

ATTENTION

We feel in times of stress like the one we are now entering, it would be advisable for all housewives to be extra cautious in admitting strangers into the home.

So beware of salesmen and peddlers who come to your door, as a timely bit of advice to all housewives.

MAYOR BLACKWELL

PICTURE OF COLD LOCKER STORAGE PLANT TO BE SHOWN HERE DEC. 18



C. E. BOWLES

Thursday afternoon, Dec. 18, is the date when C. E. Bowles, Cooperative Marketing Specialist at College Station, will be here to demonstrate the uses, advantages and operation of a cold storage locker plant.

The show, which will begin about 2:00 o'clock, will be free to the public. Everyone is invited.

Gorman Boys Doing Navy Duty

Included among the boys from Gorman and nearby communities who are in the Navy and doing duty in the Philippines, China, or in the Pacific Ocean are, besides the Parr brothers, C. B., Scott and Bill—Sid Awalt and a brother, Wayne (Hog) Scott, Jim and Jordan Dunlap, Earl Baze, James Smith, Jimmy D. Bryan and a brother, and Joe Jones, grandson of Mr. Jim Jones.

Grade School Honor Roll

The following students made the honor roll for the second six-weeks period.

First Grade: Larry Churchill, Doyle Lynn Clark, Frank Kirs, Jerry Skaggs, Jerry Yarbrough, Jo Ann Capers, Sylvia Enloe, Betty Sue Hopper, Barbara Ormsby, Nina Steele, Billie Ruth Snider, Lavon Snider.

Second Grade: Ruth Smith, Mary Ann Love, Joan Bennett, Nick Nicolson, Jack Eison, Howard Peninger, Merlene Warren.

Third Grade: Joe Morgan, Phyllis Churchill, Betty Marie Beard, Annie Jean Fields, Mary Nell Parker.

Fourth Grade: Bobby Gale Hallmark, Jerry Mehaffey, Roy Rawls, Peggy Bell, Parilee Butler, Christine Lindsey, Barbara Wylie, Lucille Joiner.

Fifth Grade: Janett Murray, Patricia Hooker, Martha Louise Smith, Patsy Ruth Ogle, Lane Dixon, Weaver Burns, Joye Echols, Joe Brandon, Jo Anna Jarrett.

Sixth Grade: Bob Brogdon, Billy Donna David, Frances Claitor, James Kinser, Wilbur Lee Mehaffey, Mickey Parker, Billie Jo Reed.

Seventh Grade: Serita Allen, Jack Mauney, Imolene Short, Claire Gay Smith, Junior Jackson. Grade 8R: Ruzek Gregg. Grade 8B: Jamie Boswell.

The following have neither been absent nor tardy during the second six-weeks:

First Grade: Milford Fuller, Vernon Maynard, Lanelle Files, Neta Jean Turner, Betty Lajoice Wolfenbarger, Ruby Dale Jarrett.

Second Grade: Truitt Campbell, Cecil Collins, Robert Murray, Howard Peninger, George Rodgers, Billie Arnold, Nelda Joyce Hallmark, Shirley Ann Reed, Ruth Smith, Merlene Warren, Cresteen Huff.

Third Grade: Teddy Coffman, Joe Ray Morgan, Dorothy Baze, Betty Marie Beard, Annie Jean Fields, Fannie Bell O'Neil, Mary Nell Parker.

Fourth Grade: Rayford Battenfield, Darrell Dickey, Phil Grisham, Eddie Robinett, Joe Dale Tucker, Peggy Bell, Parilee Butler, Louise Dillinder, Clara Jo Dennis.

Fifth Grade: Milford Fuller, Vernon Maynard, Lanelle Files, Neta Jean Turner, Betty Lajoice Wolfenbarger, Ruby Dale Jarrett.

Sixth Grade: Herman Bennett, Billy Jack Bice, Billy Cornwell, Lonnie Crosby, Billy Donna David, Billy Frank Day, James Kinser, Wilbur Lee Mehaffey, Mickey Parker, William Sadler, Clifton Wood, Dorothy Gene Files, Maxine Fuller, Delia Faye Hunter, Billie Smith, Genese Warren, Betty Jean White, Patsy Pittman, Frances Claitor.

Seventh Grade: Junior Jackson, Chas. Wayne Mathis, Jack Mauney, Billy Jack Maupin, Carlin Rogers, Wade Russell, Serita Allen, Jonell Gowan, Lelda Mounce, Imolene Short, Claire Gay Smith, Mary Jo Wheeler, Winnie Ruth Warren.

Grade 8R: Gaylord Battenfield, Harold Dillinder, Roy Allen Freeman, Gene Mehaffey, Billy Jack Van Zandt, Bobby Joe Wood, John Howard Claitor, Joan Green, Wilma Ruth Hallmark.

W. B. Parr And Three Sons



The above is a picture of Mr. W. B. Parr and his boys. Reading from left to right—Mr. Parr, his youngest son, Bill; Scott and C. B., the eldest.

Mr. Parr looks as if he might be very proud of his sons, and well he might be for they are all giving a good account of themselves in the service for Uncle Sam, all three being in the Navy.

C. B. has served 29 years and has gone as far as anyone can, who is not an Annapolis graduate. He is now in Manila, one of the islands in the Philippines.

Brandons Given Surprise Party

Wednesday night a large number of friends of Major and Mrs. Brandon and Joe gathered at their home for a last get-together before their departure for San Antonio.

While they were still at the dinner table at Mr. and Mrs. Marcy Allen's they were told by telephone of a visitor from Eastland. Upon arriving at their home, cars having been parked at the Methodist Church, they were really surprised upon finding the house full of friends.

Short talks by Bro. Ramsey, Dr. Stubblefield, Mr. Walker, Mr. Ormsby, Willie Clark and Donna David were followed by one from Dr. Brandon in which he said, "Gorman will always be home—the one to which we hope to soon return."

Friends had brought an abundance of candies and these were passed before goodbyes were said. Gorman friends regret to see the Brandons leave but hope they will not be located so far away that they cannot drop in on us frequently.

Baby Dies In Car Accident

Word was received last night of the serious injuries to the occupants of the car of Ode Monroe who were enroute to Kermit, Texas. A telegraph message from Jack Courtney to relatives stated his little daughter, Ann, 18 months old was not expected to live and Ode Monroe had suffered a broken leg and ribs.

Mrs. Courtney, mother of Jack, left shortly after receiving the message, by bus for Big Spring where the accident occurred. It was reported the Monroe car had a head-on collision with another car and was demolished.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe were taking the Jack Courtneys to Kermit where they were moving. Since the above was written information comes that little Ann has died and arrangements for the funeral here tomorrow are being made now.

The Progress joins friends of the young couple in extending condolences. We trust the other injured ones may have a speedy recovery.

Farmers To Vote On Marketing Cotton Quotas

By marking a "Yes" or "No" on the face of the ballot, Eastland county farmers will help write the answer to the question: "Do you favor marketing quotas on the 1942 crop?"

The question will be answered Saturday, December 13, when a national cotton marketing quota referendum is held.

To be in effect, marketing quotas must be approved by two-thirds of the cotton farmers voting in the national referendum.

Regardless of whether farmers approve quotas, conservation features of the 1942 AAA farm program will be the same, but loans for cotton cannot be made unless quotas are approved.

According to the AAA Act, marketing quotas on cotton are proclaimed in any year when the supply of cotton is more than 7 per cent above the normal supply. With 23,800,000 bales of American cotton in the world August 1, 1941, the total supply was 31 per cent above normal.

The purpose of marketing quotas is to divide a limited market equally among cotton producers. Farmers planting within acreage allotments established under the AAA program are permitted to sell all cotton produced on these acres.

With more than 2-million farmers in the United States planting cotton acreage allotments they are cooperating in an effort to keep supply in line with demand.

Every producer of cotton is entitled to vote in this election. In view of the fact that we have a two year supply of cotton on hand and no export trade on cotton, it would seem that we need some control of cotton production.

It is the privilege of every cotton producer to vote in this election. Be sure to vote Saturday, December 13, 1941. Polls will open at 8:00 a. m. and will close at 8:00 p. m.

Below is a schedule of the voting places: Carbon - Methodist Church. Cisco - Chamber of Commerce. Eastland - AAA Office. Gorman - Higginbotham's Store. Ranger - City Hall. Rising Star - Higginbotham's Store.

Junior Play Friday Night

Attention is again called to "lovers of drama" that they may see and hear just that next Friday night at the school auditorium when the Junior Class will present "Orphan Nell." The program is scheduled to begin at 7:30, and you will want to be seated when the curtain rises.

GRADE SCHOOL 4-H CLUB

The Gorman Grade School 4-H Club girls met December 8, 1941. The president called the meeting together and the secretary read the minutes. We were all very sorry that Mrs. Todd was sick, and could not meet with us.

Thomas Pittman of Houston was here last Thursday visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Pittman, and other relatives and friends.

Dr. Kimble attended the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Wood in Eastland Sunday. Mrs. John Kimble accompanied him to Eastland and visited with Mrs. McGlamery.

NOTICE

The City Commission desires to call attention to the fact that it is a violation of the City Ordinance to shoot fireworks of any nature in the business district.

Also it asks your cooperation in preventing fire injuries to persons by complying with this ordinance.

CITY COMMISSION

Excelsior Club Entertains With Christmas Party

The Excelsior Club held its annual Christmas party last Tuesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Stubblefield with Mrs. Brummett as co-hostess.

For the afternoon the thoughts of war and all its horrors were dispelled as the members caught the spirit of Christmas. In the living room the beautifully decorated Christmas tree held gifts for the members.

A program was enjoyed which consisted of a Christmas story, interestingly told by Mrs. Lawrence Eison, following a brief holiday message by the president, Mrs. Richey. Several numbers by the high school orchestra were given, also several piano numbers by Mary Frances Stubblefield.

Following the program the hostesses served a plate of delicious white cake with whipped cream and cherry topping and coffee. Miniature reindeer were used as plate favors.

The members present were: Meses. Paul Ormsby, Lawrence Eison, Dixon, J. E. Foster, Richey, Marcy Allen, Oldham, Moake, Luther Wright, Jack Vaught, J. W. Hamrick, Seales, Donna David, and R. Y. Lindsey.

Mrs. Mary Lee Jay returned Tuesday from Merkel after a week's visit there with relatives and friends.

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War Brought To Us By Japan

Since the first frightful shock which all Americans experienced when their radios told them our own country was being blitzed on its Pacific Islands last Sunday, everyone you meet is quick to express his willingness to help in any way, however small to defeat Japan and Germany.

The anxiety in Gorman has been at a high pitch since Sunday for there are several from here and surrounding communities who are either in or near the combat zone.

Thus far no communication of any nature has been received by parents and other relatives. No news now, as ever, is good news as all casualties are reported by telegram to the nearest of kin.

Rep. Russell Heard Over Radio Tuesday

Tuesday afternoon on a national hookup Congressional sentiment over our forced entry into World War No. 2 was heard with Rep. Patman of Texarkana as master of ceremonies.

Rep. Russell began by saying that for the past two years his prayer had been for the Axis Powers to be stopped without our boys having to help stop them. But now that our peaceful domain had been attacked, we had no alternative, save that of fighting.

JUNIORS TO GO ON THE AIR

The Junior Class will be represented on the High School Quiz Program next Saturday at 1:00 p. m., to compete with another high school in the county.

The representatives of the class will be Billy Brogdon, Louise Claxton and Harold Phillips.

This Quiz program will be given over the Brownwood Station KDWB-1380 on your dial. Mrs. Rodway is the class sponsor and has coached the contestants for this radio appearance.

Listen to these young people next Saturday at 1:00 over KDWB.

J. W. Virden Returns to Pensacola

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Thomson and Iola Chambers accompanied J. W. Virden to Fort Worth on his way to Pensacola, Florida, Tuesday, after he had been here for a few days' visit with his parents.

EASTLAND COUPLE CELEBRATES FIFTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

E. E. (Earnest) Wood and Mrs. Wood, who was the former Carrie Day, celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary by holding open house at the home of Mrs. Wood's brother, Eugene Day, Eastland, Saturday, when hundreds of their friends—some of them of many years standing, dropped in to congratulate them and wish them many more years of wedded happiness.

Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Wood held open house at their home for their children and immediate relatives.

Rev. and Mrs. Ramsey spent Monday in Fort Worth with their daughter, Mrs. Aldredge Harrell.

Edward Harrison, instructor in aviation at Austin, visited home-folks here Monday night and Tuesday.

Grade 8B: Hazel Bennett, Jamie Boswell, Billie Joyce Hunter, Billie Jean Joiner, Buster Russell, Maxine Smith, Marjorie Nell Warren, Ramona Westmoreland.

Inclosed herewith is copy of telegram received by E. E. Freyschlag, Chairman of the Eastland County Chapter, American Red Cross.

In view of the implication of the United States in the present World War, there will be a tremendous demand on the Red Cross for its service.

As is stated in the copy of the telegram herewith inclosed, the quota for Eastland county is \$5000.00.

E. W. Freyschiag, Chairman Eastland County Chapter, American Red Cross.

Again The American Red Cross is called upon to serve our nation in war. Both nationally and locally we face vast and definite responsibilities for service to our armed forces and for relief to distressed civilians.

NORMAN H. DAVIS

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#### The Gibsons of Desdemona Celebrate

Mr. and Mrs. Jack J. Gibson will celebrate their third wedding anniversary December 11.

They are the proud parents of a son, Jack Verle. This is the only grandchild of Mr. Joe J. Gibson's family.

### News of Desdemona

Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Lawson of Cisco were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lee Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Annie Rushing left Monday for her home at Richland Springs after a two week's visit with Mrs. Grace Bray. She also visited J. H. Rushing and family. Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Skipping and family drove down to Brownwood Saturday.

Max Bailey, who works at Wichita Falls, spent last week here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mitch Bailey.

Mrs. Mary Brock of Jal, New Mexico, is visiting her sister, Mrs. O. A. Harrison, and husband.

Miss Delia Wall went with Rev. and Mrs. H. B. Clark to Victor Sunday, and they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Duke. Rev. Clark filled his regular appointment at the Methodist church there Sunday morning. Work of remodeling the church at Victor is expected to be started one day this week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Acrea were in Graham Sunday to visit in the home of his brother with whom their mother, Mrs. Matthews, is making her home and who is improving after her fall a few weeks ago when she broke three ribs.

M. J. Coleman, principal of our High School, spent the week-end at his home near Lampasas.

Miss Loma Faye Hearne visited her parents at Eastland Saturday

and Sunday. Miss Laura Mae Eaves spent the week-end at Ranger with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Maltby and baby of Freer came Wednesday of last week and stayed until Saturday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Maltby. On Thursday they and Mrs. Maltby drove out to Abilene to visit Neil Maltby and Mr. and Mrs. Scotty Lemaster. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Heeter visited friends at Stephenville Monday.

Mrs. Walter May and Mrs. W. H. Powers were shopping in De Leon Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Parks and Mrs. Powers visited their sons at Stephenville Monday.

Mrs. R. A. Covington and little son of Wichita Falls came down Saturday afternoon and Mr. Covington went home with them and returned Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gee entertained the following members and guests of the "42" Club Monday night: Messrs. and Mmes. Hugh Abel, A. R. Hickey, George Patterson, Jesse Sparkman, Howard Williams, J. E. Heeter, Mrs. Nina Dutton, Mrs. W. H. Powers, Miss Edith Creighton, Mrs. Dave Key, and the mother of the host, Mrs. Gee, Sr., who is visiting them.

### Making A Third More Peanuts

By ELMO V. COOK

Do you raise peanuts? If "Yes" is the answer, this article is for you. You are one of the 1500 peanut growers in Eastland county whose patriotic duty it is to grow and harvest a third more

and returned Sunday night.

Use the best seed possible to get. Since most of the peanuts grown in Eastland county are infested with Southern Blight, unless you are sure of the quality of your seed, buy them from the Southwestern Peanut Growers' Association as they plan to ship in disease-free seed from South Texas. Local grown peanut seed that are dark in color should be tested for germination before they are used for seed. Seed will be tested for germination free if a sample of about a pound is sent to the State Department of Agriculture at Austin.

peanuts in 1942 than you harvested in 1941. Don't stop at this but double your yield if you can.

Talk of growing more peanuts brings up problems of labor and equipment shortages but who doesn't have problems these days? If you just can't increase your peanut production one third without more labor or new equipment and you can't get the things needed, notify the county USDA Defense Board at the county agent's office and all possible help will be given.

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#### Inoculated Seed Will Produce More

Yields of peanuts in Eastland county have been greatly increased by proper seed inoculation. It costs very little to use "Nitragin" or any other good inoculant on the seed immediately before they are planted. The inoculation puts beneficial bacteria on the seed which takes nitrogen from the air and adds it to the soil. The same amount of nitrogen added to the soil out of a sack would cost several times as much as the inoculant. Inoculation of seed will not take the place of fertilizer but will help the fertilizer do its job.

#### Use More Fertilizer

The average Eastland county peanut grower uses about 50 pounds of fertilizer per acre. Demonstrations conducted by growers in the county show that it pays to use as much as two hundred pounds of fertilizer per

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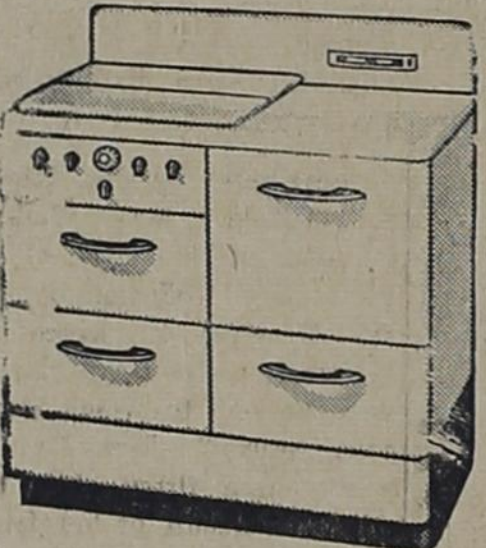
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 Vice President Tom Marshall—What this country needs is a good 5-cent cigar.  
 Herbert Hoover—A chicken in every pot and two cars in every

office one day years ago when I was editor, and remarked, just incidentally, that there had been a bomb scare at the post-office. One of the clerks had reported, "We've got an infernal machine." Sure enough, you could hear the ticking, like clock-work. The postmaster soaked the parcel in water (as he had read was the police procedure) and then removed the cord and paper, revealing a tin bucket with a lid of the kind that takes a knife-blade to pry off. The ticking was plainer now.

The other members of the force stood back—after all, he was postmaster and was drawing the most money; besides, his life was not as valuable as a good Democrat's, anyhow—(this was in the Herbert Hoover days).

He pried the lid off—and the mystery was solved: the pail was almost full of Mexican jumping beans which were bouncing against the sides and top of the bucket! That story went all over the country—and the postmaster got a bunch of orders from the East for jumping beans.

About people you know: Governor Coke Stevenson, recently "vetoing" the suggestion he make a long trip by plane, said he'd rather drive so he could stop along the way and visit at the filling stations.

R. T. Craig, veteran editor of the Athens Review, has retired, temporarily it is to be hoped—in order to obtain a needed rest. Judge Ralph Yarborough of Austin earned his first dollar by turning a big press by hand for Craig.

And modest, capable Garland A. Smith Caldwell, editor and president of the South Texas Press Association, has been appointed chief clerk of the Texas treasury.

"Beneath this stone, a lump of clay  
 Lies Uncle Peter Daniels,  
 Who too early in the month of May  
 Took off his winter flannels."

Different epochs in world history have been known as the stone age, the bronze age, the steel age and so on. This era may be known as the canned juice age. Just a few years ago, tomato juice was about the only kind that was canned. Now you can get pineapple juice, orange juice, grapefruit juice, kraut juice and carrot juice (heavens!)

By what process of reasoning does a man become an authority on world affairs and rate a nation-wide radio hookup just because, years ago, he flew across the Atlantic?

Or, for that matter, does the fact that a man has made a lot of automobiles and a lot of money make his views of any special importance on any subject except automobiles and money?

And though you can write me down as one—who, like Abou Ben Adams—loves his fellowman, I have difficulty in stretching that affection to include men who never served a day in their lives on a newspaper, yet blossom forth as nationally-syndicated columnists.

There was an old lady of Wooster  
 Who was often annoyed by a rooster.  
 She cut off his head

## Want Ads

You can still buy Maytag washers, including aluminum models. Supply is being cut, but both washers and irons are still obtainable, also Frigidaires and radios can be bought on the monthly payment plan. Only requirement is 20 per cent down and the balance paid out in as many as 18 easy monthly payments. See our complete stock now and buy one or more of these necessary appliances. Ask for demonstration.  
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Until he was dead,  
 And how he don't crow like he useter.

I've always liked the paradox, "All generalizations are false—including this one."

And there was the fellow who exclaimed, "I'm a perfect fool," but a friend said, "Oh, no—nobody is perfect."

## NAVY PAY AND PERIOD OF ENLISTMENT

C. L. Wylie, officer in charge of the Abilene recruiting station, announces that a recent poll taken by the Navy Department reveals that the majority of the people think the shortest period of en-

listment in the Navy is six years, with pay beginning at \$21.00 per month.

Wylie states that this is erroneous and points out that 60 per cent of the enlistments during the past six months were for the duration of the national emergency, and that 40 per cent were specialists, enlisted as Petty Officers, with average pay beginning at \$72.00 for single men and \$106.50 for married men. Wylie explained that this average rate of pay for specialists equals or exceeds that of civil employment when considering that this is ex-

clusive of lodging, subsistence, clothing, and medical care, and that this enlistment period is as short as any offered by other branches of the military service.

## Billy Slaton Joins Coast Guards

Billy Slaton left yesterday to join the Coast Guards and received orders to report in New Orleans, La.

Mr Carnes was unable to be at his studio Wednesday on account of illness.

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## MAKING A THIRD MORE PEANUTS

acre on peanuts and other crops. If the seed are inoculated the best fertilizer to use to peanuts is 20 per cent superphosphate. The second best fertilizer from the standpoint of money returns is probably 4-12-4.

## Don't Feed Fertilizer To Weeds

It doesn't pay to plant more peanuts than can be kept clean of grass or weeds and properly cultivated especially if fertilizer is used. Weeds sure do grow in a fertilized peanut crop. The farmers who raise the most peanuts are not always the ones who plant the most acres. It is a lot more profitable to make 60 bushels of peanuts one acre than the same amount on three acres. Let's get that increase of one third more peanuts by better farming instead of by bigger farming.

## Don't Lose Sight of Soil Protection

Peanut farms will be moving with the breeze next winter if there isn't a general movement among farmers to strip crop or follow their peanut harvest immediately with a winter cover crop of grain, Vetch or Austrian Winter peas. Experts say that wind erosion can take several times as much fertility from the soil in a season as is taken by a crop.

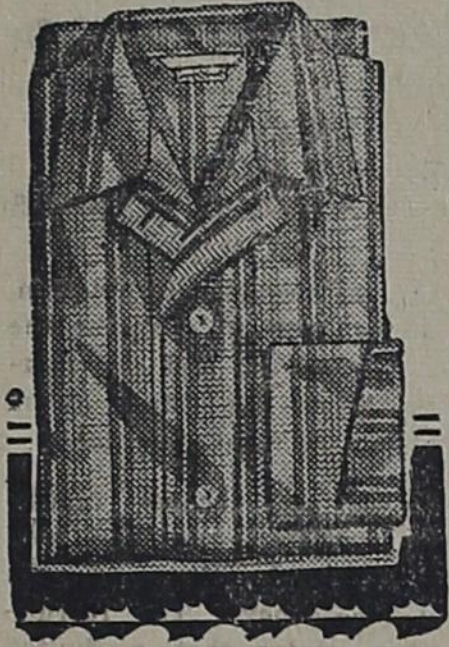
# GIFTS

## For the Men of the Family

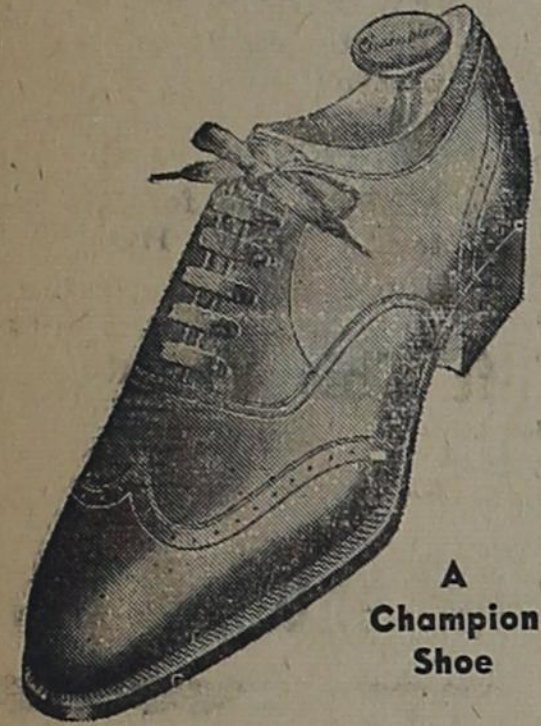
### MEN WITH "WINGS"

### Give Him Pajamas

Father, brother, son or sweetheart . . . he'll appreciate a pair of these new Pajamas for the Holiday gift. A large variety of colors and sizes . . . styled for your satisfaction.



1.25 to 1.98



A Champion Shoe

Wing Tips—as smart and racy as a Thompson Trophy winner. This is one of the most popular of our easy-fitting, long-wearing Champion Shoes.

### Leather Belts

Genuine Leather Belts, both in plain and hand-carved patterns, styled in the latest colors and widths for men who appreciate good quality and appearance.

50c to 1.00

### Men's Bill Folds

Here's an item you can't go wrong on. Give the men Bill Folds and you'll give them what they really want. Our line is complete in style.



50c to 1.00

### Men's Dress Sox

Show us a man and we will show you one who always needs and appreciates good hosiery for Gifts. We pride ourselves on our large and complete line of men's hosiery and upon the quality and price of our merchandise.

19c to 50c

### Cotton and Wool Sweaters

Warm . . . Roomy . . . Comfortable fitting sweaters are a pride with any man . . . Give him a sweater this year and you give him a pleasing gift.



1.00 to 3.95

### Boy's Warm Jackets

Make your son happy this Xmas by giving him a gift he's been wanting for months . . . Visit our store and select for him a Warm Jacket from our large and complete stock. Ask to see our Leather Jackets.

1.98 to 4.95

### Men's and Boy's Slacks

Men and Boys alike appreciate gifts of wearables such as Slacks and Extra Trousers. You'll appreciate the extra value we offer in these slacks at this low price . . .

1.95 to 5.45

1.98 to 6.00

### Shirts for Men and Boys



Broadcloths, finely woven fancy patterns and a truly variety fair of values. Color, styles and sizes to suit all.

59c to 2.45

### Men's Hats



Here's the newest in Men and Young Men's Hats for Holiday and year around wear. Our new line of Portis Hats are pleasing all the men and you'll like the prices too.

1.79 to 5.00

## SUTTON BROS.

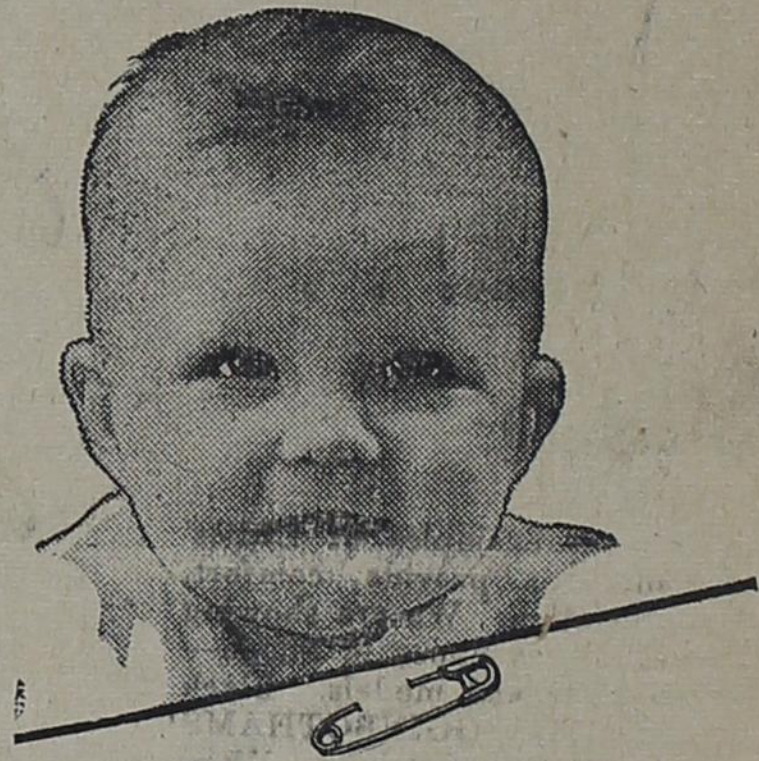
Gorman, Texas

# Christmas VALUE SPECIALS

- SUPER SUDS, Large pkg. . . . . 23c
- ORANGES, 2 doz. . . . . 25c
- PURE RIBBON CANE SYRUP, Gallon . . . . . 65c
- BACON, Market Sliced, lb. . . . . 25c
- COFFEE, Admiration, lb. . . . . 32c
- BOLOGNA, lb. . . . . 15c
- POST TOASTIES, 11 oz. pkg., 2 for . . . . . 19c
- FLOUR, Pura-Lite 24 lbs. . . . . 90c
- 48 lbs. . . . . \$1.75

TELEPHONE 35 WE BUY EGGS

## Underwood Bros. Grocery & Market



"I wouldn't live in a house without

# GAS"

Gas is a part of Modern Living . . . . . Nearly everyone accepts it as the ideal fuel . . . . .



C. L. PONDER, Mgr.

GAS IS YOUR QUICK, CLEAN, ECONOMICAL SERVANT

# LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Lindsey, Jr., and Christine and Mrs. S. E. Richey were in Fort Worth Saturday.

Mrs. L. E. Moake and Mrs. Luther Wright were visitors in Fort Worth Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hicks spent the week-end in Crane with Mr. and Mrs. Odell Thompson.

Dean Kirk has returned home from Abilene for an extended visit.

Mrs. Dona Moorman spent the week-end in Graham visiting Mr. and Mrs. Dean Moorman and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Foster and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Courtney and daughter spent the week-end in Kermit with Jack's sister, Mrs. Aubrey Holt, and family.

Aubrey Bennett, who has been employed at Camp Barkley, is home for a visit with his parents.

Mrs. Myrtle Alsbrook and Glen were in Lubbock Thursday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Thomson were in Fort Worth Sunday and spent several hours in the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Newberry.

Billie Alsbrook spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. Myrtle Alsbrook.

Billy Mack Smith and a friend, Bobby Gene Joyce of Rising Star, were here for the week-end from John Tarleton College.

Mr. and Mrs. Reece Allday and daughter of Fort Worth were here Sunday visiting in the J. R. Morgans' home.

Mmes. R. C. Mehaffey, Z. O. Mehaffey, Wilbur Shell, Glenn Mehaffey and Barton Eppler were Fort Worth visitors last Wednesday.

Speck Clark and Check Smith attended the Texas-Oregon football game at Austin Friday.

Billy Jack Van Zandt spent the week-end with his mother, Hazel Carreirs, in Abilene. She is employed by the Rife Construction

Glenn Carter of Camp Bowie was here over the week-end.



### Do You Drive a Healthy Car?

Do you make the mistake of starting the winter season with a sick, unsafe car? Just a few cents spent now can put your car in safe, first class condition for the entire cold weather season. Drive in today—this week—and let our experts give you a free check-up and an estimate of any needed repairs.

## GORMAN SALES CO.

Sales Service

## THE GRANDEST GIFT OF ALL---



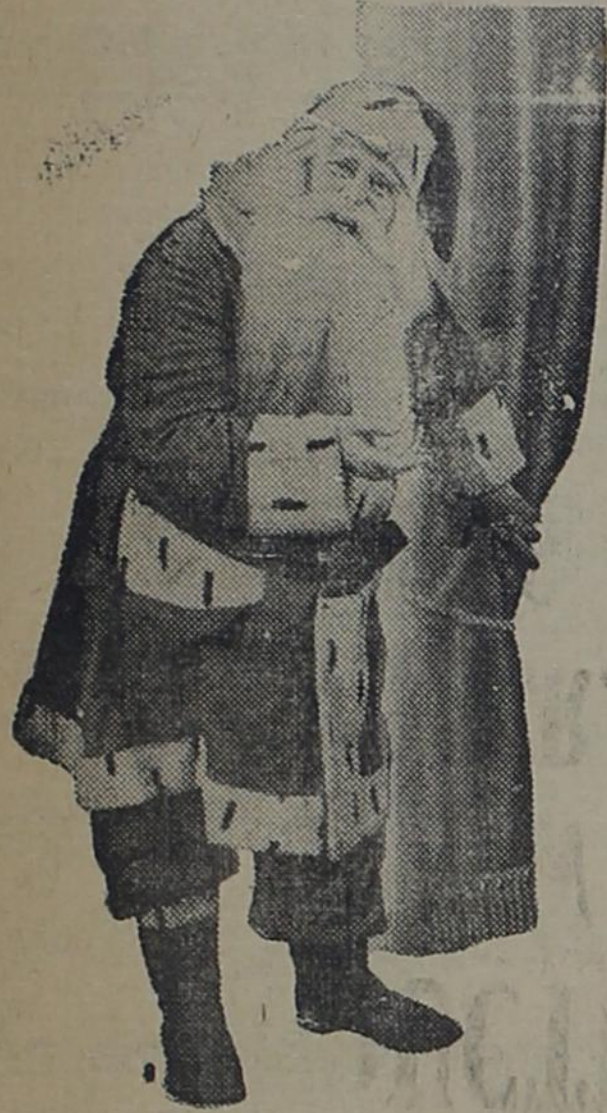
- A New Home
- A New Room
- A New Porch
- or Any Repairs

The Grandest Gift for ALL—the entire family—would be the gift of a NEW HOME—the addition of a NEW PORCH—an Additional Room—or Extensive Repairs on your present home.

MAKE this Christmas a MERRY one for ALL the family—Let an order for a NEW HOME be

### Your Gift This Year

## HIGGINBOTHAM BROS. & CO.



## A CHRISTMAS

### SPECIAL!

AT

## HIGGINBOTHAM'S

## A REDUCTION ON NEW WINTER... SHOES

Here are some outstanding examples of Ladies' Dress Shoes that are sure to provide comfort, smartness and real appreciation. We are showing a large stock of Ladies' Dress Shoes in Suede—Patent—and Kid in all sizes and models. Black or Brown. Be sure and visit HIGGINBOTHAM'S today and buy several pairs of these NEW SHOES at a REAL SAVING.

\$3.98 Ladies' Dress Shoes **\$2.98**

\$2.98 Ladies' Dress Shoes **\$1.98**

\$2.49 Ladies' Dress Shoes

## 1.98-1.68

These shoes are especially selected for looks and value—so, step out in footwear that is new, chic and thoroughly comfortable.

Men's - Women's - Children's  
**HOUSE SHOES**  
49c to \$2.49

# HIGGINBOTHAM BROS. & Co.

Gorman

Texas

I. C. Underwood was in Co-manche on business Friday.

Co., in Abilene at Camp Barkley.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Statham, Mrs. Northup and Mrs. Inez Ricks of Cisco visited Mrs. C. E. Statham Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Quill C. Hale of Waco visited in Miss Addie Haley's home Friday and Saturday.

A concert by the Gorman High School Band was enjoyed at chapel on day this week. The members appeared in their new uniforms which added much to the appearance of this group.

### NAVY TO ENLIST MEN FOR TRAINING IN AVIATION SCHOOLS

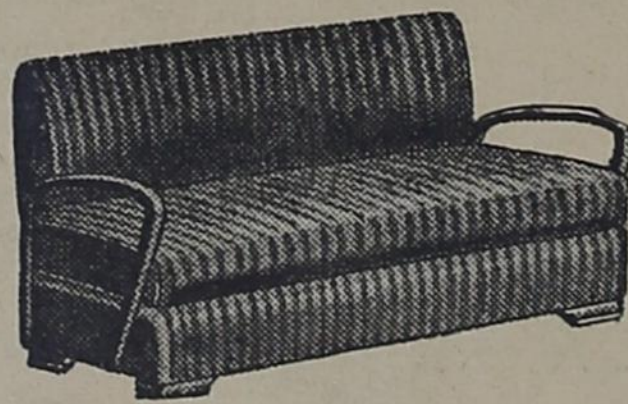
If you are interested in aviation, mechanically inclined, between the ages of 17 and 28, and not married, the Navy Air Corps offers you training in aviation schools.

College or high school credits are not necessary, and you may enlist for the duration of the national emergency. The recruiting officer states that a limited number will be enlisted for these schools during the remainder of December. For further information, or application, apply at the Navy Recruiting Station located in the basement of the Post Office Building, Abilene, Texas.

## LASTING GIFTS + For Enduring Joy

### Make Christmas Gay With Furniture ...

Here's the secret of Yule Joy in two words . . . "Give Furniture" . . . You'll gladden the heart of anyone on your gift list, if a lovely piece of charming furniture is your choice . . . Our Big stocks make it SO easy to choose just the right pieces . . . and our convenient time payment plan makes it so easy to pay . . .



### Studio Opens to a Full Size Bed ..... \$34.95 up

Here is a grand gift . . . You really give "an extra room" when you tell Santa to deliver this new studio . . . A choice of colors and a fine price range. You'll be pleased to give this.

### Big Selection of End Tables

Everything from the plainest to the most elaborate End Table you will want to give. A practical gift . . . and one that will be appreciated by any housewife . . . mother or sister.

**\$1.95 up**

COFFEE TABLES Many Patterns ..... **\$4.20 up**



### Bed Room Suites

4 pieces ..... **\$39.95 up**

Compare these suites with much higher priced suites and you will be convinced that these are much below their actual value. Give this gift for all the family.

### Give Rockers

Every home could use more rockers and you can't go wrong in choosing one from our large line to give for the home. Large number to select from . . . and complete range of prices starting at . . .

**\$4.45**



**Smokers**  
**89¢ up**  
A complete line of designs and sizes from which to choose . . . a gift that will please every smoker in the family.

## Higginbotham Bros. & Co.

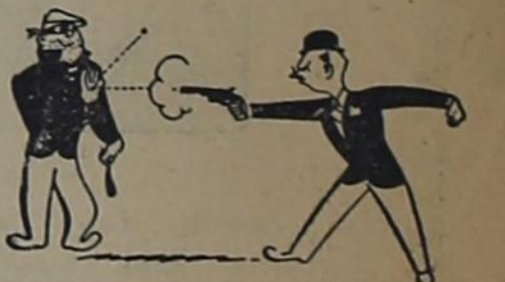
Jim Loughry of Eliasville was here Wednesday looking after property interests.

Chester Sutton of Lubbock was here Tuesday and Wednesday visiting his mother, Mrs. Cross.

Wilma Richey was in De Leon Monday visiting Mrs. Bill McClung.

M. L. STUBBLEFIELD  
Diseases of Infants and Children  
Phones: Res. 55 Office 45  
Gorman, Texas

### WHY ON EARTH DO THEY DO IT?



...shop around for low-cost insurance

When you buy insurance because it's cheap, it's like buying a cheap pistol for self protection. If you have to hold off a bandit, you want a weapon that will do the business. If you aren't going to be held up, why spend any money at all to protect yourself? The catch is, you don't know.

Moral: Be sure your insurance is COMPLETELY dependable. We'll be glad to tell you anything you want to know about it.



### J. E. Walker, Jr.

DRS. GEORGE & EDWARD BLACKWELL  
Dr. George Blackwell  
Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat  
Dr. Edward Blackwell  
Surgery and Gynecology  
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Wants to do your  
LIGHT & HEAVY FREIGHT  
& DRAY HAULING  
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