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Washington Letter BY O. C. FISHER

HELP FOR THE DISABLED

It is said, and rightly so, that the American soldier is the most thoughtful and the best-informed of all the world's fighting men today. It is said, too, that he is the best-equipped, the best-protected, and the best-insured against exigencies of his return to civil-

Many people wiuld like to think of war merely as the arena for heroic conquest and victory. But that isn't all. Some of those who go to war will not come back. Some will come back disabled.

Yet it seems that ever-increasing importance is being attached the provision of shelter, protection and assistance for the disabled. This Congress has been giving much thought to the subject. In a few days, for instance, it probably will authorize a \$300 discharge allowance for those coming home from World War II. Already tens of thousands of men are eligible for this aid.

THREE-MONTH FURLOUGH ASKED

Another measure now under study in the Military Affairs Committee would give the man about to be discharged a three months' furlough and a round-trip ticket between his demobilization center and his home. At the end of the three months he would report back for final physical examination and mustering out.

When he is finally discharged, his record will be complete and his status understood. Then he can look ahead. If he is in need of vocational rehabilitation or if he must have the outright disability compensation, such would be ready or quickly available.

Although vocational training for disabled veterans of this war already is available, the Veterans Administration informs that only 278 men actually have entered the VA job training. Most of them thus far discharged have quickly obtained civilian war jobs, and generally at good pay-for the moment.

This happy condition will not prevail indefinitely. And it must be remembered that our casualties a few days ago showed with prothus far have been comparatively

92 BILLIONS IN INSURANCE Administrator Frank T. Hines said recently that this country since its foundling, has paid out more than 21 billion dollars directly to veterans and their famies. Today, one million persons are receiving direct veterans' benefits. Tomorrow-depending entireon the tide of war and the fluctuations of our own battle on the could be two million or three or

from the ranch country

the poor citizens.

Son of a gun

Broncos Win 1 Of 2 Pre-Season Basketball Games

The two pre-esason basketball games played to date by the Sonora Broncos add up to one gain

The first game was played last Friday night on the local gymn floor, when the high school club met the Texas Company pipeline crew five. The game was clean and fast from beginning to end. The Broncos showed some nervousness early in the game, but in the third quarter leveled off into consistent playing. All during the fourth quarter, they had the game in hand, and when the last gong sounded, had it in the bag. The Oilers gave the Broncos a good show, however, and local fans are looking forward to seeing other tilts between these two teams in the near future.

The second game of the season was played against the fast Eldorado quint, also in the local gymn, last Tuesday night. Don Nicholas, fast forward, was absent, but Duane Prater and George Schwiening ably subbed for him. The final score showed 22 tallies for the visitors to the 10 made by the Broncos.

Henry Graves and Tom Ratliff were the officials.

NEW RULING FOR DRAFT APPEALS SET

A new regulation received this week by the local Selective Service Board provides that the cover sheets for registrants in classes 2-A and 2-B, who are working outside the local appeal board area, be sent to the board in the area where they are employed. Also, hereafter, when a 1-A registrant wishes to appeal his classification, his appeal will be sent to the board in the area where he is em-

NOT THE FIRST COST

Where feed, equipment and help are to be had, agriculture isn't suffering today. But the farmer and ranchman still hold the short end of the stick in some respects. The Federal Trade Commission

voking factual figures some of the disparities in our economy, particularly as to the spread between the price the farmer gets and what the housewife pays.

For example, the consumer in Boston paid \$1.67 for a sack of onions for which the Texas grower received 15 cents. And tomatoes bought from the California grower for 52 cents cost the St. Louis consumer \$2.58.

It's such things as that which home front-that figure easily make a farmer doubt that mere "price stabilization" is the true and complete answer.

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Christmas week, giving the funds usually spent on the luncheon to

charity. Each year the club gives up the Christmas luncheon, so that

the county's needy may have a merrier Christmas. Other clubs, organ-

izations and individuals join the Lions in giving Christmas baskets,

clothes and toys. The Boy Scouts usually assist in collecting donations.

Spontaneous acts of thoughtfulness kindness like that always makes

us thankful that we were privileged to be born in "the land of the free".

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OPA officials from San Antonio and all members of the rationing boards

in this district will meet here January 7. We mention this, just in case

the word gets out ahead of time, to warn scare-buyers that they need

not start buying up all the soap, clothing, etc. in the county. It's just-

a routine meeting, and they aren't fixing to take more things away from

(*&\$½1b ?*½&)

BUY WAR BONDS AND STAMPS with surplus cake money

—(*&\$½1b ?*½&)—

relieved after making out their income taxes. There's always a bright

spot in every picture, even getting out the income tax report. It's sort

of like the man hitting himself on the head with a hammer, because it

Ranchers appeared Thursday, perhaps a little pallid and worn, but

The following Christmas greeting to county ranchmen was left at the

Members of the local OPA board here learned this week that District

Members of the Sonora Lions Club will not meet next Tuesday during

State Officer Speaks Before Lions Club

Bascom Giles, State Land Commissioner, in speaking before the Lions Club at their Tuesday luncheon, gave the history and many interesting facts on Texas' public domain. He opened his talk by pointing out that Texas, upon entering the Union, by treaty reserved its public domain. This fact, he said, placed Texas in a unique position, since none of the other states were permitted to retain title to their lands upon entering the Union; therefore the United States government does not own any land in Texas except that which it has acquired by purchase or donation.

Giles pointed out that Texas land is a subject that has been closely interwoven with the social, economic and political history of the State for well over a hundred years, and Texas history is largely based on the history of its lands.

Texas' lands have made Texas State schools rich, as The University of Texas and A. & M. College and their branches have 2,329,168 acres of land, much of it rich in minerals and oil. The recent sale of some University land brought \$3,670.000, an all-time total.

"In summarizing the disposition of the Texas Public Domain," Giles said, "We find that more than 50,000,000 acres, which is more than one-fourth of the entire State, has been set aside for public education. The State of Texas owns an interest in, and the Commissioner of the General Land Office has charge of, more than 30,000,000 acres of this land today. Of this, the State has timber and surveyed School Land to sell; oil, gas, sulphur, hard minerals and grass lands to lease. When you take into consideration the fact that this land is scattered from the blue waters of the Gulf of Mexico to the plains of the Panhandle, from the Rio Grande to the tall piney woods of East Texas, you can understand the coining of the expression, 'doing a Land Office business'."

Previous to Giles' talk, the club president presented Christmas gifts to six women who help serve the luncheon each Tuesday and help the club in various other ways. They were Mrs. J. B. Shanks, Mrs. Victor Gentzler, Mrs. Tom White, and Misses Melba Kleitches, Dessie Parsons and Coleen Stevens.

A guest at the luncheon was Noble Prentice, formerly superintendent of the schools here and Lions Club member, now making his home in Austin. He accompanied Giles here.

Club Preparing Christmas Box For Soldiers

Members of the War Service Club met Thursday night, December 9, to make gifts to fill a Christmas box which is being packed for servicemen in the McClosky General Hospital, Temple. The box will be sent to the Red Cross which will distribute the gifts to servicemen.

Mrs. V. J. Gentzler has announced that those having puzzles ands, books or other suitable articles may give them to the club for gifts for the men.

Those present at the meeting were Mmes. Dayton Cain, Gentzer. Lee Roy Whitworth, Tex Farr, John Hull, C. J. Cahill, Henry Greenhill and Harold Evans.

HUNTS HONOR VISITORS WITH DINNER TUESDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Hunt entertained with a dinner Tuesday night honoring Bascom Giles and N. W. Prentice of Austin. Guests included George H. Neill, H. V. Stokes, Joseph Vander Stucken.

The honorees were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hunt while in So-

Miss Margaret Sandherr, who teaches in the Christoval schools, will arrive home next week to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Sandherr.

Mrs. Libb Wallace and Miss Libbye Jo Wallace were in San Angelo Tuesday shopping.

Reports received yesterday from the Shannon Hospital, San Angelo, where John Lee Nisbet is undergoing treatment, were to the affect that he is resting well and improving as rapidly as can be

Bob Martin On All-District Team

3 OTHERS MAKE SECOND STRING

Bobby Martin, Sonora High School football player, was placed on the first All-District team by coaches and superintendents of the schools in this district, when they voted for all-district players last week. This announcement was made Wednesday by Superintendent E. D. Stringer, who also announced that Eugene Shurley and J. W. Pepper placed as backs and Duane Prater placed end on the second team. The Menard Bi-District championship team had three men placed on the all-district team.

Men placing on the first team were: ends, Page of Eldorado and Philips of Ozona; tackles, Walston of Menard and Shearer of Mason; guards, Jackson of Menard and Martin of Sonora; center, Miller of Menard; backs, Thompson of Eldorado, Whitehead of Mason, Crowell of Menard and McWilliams of Ozona.

Those on the second string are: ends, Slaughter of Mason and Prater of Sonora; tackles, Logan of Eldorado and Zeriax of Mason; guards, Splitberger of Mason and Barto of Ozona; center, Oglesby of Eldorado; backs, Pepper and Shurley of Sonora, Childress of Menard and Eckart of Mason.

WAC Recruiter To Be Here Mon.

Seeking recruits for the Women's Army Corps, Lt. Martine M. Armintor of the San Antonio Substation will be in Sonora on Monday, December 20, and will work with the community chairman, Mrs. W. R. Cusenbary. Lt Armintor has asked that women who are interested in joining the Corps contact Mrs. Cusenbary or the Postmaster, so she may call on

Women joining the WAC now, according to Lt. Armintor, will be placed, if they desire, on the reserve list until after January 1, leaving shortly thereafter for active service. Women who enlist in the WAC and meet the qualifications to be assigned to the Army Service Forces are assured that they will be returned to the Service Command in which they en-

Lt. Armintor stressed the urgent need for women to fill the Army jobs of men now sent to overseas

\$5,456 IN BONDS SOLD

Bond sales on the December quota this week amounted to \$5.456.25, according to figures compiled by Mrs. Maysie Brown at the First National Bank. The quota for December is \$11,400, so over half of the quota is still left unpurchased.

Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Babcock and Mrs. E. B. Tipton, Jr., went to San Angelo today to meet Miss Edith May Babcock, who is coming home from Texas State College for Women, Denton, to spend the holidays with her parents.

Texas' Champ 4-H Meat Producer

OLIVER GROTE, 17, of Mason, is Texas' champion 4-H meat



animal producer for 1943. Named by the state club office for his outstand. ing record of achievements in growing and fattening farm livestock according to the wartime demands, he receives from Thomas E. Wilson Chicago, a 17-jewel gold watch—the state award in the current nationa the death of the current and the children and the years in club work, the vouth handled 94 baby beeves, and 20 hogs car which he won \$2,419.79 in cast come from all projects to \$17.787.17

Brothers Charged In Murder Of Travis Gaines

Edgar and Pheland Ussery, negro brothers charged with murder in connection with the death Sunday night of Travis Gaines, 50, also a negro, waived examining trial Tuesday before County Judge Alvis Johnson and were bound over to the grand jury, which meets March 20, according to Sheriff Leo E Brown.

Bond for Pheland Ussery was set at \$750 by Judge Johnson, and Edgar Ussery's bond was set at \$250, which he completed, with L. W. Elliott and A. C. Elliott as sureties. Fheland Ussery is being held in the County jail.

Gaines died within 30 minutes after being stabbed at the home of Sarah and Tina Washington, following an argument with the Ussery brothers. After being stabbed, Gaines got into his car and drove off and was found in front of the Elliott-Taylor Motor Co. by nightwatchman N. W. Poteet. Poteet called Sheriff Brown and Deputy Sheriff Sibe McKee, who took Gaines to the office of Dr. J. F. Howell, where he died while receiving treatment.

The body was taken to San Angelo to the Stark Funeral Home, und funeral services were conducted at the Stark Chapel at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. The Rev. A. G. Green, pastor of St. Paul's Church, San Angelo, officiated at the services, and interment was in the Delta Memorial Park, San Angelo.

Survivors include the widow, Mamie Gaines, one daughter and one son.

Marines Seek Women For Texas Company

The U. S. Marine Corps are recruiting a Company of Texas women to be trained in Camp Le-Jeune, New River, N. C.

There will be two Platoons, one composed of women from the Dallas-Ft. Worth area, the other from Houston-San Antonio area. Each member will wear a Texas patch on the left shoulder.

The Texas Company will be sworn into the Marine Corps at a mass ceremony in Dallas on December 23, second anniversary of Wake Island, which was so heroically defended by a handful of Marines against unbelievable odds. This Texas Company of Marines, volunteering their services at this time, is a fitting tribute to the Marines Herocs of Wake Island.

Women enlisting in the Marine Corps will not be called to active duty until January 1944, but those interested are urged to write the U. S. Marine Recruiting Station, 203 Post Office Bldg., Abilene, Texas, and literature and application blanks will be sent immediately. Enlistment age is 20 to

A. & M. STUDENTS TO ARRIVE WEDNESDAY

Students of A & M College, Bryan, will be given eleven days off for the Christmas holidays, and the four Sonora boys who are students at A & M will arrive here next week to spend the holidays with their families. They are Glenn Richardson, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Richardson; Eugene Alley, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Alley; Billy Shurley, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Shurley, and Richard Boughton, son of Dr. and Mrs. I. B. Boughton.

Happy Birthday

Saturday, December 18-Barbara Bowers Sunday, December 19-O. V. Mullin G. E. Ellis Monday, December 20-

Evalee Moore Mrs. Fannie Joy Mrs. F. J. Wood Tuesday, December 21-John Bunnell

Wednesday, December 22-Lea Roy Aldwell Mrs. B. M. Halbert, Jr. Frank Leslie Moore Thursday, December 23-

Benny Friend Friday, December 24-Geraldine Morrow

Alan W. Saunders

Miss Martha Jo Moore, student at Hockaday School, Dallas, will spend the holidays here with her mother, Mrs. W. L. Miers.

Reclassifying Of **Fathers Begun**

NON-ESSENTIALS TO BE IN 1-A

Thursday the Selective Service Board began a series of meetings in which pre-Pearl Harbor fathers will be reclassified for military service, according to Miss Melba Kleitches, clerk of the board. There are between three hundred and fifty and four hundred of these fathers now in 3-A, who will be reclassified in this county.

Under the new classification rulings, class 3-A which was that of men deferred for dependency, will be eleminated. Those formerly in 3-A will be placed in 1-A, or possibly, in one of the deferrable classifications such as 2-A, 2-B, 3-C or 3-D. The last four classifications named are those deferrable because of engagement in industries essential to civilian or war production, those engaged in agriculture and those whose induction would work severe hardship on de-

Miss Kleitches stressed the fact that fathers reclassified 1-A will be drafted only after non-fathers and those in deferred classifications, whose period of deferrment has expired, have been called to service. She also stated that absolutely no men engaged in essential industries will be classed 1-A.

Board Reclasses 17 Registrants

In meeting last Friday, the Sutton County Draft Board reclassified seventeen registrants, most of whom were in 1-A originally. These men and their new classifications are:

Blackstone W. Gowens, 1-C; Lewis F. Matthews, 2-B; William J. Brown, 4-F; Carley B. Barker, 1-A; Patricio G. Rodriquez, 1-A; Zeno G. Horton, 1-C; William F. Kolle, 2-A; Arturo R. Garcia, 1-C; Selestino Gandar, 1-A; Roy Grimes, 1-C: Ignacio Galindo, 4-F; Camilio A. Escobedo, 4-F; Leova Urias, 1-C: Thomas Wall, 4-F; Guillermo R. Romero, 1-A; James Hanley, 2-C. and Gregario Y. Salinas, 2-C.

49 Years Ago

B. C. Jackson sold 150,000 pounds of wool last week to Halfin and Prestridge at prices ranging from 6 to 7 cents. He also sold some heavy T. P. wools from 5 to 51/4 cents This cleared out all the staple he had on hand. __49__

Sol Mayer shipped 22 cars of cattle to market Sunday. -49-

George Traweek bought a lot from Calahan and Taylor next to S. D. Foote's this week and will build shortly.

O. H. Wood, the sheepman, was in town Monday.

County clerk Sam Stokes will have the pleasure of issuing two or more marriage licenses before January 1, 1895. -49-

Alfred J. Harris, the well known and agreeable stock buyer of Colorado City, was in Sonora Monday on cattle business. He wants 1,000 yearling steers.

Covington Brothers finished a well for Mrs. M. A. Traweek on her hotel property on Main Street this week. Abundance of water was obtained at a depth of 160 -49-

Mr. and Mrs. H. Spruce were treated to a surprise party by a number of their young friends on Tuesday night at their residence in West Sonora. Music, dancing and refreshments were enjoyed by the surprised and surprisers.

-49-Charles Schriener of Kerrville reports that he has sold no wool this season but hopes that buyers are numerous.

C. T. Turney, the cattleman, was in Sonora Monday. Mr. Turney sent wagons to San Angelo for lumber for a new house he intends building at the ranch.

-49-Judge W. A. Wright, the wellknown and successful attorney of San Angelo, was in Sonora this week on professional business. _49_

Grand ball and supper at the court house Christmas night.

hottest battle areas this war has yet seen. Damon Swails, with the Mar-

News cffice last week by B. M. Halbert, Sr.

In a water wagon early this year.

We will have, instead of a dry one.

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That will help get a Hun.

feels so good when he stops.

Santa Claus visited the "Stockman's Paradise"

His wagon was drawn by a team of water buffalo

-(*&\$1/21b ?*1/2&)-Late yesterday afternoon we heard a bit of news from one of the

ines, wrote his family here that he came through the battle of Tarawa unscathed. This seems almost a miracle, as over 1,500 American men lost their lives fighting for that little island.

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Mrs. Dee Word **Hostess To WSCS**

Mrs. Dee Word, outgoing president of the Women's Society of Christian Service, was hostess to the society's meeting Wednesday afternoon at the church. She used Christmas decorations and carried out a South American motif in refreshments and service, small bags of South American candy being given as favors.

Mrs. S. M. Loeffler presented Mrs. Word with a gift from the W S. C. S. members, and the parsonage committee reported that a chair had been purchased for the

Refreshments were served to Mmes. Lloyd McMullen, E. E. Sawyer, J. D. Lowrey, W. H. Dameron, B. H. Cusenbary, D. L. Locklin, Loeffler and O. G. Babcock.

Club Dedicates Book In Honor Of W. M. Penick

The Sonora Woman's Club this week dedicated a new book, "God Is My Co-Pilot" by Col. Robert I. Scott. to the memory of William M. Penick who lost his life in training with the Air Corps. Other new books are to be dedicated in the ruture to the memories of the three other Sonora men who have lost their lives in the service of their country. They are

THE WONAN'S PACE Clubs . Purties . Features

PAT REILEY, Editor

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Firemen's Wives Meet With Mrs. E. T. Smith

Mrs. E. T. Smith was hostess to the Firemen's Wives Bridge Club in her home Wednesday night. The room was decorated in a Christmas season motif, and the members drew names and present-

ed each other with Christmas gifts. Four tables of bridge were in play during the evening, and Mrs. L. E. Holland won high score.
A sandwich plate was served to
Mmes. A. H. Adkins, Hubert Fields,

Bobby Allison, Lee Patrick, Beamon Speed, J. H. Brasher, C. W. Taylor, G. G. Bennett, Pat Lyles, O. V Mullins of Borger and Tom Nevill of Texas City.

Marvin Smith, Jack Bingham and Augustin Silvas.

Other new books received by the library this week include "They Were Expendable" by W. L. White, "Malta Spitfire" by George F. Beurling and Leslie Roberts, "Suez to Singapore" by Cecil Brown and "C/O Postmaster" by Cpl. Thomas R. St. George.

Mrs. C. A. Tyler Hostess To Pastime Club

Mrs. Joe Berger and Mrs. T. W. Sandherr tied for high score, when Mrs. C. A. Tyler was hostess to the Pastime Club Thursday afternoon, December 9.

A salad plate and coffee were served to Mmes. John Bunnell, C. E. Stites, Ella Wallace, Robert Rees, O. G. Babcock, W. E. Caldwell, Berger and Sandherr.

REV. MORELAND GIVES LECTURE SERIES HERE

The Reverend Evans H. Moreland of Brady has been conducting a series of lectures on the Episcopal Church here this week at St. John's Church. He has also been giving confirmation instruction to confirmation candidates, preparatory to the confirmation services that will be conducted when the Bishop of the West Texas Diocese,

Art Club Studies **English Homes**

Miss Margaret Barton spoke on "English Style Homes, Their Influence on American Architecture" when the Sonora Art Club met with Mrs. A. E. Prugel Thursday night, December 2. At the close of the program, the group joined in singing Christmas carols.

Refreshments were served to Mmes. J. B. Nelson, Maysie Brown, H. C. Kirby, and Misses Mildred Mund, Kathryn Henderson, Charlotte Kavanaugh, Coleen Stevens, Melba Kleitches, Evelyn Emmett, Ruby Nell Haggard, Ura Mae Haggard, Frances Probandt, Dessie Parsons and Janie Rodgers.

the Right Reverend Everett Jones of San Antonio, is here in February.

Mr. Moreland began his lecture series here November 14, but was called away, due to the death of his mother, Mrs. O. E. Moreland of San Antonio.

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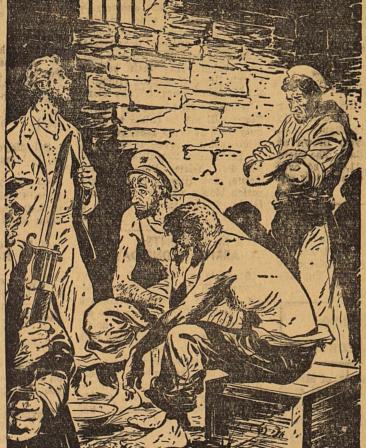
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An extra War Bond this Christmas will hasten the day when their prayers will be answered. A War Bond for Christmas helps three ways . . . it buys the material necessary to liberate those who fought for us ... it is a present which will increase in value until the time they come home . . . it is a present which will help to conserve the freedom they suffer for.

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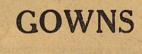
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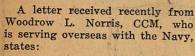
about their friends and buddies in other parts

of the world. This feature page will act as a

clearing house for the activities of the service

men, many of whom receive the News.

ROLL OF HONOR



"Well, yesterday was Thanksgiving. We had to work most of the day but we really had a swell 'feed'. We had our big dinner here last night for the evening meal. I was fortunate enough to get two Thanksgiving meals, the other being with another Battalion on another part of the island. They had their big meal at noon--so I really 'stuffed'.

"We had a good USO camp show here at the camp recently-the



first show we've had here. It was a troup of native Hawiians doing their native dances and music. It was very good--at least we thought it was good. Maybe it was because we hadn't seen a show in a long time."

A later letter follows: "Have been receiving quite a



number of letters from you recently. I really look forward to letters from home. They certainly are a lot of help. Our mail is the most important thing we have to look forward to.

"I took a nice trip around around the island of Oahu recently. It is a little over a hundred miles around the island. The roads are pretty--a little mountainous in places and parts of it is near the ocean. The scenery on the island is almost indescribable. All along the way we could see bananas, cocoanuts, pineapples and other tropical fruits. We also got to see an abundance of wild coffe growing in the mountains. Someday I would like to climb one of those mountains. I know that it would be quite a job and I haven't acquired that much energy yet. Maybe I will one of these days.

"It is hard for me to realize that it is December for the weather is so warm here. It rains here a lot, but so far it has not been

"I don't htink anyone need worry about the boys over here not getting enough to eat or the other necessary things of life. We really have more of everything than we did in the camps back in the States. If you listen to H. V. Kaltenborn's news broadcast, you might find some of the anwers to questions asked about the boys over here. Mr. Kaltneborn was in Honolulu for a while giving broadcasts of the Pacific war news, and we got him over the radio.

"Guess that's about all the news for this time. Don't worry too much about me."

A letter from A. P. Virgen, S 1-c, follows, in part. "How is everyone in Sonora by

now? I am fine, as always. "I received the pictures you sent

to me and was really glad to get them. It was almost like being back home and looking at all of "Good reports have been coming

that we might get to come in two or three months, but of course this is too far in advance to tell. We haven't been doing very much here except staying aboard ship and sleeping and eating.

"Tell all 'hello' and to write all

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> For Sale HOGS

JOE B. ROSS

Texas Sonora

Johnny Baggett, CM 2/c, has been here for the past several days on furlough visiting friends and relatives.

Staff Sergeant George E. Allison of Goodfellow Field, San Angelo,



2 COAST GUARD

arrived here this week on a 15-day furlough.

Lawrence Nichols, CM 1/c, arrived here Thursday on furlough to visit with his wife and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nichols. He has recently returned from overseas duty, having served for some time on Guadalcanal with the Seabees.

Warrant Officer George Wynn of the Lubbock Army Air Field is in Sonora this week visiting with Mrs. Wynn and will report back for duty on Monday. He began his leave last Friday, and he and Mrs. Wynn visited relatives in Austin last week-end.

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