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## Great Battle To Cut Nazi Lines Raging

### EASTLAND CO-OPERATES IN RE-EMPLOYMENT CAMPAIGN FOR WAR INDUSTRIES

O. R. Rodden with the United States Employment Service War Manpower Commission, Abilene area, was in Eastland first of the week and assisted in the organization of a local Community Mobilization Committee, which will be in charge of work in the drive for additional employes to work in War Essential plants in this country.

The Eastland committee appointed consists of County Judge P. L. (Lewis) Crossley, chairman, Grover C. Lee, Frank A. Jones, H. J. Tanner and Mrs. Jewell Reeves who represents the Eastland County Selective Service Board.

Bill Jessop's Boy Scouts Thursday distributed literature to all employers in Eastland and vicinity apprising them of the campaign and Thursday morning a number of firms had signified their compliance by signing up their firms in the drive.

Employers signing up in the campaign will be listed on Honor Rolls that are to be published weekly in the newspapers.

The following Eastland firms

### Eastland Rites Held Thursday For W. C. Vickers

Funeral rites were held at the Eastland Baptist church Thursday at 3:30 P. M. for W. C. Vickers, 68, Eastland jeweler, who died Tuesday night at his Eastland home. Rev. Homer J. Starnes pastor of the Eastland Baptist church, officiated. Interment, with Hamner's of Eastland in charge, was in the Eastland cemetery.

Pallbearers were Lewis Crossley, Allen D. Dabney, Sr., Marvin Davis, H. T. Weaver, I. C. Inzer, and Wayne Caton.

Born in Florida on March 8, 1876, Mr. Vickers had resided in Eastland 23 years. He was a member of the Baptist church and the Masonic Lodge.

Survivors include his widow, a daughter, Mrs. Harvey Ford of Midland, and a son, Richard of the United States armed forces stationed in Virginia. All survivors were present for the funeral.

### Held As Spies



Erich Gimpel, top, a German citizen and William Curtis Colopough, bottom, discharged U. S. Navy veteran, who are being held by the FBI as German spies. They are accused of landing in the country from a German submarine. (NEA Telephoto)

had signed up at noon Thursday: Linkenhogger Truck and Tractor, W. W. Linkenhogger, Prop. Sinclair Service Station, C. C. Street, operator. Gulf Service Station, F. W. (Red) Graham, operator. Carl Johnson Drygood Store, J. Carl Johnson, owner. Eastland National Bank, Guy Parker, Vice-President. Eastland Chronicle, Frank A. Jones, manager. Other names are to be added weekly.

### Euell Allison Home After Two Years In Service

Euell Allison, sergeant in the United States Airplane Division, is home on furlough after two years spent in the service. He came direct to the States from Australia.

While in Australia he contracted an infection peculiar to that climate and army physicians said he could never get well of it in that climate and ordered him sent to a hospital in the States. He was 14 days enroute and by the time he reached his hospital had completely recovered from the ailment from which he had been suffering. He was granted a 21 day furlough after which he will report for duty.

Sgt. Allison is the son of Ed Allison, Gorman Rt. 2, and a nephew of J. C. and W. I. Allison of Eastland.

### Eastland Rites For R. G. Benson Held Sunday, P. M.

Funeral rites were held Sunday afternoon at 3:00 at the Hamner Funeral Home, Eastland, for R. G. (Happy) Benson, 62, whose death occurred Saturday afternoon at his home in Eastland. Rev. J. B. Blunk pastor of the Eastland First Christian Church, officiated. Interment was in the Eastland cemetery.

Survivors are his widow, who resides in Eastland and one sister. A native of Indiana, the deceased came to Eastland in 1922 and until ill health forced his retirement, worked as an oil well driller. For many years he was employed by Hoffmann and Page, and later by C. W. Hoffmann, successor to Hoffmann and Page. Because of his sunny disposition friends called him "Happy."

### Lt. Victor L. Hand Is Transferred To Overseas Duty

Lt. Victor L. Hand visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hand of Olden during the Christmas holidays. He left Christmas Day by plane for San Francisco.

Lt. Hand who saw service with the 9th Bomber Command in Egypt and in North Africa, was returned to the States, and stationed at Norfolk, Virginia. He does technical work in the air corp. He is being again transferred to an overseas zone for service.

**CASES TO BE SUBMITTED**  
The following cases are to be submitted in the Eleventh Court of Civil Appeals, Friday, January 5:

P. H. Jackson, et al, vs Clint Overby, Fisher.  
Annie May Brooks, et al, vs Hubert Erbar, Guardian. Cleman. J. E. Miller vs Bob Compton, Knox.

**SUITS FILED**  
The following suits have been filed in Eastland county district courts at Eastland:

Elizabeth Lily Koder vs Eugene Koder, divorce.  
E. N. Robinson vs Cora Robinson, divorce.  
In Re: Change of name for Bertha Bell.  
Martha A. Sones vs B. B. Sones, divorce.

IS DECORATED



Marine Captain Bevington A. Reed, above, husband of Autalee Reed, of Nimrod, Eastland County, was one of 500 wounded veterans of Saipan and Tinian to be awarded the Purple Heart for injuries sustained.

### WARTIME RISE SPURS TEXAS TO SAVE GAS

AUSTIN, Tex (UP)—With nearly half the natural gas reserves inside its borders and the value of the product becoming greater, Texas soon will take new steps to conserve this natural resource. Previously the Texas Railroad Commission, regulator body for oil and natural gas, had little reason to take concerted action toward conservation of gas. The resource was worth next to nothing though thousands of cubic feet daily were produced along with the vast amount of crude oil that was flowing out.

While much attention was given to laws governing production of oil, the natural gas regulation rocked along. Actually, some felt there was little incentive to regulate natural gas because unlike crude oil, it had small market worth.

Now, however, wartime discoveries have proven that natural gas can be used for many things. Some 10 cents per 1,000 cubic feet for it at the wells, and the price, in the view of many experts, will go higher, possibly rivaling oil in the future years.

The next Texas legislative session likely will be asked not only to broaden conservation authority of the Railroad Commission, but also to increase the state tax on natural gas.

Currently the tax is based on value of the resource at the well a plan which has caused numerous law suits and has caused state tax collectors no end of worry and controversy.

Annually the tax brings the state about \$3,000,000—a mere pittance considering that the state's gross production tax on crude oil is that high now in a single month.

Some postwar prophets of state finance say that the crude oil income will decrease when peace comes. Consequently that will mean a drop in tax receipts from petroleum which account for a large portion of money to operate the state government.

To offset this anticipated decline, a higher tax on natural gas is expected to be proposed.

**HYPTONIST TO PERFORM**

Wednesday, January 10th, at nine a. m., Fayssoux the hypnotist will present a series of hypnotic and telepathic performances plus magic in the Eastland high school auditorium. During this amazing program scientific facts of hypnotism and telepathy will be explained. This is one of a series of entertainments supplied by Southern School Assemblies which will be coming to Eastland from time to time. The show promises to be more fun and excitement than a circus, minstrel, and comedy show combined. The public is cordially invited to come and see the demonstrations that have made millions laugh. Prices are: adults, twenty five cents, students fifteen cents.

### LIONS AND ROTARIANS IN JOINT MEET

Post War plans affecting Eastland and its trade territory were discussed at some length at a joint meeting of the Eastland Rotary and Lion's clubs Tuesday. The program prepared by James Horton of the Rotarians and Earnest Jones of the Lions' dealt with various phases of problems with which Eastland is likely to be confronted following the present war.

On Tuesday's program was County Agent Floyd Lynch, Buck Pickens, Mayburn Harris and Jack Frost. Lynch talked on Soil Conservation, Pickens discussed possible and needed enterprises, Frost talked on needed legislation for clearing up and simplifying Eastland county mineral titles, and Harris talked on good roads.

Fred Brown, Rotarian, acted as Master of Ceremonies. E. L. Miller, president of the Lions and C. W. Geue, president of the Rotarians, jointly presided at the meeting.

### Capt. B. A. Reed Is Awarded The Purple Heart

By Technical Sergeant Dick Tenelly, 4 Marine Corps Combat Correspondent. Somewhere in the Pacific (delayed)—At one of the greatest mass decoration ceremonies on record recently held here, Major General C. B. Cates, commanding the Fourth Marine Division, presented the Purple Heart to more than 500 wounded veterans of the battles for Saipan and Tinian, at a parade of their Marine comrades.

Among those decorated was Marine Captain Bevington A. Reed, 29, husband of Autalee Reed, Nimrod, Tex., for injuries received on Tinian, August 4. His was the outfit that overcame the fiercest enemy resistance and suffered the heaviest losses of any participating in the American invasion of the Marshalls. And on tiny Namur Island of Kwajalein atoll, three of its members won Congressional Medals of Honor.

It landed on Saipan last June 15, in the face of devastating Japanese artillery and mortar barrage. Two weeks after the hard-won victory on Saipan it spearheaded the amphibious assault on Tinian.

### REAL ESTATE DEALERS DISSOLVE PARTNERSHIP

The real estate partnership of Killough and Price and composed of I. J. Killough and S. E. Price, both of Eastland, has been dissolved by mutual consent. Price, who recently moved to Eastland from Stephenville, states that he is well pleased with Eastland and prospects for the future of the town and his own business.

**MANY XMAS PRESENTS RECEIVED SAYS SGT. STEPHEN K. GOWAN**

"I never thought they could cram so many presents in such small boxes," said S-Sgt. Stephen K. Gowan. Eastland, Texas, serving with the 36th "TEXAS" Division in eastern France. "We got everything this year—candy, cookies, cigarettes, even a fruit cake. It all came overseas faster than ever, in plenty of time for the holidays."

S-Sgt. Stephen K. Gowan has been overseas 21 months. His parents Mrs. Alice Gowan live at South eSaman, Eastland, Texas.

WILLIAM R. KELLEY



Mrs. P. L. Kelley of Olden received a surprise visit last week from her son, Seaman 1-c William R. Kelley. It was his first visit home since his induction in March of last year.

Seaman Kelley, shown above, is on a two weeks' leave from his base at San Diego, Calif., where he is receiving training as a member of the amphibious forces.

### Non-Smoker Has Collection Of Cigarette Packs

OAKLAND, Cal (UP)—A safe deposit box seems indicated in the case of William H. Wehrle, 58, who has 150 packages of cigarettes from all over the world.

The packages are unopened and so shall they remain, said Wehrle, who amassed them not for smoking purposes, but as a hobby. He owns what is believed to be the most complete collection of American brands, and several packs from Mexico, Europe, and the Orient.

"I collect, but don't smoke" Wehrle declared, explaining that he stopped smoking several years ago when his wife made "slighting" comments about his rolling his own, exhausting a can of tobacco daily.

Comments Wehrle's wife made, "We wait in line like everybody else."

### Like Son, Like Father As Dad Joins The Navy

GOSHEN, Ind. (UP)—Instead of "like father, like son" the old tradition was changed in the Ernsberger family, and it has "like son like father." After Harry Ernsberger, Jr., decided to join the navy like his brother Harry Sr., followed both sons.

The 2 Harrys were sworn into the navy together, went through their boot training at the Great Lakes as bunk mates, and then to the same service school there. They are still bunk mates and members of the same class in gunner's mate school.

"Junior and I wear the same size clothes," Harry, Sr., said, "but it isn't so bad now that we don't wear white uniforms; my washing isn't so heavy."

**Two Killed, 15 Injured In Bus And Truck Crash**

CORSICANA, Tex. (UP)—Two persons were killed and 15 others injured, six of them critically today when a southbound Bowen trailways bus collided head-on with a heavy truck five miles north of Corsicana.

The bus driver and at least two of the passengers were reported near death in Corsicana hospitals, where all of the injured were taken.

**Jury In Chaplin Case Dismissed**

HOLLYWOOD (UP)—Superior Judge Henry Willis today discharged the jury in the paternity suit brought against comedian Charlie Chaplin by Joan Barry after the jurors reported they were unable to reach a verdict.

### PVT. TURNER OF EASTLAND KILLED IN WAR

Pvt. George W. Turner, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Turner of Route 1, Eastland, has been reported killed in action in France on December 13 after having been previously reported missing in action on November 23.

No official word had come that Pvt. Turner had returned to action after being reported missing but the second telegram to the parents stated that he was killed in action on December 13, indicating that he had returned to duty. He entered the service on March 5, 1943 and received his training at Camp Roberts, California. After entering the Army he transferred to the paratroops and was in that service when he was killed.

He attended school at Harlingen and Eastland and before going into action was employed by the North American Aircraft in Dallas.

### Texas Court Upholds 1800 Grant of Island

AUSTIN, Tex (UP)—A grant of Santiago Island in the Gulf of Mexico from King Charles IV of Spain to Padre Nicolas Ball, about the year 1800, still is in litigation in Texas, and will not be finally settled until time has expired in which the State of Texas may seek rehearing of a decision of its own supreme court.

The decision, recently announced, held the grant a valid one, though the original document was lost when a ship was sunk. The court ruled, too, that a confirming grant from the Mexican state of Tamaulipas (revolution having transferred sovereignty to Mexico) was valid against Texas, which succeeded in turn to sovereignty by another revolution.

### Olden Boy Gets Combat Badge For Infantryman

Pfc. John M. Edwards, son of Mrs. DeAlva M. Edwards, Box 25, Olden, has been awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge. He is now serving with the 100th "Century" Division on the Seventh Army in Eastern France. Pfc. Edwards' division is one of the newest on the front of Lt. Gen. Alexander M. Patch's American Seventh Army.

### County Ration Board Office To Be Open Daily

Effective immediately the Eastland county War Price and Ration Board will be open daily from 9 A. M. to 4 P. M. The office is located in the Prairie building on South Seaman Street.

Heretofore the office has been open only two days a week and the new schedule will give county residents a wider service.

**ON HONOR ROLL**

Leao McDaniel, 1942 graduate of Carbon Hig school, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. N. McDaniel of Carbon, had his name placed on the honor roll for the second six weeks at Abilene Christian College, as a result of his making a grade of "Superior." Leao is a sophomore in ACC, and is majoring in Bible.

**MOVED**

The Eastland County Chapter of the Red Cross has moved from its office on the south side of the Court House to the Sinclair - Prairie Building. Their office is in rooms 3 and 4 on the ground floor.

**BANK CALL ISSUED**

WASHINGTON (UP)—Comptroller of the Currency Preston Delano today issued a call for the decision of all national banks as of Dec. 30, 1944.



OMAHA, Jan. 1 — R. E. Miller, former state manager of Texas for the Woodmen of the World Life Insurance Society at Dallas, has been selected national vice president of the Woodmen Society. It was announced today by Ferrar Newberry, president. For nearly four years, Mr. Miller has been treasurer.

Several other changes in the personnel of the society's national officers also have been made following the resignation of Col. T. E. Patterson, Omaha, as vice president and director, and W. M. Crawford, Birmingham, Ala., as director and auditor. Col. Patterson will continue to be comptroller and Mr. Crawford will assume the duties of regional adviser.

Sterling C. Holston, director and assistant field manager, has been named national treasurer and field manager succeeding Mr. Miller. Other promotions include those of Georgia's former Governor E. D. Rivers of Lakeland, Ga., who has served as secretary the past year, promoted to auditor and Max B. Hurt, Murray, Ky., promoted from Watchman to Auditor. New directors are John B. Cobb, Nashville Tenn., who succeeds Mr. Hurt as Watchman, and John N. Cochran, Montgomery, Ala., state manager of Alabama, who becomes Sentry.

### Orphan Indian Boy Holds Soft Spot With GIs

HAMMOND, Ind. (UP)—An Army air force quartermaster unit stationed in India has adopted "Kayo" an orphaned boy who came out of the hills and was found eating out of the camp garbage cans.

Pvt. Glen W. Williams of Hammond, a member of the unit, said that Kayo was about five years old when they found him. That was two years ago. They cut down GI clothes to fit him and have taught the lad to read, write and speak English. As soon as he was fitted with clothing, the Americans gave him a mess kit and thereafter he took his place with the soldiers for all meals.

Pvt. Williams said that in two years the air corpmen have saved over 5,000 rupees, which will be used for Kayo's education. Arrangements also have been made for the Indian boy to live with an American family after the war, return to the States after the war.

### Turkey Breaks With Japanese

ANKARA, (UP)—The Turkish national assembly voted unanimously today to sever relations with Japan, effect next Sunday. Foreign Minister Hasan Saka told the assembly that the break had been requested by Britain and the United States.

Turkey broke with Germany last year.

**NEW ARRIVALS**

Lt. and Mrs. Bob Nicholson are the parents of a daughter, born Dec. 22, at Gorman, and weighing 8 1-2 lbs. Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Sparr are the maternal grandparents. Mrs. Nicholson is living in Eastland at the Hillside apartments while her husband is stationed with the armed forces in California.

### FIRST GAINS THREE MILES; MAY BE TRAP FOR GERMANS

PARIS — The American First Army smashed into the north rim of the Ardennes salient yesterday in the bitterest weather of the winter, took the Germans by surprise and gained 3 and 1-2 miles on a six mile front, it was announced today.

A front dispatch said the push might trap thousands of Germans in the nose of the Belgian bulge.

A great battle was in progress around the German salient in Belgium today, with the American First Army leading the attack from the north and the American Third Army striking up from the south against massed German divisions making an all out attempt to prevent a junction.

Berlin reported that elements of the British Second Army and the American Ninth had joined the

Tokyo radio reported 40 "enemy" bombers and fighters raided Medan, capital of Sumatra, Thursday morning, inflicting "slight damage."

American First in the attack along a front of almost 50 miles from Monschau to Marche.

Allied Headquarters intimated that this was Gen. Eisenhower's big bid to cut up and destroy the three Nazi armies engaged in the Ardennes offensive. Security censorship obscured full details of the fighting, but the attack was "progressing satisfactorily" today.

Moscow reported that a powerful German effort to relieve Budapest was beaten back in an armored battle northwest of the Hungarian capital, and that most of the Nazi garrison inside the city had been compressed into two pockets on either side of the Danube.

Activity on the Italian front was confined to patrol operations.

Hundreds of American carrier planes from a task force, presumably including battleships and cruisers, hammered the Japanese stronghold of Formosa and nearby Okinawa in the Ryukyus for the second straight day today, Tokyo reported, as U. S. forces expanded new beachheads on Mindoro following the destruction or damage to 25 ships around Luzon.

A Japanese communique said 500 planes opened the assault on Formosa and Okinawa yesterday and 400 more returned to blast the islands today.

Two new landings were made on Mindoro, southwest of invasion—marked Luzon, and the island was expected to be under full American control within a matter of days.

On Japan itself, the big aircraft carrier of Nagoya still was smoldering from a large scale superfortress raid yesterday.

### Lt. Bobby Miller Killed In Action

Friends in Eastland have been advised that Lt. Bobby C. Miller, with the United States Infantry overseas, was killed in action somewhere on the Western European front on December 10. Survivors include his wife and child now residing at Colorado.

Lt. Miller, well known in Eastland, refereed Eastland High school football games in past years and was personnel supervisor on the WPA program in this section.

**NEW OFFICE HOURS**  
Effective immediately the Eastland County War Price and ration board will be open from 9:00 a. m. till 4:00 p. m. daily.

**ALAMEDA CONTIBUTES**  
The Alameda Community contributed \$37.50 to the recent County Wide War Fund Drive. In some manner the name of Alameda did not appear in the reports submitted for publication following the close of the drive.

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## CARBON

CARBON, Jan 2 — On Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 20th, members of the 38 Study Club met in the home of Mrs. T. E. Robertson for their annual Christmas program and tree. Each member answered to roll call with their favorite Scripture.

Mrs. Clifford Gilbert gave Ursula Parrot's "In Heaven Surely" for the yearly Christmas story. Mrs. Robertson gave a short history of some of our most famous Christmas carols after which they were sung by the members with Mrs. Robertson at the piano. She also played "White Christmas" as a piano solo.

The living room was decorated with Christmas evergreens and lighted candles. Refreshments of fruit cake, whipped cream, and coffee were served immediately following presentations of gifts by Mrs. Greer. A pleasant surprise to each member was the gift of a silk handkerchief from Mrs. Jackson. The handkerchiefs were made from a German parachute sent home by her son former high school English teacher, S-Sgt. T. G. Jackson, Jr., who is somewhere with the American Army in Europe.

Miss Jean Poe visited friends in Stephenville last Friday.

Mrs. D. W. Benson and children left Saturday for Rising Star to spend Christmas with her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. D. Benson, returning by Cisco where her father, W. A. Duncan met them, and where they visited with her grandmother, Mrs. Fannie White.

Jack Whiteside and Floy Underwood of Sipe Springs were bus-

iness visitors here Thursday.

Mrs. Delbert Funk and son of Hobbs, N. M., spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pierce.

Bo came to Carbon, Geo. Boles and O. C. Payne of Houston visited their families here Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Hamilton are visiting their daughters in South Texas.

Mrs. Tommie Irving has returned to Buffalo, New York, after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jordan.

M. G. Tucker has returned from a visit with his children in San Angelo.

Mr. and Mrs. Claxton Speer and children of Coleman, and Mrs. Buck Speer and daughter of Duster, spent the holidays with their mother, Mrs. Mae Speer.

Miss Gladys Green of Ballenger spent Christmas with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Green.

Miss Beth Thurman, Rising Star, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Thurman.

Mrs. T. G. Jackson of Borger, Jack Black and family of Brady and Mr. and Mrs. Lassater and family of Eastland, spent Christmas Day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Black.

Mrs. Mattie Edmonson is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Trimble Spoolin and family in Smithville.

Mr. and Mrs. Harmon Ables and Children have returned from a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Culland in Arkansas.

Mrs. Martin Taylor, Camp Hood spent Christmas with her grand- parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Rod- erick.

Mrs. Paul Jordan of Wink is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Vaughn.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Boswell and children of Temple, Mr. and Mrs. Conner Stubblefield and family of San Antonio spent Christmas with their mother, Mrs. Lena Stubblefield.

Mrs. Steve Novak of Abilene, Sgt. and Mrs. Robert Mitchell and daughter of Camp Bowie, Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Hughes and family of Cisco, and Miss Joyce Holloway of San Angelo, spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Holloway.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Robertson and children spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Parker, in Westover.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Deeds and children of Dallas, spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Hazlewood.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Stone had all their children with them for Christmas; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Poe and daughter of Eastland, Mrs. Tom Ireland of Dallas, and Lt. Sam Stone, who left Christmas Day to report for duty in Florida. Sgt. Ireland is stationed in England.

Mr. and Mrs. Billie Carter of Levelland visited her mother, Mrs. M. M. Carter last week end. Mrs. Carter accompanied them to Fort Worth where a family reunion was held.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Skinner and family of Sundown spent last week end with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jordan and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Skinner.

A-C D. M. Collins, Amarillo, spent the week end with his family here.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Clark have returned from Brenham, where they visited their daughter, Mrs. Chris Johns and husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Trimble Boyett and Miss Sarah Boyett of Dallas spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Boyett.

Mr. and Mrs. Yeates of Odessa are visiting her mother, Mrs. H. A. Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Boles and James Boles of Sundown spent Christmas at home with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Ables from West Texas are visiting her mother, Mrs. Will Stacks.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Thompson came home from Sundown to spend Christmas, Mr. Thompson returned Monday, and Mrs. Thompson remained for a longer visit.

Mrs. Nate Morris has made several visits to see her brother, Dr. Will Guy, who is in Harris Memorial Hospital, Ft. Worth, suffering from a severe heart ailment. He is reported to be some better.

Miss Joydene Greer of Dallas and Mrs. Joe E. Ford of Fort Worth spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Greer.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Claborn and children of Sundown spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. H. Hall.

Miss Bettie Jo Hale has returned to school at Denton after spending Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hale.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Yarbrough spent Christmas with her mother, Mrs. J. M. Bruce, in Weatherford.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Hines of Ft. Worth and Mrs. Moore Hines spent Christmas with their mother, Mrs. W. J. Hines.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Skaggs Comanche, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Martin, San Sabá; and Mr. and Mrs. Sexton Martin San Antonio; spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Martin.

Truly Carter and Mrs. Bernice Hayes were married in Baird Saturday evening by Rev. A. A. Davis. Both have many friends here who wish them much happiness. Mr. Carter was reared in the Carbon community, and is now employed by the King Motor Co., Eastland. They will make their home in Cisco, where Mrs. Carter is teaching in the public school.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Stubblefield observed their twenty-third wedding anniversary Sunday evening, Dec. 24th, also honoring their daughter, Miss Rea June Stubblefield, of Orange, and Sgt. Glenn S. Schreiner of Camp Cook, Cal., a guest. Those present at the open house were Mrs. Lena Stubblefield, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stubblefield, and son, Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard Gilbert and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gilbert and son of Carbon, Dr. and Mrs. M. L. Stubblefield, Miss Mary Frances Stubblefield of Gorman, Dr. and Mrs. Bob Stubblefield of St. Louis, Mr. and Mrs. Conner Stubblefield, Miss Dona Jean Stubblefield, of San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Boswell and family of Temple, and Lt. and Mrs. Joe Jagers of Camp Swift, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Vaughn of Sundown met their son, A-G James E. Vaughn of Ellington Field, here where they spent Christmas.

Pfc. Doc Martin of Del Rio is visiting his family here.

Arzif Ford and family of Royalty are visiting Mrs. R. K. Justice and Mr. and Mrs. Ira Ford.

Lt. and Mrs. Joe Jagers of Camp Swift spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gilbert.

Sgt. and Mrs. G. B. Riels of Stephenville and Camp Bowie spent the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Mason.

Sgt. Glenn S. Schreiner, Camp Cook, Calif., was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Stubblefield through the holidays.

Mrs. John Phillips left Saturday for California, where she will be with her husband while he is in the states.

Mrs. W. B. Adams of DeLeon and her sister-in-law, Mrs. Mary White, of Wink and niece, Miss Blanche White of Los Angeles, were in Carbon visiting friends Monday.

Rev. Kirkpatrick Mrs. Henry Collins, and Miss Betty Collins attended the funeral services of Mr. Edwards in Olden Friday.

Mrs. Earnest Bridges and children of Hobbs, N. M., are visiting Mrs. Fannie Bridges.

Mrs. Fannie Bridges spent Christmas with Rev. and Mrs. Hightower at Caddo.

Norman Box of the U. S. Navy left Saturday for San Diego, after a short leave here with his wife and daughters and his parents Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Box of Olden.

Service man Rose—came Monday to visit his mother, Mrs. May Duval and Mr. Duval this week.

## STAFF NEWS

Bustar Hazard and family of Anson visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Parker during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Duncan were Eastland visitors Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Hazard were in Eastland Friday on business.

Covis Crawley and family, and Harlin Crawley and family, all of Ft. Worth, were guests during the Christmas holidays of their parents, Mr. and Mr. N. C. Crawley.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Coop visited with relatives in Eastland Saturday.

A number of people from this community attended the funeral of Bill Edwards at the Methodist Church in Olden Friday afternoon.

N. C. Crawley was a business visitor in Eastland Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Hazard of Eastland were callers in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Hazard last Tuesday afternoon.

John M. White had business in Eastland last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Hazard were guests in the home of Mrs. Pearl Bourland of Eastland Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Murrell Miller and children visited in Eastland last Friday.

Ollie Hines of Abilene visited with his mother, Mrs. Jennie K. Hines, and Mr. and Mrs. John M. White the past week.

Emerson Hallenbeck and family visited in Eastland Friday.

## CHEANEY NEWS

By Mrs. Bill Tucker  
Mr. and Mrs. William Melton had as their guest early last week their son, Troy Melton and his family of Gatesville. They returned home on Thursday accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rodgers and Miss Salata Tucker, for a brief visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Milt Wilson of Gorman visited the L. E. Meltons, last Friday.

Miss Maxine Perrin has returned to her work in Baltimore, Maryland, after spending the holiday season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Perrin.

Mr. and Mrs. Ricard Tucker and Salata were visitors in the Jno. Tucker home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Butler spent part of the week following Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Goldie Compton and Mr. Compton of Ft. Worth.

Callers in the J. W. Case home were: Mr. and Mrs. Herman Neger on Saturday night and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Tucker and Billy were supper guests Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonzo Melton visited the William Melton home, Sunday.

And we told you some time ago to listen for wedding bells—and 'tis true—Marriage rites were solemnized Friday, Dec. 29th between a very splendid couple from our community—Morris Underwood and Dorothy Jo Melton.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Love have received word that their son, Aubrey, had been wounded in the European campaign, Dec. 12th but that the injury was slight and he is recovering at an American hospital base.

Anson Lemley, a veteran of the South Pacific, is home for an extended visit with his brother, Sanford Lemley and Mrs. Lemley, near Alameda.

M. L. Dave Love of the U. S. Navy has received an honorable discharge and came home Saturday from San Diego, where he has been stationed since returning to the States from New Caledonia last October. He plans to go to work at Odessa soon.

Mrs. La Rue Broussard, a former teacher at Alameda, who is teaching temporarily in the Hodges Oak Park School in Ranger, and whose husband is stationed at Sheppard Field Wichita Falls, was the overnight guest of Mrs. Jno. Love Tuesday night.

Kenneth Lewis of Desdemona spent Christmas and the past week with his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Sharp.

Norman Box of the U. S. Navy left Saturday for San Diego, after a short leave here with his wife and daughters and his parents Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Box of Olden.

Service man Rose—came Monday to visit his mother, Mrs. May Duval and Mr. Duval this week.

**TOWN and FARM**  
in WARTIME  
Prepared by OFFICE OF WAR INFORMATION

### REMINDERS

Housewives are urged to destroy all food ration stamps that have been declared invalid, the Office of Price Administration said today. Use of these stamps by consumers, as well as acceptance of them by retailers, is a violation of rationing regulations, OPA said.

At the same time, OPA explained that red ration tokens continue good and housewives may use them for buying meats-fats. Grocers will continue to give them to housewives as change for the red 10-point stamps.

Blue ration tokens, however, have not been good since October 1 and, therefore, cannot be used for canned fruits and vegetables. They are no longer needed as change for the 10-point blue ration stamps used for processed foods because point values for these items are set in multiples of ten.

Ration stamps which were invalidated as of 12:01 a. m., Tuesday, December 26, 1944, and which are not good for consumer use are:

Red Stamps—A-8 through Z8 and A5 through P5.

Blue Stamps—A8 through Z8 and A5 through W5.

Sugar Stamps 36, 31, 32, 33 and 40, along with all home canning coupons outstanding.

Stamps continuing to be good—and those soon to be made good are: Red Stamps Q5, R5, and S5, which became good December 3. In addition, five more red stamps T5, U5, V5, W5 and X5, will become good on Sunday, December 31. Blue stamps X5, Y5, Z5 A2 and B2. In addition, five more blue stamps C2, D2, E2, F2 and G2 will become good on Monday, January 1.

Sugar Stamp No. 34, which became good on November 16. Another sugar stamp will become good on February 1, 1945.

Gasoline—A14 coupons good for four gallons.

Fuel Oil—East and Far West 1 and 3 in book three good indefinitely per unit. Mid-west and south 2 and 3 coupons good for ten gallons per unit.

Shoes—Airplane stamps 1, 2, and 2 in book three, good indefinitely.

### RATION ACTION FOR FAIRER DISTRIBUTION

The mounting exactions of a lengthened war and the failure of past partial rationing to fairly distribute available foods to all Americans are causes reported by the Office of Price Administration for tightening and increasing the ration system on foods. Cancellation of unspent ration stamps validated prior to December 1 was done, OPA said, because supplies are just not large enough to permit spending both 1944 ration stamps and all those unspent in 1944. Stamps issued for this past December and for January are to provide for current needs. Major facts on the supply situation are:

Sugar—the home canning ration this year is severely tightened and coupons for no more than 700,000 tons can be issued in the 1945 season, compared with 1,150,000 tons last season. This reflects an excessive use of 1944 supplies and the fact that 1945 will see no more than 5,400,000 tons available for civilians as against 6,100,000 in 1944, 5,700,000 in 1943 and 7,350,000 in 1941.

Butter — Civilian creamery stocks are at such a low level that supplies in the hands of wholesalers and retailers must be increased if a fairer distribution is to be obtained. The total available for 1945 is expected to be smaller than last year.

Processed Foods—Needs of the armed forces for canned fruits are expected to remain heavy and military procurement needs and set aside requirements for canned vegetables from the 1944 pack were bigger than in 1943. The supply now on hand must be made to last until the next canning season. The present stocks of commercially canned vegetables on December 1, 1944, was about 56 per cent of the quantity on hand for civilians 12 months previous.

Meat—Prospects at present are for supplies during the first three months of this year are about 15 per cent below the last three months of 1944 and also the first quarter of last year. This applies to both rationed and unrationed kinds. Hog production available for slaughter is about 25 per cent below a year ago.

Says OPA: "Food rationing, in effect, must be placed on a pay-as-you-go basis. During the next few months, and perhaps throughout 1945, ration stamps will be only good on the basis of the supplies that can be made available to civilians without upsetting the fairest distribution obtainable. Shortages in some items, such as butter, may continue. The choice and variety of meats and canned fruits and vegetables may continue to be spotty in some cities. But as closely as possible point values will be maintained to assure the shopper a reasonable choice of rationed foods."

### HOW FARMERS CAN GET LUMBER

Farmers who need lumber for emergency maintenance and repair of farm dwellings may now apply to the War Food Administration for preference ratings instead of to the War Production Board Field Offices. WPA's Office of Civilian Requirements has transferred to WFA 15,000,900 board feet of lumber from its al-

lotment for the first quarter of 1945 to provide lumber for emergency maintenance repair of farm dwellings.

## Ft. Worth Lives Up To Long Time Contention

FORT WORTH, Tex. (UP)—That long standing trade mark of Ft. Worth—"Where the West Begins"—has some life in fact and the army to back it up.

A truckload of cattle overturned in the business district and 19 escaping white-faced steers grazed on the City Hall lawn and generally raised Cain cavorting in the downtown streets.

Telephone calls brought a staff car of Military Police, four horse-riding cowboys and six patrolmen in their "wagons."

## NOTICE

As in prior years, interest on consumer's deposit at the rate required by law has been accrued and set aside for payment.

Customers, who so desire, may secure payment of such interest upon presenting their deposit receipt at our local office, or if this is not convenient, by mailing their receipt to the Company. Receipt will be returned with remittance for the interest.

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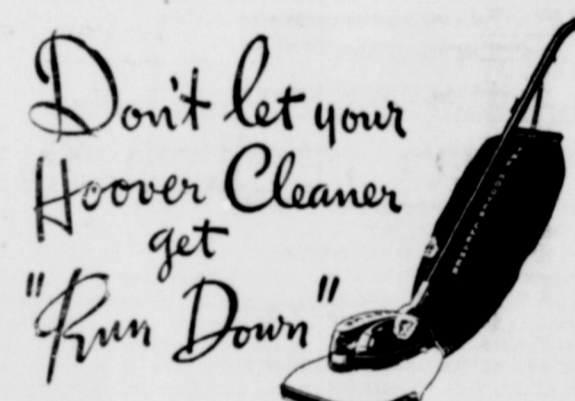
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## CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CONDITION OF EASTLAND NATIONAL BANK

AS MADE TO THE COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY  
Statement of Condition as of December 30th., 1944

### RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	\$ 219,377.95
Overdrafts	163.41
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	1,500.00
Banking House	18,250.00
Furniture and Fixtures	4,150.00
Other Real Estate	1.00
Federal Deposit Insurance Account	1.00
U. S. Bonds	827,500.00
Cash and Exchange	838,190.82
	\$ 1,909,134.16

### LIABILITIES

Capital Stock—Preferred	\$ 15,000.00
Capital Stock—Common	35,000.00
Reserve for Retirement Preferred Stock	8,500.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	10,741.70
DEPOSITS	1,839,892.46
	1,909,134.16

The above statement is correct.

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H. J. Starnes, Pastor
9:45 a. m.—Sunday school.
10:55 a. m. Morning Worship.
6:30 p. m.—Training Union.
7:30 p. m.—Evening Worship.
3:30 p. m. (Monday)—W. M. S. and W. M.
7:30 p. m. (Wednesday)—Mid-Week Service.

Church of Christ

Corner Daugherty and West Plummer Streets
Bible Classes 10 a. m.
Devotional, Preaching 11 a. m.
Devotional, Preaching 8 p. m.
MONDAY:
Ladies' Bible Study 3 p. m.
WEDNESDAY:
Bible Study and Pray Meeting 8 p. m.
EACH SECOND LORD'S DAY
Business Meeting 3:30 p. m.
Always glad to have you with us COME.

First Christian Church

J. B. Blunk, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 A. M.
Men's Bible Class 10:00 A. M.
Judge Clyde Grissom and J. F. Collins, Teachers.
Morning Worship and Communion Service 11:00 A. M.
Christian Youth Fellowship, 6:30 to 7:30 P. M.
Evening Service 7:30 P. M.
Missionary Society meets on the First Monday in each month.
Church Board meets on the First Sunday night in each month.

The Church of God

At Lamar and West Valley Streets
W. E. Hallenbeck, Pastor
Program for the week:
Sunday
Sunday School—10:00 A. M.
Preaching—11:00 A. M.
Young People Meeting at 7:15 P. M.
Evening Services at 8:00 P. M.
Wednesday
Midweek prayer services at 7:45 P. M.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Cor. Valley and Walnut Streets
M. P. Elder, Pastor
K. A. Henderson, Supt.
Sunday School—9:50 a. m.
Preaching services each second and fourth Sundays.
Morning worship—11:00 a. m.
Evening Worship, 7:30 p. m.

Church of The Nazarene

Rev. Fred F. Pike, Pastor 700 South Lamar Street.

St. Frances Catholic Church

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Send for free, prepaid sample TODAY! Like thousands of others you'll be glad that you did. Send name and address to Department A, Kilmer & Co., Inc., Box 1285, Stamford, Conn. Offer limited. Send at once. All druggists sell Swamp Root.

FLUSH KIDNEY URINE

Benefit wonderfully from famous doctor's discovery that relieves backache, run-down feeling due to excess acidity in the urine

People everywhere are finding amazing relief from painful symptoms of bladder irritation caused by excess acidity in the urine. DR. KILMER'S SWAMP ROOT acts fast on the kidneys to ease discomfort by promoting the flow of urine. This pure medicinal medicine is especially welcome where bladder irritation due to excess acidity is responsible for "getting up at night". A carefully blended combination of 16 herbs, roots, vegetables, balsam; Dr. Kilmer's contains nothing harsh, is absolutely non-habit forming. Just good ingredients that many people say have a marvelous effect.

The Methodist Broadcaster

Weekly News Of First Methodist Church
L. Durwood Fleming, Pastor

GREAT SERVICE NEW YEAR'S EVE

From 10:15 to 12:00 midnight last Sunday evening (New Year's Eve), more than sixty persons were at the church in fellowship and worship while the old year made an exit and the New Year its entrance. The expression of the people's interest made a service for the entire evening one which will stand out through the year.

From 10:15 until 11:00 a period of fun and fellowship in the basement was enjoyed. At 11:00 the group present went into the sanctuary for a combination service—recognizing our college young people home for the Christmas holidays and a worship service during which the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was celebrated.

Misses Sue Bender, Dorothy Perkins and Dorothy McGlamery were on the program which gave special recognition to college students. Mr. Fleming brought a brief New Year's message and administered the Communion. In the closing minutes of the old year our people were at the altar in prayer for their loved ones and the world. A towering movement of strength was felt. Eastland is better because it happened.

OUR METHODIST HOME CHRISTMAS GIFT—A RECORD

An amount almost doubling anything previously contributed by our church to the Methodist Home was mailed soon as our Christmas gift to the 400 children in the home at Waco. \$600.00 (as over against \$315.00 last year) will be sent and that's good in anybody's language. It is no secret—in fact it keeps our story clear—to tell publicly that \$100.00 of this total amount was a special gift for which we are grateful to the unnamed source.

Mr. Grady Pipkin was the chairman of the Methodist Home Committee this year and he with the Committee and Mr. Fleming are very grateful to all who did so nobly in making a generous Christmas offering.

MR. VAUGHN DONATES PAINT FOR NURSERY

The Martha Dorcas Class has taken the leadership in having the Nursery Department Room redone. The ceiling has been turned white, the walls painted, and the floors done in a battleship gray. In addition to this the tables and chairs have been repainted in an attractive "baby blue". Really one wouldn't recognize the place! How good it is to have beauty around the growing child! Thanks to the Martha Dorcas Class; you're grand!

BOARD OF STEWARDS MEET NEXT MONDAY

The Board of Stewards are working to have 100 per cent attendance in the January Board meeting next Monday night at 7:30. Mr. Fleming is already encouraging its members to hear the call of the Chairman, Mr. Jackson and be ready to answer, "Present" when their names are called.

BIG DISTRICT MEETING IN OUR CHURCH JAN. 16

Bishop A. Frank Smith will speak here in Eastland during an all-day District Meeting which takes place Tuesday, January 16 in our church. The several persons carrying leadership responsibilities will be expected to be present. Any person wishing to be present is invited to come!

OUR SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to Mrs. Ora B. Jones and family in the recent loss of her daughter, Mrs. Hazel Crane. Mrs. Crane was in California at her death. Her service was held on Christmas Eve by Mr. Fleming and interred in the local cemetery. She is survived by her husband, George Crane and a son by another marriage, Jack Reid Roper who was at sea at the time of his mother's passing.

MEN'S CHOIR TO RETURN NEXT SUNDAY

The Men's Choir will meet next Sunday at 7:00 for business and rehearsal. We are hopeful to have a full attendance after a two-weeks vacation. The services will begin at 7:30 and conclude at 8:15.

Enumerators For Farm Census Attend School

STEPHENVILLE, Tex., Jan. 1.—Preparatory to the Agricultural Census to be conducted within the next 60 days, a three day school of instruction was concluded at John Tarleton College Saturday. The school, held for prospective Census Enumerators from Hamilton, Comanche, Erath and Eastland counties, was conducted by Homer Blankenship, Area Supervisor of Abilene and W. E. Jarrott of Abilene, Assistant Supervisor.

The purpose of the proposed agricultural census, according to Mr. Blankenship, is to make an inventory of the agricultural resources of the United States in order to secure better distribution and markets for the farm products. The census request Navy and has been declared a war emergency measure by the President.

Those who successfully completed the school of instruction and received appointments in their respective districts were: Clifford C. Gilbert, Carbon, E. E. Wood, Eastland, Harry S. Voss and Vada Loveless of Jonesboro, Emmette H. Long and Oho B. Phillips of Comanche, A. H. Sumnerford, W. G. Anglin, J. R. Williams Bruce Sumnerford, H. Horton Aneel and W. M. Standifer of Hamilton, Giles C. Driver and Stanley Giesecke of Hico, Mrs. Vera Lafoon of Lawn, Paul Faljin, Bluff Dale and Elmer Giesecke, Duffau. Enumerators will start work January 8 and are expected to have the census completed in sixty days.

Buy War Bonds

As We Approach the Holidays And New Year -

... We naturally expect to hear of numerous car accidents as there is more driving at this season of the year. As long as these tragic happenings are far away and do not affect us personally, it's not so bad. But suppose it's your own family car! Are you insured against public liability, property damage, collision and fire and theft? If not, call us now for rates and full coverage.

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Suggest Ways Of Keeping Up Dairy Production

By Floyd Lynch
The following things will help keep up production during the winter:

1. GET THE WATER DOWN THE COW.

We all know that milk is 85 percent water and that the cow must get the water to make the milk. We know that the water the cow gets in her feed is more efficient in producing milk than the water she drinks. So the more succulent feed she gets in the form of winter pasture, silage, etc the better winter production we will get. If we don't have succulent feed, then the matter of drinking water for the cow is of paramount importance in maintaining production.

For the cow to drink all the water she needs, it must be warm. She will not drink much ice water in winter. We can provide warm water by running fresh water from the well, by installing commercial heaters in the water troughs or by improvisation of a homemade heater—such as putting half an oil drum in the water trough, building a fire in it and weighting it down in the water. Warm water will pay even bigger dividends in extremely cold weather than cold water will in summer.

2 FEED ALL THE ROUGHAGE YOUR COWS WILL EAT.

This is a maxim of efficient dairying any season of the year. It is especially important in winter time when grazing is more likely not to be available. If you cannot provide enough roughage to feed all your cows need and will eat, probably the best thing you can do is to sell off enough of your poorest producing cows so that your roughage will be adequate or if we are not feeding a high protein legume hay that we must increase the protein content of our winter grain mixture to compensate for the lower protein in our roughage. If we continue to feed the same low-protein grain mixture with low hay or hay and silage, we will get a drastic drop in production.

Internal Revenue Office To Be Closed Jan. 8-14.

It was announced today that the office of the deputy collector of internal revenue, room 10 Prairie Building, Eastland will be closed during the second week in January (Jan. 8 through 14).

Individuals who received gross income of \$500.00 or over and as much as two thirds of their gross income in 1944 was from farming or ranching operations, must make a declaration of 1944 estimated income on Form 1040ES.

or a final 1944 report on Form 1040 and pay tax due on or before January 15, 1945. Any one needing assistance in preparing their return may receive help during the first week in January 1945 at the Eastland office.

GOVERNMENT TO USE 26,000 IN FARM CENSUS

WASHINGTON (UP)—Early in January 26,000 government census takers will sharpen their pencils, tuck record books under their arms and set out to count agricultural noses.

It will be the two month task of these Census Bureau interviewers to make a comprehensive tabulation of U. S. farms, farmers, farm dollars, livestock, crops and other miscellaneous agricultural data.

The first farm census was taken more than 100 years ago, in 1840, and was repeated once every decade until 1920 and once every five years since then.

There still is some doubt that the 1945 census ever will be completed and made public. It is a \$12,500,000 job and so far Congress has appropriated only \$7,250,000 for the purpose—enough to carry out the interviewing and pay the 26,000 enumerators.

The 78th Congress in a last rebellious gesture refused to authorize the additional \$5,000,000 needed to add up the figures and publish the findings. Anti-census legislators termed the survey a political pork-barrel and said it duplicated work of the Agriculture Department. However, the Census Bureau plans to proceed with the census the first week of January, with the hope that a new Congress will appropriate the rest of the funds.

First question census takers will determine is, "what constitutes a farm?"

The official answer will be, if three or more acres are devoted to the output of agricultural products, or if farm commodities valued at more than \$250 were produced in 1944, the acreage becomes a farm, for census purposes.

The same basic questions will be asked every farmer: His name, age, race, farm location, number of buildings on the farmstead and facilities. However, queries on field crops, fruits, and vegetables and other produce harvested will vary according to the section of the country.

Perhaps the most detailed questions will cover the livestock population. The enumerator will determine the number of chickens and turkeys raised, income from poultry lots, hatcheries, apiaries, ers milked, how many gallons of milk produced and quantity of

butter sold. In addition, the number and age of horses, mules, cattle, sheep hogs and goats will be tabulated. The amount of wool shorn, mohair and meat produced with their market value will find their way onto the interviewer's ledger.

The nation's mobile farm labor force will be determined by recording the number of persons employed on a farm on a given date.

Farmers will be questioned in detail about the kinds of crops planted, acreage, how much was consumed on the farm and the income received from their sale. Farm properties and debt position will be determined. An inventory of farm machinery will be included.

Utilization of land will be disclosed by questions on idle fields, crop failures and pasture or grazing land.

Operators and tenants of ranches, truck farms, combined victory garden projects, nurseries, green houses, fruit orchards, poultry lots, hatcheries, apiaries and feed lots will be interrogated.

Letters From Mom Cheer These Boys At Front

NEW ORLEANS (UP)—Mrs. Arthur J. (Mom) Scott, widow of a former public high school principal, knows her postman fairly well—he never passes her house without stopping.

"Mom" Scott corresponds, via air mail exclusively, with 100 former students of her late husband who are now on the battlefronts. She writes once a week to each, and includes with her letters clippings, snapshots and reports of special interest to each. She keeps a file of their letters and a separate one for birthdays. A little package goes out for each birthday.

She also serves as a communications center, furnishing changes of address to her correspondents. "Mom" has only two taboos in her letters: she never writes of the war or of friends killed or wounded.

Wrote one of her correspondents: "News from home keeps the light burning for a happy return."

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CLASSIFIED

160 ACRE farm and ranch, best buy in this section. See S. E. Price, 502 Exchange Bldg.

FOR SALE—450 bales good bright peanut hay, O. H. Williamson, Rt. 2, two miles north Morton Valley, 1-53t.

FOR SALE—Grocery store fixtures. 1019 Blackwell Road, Ranger.

FOR SALE—9 registered high bred Jersey milk cows. See S. E. Price, 502 Exchange Bldg.

FOR SALE—Three quarter bed and springs, two rockers and baby bed. Ed Blanton, 116 East Garvin.

HAVE customers for three, five, or six room house. See S. E. Price 502 Exchange Bldg.

LOST—Ladies' diamond ring, liberal reward. Phone 714, Eastland.

REGISTERED Prince Domic Hereford Bull, 3 years old. One mile east of Eastland. Jack Chamberlain. 1-5 3t.

CHOICE 5 room house. Modern, close in. See S. E. Price. 502 Exchange Bldg.

WORK Wanted—Companion for aged lady, or governess for children. Georgie E. Wells, 409 S. Daugherty, Phone 309.

I am badly in need of several three and four room houses. S. E. Price, 502 Exchange Bldg.

RECORDS ARE kept easy and up to the minute, with "Farm Records Kept Up to the Minute," due to the experience I have had assisting farmers prepare their income tax reports, and the dire need that they should keep records of their endeavors, I have prepared this New Record Book, and simplified the Record Keeping of Farmers. It is constructed so that the totals from it can be transferred into the Income Tax Form for Farmers and Ranchers 1040F, thus simplifying the preparation of your final income report each year. My price is reasonable.

S. E. PRICE
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For Farms Ranches and City Property

able. Just send your name, address and \$1.25 by currency, money order or check to Charles Carter, Box 801, Comanche, Texas. 1-5tfc.

FOR RENT—Three room furnished apartment with private bath. Mrs. W. S. Barber, 103 East Walnut.

WANTED—Used furniture, may be broken or unserviceable if sound. Freeman's Wood Shop, next door to gas office.

FOR SALE—One and one-half miles from Ranger on Breckenridge highway, two acres, 6-room house, gas, water, lights, two wells, windmill two overhead tanks, forty fruit trees, berries, grapes. Fenced and cross fenced with net wire. Chicken and brooder houses. Barn. See Mrs. Lambert at Mickle Hardware Store in Eastland.

HIGHEST CASH PRICES—paid for used furniture. Bains' Furniture Store, South side of square.

WE BUY AND SELL new and used furniture. See us before you buy. Bains Furniture Company.

WANTED—Ironing at my home. 1501 S. Seaman.

COMPLETE STOCK Fuller brushes on hand. Excellent for Christmas presents. Mrs. Guy Sherrill, 300 East Plummer.

HAVE samples of new spring materials formerly sold by Mrs. Loretta Herring. Mrs. Guy Sherrill, 300 East Plummer.

FOR SALE—Westinghouse automatic electric range including cables. Mrs. W. C. Campbell.

WANTED Glass bowl for Alladin lamp, Eastland Rt. 2, Box 195.

REPORT TO TELEPHONE USERS
Our job in 1944 was twofold: To do everything we could to keep a steady stream of communications equipment flowing to the army and navy—as much as they needed—and, at the same time, to maintain quality of service as high as possible for the folks here at home.
We shall continue to provide service for those who are waiting just as rapidly as we can. However, in 1945, as in 1944, war demands will be met first and on the average it will be a considerable time before a person may apply for service and get it without delay.
Those employees who are released from the armed services will be welcomed back, and a hearty welcome it will be. There will be a lot of work for them, too.
We'll begin to clear the decks for the big telephone job that will come after the war—to plan how improved devices from Bell Telephone Laboratories, and materials and equipment from Western Electric factories will be put to work for you.
That's the balance sheet of what's done and what's to do. Of course, the volume of our business has been greater than ever before, but so are our operating expenses. In fact, our rate of earnings on the telephone property during these peak war years has been less than during the worst years of the depression. There have been no war profits for the telephone company, which is exactly as it should be.

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## It Seems To Me

By Alta Starnes

What do you expect of the new year in bringing real values into your life? If I knew to what extent you are motivated by love I could tell you what measure you will reap thorns and thistles or roses in 1945.

You may be rich, energetic, talented and educated but unless love furnishes the driving power

scribing God's love for man when He compared it to the rain as falling on the just and unjust alike.

Yes, your true happiness will be in direct ratio to the extent that you love, and loving, you cannot help but serve, and serving without thought of self or gain, you will find that the roses of life obscure the thorns.

### WCS TO HOLD EXECUTIVE MEETING FRIDAY

An executive meeting of the WCS of the Methodist Church will be held Friday evening at 7:30 at the home of Mrs. Frank Crowell. The meeting will be in

form of a covered dish supper, with Mrs. Ed Willman, Mrs. George Cross, and Mrs. Herman Russell as co-hostesses.

The yearbook committee of the WCS met Wednesday evening in the home of Mrs. T. M. Johnson for the purpose of preparing the program for the new year.

### CIVIC LEAGUE AND GARDEN CLUB TO OBSERVE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

The Civic League and Garden Club will meet Wednesday afternoon at the clubhouse to celebrate the Silver Anniversary. The hostesses will be Misses Earl Woody, W. Wiegand, Joseph Weaver L. M. Curry, and the Red Cross workers.

The guest speaker will be Miss Ethel Foster, State president of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs. Music will be furnished by Mrs. Grady Pipkin.

Miss Verne Allison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Allison, spent the Christmas holidays with home folks here. She is a senior in Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, and returned to her school Tuesday.

## PERSONALS

Mrs. Paul Benbrook and small son spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. Benbrook's parents, Judge and Mrs. A. H. Benbrook, of Fairfield. Mrs. Benbrook makes her home here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Harrison, while her husband is with the armed forces overseas.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Bains had as Christmas guests all their children and their families, except one daughter, Mrs. E. H. Banta, of South America. Those spending the holidays with their parents were Mr. and Mrs. Lanham Bains and two sons of Odessa, Mrs. Lorena Shelton and daughter Laquita, of Baird, Mrs. Corine Huff of Azle, Curtis R. Bains of Houston, and Misses Nellie May and Lillie Frances, of Eastland.

Miss Lila Anne Love of Fort Worth spent the Christmas holidays here with her father, Virgil Love.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. McCleskey had as their guests for Christmas dinner Sgt. Johnnie Wall, Sgt. Jimmy Nordland, Fate Wilhite, Mrs. Opal Anglin and children, Mrs. Allene Staten and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Brink and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Parker had as their guests over the week-end Mrs. Parker's sister, Miss Laverne Downtain of Ft. Worth, Miss Lucille Purvis, Miss Mable Gibbons, Mr. and Mrs. Skeet Barve, and Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Charles, all of Ft. Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Beard had as their guests over the Christmas holidays their children, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Beard of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Beard of New York, and Mr. and Mrs. George R. Bennett and daughter, George Anne, of Midland. They were joined for Christmas dinner by Mrs. May Harrison of Eastland.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Beard were in Stephenville last week-end.

### Buy War Bonds

## Urges Farmers To Have Information Ready For Census

In January, 26,000 census takers will begin their task of interviewing about 6,000,000 American farmers for the 1945 Census of Agriculture. This will be the 14th annual farm census which was first taken in 1840 over a century ago. The task of taking this great census will be expedited measurably if every farmer has his information available when the census taker calls.

The census taker will ask about 1944 crops, amount, value, acres, livestock, tractors, labor hired and tenure.

The information given census takers according to law is confidential.

## Coast Guard Adds Additional Trade Schools For Boys

More than thirteen Coast Guard training schools are now open to seventeen year olds, it was announced today.

Seventeen year old boys who are qualified may join the Coast Guard to train for Electrician's Mates, Fire Controlmen, Range Finder and Radar Operators, Fire Fighting Equipment Maintenance, Damage Controlmen, Radio Operators, Ship's Cooks and Bakers, Pharmacists' Mates and Sonar Operators. The four additional trade schools open are Gunner's Mate, Steward's School, Port Security School, and Signalman School. In addition to these schools, there are several restricted schools on which the Coast Guard is unable to release information.

The interesting and specialized training program is one of the several attractive points to enlistment at this time. Additional information may be secured by applying at the Coast Guard Recruiting Office, 1110-12 Irwin-Kearse Building, Dallas, Texas.

## Pfc. Aubrey Love Slightly Wounded In Action Dec. 12

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Love of Alameda were notified Sunday that their son, Pfc. Aubrey L. Love

was slightly wounded in action in Germany on December 12. The young soldier was serving with the Infantry in the Third Army at the time he was wounded and has been in foreign service about six months. He entered the service of the Army two years ago.

Pfc. Love is a cousin of G. C. (Lum) Love, Ranger businessman.

## Carteria For Cafeterias Is Woman's Idea

GARY, Ind. (UP) Mrs. Faye Flynn Benbow has patented a combination article of furniture under the name "carteria," to be used particularly in cafeterias. With the invention, Mrs. Benbow believes "some objectionable features" about cafeteria eating will be eliminated.

The "carteria" is a combination metal table and chair, and on one end of the table are wheels and on the other, casters. The chair likewise has casters on it, and a brake mechanism is fixed to hold it in one spot. A condiment receptacle is on top and a parcel shelf underneath.

A cafeteria patron comes in, drops her parcels on the shelf, pushes the combination table-chair along the food counter to select her meal and then chooses a spot to anchor it. When she finishes, a bus boy would wheel the "carteria" away after pushing the chair against the table and fastening it.

Mrs. Benbow believes the "carteria" idea will be used in hotels, offices, homes, hospitals, and schools for portable desks, telephone tables etc.

## Air Control Has Speeded Naval Plane Fabrics

PHILADELPHIA (UP)—Air conditioning is playing an important role in the production of training planes at the U.S. Naval Aircraft factory here, and has increased production by 35 per cent.

The equipment, designed by engineers of the York Corp in York, Pa., is installed in two rooms where fabric for aircraft is conditioned, and for the first time this work can go uninterrupted 24 hours a day, seven days a week, whereas formerly the rooms had to be shut down when the humidity was too high or too low.

Previously in the fabrication room, where the canvas is stretched over the frame of aircraft, a sudden change in humidity caused the stretched fabric to sag and necessitated recovering the whole plane. In the dope room humidity changes caused minute cracks in the varnish and the planes had to be repainted, reducing the speed of the aircraft by 16 miles an hour. The only alternative was to replace the whole covering.

The air-conditioning rooms are now kept at an even temperature of 80 degrees with a relative humidity of 62 degrees, eliminating the former difficulties and permitting uninterrupted work.

## Tips On Brooding And Growing For Turkey Raisers

Turkey growers should give consideration to the following things:

1. Floor space. Allow one square foot of floor space per poult up to six or eight weeks of age. Do not brood more than 150 to 200 poult under one hover. If birds are to be raised in strict confinement, provide 4 square feet of floor space after 10 weeks of age.

2. Heating and Ventilation. Start brooders at least 24 hours before poult arrive, in order to check brooder and regulate the heat. Place a thermometer about 3 inches off the floor, 8 or 10 inches from the edge of the hover. Start with temperature of 90 to 95 degrees. Supply plenty of fresh air but avoid floor drafts. After the first week reduce temperature about 5 degrees each week down to 70 degrees.

3. Equipment.

1. Feeder space. Provide 2 inches of feeder space per poult from day old to 3 or 4 weeks of age. Increase feeder space as poult grow, providing around 5 inches per poult to 6 or 8 weeks.

2. Water Space. Supply three or four 1 gallon waterers per 100 poult from day old to 3 weeks of age. Increase to four 3 gallon fountains per 100 poult from 3 weeks to market, or a 10 foot drinking trough for the same period.

3. Range Roosts. Make range roosts out of 2x4 inch material, placing them 24 inches apart with flat sides exposed. Build roosts 2 to 3 feet from the ground and provide 14 to 16 inches of roost

space per bird. Remove droppings or move roosts to clean ground regularly.

4. Feeding. Start poult on a good commercial turkey starter and fill feeders level full the first few days. Keep the starter before the poult at all times. Fill feeder only two-thirds full after the 1st or 2nd day to prevent waste. After the poult have consumed 3 to 5 pounds of turkey starter it is time to change to a turkey growing ration. Follow the feeding instructions that come with the feed you use for best results.

## Collection Of Religious Pieces Rivals Pardoners

AMARILLO, Tex. (UP)—Chaucer's "Pardoner" himself would envy the collection of crosses, crucifixes, rosaries, religious medals and relics owned by James Neill North, Amarillo writer.

But North is not interested, like the scoundrel in the "Cantebury Tales," in rooking honest citizens with his enormous number of religious trophies. He's just a collector.

In the great collection is an inlaid mosaic crucifix given him by Pope Pius XI himself, a unique medal made in the Vatican City in 1854, sent him by Bishop Winklemann of Wichita, Kansas, a French crucifix picked up in the Sahara desert by an Arab camel driver, a rosary from the 3rd century A. D., representing the Christian martyrdom at Rome, and a pair of hand-carved Swiss crucifixes, 533 years old.

North says he first got interested in the collection of religious relics when he was aboard ship and the gathering of salt and pepper shakers by everybody else bored him so much he determined to make his hobby a unique one. He did it.

## Says Any Texas Family With Plot Can Have Orchard

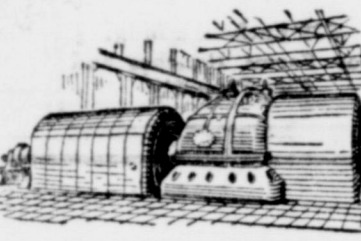
Any Texas family which has suitable ground space can have an orchard or fruit plot to supply its needs, says Loma Faye Hearn, Assistant County Home Demonstration Agent. The climate in most sections of the state are adapted to producing several types of wholesome, health-giving fruits, including peaches, pears, plums, figs, cherries, and grapes.

A program of care and management must be followed after an orchard is set out in order to obtain the best yields. This means fertilizing, maintaining organic matter in the soil, spraying for control of diseases and destructive insects, pruning and other good management practices.

From December 1 to March 1 is the best time to set an orchard. The three months allows leeway to suit the work to local weather conditions. Strawberries, however, are an exception, because November 15 is the deadline for setting out plants. As a general rule, fruit trees two to three feet high are more desirable in dry areas than larger ones. In more humid areas larger sizes, as a rule are more desirable.

Almost without exception orchards will do best on rich, well drained, sandy or sandy loam soils which are free from nematodes and root rot. But some varieties of fruit trees are more tolerant of heavy soils than others. Miss Hearn emphasizes planting only varieties which have proved to be best suited to local conditions. This alone may mean the difference between profit and loss.

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