destruction in the collection of the Yuletide decorations, so thoughtfully planned for our use by Mother Nature, has brought about a danger that we might not have some of the greens we are so accustomed to.

There is a danger that the American holly, in southern Atlantic coast

Collegians Enter Navy



Part of a group of 60 from colleges located in Abilene: Hardin-Simmons, McMurry, and Abilene Christian, hear instructions from Lt. Lyman E. King just before taking the oath which enlisted them in the Naval Reserve. The group was sworn in at Dallas, December 14.

states, and the laurel plants of the mountainous country of the East, will both face extermination unless some organized method of harvesting is brought about.

Three other Christmas decorative plants that are rapidly disappearing because of new, and increased demand, are the winterberry, the ground pine, and the bittersweet.

To a large extent these plants can be saved if the nation turns to the use of evergreen boughs, such as cedar, pine, hemlock and spruce. For a touch of color, artificial red

berries could well be used. The story of our over commercialization is always connected with the background of the dissipation of our native plant life without regard to future stock. Some form of protective law has to be put into effect to protect the quickly disappearing greenery. Restriction or prohibition in certain areas seems to be the coming necessity to save them.

More persons in the United States are killed in the course of farm work than in any other one industry.

YULETIDE
This is Christmas! The laughter of millions of children of a hundred racial heritages mingles with the bells that summon the devout to worship in freedom at altars of their choice. Christmas tree lights blaze bravely through unshuttered windows. Motor cars move to friendly places. There is food in abundance, and general good will over the land. This is Christmas—in America.

The tallest American Indians were found in the center of the continent near the Mississippi.



It is not only now, at Christmas time, when we appreciate your patronage. We appreciate it all year 'round, but now, in the last short days of 1942, is the very best time to tell you about it, and to wish you all a very Merry Christmas.



PRICE HOSPITAL

May The Glow of An Old-Fashioned Christmas

MAKE BRIGHTER THE DAYS OF THE NEW YEAR

Wherever you may be at this time we extend our greeting and take this means of expressing our many thanks for the trust you have placed in us by letting us serve you and we shall continually strive to merit your patronage.

BOONE DRUG
Buy Bonds and Stamps



IT'S an old-fashioned greeting, hal-
lowed by centuries of use, but we
know of no other greeting to take its
place, so in 1942, as in other years, we
simply say to you, our friends,

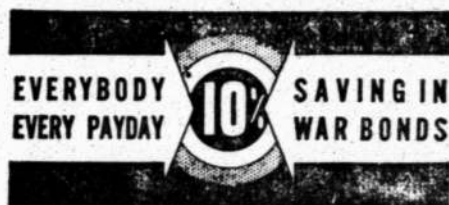
MERRY CHRISTMAS

PLAZA HOTEL





W AY the benign influence of this blessed season extend far into the future, bringing to you the hope of all civilized humanity...the peace and good will proclaimed nineteen hundred forty-two years ago.



**V A U G H N
C H E V R O L E T**

Dear Santa Claus:

I want some checkers, and two guns and two scarfs, and a truck and a new bicycle and a pair of boxing gloves. Please fill my stocking with nuts, oranges, apples, and candy.

Love,
Melvin Lee Burns.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to visit me in Jalisco, New Mexico, this Christmas. Please bring me a baby doll. I want a little dresser that I can have for just my own. I would like some fruit and candy too.

Your friend,
Quara Collier.

Dear Santa:

I want a doll for Christmas. I have been a good girl all winter. She is at Wacker's Store, she is in a pink dress, and her hair is blond. The first time I saw her I loved her. She is as lovely as the wind.

Your friend,
Judy Bartlett.

LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a pair of boxing gloves and a football and a train. Your friend,
Cecil Gray

Dear Santa:

I want a little doll that I can sew for, and some books, puzzles, and games. I want a color book and some croyolas, and also a bond. Love,
Valetta Ruth Lawrence

Dear Santa:

I want a basketball, a pair of house shoes, an ear flop hat and a cub hunter knife and also some fireworks and candy. George Joe Robertson.

Dear Santa Claus:

I would like a doll and be sure to bring Scarlet O'Hara. I would like a sack of fruit if you could spare it. I would like a twenty-five dollar bond.

Your friend,
Audrey Pay Sellers.

Dear Santa:

We are three little girls who have tried to be good girls. We want a big doll a piece and bring baby Willie a little red wagon. Would like to have some candy, apples, and oranges. We'll be waiting for you.

Your little friends,
Earnestine, Carol Jean and Edna Jean Gillit.

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy six years old. I have a little brother 2 years old. We would like to have a tricycle apiece, a doll and some house shoes. Thank you and we love you. Gayle Ross and L. A. Buckalew.

Dear Santa Claus:

I will be in Jalisco, New Mexico, this Christmas and I don't want you to miss me.

I want a set of soldiers with a cannon that shoots and a set of boxing gloves.

I won't ask for much but I would like some fruit and nuts. Your friend,
W. L. Collier.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl five years old and I am a pretty good little girl. I know that there are not many toys this year, so I won't ask for much.

I want a doll with hair and a blackboard and some dishes and paper doll book and story books and some defense stamps and some fruit and nuts. Bring every little girl and boy something who have been good.

Lots of love,
Yvonne Wells.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll for Christmas. I want a doll bed at Christmas for my little doll. I love Santa Claus. He loves little children. I want a car for Christmas too.

Billie Jo Price

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy seven years of age. I have been a very good boy this year. I want a machine gun if you can bring one and lots of fruits, nuts and candy. Bring anything you can. Don't forget my mother, brother and sister. They have been very good too.

Wayland Moore.

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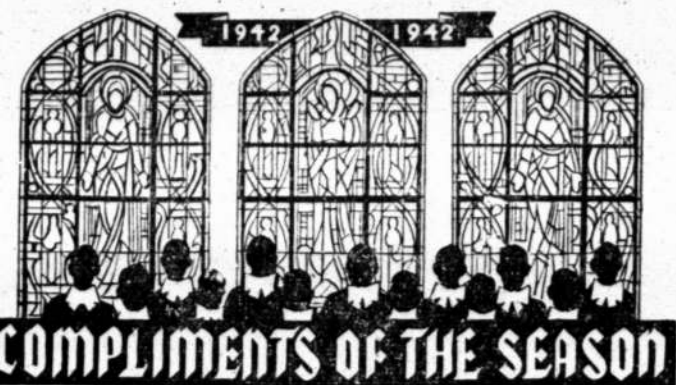


Claude E. (Cowboy) Henry (above), escaped Texas convict, was captured at Beaumont while supposedly on a dash to see his doomed-to-die wife, Annie Beatrice (Toni Jo) Henry, who died in the electric chair at Lake Charles, La., Saturday for the slaying of a Houston salesman.

President



Dr. Paul L. Boynton, author and educator, has taken over his new duties as president of Stephen F. Austin Teachers College, Nacodoches. A native of Llano, Texas, he succeeds Dr. A. W. Birdwell, retired.



MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU...

TO THE OLD FRIENDS, VALUED AND TRUE, AND TO THE NEW FRIENDS WE EVER STRIVE TO MAKE, WE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO WISH YOU THE BEST OF EVERY THING FOR THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON.

WE HAVE THOROUGHLY ENJOYED SERVING YOU IN THE OLD YEAR, AND LOOK FORWARD WITH PLEASURE TO AGAIN NUMBERING YOU AMONG OUR CUSTOMERS AND FRIENDS IN 1943.



**RANDALS LUMBER
COMPANY**

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been a very good little girl and I hope you will bring me a lot of toys.

I just want a doll and a nurse set and maybe some candy.

I hope the other children will get lots of toys too.

Your friend,
Juanda Jean Duncan.

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy of ten years of age. It snowed here in Lamea December 7. I want a Naval Officers uniform and three story books, an army gun, and a ball and bat. I want some candy and fruit and some nuts.

Your little friend,
Darwin Etheridge.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy four years old. I have tried to be very good. Will you bring me a pop gun and some caps? I also want an army truck and a black board. Put in some nuts and candy too if you have enough to go around.

Thank you,
Gary Fain Thorp.



SEASON'S GREETINGS

Lets enjoy the good and face the bad together.

SERVICE—
SAMPLE—
SATISFACTION—
—at—

**SNELL-JACOBS GIN
J A K E**



Rising above the turmoil and cares of the world is the majestic story of Bethlehem. May the star that shone then still cast its light for you and all of us, revealing new pathways to happiness and achievement. Our entire organization joins with us in thanking you for your good will and patronage during 1942, and in wishing you a very Merry Christmas.



**ARNETT MOTOR
COMPANY**



SEASON'S GREETINGS...

IT HAS BEEN A GREAT PRIVILEGE AND PLEASURE TO HAVE SERVED YOU DURING THE PAST YEAR, AND WE TRUST THAT WE HAVE SO CONDUCTED OURSELVES THAT WE MAY NUMBER YOU AS A CUSTOMER AND FRIEND DURING THE NEW YEAR AND THE YEARS TO COME.

"YOURS FOR SERVICE"



**L A M E S A
CO-OPERATIVE GIN**

G. C. CLIFFT, Pres. R. L. JONES, Mgr. EARNEST JONES, Sec'y.



GOOD WILL, music, happiness, health—a foursome without a peer—our wish for you and yours as Christmas comes in this fateful year of 1942. Your kindness has meant a great deal to us, and we thank you most cordially.



WRIGHT'S CONOCO SERVICE
IRVIN WRIGHT—Wholesale
H. H. WRIGHT—Dealer

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy one year old. I am a good little boy and don't cry too much. So won't you please bring me a teddy bear, wagon, little car, set of blocks, and a high chair, and please bring me some candy, apples, oranges, and bananas.
Your little friend,
Leslie Carpenter.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me an old fashioned doll, lots of clothes for her, a doll suitcase, a doll house with furniture in it, a painting set, house shoes, a desk and chair, as I have lots of school work to do at home, also bring me lots of candy and nuts.
Your little friend,
Nancy Stuart.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a doll and a story book and a box of cherry candy. I want a bathrobe and a pair of house shoes, and a house coat and a Christmas tree and bells and a play Santa Claus for Christmas.
Your friend,
Melva Jo Carrell.



CHRISTMAS BRINGS THOUGHTS OF YOU

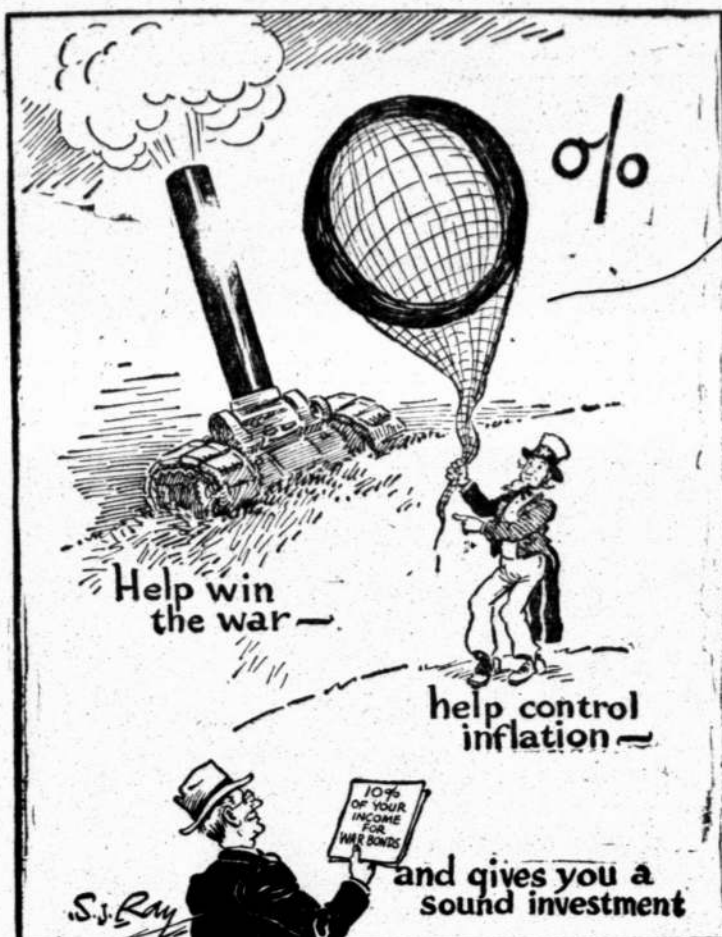
We especially welcome this season as it brings the opportunity to greet you, our friends, and wish you well.

During the days of festivity or upon any other occasion when our services can be of benefit to you, remember we are anxious to serve you in every way.



W. L. HOLT GROCERY
HUMBLE PRODUCTS

WHAT YOUR 10% WILL DO



U. S. Treasury Dept. —Courtesy Kansas City Star. WSS-614A

LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa:

Would you be kind enough to bring me a set of dishes, knives, forks and spoons?

A little dresser, a big doll with long curls, a little bed for her to sleep in. I have a little brother to I would like for you to bring him a little truck with a long trailer on it, just like my Daddy drives. A stick horse, and lots of candy and cookies.

I have a sister older than I. She would like to have a doll with long curly hair a set of dishes, a little dresser, lots of doll clothes to put in it, and lots of candy and nuts.

Be sure you take all the little children something so they will be happy to.

From Patsy Myriene Carlton and Norma Seane Reed.

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl 4 years old and I have a little sister 4 months old. We have been good little girls and would like for you to remember us. I want a little table and two chairs, a set of dishes and a doll and please don't forget to bring Glenda a rubber doll, and a rattle and also bring us nuts, candy and fruit.
Your friend,
Joan Stewart

Dear Santa:

This is what two little girls who have tried to be good would like for Christmas. A tricycle, dolls, dishes, and some house shoes. Please Santa don't miss us.
Your little friends,
Shirley and Carmel Faye Fields.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 4 years old. I would like to have a scooter and a blackboard. Please bring my baby sister, Frances a doll.
James Barron.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am so thrilled, it is so near time for you to come to our town. I am a little girl 5 years old and am trying every day to be a better girl, and mother says I am. So will you please bring me a pretty doll, a big rocker, horn, magic slate and a bed spread for my doll bed and some dishes.

I am going to be down at my aunt Osie's house at Abilene, so I'll be looking for you.
Your little friend,
Darlene Mayfield.

Dear Santa:

I have been a good little girl. I want you to bring me a doll, some clothes for her and candy and nuts and apples.
Etta Blanch Pillion.

There are about 1,000 species of flowering plants in New Zealand.

LIBERTY LIMERICKS



Said a tailor named Mr. I. Pressem,
"Our soldiers need back-
ing, God bless 'em—
And I've bought, for
their sake,
All the Bonds I can take;
Yes, I'm proud and I'm
glad to possess 'em!"

A stitch in time will mean defeat of the Axis. Your country must reach its War Bond quota. Invest 10% or more in War Bonds every pay day!
U. S. Treasury Dept.

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WE WELCOME THE OPPORTUNITY THE HOLIDAY SEASON OFFERS TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION OF THE PATRONAGE AND GOOD WILL OF OUR FRIENDS. HEARTIEST CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO YOU AND YOURS WITH EVERY GOOD WISH FOR THE COMING YEAR.



McDONALD GIN

Ross Boardman, Mgr.



HOLIDAY GREETINGS TO ONE AND ALL...

THE FOUNDATION OF BUSINESS IS FRIENDSHIP, AND THE BASIS OF ALL ENDURING FRIENDSHIP CAN BE TRACED BACK TO AN EVENT WHICH OCCURRED SOME TWO THOUSAND YEARS AGO. EACH CHRISTMAS IT GIVES US A GREAT DEAL OF PLEASURE TO EXTEND OUR BEST WISHES AND RENEW OUR PLEDGE OF LOYALTY TO THOSE WHOSE FRIENDSHIP WE CHERISH. WE SAY NOW, WITH THE UTMOST FERVOR AND SINCERITY, MAY YOUR CHRISTMAS BE TRULY HAPPY AND ABOUNDING IN JOYOUSNESS.

MEAD'S FINE BREAD
AT YOUR GROCERY



To all our old friends and acquaintances, and also to the many fine new ones we have made during 1942, we send sincere Christmas greetings and the wish that the holidays will be as happy as possible.

EVERYBODY
EVERY PAYDAY



SAVING IN
WAR BONDS

HENNINGSEN LAMESA, INC.

CREAMERY

Processors of Dried
and Frozen Eggs

LA-MESA Butter

WEST TEXAS LEADING MARKET CENTER

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a good little girl this year. I would like to have a set of dishes and an stretch bracelet. I want it to be gold.

Your friend,
Venita Joy Hogg.

Dear Santa: We are little twin girls, three years old. We would like to have a bicycle for Christmas and an Air Gun. My brother does too. I want some Checkers, a deck of Cards and a doll and a set of dishes a piece. We love you.

Your friends,
Wayne Wright.

Dear Santa: I think I have been a good boy this year, and I hope you have been good too. I am not going to ask for much this year on account of the war, and the things they are rationing. I would like to have an air gun for Christmas and I think that is all.

Your friend,
Kenneth D. A.

Dear Santa: I have been a good girl and I would like a doll and a stroller to pull the doll in. I am making good grades in school. I hope that will earn me some toys. I do not want to have to much because the poor need things to play with more than I do because I love them so much. I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Your friend,
Patsy Solomon.

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LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa: How are you? It won't be long before you will come to see us. I'll be glad when you come. I have moved since you came last year. I lived in Hamlin then, but I have moved to Lamesa. My address is box 392.

Here are the things I want you to bring me. A marble game, a bow and arrow, a gun set, a typewriter, some candy, fruit and nuts.

Yours truly,
Bobby Lester.

Dear Santa: I am a little girl of two years old. Will you please bring me a doll, and buggy, table and chairs, and some dishes.

Thanking you,
Linda Howell.

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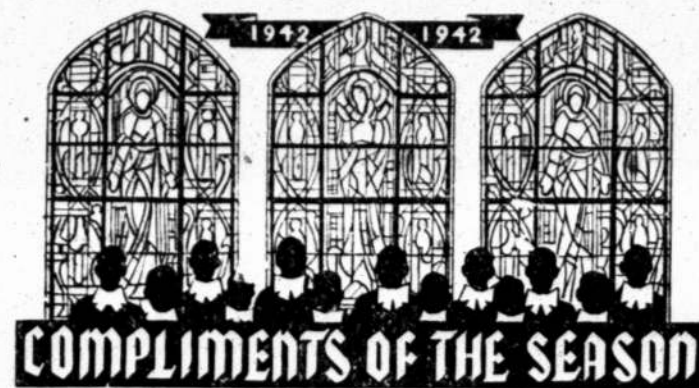
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Patsy Solomon.

—BUY WAR BONDS AND STAMPS—

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HOLIDAY GREETINGS TO ONE AND ALL

MAY WE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS OUR DEEP APPRECIATION FOR THE MANY KINDNESSES YOU HAVE SHOWN US DURING THE PAST YEAR. IT HAS BEEN A PLEASURE TO SERVE YOU AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO AGAIN NUMEBRING YOU AS A CUSTOMER AND FRIENDS THROUGHOUT 1943.



LANG MOTOR FREIGHT

SCHOOL FOR SANTA

Last year at Buffalo, N. Y., a night school to train raw recruits into a crop of finished Santa Clauses was opened. The time may come when every jovial, red-garbed street corner bell-ringer's whiskers mask a Bachelor of Santa Claus Psychology.

CHINESE COPY CUSTOM

Chinese children start Christmas day by folding their hands on arising and wishing each other a good day before opening a single gift. The Chinese have adopted American Christmas customs.

SUNSHINE AIDS

Mistletoe grows only on the highest branches of the tallest trees because it requires a great deal of sunlight. It is confined to these branches in bottom-land forests of the East. In the brilliant sunshine of the Southwest it spreads over the entire tree.

—BUY WAR BONDS AND STAMPS—

HOLIDAY GREETINGS TO ALL



It would be fine if we personally could meet and greet each one of you this thought-provoking Christmas of 1942. The fact that we cannot does not keep us from saying to you here that we wish you a very Merry Christmas.



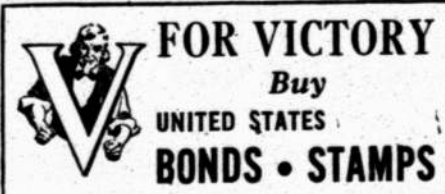
Banks Will Close at 12 Noon Thursday
Will Be Closed Christmas Eve Afternoon
and Christmas Day

Will Be Open Saturday Until 2 p. m.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK
LAMESA NATIONAL BANK

MAY JOY BE YOURS THIS CHRISTMAS TIME

We are wishing for you all a great share of the blessings of the season and a full measure of prosperity during the New Year. We are happy to have gone through the ups and downs of the passing year with so progressive and loyal group of patrons and friends and to share with them the gladness of this Yuletide.



LAMESA TIN &
RADIATOR SHOP



SEASON'S GREETINGS...

To you, our friends, who have made of the old year, one that will linger long in our memory as most pleasant, we want to take this opportunity of extending to you the Season's Greetings

We have enjoyed serving you in 1942, and we trust that we will merit your future confidence, trust, and patronage, throughout 1943 and the years to come!

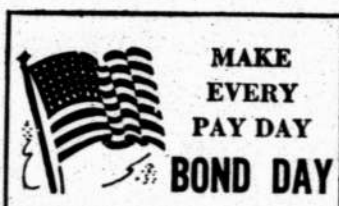


TINSLEY GINS

Lamesa Munger Welch



Wherever you may be at this time we extend our greeting and take this means of expressing our many thanks for the trust you have placed in us by letting us serve you and we shall continually strive to merit your patronage.



LAMESA GENERAL HOSPITAL-CLINIC

NOT SANTA, BUT 'NISON' VISITS DANISH CHILDREN

The Danish children do not have a Santa Claus, but instead a Christmas brownie, called "Nisson," a little old man with a long, gray beard who supposedly lives under the ground.

The chief feature of a Danish

Christmas dinner are roast goose, rice and apple fritters.

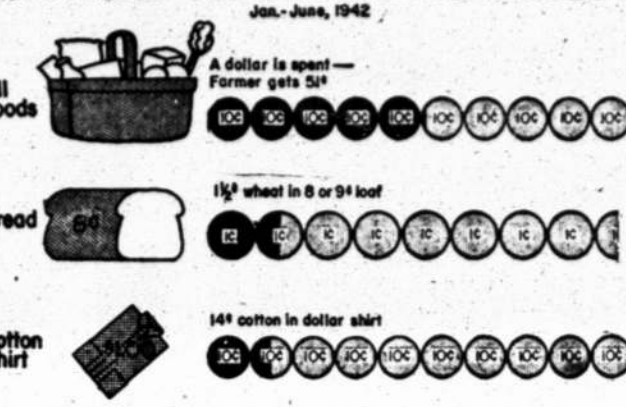
When the storks have left their nests in autumn, thousands of coarse brown crockery in the shape of little pigs, with a slit in the back, are brought to Denmark and bought by the children. They are saving banks into which the children drop their

pennies. The image is not broken until Christmas time.

The first successful glass factory in America was opened in Boston in 1787.

Benjamin Franklin in 1792 developed the glass harmonica.

FARMER'S SHARE OF STORE PRICES



Food doubles its price after it leaves the farm. Some farm products, on which processing and other costs are high, more than double their price before reaching consumers, latest figures from the U. S. Department of Agriculture reveal. There's only about 1 1/2 cents worth of wheat in an 8 or 9 cent loaf of bread, for instance, and about 14 cents worth of cotton in a dollar shirt.

Modern Toys Foster Spirit Of Fair Play

Christmas gifts designed to promote greater use of the imagination among children in the five to eight-year-old group have been planned by toy makers throughout the nation. Encouraging the spirit of independence and fostering group creative play, the new type toys teach the youngsters to think for themselves.

During the five to eight-year-old period when children are making the transition from babyhood to reality School days begin for them. The wise, thoughtful parent select toys for them which stimulate group play. Dull, to those children, are the toys that obviously teach a lesson. But interesting are the toys that teach a lesson under the guise of fun and not in the classroom. Mathematics can be fun if the youngster applies it to counting change for customers in his make-believe store at home.

After being in the classroom all day, children want to release all the nervous energy with them. Toys such as tricycles, small scooters and junior bikes are helpful for the guidance of all such young exuberance.

MEDIEVAL RULERS ENJOYED HUGE CHRISTMAS DINNERS

Calculation of the Christian era is usually credited to Dionysius Exiguus in the Sixth century. However, he was somewhat in error, as it is believed Jesus was born before what was January 1, A. D. 1. The phrase Anno Domini (year of our Lord), of which A. D. is the abbreviation, was believed to have been first used in 1219.

Helium was discovered in the sun in 1868.

The only U. S. Forrest Products Laboratory in the country is located at Madison, Wisconsin.

Christmas Cards Are Personalized Through Pictures

Photographic Christmas greeting cards have been gaining in popularity during the past few years.

The possibilities are widespread as far as the kind or type you would wish to send. There can be group pictures, individual pictures, humorous ones, big and small types.

Even the greeting itself can be included with the picture of the person or persons through the use of a large printed card. Humor is injected into the cards by having a Santa Claus drawn on a large background, with a hole left in the spot where the face should be. Any young member of the family need but put his head in through the hole for the finished effect.

If you are not a good photographer, or have doubts as to whether you could take such a suitable picture, you should know at least three or four persons who are willing to take the picture for you.

LESSON

Across the expanse of the centuries comes this lesson of Christmas: "Peace on earth to men of good will."

Glass Thread For Wounds

By H. W. BLAKESLEE (AP) Science Editor

NEW YORK — Glass threads are being used to sew up wounds in some experiments reported in the American Journal of Surgery.

The threads are fiber glass, fine as silk. The authors of the experiments are Roy Philip Scholz, M. D., and Philip S. Mountjoy, M. D., of St. Louis. They report that the glass is a new material for sewing and that it has all the requisites for



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EILAND-BURNETT LUMBER CO.

wound suturing.

More than any other suture, glass is inert in living tissue. It is unaffected by tissue fluids, chemicals or antiseptics. It causes no detectable chemical reactions. It is non-poisonous. Germs don't attack it. The glass does not bring out any irritating fluids in which germs

might thrive. No person or animal has been found allergic to the fibers.

The threads are very strong. They knot perfectly and permanently. They have been used in wounds for two years, and all of them are still in position. The bodies of men or animals have not absorbed the glass. Nor have the sutures moved from

their original positions. This raises a question about whether there may be bad effects years after glass threads have been sewed into the body. The St. Louis physicians find no evidence of that possibility but are setting out on an investigation of long-time effects.



To you who have made this an American Christmas by carrying parcels, buying sanely, mailing early.

To you who remembered to make Christmas happy, for as many men and women in the Service as possible.

To you who are regularly investing in War Bonds and giving them as gifts, for Victory's sake.

To you who are daily bending every effort and every moment toward winning peace with an Allied Victory!

NO RETAIL DELIVERY CHRISTMAS DAY
DOUBLE DELIVERY THURSDAY



LAMESA CREAMERY



LET THE BELLS — of — CHRISTMAS RING OUT LOUD AND CLEAR!

And may their rich mellow tones convey to you our greetings and best wishes, our gratitude for your friendship, and our sincere desire for a New Year of hope and prosperity for you.



McILROY CLINIC



OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS...

This privilege we have of greeting our friends, neighbors and the stranger within our gates at Christmas Time, is one we deeply cherish and appreciate . . . The very best of everything is the least we can wish for you, who have made the past year one of the most pleasant in our business career . . . We sincerely trust that this Christmas may bring you only happiness and good cheer and that the New Year will be your most pleasant and profitable one. And to one and all everywhere we say, MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

IDEAL FOOD MARKET



MERRY CHRISTMAS.. PEACE ON EARTH



HOLIDAY GREETINGS TO EVERYONE 1942



IT WOULD BE FINE IF WE PERSONALLY COULD MEET AND GREET EACH ONE OF YOU THIS CHRISTMAS OF 1942. YOUR KINDNESS HAS MEANT A GREAT DEAL TO US, AND WE THANK YOU AND WISH YOU A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS.



CLARK-McDONALD DRUG
THE REXALL STORE

THE SHOTS THAT HELP



U. S. Treasury Dept.

Courtesy Sheboygan Press. WSS-614B

LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa Claus:

This year I am four years old. My Daddy is not here this year as he is in the Navy you know.

I would like for you to bring me a high chair for my doll, a set of dishes, a pair of house shoes, a set of knives, forks and spoon, and a table and chair set. I would also like some fruit, nuts and candy.

Santa, please don't forget my Daddy who is far, far away.

Your little friend,
Darlene Sprawls.

Dear Santa:

Santa it snowed here Sunday December 7 and it made me think of Christmas. I made a snow man but it melted. How are you and your eight reindeers? I do not want very much this Christmas. I want a pair of fuzzy wuzzys, a stretch bracelet and a gold necklace, for Christmas. I am nine years old and in the fourth grade at the Lamesa School. Don't forget my mother.

Your friend,
Peggy June Dunn.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am glad it is nearly time for you to visit me and other boys and girls. I have been a good little boy. I am 7 years old now. I am hoping to have a big Christmas this year. I want a truck, baseball and bat, a wooden wagon, a farm set, Lone Ranger gun set and tinker toy set. I hope you do not forget me and my brothers and the other little children.

Your friend,
Edward Alvin Evans.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl six years of age and my name is Wynell Woodul. I have been a nice little girl throughout the year, and I'll try to be good all the other years to come. I want you to bring me a big baby doll, a scooter, a doctor set, house shoes and a house coat. I love Santa very dearly and I hope he brings me these things.

Yours truly,
Wynell Woodul.

Hello Santa Claus:

Please bring us a baby boy for Christmas. Be sure he cries. Bring a few baby clothes too. I will see you in town soon.

Jimmie Dell Williams.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 4 years old. Please bring me a football and a gun-and scabbard, also candy, fruit and nuts.

Yours truly,
Harold Glenn Graham.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a doll and a suitcase with some clothes. And a doll buggy, and a set of dishes, and a table, and a stove, and a doll bed, and a typewriter, and a rocker, and a doctor set, and a iron and a electrolux, and an ironing board and a set of bake dishes.

Love,
Vernell Earnest.

The great fluor spar areas in Kentucky and Illinois furnish 92 per cent of America's spar.

Dear Santa:

I am a boy I want you to bring me an air gun if you can Santa Claus.

Your friend,
Travis Pillioq.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a sweet little girl. I have

brown eyes, and short hair. I am nine years old and in the fourth grade. How are you and your reindeers. I am feeling fine now. I want to tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a doctors set and a pair of gloves and a big doll and I want a box of candy and nuts and fruit.

A Merry Christmas to you.

Yours truly,
Billie Ruth Isaacs.

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl 5 years old. I been a good little girl and I want you to bring me a doll and some oranges, candy and apples.

Vanta Mary Artley.

Dear Santa:

It snowed here Sunday December 7. It made me think of Christmas. I wanted to hang up my stockings. I want a stretch bracelet, an army suit, a pair of slacks and a lot of fruit and nuts.

Yours truly,
Evonda J. Tucker.

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl ten years old. I want a housecoat, an army nurse set, and a story book. Give me lots of candy and nuts. Don't forget the other little boys and girls and give them lots of toys too.

Your little friend,
Jean Kelso.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 4 years old. please bring me some dishes, little lamp, little iron, and a doll. I have a little brother and his name is J. W. please bring him a ball, little car, truck and a doll and candy fruits and nuts.

Your little friends,
Nelda Lee and J. W. Graham.



A MERRY YULETIDE TO ALL
**OUR FRIENDS
AND CUSTOMERS**

To each and all of you we say "Merry Christmas." We say it—yes—in the very same spirit that we have said it in the past, knowing that the full enjoyment of Christmas is an affair of the heart and of the spirit. Pausing for a moment in the twilight of 1942 we look forward with our friends hopefully to the future.



**O. C. RICHARDSON
SERVICE STATION**

CHRISTMAS CHEER IS NOT RATIONED!

There is a super-abundance of Christmas cheer for you during this entire Yule Season and our wish is that you have a

**Special Allotment of
Joy and Happiness**

that will last you through the entire New Year. We particularly wish the best for you in grateful appreciation of your kindness during 1942. We look forward to serving you again.



**KELLEY IMPLEMENT
COMPANY**

TELEPHONE 111-J 408 NORTH SECOND



REGARDLESS of what has happened to this queer old world in 1942, there is still love and cheer and friendship out of which we may fashion another happy Christmas season.

We want to say now that we wish all of our friends every success in finding during this Yuletide all the happiness it can possibly bring.



**PAINTER & MAYFIELD
IMPLEMENT CO.**



JUST A LINE to extend our heartfelt thanks for your kindness to us during 1942, and to wish you and yours the merriest Christmas of them all.



CAMPBELL'S GROCERY MARKET AND BAKERY

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy four years old. Please bring me a fire truck, a gun and a football. I hope I see you in town. Don't forget Jimmie and Harold.

Lots of love,
Jerry Wayne Kimbrell.

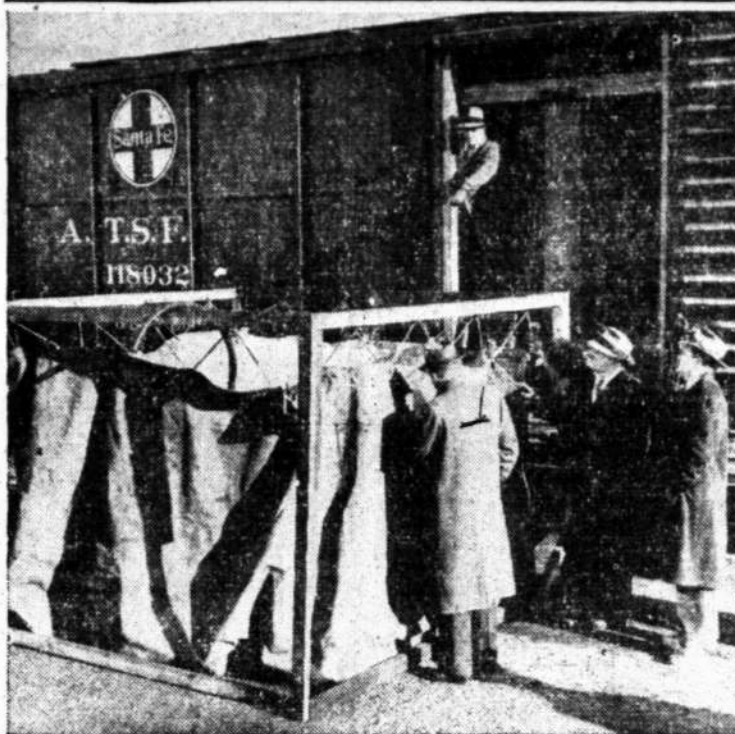
Dear Santa:

We are two little girls four and one years old. I, Frances want a tea set, and chairs and table. I, Charlotte want a baby doll and locket. Please bring us some candy, nuts and fruits. Frances and Charlene Simmons.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a pair of over shoes and a rain coat, a cowboy suit, cap pistols and holster, fruits and nuts, candy and don't forget all the other little boys and girls. Your little friend,
Gylen Bullard.

Tank Car Substitute



A method for converting ordinary box cars to carry liquid cargoes, such as gasoline, oil, etc., has been offered by a Chicago inventor, Mark J. Fields, as a solution to the tank car shortage.

Fields' invention was demonstrated in the Santa Fe Railway's yards in Chicago before a group of railroad and government officials, who expressed optimism over the idea.

His box car-to-tank car conversion scheme consists of dividing an ordinary box car into four compartments by means of wooden bulkheads. In each compartment, a canvas container, treated on the inside with a DuPont rubber synthetic, Faraprene, is suspended by

means of a series of pulleys and ropes. Each tank has a 4-inch intake and a 4-inch outlet and may be filled and emptied simultaneously, which makes for speedy handling.

Each of the canvas bags has a capacity of 2,500 gallons of liquid or a total of 10,000 gallons for the four containers. This is equal to the capacity of an ordinary tank car. The car in which the test was made was an 80,000-pound capacity car.

Among those attending the demonstration were O. L. Gray, assistant to the operating vice president, and E. E. Chapman, mechanical assistant, both of the Santa Fe.

LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl nine years old and in the fourth grade. How are you and your reindeers?

I would like to have a blackboard and a big ball. To help the war I would like a twenty-five dollar bond. I want my stocking full of apples, almonds, and Brazil nuts.

Love,
Nancy Scott.

Dear Santa:

I hope you are ready for Christmas trips. There are only two things I want. The first thing is a war bond and a victory bicycle. My name is Beth Marie Allen and I am nine years old. I live at 1004 North Second St. There is still another thing and that is victory and peace.

With lots of love,
Beth Marie Allen.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 8 years old. I am in the third grade. I would like to have a nurse set for Christmas. I have two brothers that would like to have some things. J. V. wants a train and toy horse, and Wilbur Dean wants a gun, and some candy

for us all. J. V. is 4 years old and W. D. is 2 years old. We have been good little children.

We hope you have a good trip this Christmas.

Your little friends,
Rachel J. V. and Wilbur Dean Lewis.

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy 10 years old. I am in the fifth grade. I want two toy guns, a few boxes of caps to shoot in them, two holsters and a bullet belt. I can't ask for too much but could you spare a motor boat for me to; also some fruit, candy and nuts.

Your friend,
Clifford Ponder.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 6 years old. I have been a pretty good boy, so please bring me a football, gun and scabbard, a fire truck, and gloves, and fruit and candy.

Your friend,
Shelby O. Graham.

—BUY WAR BONDS AND STAMPS—

Christmas Good Cheer



THIS YEAR OF 1942 has been one of world tribulation, but nevertheless, many good things have come our way. Chief among them is your continued patronage, for which we thank you very earnestly now, and wish you a very

MERRY CHRISTMAS

For Victory...

Buy
UNITED STATES
BONDS * STAMPS



FAIR STORE

"PRICE TALKS"

WOMEN'S WEAR MEN'S WEAR

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a new big tricycle, a machine gun, a set of Krazy Ikes, a tractor set, a big ball, some books and anything else you can bring me.

Ben Alexander.
P. S. A chicken that lays eggs.

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl 7 years old, and I am in the second grade. I want like to have a tricycle and drum a doll, a table and chairs, some doll dresses and some little dishes, also nuts, fruit and candy.

Your little friend,
Helen Ruth Ponder.

Dear Santa:

I am five years old and I would like to have a tricycle and drum and lots of oranges, apples and candy. And don't forget my older brothers and sisters.

Your friend,
John David Gibson.



IT HAS BEEN A GREAT PRIVILEGE AND PLEASURE TO HAVE SERVED YOU THE PAST YEAR, AND WE TRUST THAT WE HAVE SO CONDUCTED OURSELVES THAT WE MAY NUMBER YOU AS A CUSTOMER AND FRIEND DURING THE NEW YEAR AND THE YEARS TO COME.



LAMESA GIN
BOB McDONALD, Mgr.



It is our sincere wish that loads of old-time Christmas joy will again be with us all during the Yule season. May the sacrifices of 1942 usher in soon a genuine era of good will. And thanks a thousand times for your many kindnesses during the past year.



COPE OIL CO.



IN wishing you a Merry Christmas this year we would capture for you as much of the old time holiday spirit as possible. Accept our sincere thanks for your generous patronage, which has been a source of real encouragement to us in 1942.



SPENCER
MACHINE SHOP

Christmas Season GREETINGS---

Now, at Christmas time, when the fountains of true joy flow most freely, we welcome the opportunity to extend to you and yours our heartiest wishes for a happy Yuletide. For your kindness to us in 1942 we cordially thank you.



E. R. YATES HARDWARE

Leader



A. D. Foreman, Sr., three-time president of the Texas Baptist General Convention, at the recent Fort Worth meeting engineered a constitutional amendment which, in effect, nullified his third election and necessitated the election of Dr. W. R. White, president of Hardin-Simmons University. Notable achievement of his tenure was the raising of about \$325,000 to pay off a Baptist debt. He is a Houston real estate man.

Tips On How To Prepare Turkey For Christmas

With Christmas just around the corner, Hazel Phipps, food preparation specialist of the A. and M. College Extension Service, urges homemakers to brush up a little on their cooking methods. The modern way to cook turkey is with moderate heat most of the time, for this reduces shrinkage and leaves the meat juicy, the specialist says.

The traditional way for preparing the turkey is to roast it, and that is correct, if the bird is tender. Roast turkey looks good and tastes good. It is also a good idea to have dressing for that helps stretch the turkey flavor and it is a favorite of many people.

For roasting, select a well-fattened young bird with a plump breast. Miss Phipps advises. Allow from three-fourths to one pound dressed weight for each person to be served. Roast the bird on a rack in a shallow pan, and do not add water or cover the pan. Start roasting with the bird's back up and breast down, keeping the oven temperature moderate to slow.

If the bird is small or medium-sized, baste it every half hour. Miss Phipps suggests. Or if the bird is quite large, basting it every hour will be often enough. When the meat is tender in the thickest parts and the juice does not show a red tinge, the roasting is completed.

If the turkey provides more meat than a family can easily use, Miss Phipps suggests sharing the bird. "Split the turkey and then two families can have a half. Roast it cut side down and make plenty of dressing," she advises.

There are 34 million turkeys on the market this year so each family should be able to obtain one for Christmas.

In addition, he played first trumpet with the Symphony Orchestra, owned and operated a music company, played with a radio staff orchestra, operated a couple of dance bands and did some private teaching on the side.

He was also a track man and made two letters, winning the Southwest Conference pole vault championship in 1933 with 12 feet 2 inches.

Fifty-one per cent of New Zealand's population is urban.

LIBERTY LIMERICKS



Said a lumberman named Mr. Wood,
"If we'd work just as hard as we could,
And all of us bought
The Bonds that we ought—
We'd dispose of Herr Hitler for good!"

Help your country reach its War Bond quota . . . and help your country win the War. Check 10% off your income and invest it in War Savings Bonds.
U. S. Treasury Dept.

A Merry American CHRISTMAS DAWSON COUNTY'S WAR

Now that our Factories, Industrial Plants, and Ship Yards are turning out materials of war at a rapid and accelerating rate, the major problem for the coming year, for the civilians of Dawson County is to produce food and fiber to the absolute limit of their ability.

We ALL can and MUST assist in this task. This will have to be done with reduced man power, and with less than adequate equipment. The pioneers of this country DID produce in this section, under more severe hardships than we are now called on to bear. Can we afford to do less than our ABSOLUTE BEST? Our WAR assignment, is to do the job we are on, in the best possible way.

We, as Americans, are accustomed to protesting vehemently at any encroachment on our personal liberty. We don't like regimentation. That spirit is commendable, because it has kept America the most free nation in the world, and that same spirit will see to it that we again have that absolute freedom when victory is won.

For the present however, we must cooperate with OUR Government even at the sacrifice of some liberties. Let's forget how to GRIPE for the duration, and concentrate on how to cooperate. Let's realize that we have no right to expect any other American to do more for the war effort than we do. After all the national effort is merely an adding up of our individual efforts. Let's realize that on EACH of us depends the success or failure of our nation.

IN APPRECIATION

To those patriotic and unselfish members of the various County Rationing and War Boards, we want to express our sincere thanks. Their importance is sometimes overlooked. They have a vital part in the winning of the war. Their task is not a pleasant one, and not one of them sought the job.

They were chosen because of their fitness, outstanding character, and willingness to sacrifice of their time for their Country. They serve WITHOUT PAY, and should be assured that the Nation and the citizenship whom they serve, appreciate their efforts.

When they have to turn us down on something we want, let's realize that were it not for them, we might be having to fill the place ourselves. They are working for the nation and US. Let's let them know that we appreciate their efforts. Those serving us are listed below:

COUNTY USDA WAR BOARD	GAS BOARD	FARM MACHINERY BOARD	FARM Transportation BOARD
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Best Wishes For A Merry Christmas And A Quick Victory

FORREST LUMBER CO.



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American Spirit Is Noted In Tots' Homemade Toys

With a typical American wartime spirit, the people of the nation have started to manufacture many of their own Christmas toys.

For instance, in those shops where bits of wood are left from repair work, such lumber remnants can be used for the building of toys. Smoothly sawed off pieces make fine building blocks.

Spools and wooden cigar boxes come in for use as toys, too. The boxes can be made into trains, and spools can be used as wheels for them. Spools can even be strung together for beads, or lined up for imitation trains to be drawn along the floor by the baby.



A Very Merry Christmas

So we say to you not just as our customers in 1942, but also as our friends and acquaintances which you have indeed become. We hope that you enjoy to the fullest all the happiness and goodness of this Christmas Season.

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Christmas Stockings One Feminine Trick

Christmas just wouldn't be Christmas to American boys and girls without a visit from St. Nick.

According to history, St. Nicholas in real life was the Archbishop of Myra and lived during the Fourth century. In the Middle Ages, he makes his first traditional appearance in the legends of the Northland.

One legend concerns St. Nicholas, which originally was celebrated on the sixth of December. Young ladies, it seems, would hang up their stockings in hopes that St. Nicholas would fill them with dainties. After a time, St. Nick and the stocking-hanging customs was incorporated into the celebration of Christmas.

Another legend says that on Christmas eve the spirit of St. Nicholas rode across the land on a great white horse followed by the hosts of innocents slain in Bethlehem by the order of Herod. Children of the Northland filled their wooden shoes with oats for the Saint's horse and set them outside of the door; in the morning, providing the children had been good, the oats were gone and the shoes were filled with nuts and apples.

Eventually, the boys and younger children, the wives and husbands, and even the grandparents, decided the girls were getting too much the best of things; so, they all joined the International Society of Stocking-hangers.

Our ancestors brought St. Nick to America, where he has grown round and fat and jovial, traded his great

A WACCy Merry Christmas

FORT DES MOINES, Iowa — Sixty-seven thousand home folks will get a kick out of the same number of WACCy Christmas cards this year. Designed especially for the WAACs, the gaily colored greeting cards have been snapped up so quickly at the Post Exchange, that the number has been limited to fifty cards per girl.

It all came about this way: Third Officer Lorraine Marshall couldn't get the Army off her mind while she was on furlough visiting her family in Chicago. So, she sketched pictures for the greeting cards. A commercial artist before she took to Army life, it wasn't long before she carried through her ideas to help the WAACs extend Christmas greetings to their civilian friends in military style. WAAC Auxiliary Donna J. Carteen and Corporal Vincent Schall assisted with the sketches.

The results are eight different amusing and delightful designs, depicting the various branches of military service in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps. There's an oven full of good wishes for the corps, an office girl for the administrative service, and four camp scenes. Included also in the selection is a formal greeting card with a place for the

white horse for eight magic reindeer, and his pack bulged bigger and bigger.

This year Santa's pack may be minus a few luxury products and mechanical gadgets, but that doesn't matter as long as there are mamma dolls, sleds and drums and picture books! toys for the children.

Chinese Converts Stress Religion

By SPENCER MOOSA

(AP) Features

CHUNGKING — China will celebrate its sixth wartime Christmas with full church attendance by the country's three and a half million Christians. There will be extra masses for Catholics, who comprise eighty per cent of China's Christian population.

There will be greater earnestness and religious emphasis than in pre-war years. It will be an economical Christmas, too; for the giving of gifts and sending of cards will be restricted by high prices. There are no turkeys for the Christmas feast.

sender to insert her own photograph in the WAAC uniform.

Even the familiar Christmas snowman is not neglected. On one card a uniformed WAAC stands between two snowmen wearing WAAC hats.

This card reads, "It's Snow Picnic—But It's a Jolly Time I'm Wishing You!"

Missionaries agree that there has been a marked upswing since the war in the number of Chinese who have become Christians. Hence observance of Christmas this year will be more widespread than heretofore.

Many Chinese are converted because of the selfless labors of American and other missionary and relief workers. There is a Bible famine and at least \$5 apiece is paid for copies of the Book that do go on sale.

The trend toward Christianity is exemplified by the proportion of Christians enlisting in the army. Two-thirds of the four hundred cadets in an officers' training school are Christian. Also many wounded soldiers, touch by the comfort and succor they received from Christian workers who predominate in war hospitals, have turned to the religion of the Western World.

Chiang Kai-shek and many other general, government, educational and civil leaders are Christian.

The Generalissimo will be too busy, probably to enjoy the holiday, but Madam Chiang Kai-shek will have a small Christmas Eve dinner with only immediate relatives present.

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REJECTED IN MOVIE, BUT DRAFTED IN LIFE

NEW YORK (AP) — Robert W. Willey appeared in an Army movie as a boy 17 discharged from the Army because of his age. As a bugle blew retreat, he walked out of the camp, saying, "Guess I'll never be hearing that again." He spoke too soon. In real life 22, he's now a rookie at Camp Upton.

WHEN GALS SAY YES THEY MEAN NO KNOT

DENVER (AP) — Sixty-five per cent of co-eds at Denver University who were asked: "Would you become engaged to a young man about to be drafted?" responded "yes," but 75 per cent of them answered "no" when asked if they would marry the man.

The average automobile, when dismantled for scrap, yields 1,500 pounds of iron and steel, 30 pounds of copper, 5 pounds of aluminum, and 50 pounds of rubber.

Massachusetts car owners are now permitted to collect fees for transporting "share-the-ride" passengers.

There'll Be A 'Hot Time' In Australia

By C. YATES McDANIEL

(AP) Features

MELBOURNE — Australia this year will celebrate its fourth Christmas of the war without some of the trimmings which formerly marked observance of the festive midsummer season — for Christmas is a hot weather holiday in this continent down under the equator.

The task of mopping up the Japs in New Guinea is unlikely to give Americans and Australians in that jungle battle area much holiday time. And for war workers, men and women in the services and ordinary civilians on the home front, the stringency of wartime economy will dampen, though not quench, holiday spirits.

The Australian Comforts Fund is preparing festive baskets for Australian soldiers, and authorities are permitting individuals to send personal packages — weighing no more than five and a half pounds — to New Guinea. Some of the American troops in the jungles may be lucky enough to get a bite of one of the turkeys ordered from the United States for MacArthur's soldiers.

Newspapermen in New Guinea have had Christmas in mind for months, and their foresight has already yielded two scrawny ducks for the Christmas pot. The correspondents will have to do more foraging, however, since there are twenty-five hungry mouths to be fed.

Although austerity of regulations provoked a chorus of grouching — which was expected — there is every indication that the average Australian will have an opportunity—and will grasp it — to celebrate.

Australians may exchange the season's greetings by mail but not by telegraph. Despite the ban on interstate civilian travel and strict gasoline rationing, tens of thousands of Australians are expected to celebrate at beach resorts, as usual. Hotels, guest house and tent camps along the coast from South Australia to Queensland already booked beyond capacity.

Catholics will celebrate Christmas with traditional services, but some Protestant churches will follow the pre-war trend and take their religious observances to the people at beach resorts.

Except for members of the armed forces and skeleton staffs essential for public services, Australians this year are entitled to a four-day Christmas holiday — December 25 to 28 inclusive. Coal miners will be given a ten-day layoff.

The austerity regulations will black out Christmas as far as retail advertising is concerned. Stores are forbidden to use the Lord's name in anyway to high-pressure holiday buying or gift giving. And Father Christmas — as Santa Claus is usually called in Australia — may not show his face from newspaper advertisements, store windows or doorway. Shops are also forbidden to prepare special gift packages.

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Notice To Courier Patrons

If for any reason you fail to get your paper you are urged to call the Courier Office before the noon hour on Tuesday and Friday of each week. A paper will be delivered promptly to your house upon receipt of complaint. The Courier is delivered in town by carrier boy on Monday and Tuesday. Call us for better service.

Subscribers Are Asked To Check Expiration Dates

Courier readers are asked to watch their expiration dates on their subscriptions in order that they not miss a single issue of their home town newspaper. In other words, if the numbers following your name on your paper read 1-43, that means that your subscription will expire on January 1, 1943, and that unless you renew your subscription will be stopped at that time.

The subscription price of the Courier is now \$2.00 per year in Dawson, Martin, Gaines, Borden and Lynn Counties, \$1.35 for six months, or \$3.00 for two years. The subscription price outside this territory is \$3.00 per year.



What's Mrs. Petrov got that you haven't got?

Meet Mrs. Petrov, citizen of the Soviet Union. When the Nazi Panzer Divisions approached the small Petrov farm in the Ukraine, she knew what to do.

The wheat, so near to harvest time, went up in flames. The potatoes, stored in the cellar, were soaked with kerosene. The jars of fruits and preserves were smashed, and the cow, which had given her children so many quarts of precious milk, was shot.

After piling her two young children, a few blankets and some food on the farm cart, Mrs. Petrov did one more thing. She went back to the house where she and her husband had been so happy where they had worked so hard to make a home for their family—and applied the torch.

Now, everybody in this country knows that Americans are as patriotic—as capable of sacrifice—as grimly determined to beat Hitler as are the Russians or anybody else on earth.

But—by the Lord Harry—do we have to wait till a Nazi tank comes rolling up the street before we prove it?

We aren't being asked to burn our homes and destroy everything we own. Please God, we never will be.

But we are being asked to join the Payroll Savings Plan and put at least 10% of our earnings into War Bonds! We're being asked—not told—to loan money—not give it! And to loan this money at a good rate of interest and for good reasons! We're being asked to buy War Bonds to help win the war—to provide a nest egg for the future—to provide peacetime jobs and peacetime goods and a generally decent world that the fellows who are doing the fighting can come back to.

That's our job. And it's a job that won't be done until every mother's son of us is buying bonds until it hurts.

There are, right now, still people who ought to be buying War Bonds through the Payroll Savings Plan—and aren't.

Right now, while some of the people in the Payroll Savings Plan are setting aside more than 10%—a lot of others are investing less.

Let's change that situation—quick. If you aren't in the Payroll Savings Plan—sign up tomorrow. If you're already in, but haven't hit 10% yet—raise your sights. And if you can put in more—do it.

What's Mrs. Petrov got that we haven't? Nothing! Let's prove it!

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO:

1. If you are... Already investing 10% of your pay in War Bonds through the Payroll Savings Plan—boost that 10% if you can.
2. Working in a plant where the Plan is installed, but haven't signed up yet—sign up tomorrow.
3. Working in a plant where the Payroll Savings Plan hasn't been installed, talk to your union head, foreman or plant manager—and see if it can't be installed right away. The local bank will be glad to help.
4. Unable to get in on the Payroll Savings Plan for any reason, go to your local bank or wherever bonds are sold. They will be glad to help you start a Plan of your own.



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by DAWSON COUNTY COURIER



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Christmas
Cheer to All

Now is the time when all of us are more fully conscious of the goodness that should pervade all mankind. Permit us, then, to thank you for your good will in 1942; we wish you all the merriest Christmas possible.

CARROL DAVIS
GULF STATION

ALL SWEDES TO BE X-RAYED
STOCKHOLM (AP) — The National Association for the Combat of Tuberculosis in Sweden is planning to take X-ray photographs of every Swedish citizen so that a complete picture of the spread of tuberculosis in the nation can be secured. The work will be done by means of

traveling laboratories built into special motor buses, containing X-ray apparatus and waiting rooms. The capacity of the laboratory will be 100 X-ray photographs an hour. The first bus of the series to be used in the work is now being constructed.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

Wars and Dictators rise and fall, yet through the din of battle and tribulation may we all find Comfort and Peace in a Solemn Remembrance of the Babe of Bethlehem. Christmas is Universal and unaffected by differences in the credo of our faith.

May the Spirit of Christmas bring you Peace and Comfort and may Liberty, Truth and Justice Prevail so that we may all celebrate a Victorious New Year.

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Hard-Simmons Univ. Star Back Quite A Guy

(AP) Features

ARILENE, Texas. — There is no set formula for Rudolph Mobley's runs that have made him the nation's leading ball-carrier.

Little Doc hits anywhere and it doesn't matter where — he goes through or around.

The Hardin-Simmons back has scored from every angle imaginable and has averaged close to 30 yards on each touchdown run.

Take the Baylor game when the Cowboys shocked the Southwest by beating the burly Bruins. It was Baylor's line that held Texas A. and M. nine times inside the 20-yard line as the Sun Bowl fans will yet Doc scored standing up — 17 yards around right end.

Against North Texas State, he

went over left guard for 67 yards, right tackle for 40, and left tackle for 24.

The touchdown against Southern Methodist, another shock to the Southwest, came the hard way. Little Doc slanted off left tackle for two yards and the counter. It was over a mass of players.

Against Texas Mines he circled right end for five. His second touchdown was over the middle for 78. He ran over left guard for the other one, going 34 yards.

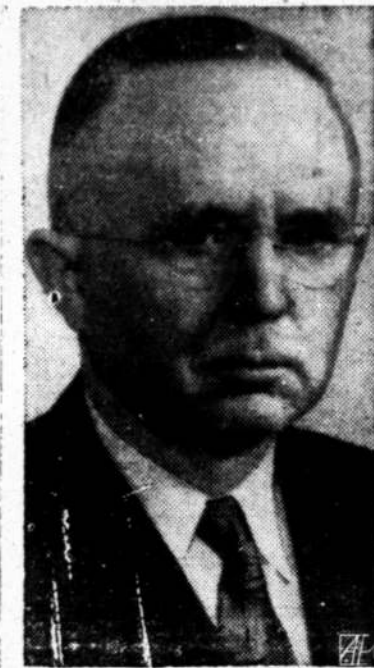
In the Arizona game, when he gained 278 yards he broke over left end for 72 and went around left end for 15 to score touchdowns.

And so on. Not that Mobley is fast because both of his understudies — Gayle Campbell and Johnny Allsup — can beat him in a foot race.

He just breaks with the snap and is moving at top speed with a few and M. nine times inside the 20-yard line as the Sun Bowl fans will yet Doc scored standing up — 17 yards around right end.

Quick, a guy is the 155-pound wrath of the plans country.

Prexy



M. C. Ullmer, Midland banker, recently was elected president of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. He succeeds J. Thomas Davis of Stephenville.

Promoted



Brig. Gen. Hugh T. Mayberry, commandant of the Tank Destroyer School, Camp Hood, Texas, recently was promoted from the rank of a colonel. A native of Farmington, Mo., he has been a top leader in development of this new phase of warfare.

Wildlife Program Proving Popular With 4-H Boys

Teaching boys the principles of sportsmanship and proper regard for laws protecting wildlife is one of the objectives of the wildlife conservation program offered Texas' 36,000 4-H Club boys. R. E. Callender, game management specialist for the A. and M. College Extension Service, says this program is growing in popularity among club boys every year.

As a part of the program, county agricultural agents and local leaders train boys in the methods of conservation and help them establish practices on the farm or ranch which are favorable to the increase of desirable kinds of wildlife. Club members also are encouraged to study the life habits and economic value of game and fur-bearing animals, birds, and fish. And through conservation measures, many are producing wildlife as a crop of the land, Callender says.

During the past year some clubs visited nearby government fish hatcheries and attended encampments to study wildlife conservation. Others established sanctuaries offering both food and cover to wildlife. Teaching boys to shoot a rifle properly and accurately always has been a part of the sportsmanship program, and it is even more popular in war-time, the specialist reports.

Many of the thousands of game preservation demonstration markers on fences along Texas roads and highways were erected by teen-age 4-H Club boys who are cooperating in the program. Some of them take an annual census of the wildlife on their farms and ranches, some establish feeding stations for birds in winter, while others may help protect nests from livestock. Fire prevention and controlled hunting also are encouraged.

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La Salle Ambulances



Fertilizing Of Pastures Pays Dividends

Use of superphosphate, potash and lime on soil deficient in those elements maintains clover and lespedeza in pastures, and other legumes in cropland. It is not uncommon to double and treble productivity by fertilizing pastures, according to R. R. Lancaster, pasture specialist for the A. and M. College Extension Service. Abundant American supplies of superphosphate are not restricted by war priorities.

More commonly, 200 to 400 pounds of 20 per cent superphosphate, or its equivalent, in available phosphoric acid in other phosphates, is applied to pastures. This may be done any

time when sod would be least injured by diskings. But it would be almost useless to broadcast superphosphate on sod, the specialist explains, without diskings or drilling it into the soil at least an inch or two. An additional five to 10 tons of stable manure worked into old pastures is an excellent practice.

Because of the slow movement of superphosphate into the soil of permanent pastures satisfactory response often is not observed until after a lapse of two years.

Not only is pasture forage increased by balanced soil fertility, Lancaster observes, but it becomes more tender, nutritious and palatable, and even more digestible. Livestock grazing on fertile soils keep in better condition, make greater gains and greater productivity, and maintain better health than on untreated soil deficient in phosphorus. Well nourished pastures in

fertile soil endure drought, heat, and cold better, and respond quicker and more effectively to moisture than on poor land. Grazing is extended several weeks by lespedeza in mid-summer and by winter grasses and clovers. Bermuda starts earlier in the spring and remains green later in the fall.

DEAD ANIMALS CAN HELP WAR

MORGANTOWN, W. Va. (AP) — Even a dead farm animal can do its bit in the war effort, says Dr. J. H. Reitz, veterinarian of the West Virginia university agricultural experiment station.

Dr. Reitz says fats are needed for war, and dead beasts are an excellent source not only of fat, but also of fertilizer, poultry feed and other products. He urged farmers not to bury or burn the animals but to contact rendering plants.

THE DOOLITTLES



U. S. Treasury Dept.

VSS-614F



Findings of Joy

Rising above the turmoil and cares of the world is the majestic story of Bethlehem. May the star that shone then still cast its light for you and all of us, revealing new pathways to happiness and achievement. Our entire organization joins with us in thanking you for your good will and patronage during 1942, and in wishing you a very Merry Christmas.

GAMBILL'S
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We thank you for your loyalty to us during the year. May you experience every joy during this blessed Yuletide of 1942.

WILSON & CO. INC.
Roy Hoback, Manager



To all our old friends and acquaintances, and also to the many fine new ones we have made during 1942, we send sincere Christmas greetings and the wish that the holidays will be as happy as possible.

With more and more shortages and rationing to come may all of us in 1943 be content to have less here that our Boys may have more over there—to the end that victory for Liberty and Right may soon prevail.



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Christmas 1942 A Season Joyous



In wishing you a Merry Christmas this year we would capture for you as much of the old time holiday spirit as possible. Accept our sincere thanks for your generous patronage, which has been a source of real encouragement to us in 1942.



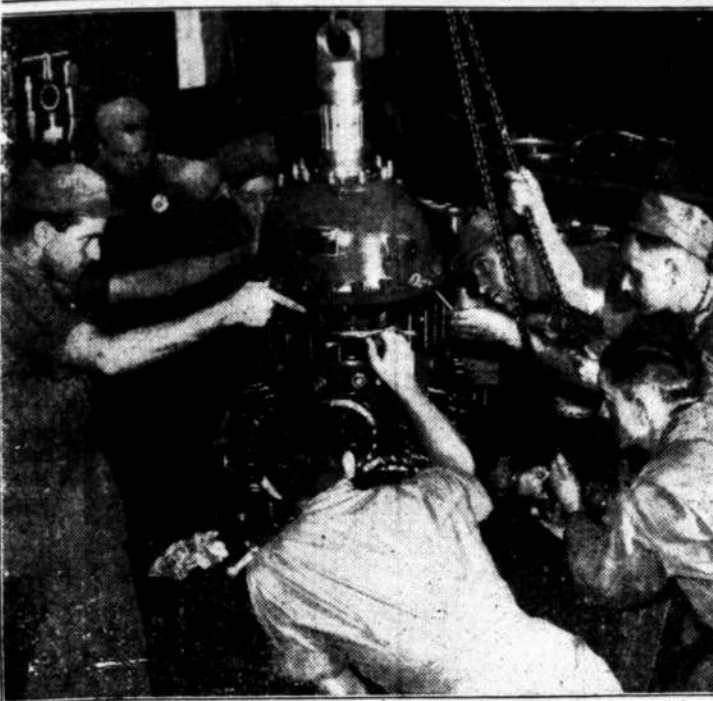
MERRY CHRISTMAS
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A HAPPY NEW YEAR

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The Men Who "Keep 'Em Flying"



The men who will "keep 'em flying" for Uncle Sam are the mechanics and service specialists of the Air Force Technical Training Command. Learning by doing, they are being trained by service experts in such centers as Chevrolet's Pratt & Whitney Engine Overhaul School, which occupies an entire building in Detroit. Here every three weeks 150 Air Force mechanics are graduated to swell the ranks of the ground crews that keep America's planes aloft. Soon that number will be doubled, as Chevrolet expands its staff of trained instructors. Above, a typical group of Air Force mechanics in one of the 36 individual workshops in the new school gets the "feel" of the P&W service operations.

MILLIONS BANKED BY JAP BOAT LINE

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Investigation by federal agents has disclosed \$3,500,000 cash and several million dollars in securities deposited in San Francisco banks by Nip-

pon Yusen Kaisha, Japanese steamship line. The assets will be seized by the government.

The first inhabitants of North America came from Siberia, via Bering Strait.

Employers Urged To Report All S. S. Numbers

Employers are reminded by Elliott W. Adams, manager of the Big Spring Social Security Board field office, that it is necessary to report social security account numbers for all employees on their social security tax returns for the quarter ending December 31, 1942. Failure on the part of the employers to secure account numbers for all employees results in possible loss or reduction in benefits to the employees, extra trouble and expense to the employers in answering letters and having personal calls by the Board personnel, and unnecessary expense to the government in attempting to contact individuals and secure their account numbers.

Adams advised that in the event an individual is employed who does not have an account number or has lost his card, he should be immediately requested to secure an application form from the Post Office and fill it out. The employer should then mail the application to the Big Spring office and ask to be advised of the account number. As soon as a card is issued or, in case of requests for duplicates, the original account number ascertained, the employer will be advised of the number by the Field Office.

The Big Spring office will, upon request, furnish employers with application blanks stamped "Notified Employer." In this way the employer can, where necessary, have a supply of these forms on hand, and any employee who does not have an ac-

President



Rev. Harold G. Cooke, Methodist minister, will take over new duties as president of McMurry College, Abilene, about January 1. He will succeed Dr. Frank L. Turner, who resigned to return to the pulpit. Rev. Cooke, now superintendent of the San Angelo-Llano Methodist district, is a native of South Dakota but was reared near Beaumont.

Citizens Warned Of Diseases In Rabbits

During the winter months hunting rabbits is a popular sport and a wild rabbit makes a very fine food, but according to the State Health Department, extreme care should be used in the handling of wild rabbits to prevent a possible infection with tularemia.

"Those little cotton tail rabbits are not always as harmless as they look," states Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, "for some of them are infected with tularemia. This serious disease which is also known as rabbit fever usually is acquired by human beings through contact with infected rabbits or through contact with the infected insect that spreads it from animal to animal."

Dr. Cox cautioned that hunters should shoot only the frisky rabbits that run away. A rabbit without the energy to scamper away from the hunter is likely to be a sick one that can transmit tularemia to those who handle him.

"It is necessary to handle uncooked rabbit meat cautiously," Dr. Cox said. "The use of rubber gloves will protect your hands since the germs may enter the body through any cut or scratch however small if the rabbit is handled without gloves."

"As a further safeguard, rabbit meat should be cooked very thoroughly so as to destroy any disease producing germs that may be present. This means that it should be cooked at a boiling temperature for at least 20 minutes before cooking it to your individual taste."

Repairmen To Get More Welding Rods

Repair shops doing repair work on farm machinery will receive preference ratings on orders for rods for emergency repair purposes. Ratings will be sufficiently high to assure prompt delivery in cases where shops are out of welding rod, the Texas USDA War Board announced this week.

Electrodes also are included under the new preference rating. Although applications for rods and electrodes will be handled through the nearest War Production Board field office, shop repair owners are asked to file their PD-333A applications through the local USDA War Board.

County USDA War Boards, in turn, will send them to the WPB office with recommendations. Despite the fact that manufacture of welding rods has been stepped up more than three times normal capacity, acute shortages prevail in many parts of the state, B. F. Vance, chairman of the Board, said.

The State USDA War Board also announced that bare wire and light-coated electrodes also are available through WPB and will provide relief in areas where supplies of welding rod are exhausted and where emergencies exist.

Repairmen are being asked to file applications for bare wire and light-coated electrodes immediately so that relief may be obtained without an otherwise drain on the tight rod and electrode supply.

BIRTHS IN SWEDEN

HIGHEST SINCE 1922
STOCKHOLM (A) — Births throughout Sweden during the second quarter of 1942 numbered 30,551, the highest figure since 1922. The increase over the 1941 figure for the same period was 3,003. There were also 4,697 more births than during the same period in 1940.

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count number card should be requested to complete the application at the time he is employed.

Adams stated that the Board was aware that in very rare instances this procedure could not be followed because of unusual circumstances. He stated, however, that the employer could in all instances secure the individual's full name, date of birth, and mailing address. Such information would greatly aid the Board in later identifying the account or contacting the individual, and reducing cost of administration materially.

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Post Toasties REG. SIZE BOX EACH 7½c

BABO REG. SIZE 12½c SUNBRITE REG. CAN 5c
SOAP LIFEBOUY 7½c LUX REGULAR BAR 7½c

TOMATOES NO. 2 CAN EACH 10c

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May we, as your officials, take this opportunity of extending to you the Greetings of the Season, and to thank you sincerely for the many kindnesses accorded us during the old year... may this Christmas be most happy for you.

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Rep. Eugene Worley of Shamrock, Texas, "liked it fine" when he made a flight in one of the big gliders used in training students at the advanced glider school of the Army Air Forces, near Dalhart, Texas. Rep. Worley, who recently returned from a tour of duty as a naval officer in the South Pacific, is believed to be the first Congressman to have flown in a glider. He is shown, at left, with Col. E. H. Underhill, post commander, just before taking off. The glider school is in Rep. Worley's district (18th congressional).

THIS FARM'S SURE TO BE LUSH

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — There were 114,000 jail commitments in Virginia last year and Governor Darden, believing too many of them to be habitual drunkards, is planning the establishment of a state

farm for inebriates after the war is ended. The governor says the present situation is good neither for drunks nor the state and that the inebriates should work and earn a part of their keep.

Safety tips for war workers are now being published by the U. S. government.

Transpacific telephone weddings have been held invalid in some states.

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Eggs By The Lb. Instead Of By The Dozen

A trend toward selling eggs by the pound instead of by the dozen is becoming evident in some sections of the country, and this is profitable both to the producer and the consumer, in the opinion of Myrtle Murray, home industries specialist of the A. and M. College Extension Service.

Under present marketing practices, the consumer pays as much per dozen for extremely small eggs as for standard eggs which weigh 2 ounces each, or a pound and a half per dozen. Likewise, Miss Murray explains, the producer who markets standard size eggs or larger receives no price advantage for a better product.

Until the public and the trade accept the change from the dozen to pound basis, producers will have to obtain their premiums by offering high quality clean, infertile eggs correctly prepared for marketing. Miss Murray says that means eggs should be gathered at least twice a day and kept in a clean wire basket until they are cool and ready for packing. They should then be graded as to size, putting the uniformly small eggs, the medium (24 cz. to the dozen) and large ones in separate containers. They should be candied, and sort out the defective eggs.

Eggs should always be packed with the pointed end down. If packing materials have been used previously, care should be taken to see that they are clean. Avoid wrapping eggs in newspapers or other printed material for they may be soiled by

Predictions On Post War Diets

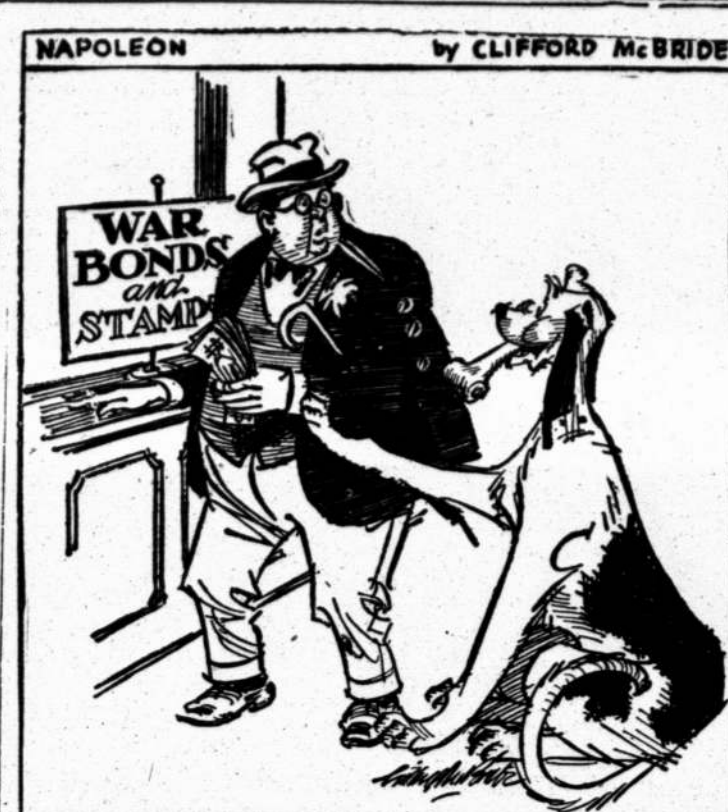
Americans in the post-war world will be better fed than they are now, for men in the armed forces are learning to eat and like nutritious foods and children are building better food habits in community school lunch rooms, Louise Bryant of College Station predicted at a recent meeting of the Texas State Nutrition Committee in Dallas. Miss Bryant represents the Bureau of Home Economics on a four states post-war planning committee of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Since the government's food rationing and share-the-meat programs are based on nutritional requirements, civilians as a whole will learn more about adequate diets as well as receiving an equitable part of the national food supply.

Other predictions on post war feed were given to the committee by Victor H. Schoffeleers, Dallas agricultural editor, who believes dehydrated soup mixtures will be popular after the war.

The State committee was told that the American Red Cross now has 1,243 nutrition instructors in Texas. Frances Mac Kinnon, nutrition director for the Midwestern states, said more than 10,000 Texas homemakers have been trained in Red Cross nutrition courses and are available for war services.

Other speakers included Hazel



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Bratley, regional nutritionist for the Federal Security Agency. Dr. J. M. Coleman of the State Health Department, and Gerald J. Neely, Dallas, of the Agricultural Marketing Administration. Attendance of state, county, and municipal workers at the meeting was nearly 100 according to Mildred Horton, state chairman and vice director of the A. and M. College Extension Service.

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POLICEMAN THRIVES ON HARD LUCK NUMBER

DENVER (AP) — Friday the thirteenth is the favorite day of Patrolman E. Leonard Scott. Scott has 13 letters in his name; he rides motorcycle No. 13 in Police District No. 13 and pilots radio patrol car No. 13.

Besides that he has been a patrolman 13 years.

Spartans, in 400 B. C., used wood smoke as a form of gas warfare.

To Plan Farm Production Sign-Up

Agricultural leaders from all over Texas were scheduled to meet in College Station December 22 to study plans for the 1943 farm production goal sign-up.

Following the state meeting, sub-district meetings will be held at various points in the state to acquaint county USDA war board members with details of the 1943 production program. County war boards and county and community AAA committeemen will conduct the sign-up campaign in January, contacting every farmer in the state.

The farm plan work sheet which will be filled out for every farm will show the number of war units of farm production each is producing. It also will show prospective or immediate needs for fencing, machinery, fertilizer and credit for the farm.

At the same time, the interviewers will take a farm manpower inventory of each farm. This inventory will disclose labor needs on the farm or any excess of labor supply. Information obtained on manpower will be used by the war board in helping solve labor shortages and in informing Selective Service boards concerning deferment of essential farm workers.

The work sheet sign-up and the farm plan sign-up must be completed by February 1, B. F. Vance, Texas USDA War Board chairman, said.

Water that is consumed rapidly is apt to be thrown off in excessive perspiration.

SEASON'S GREETINGS...



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A GREETING TO GOOD AMERICAN CITIZENS..

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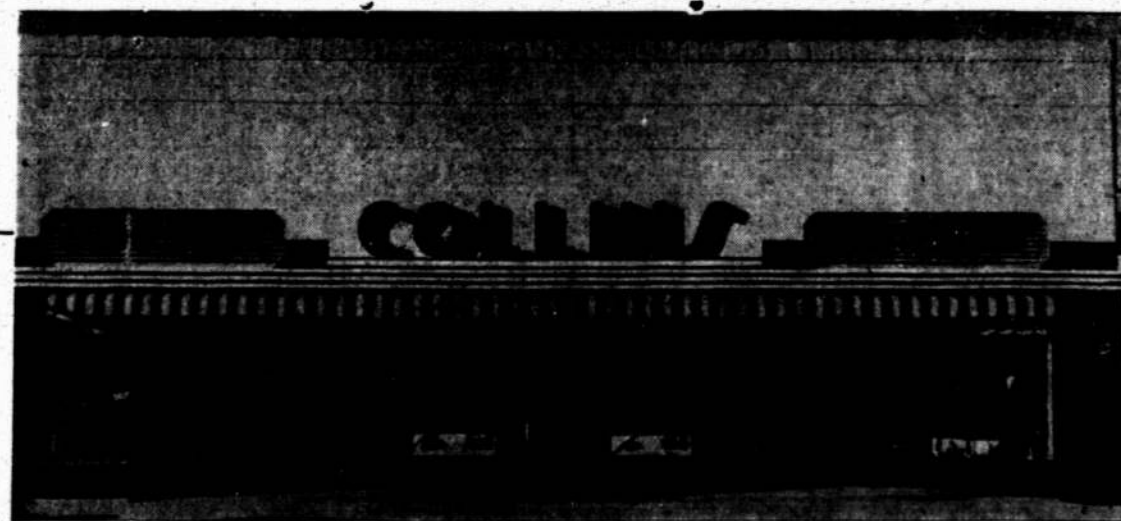
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