



# The Devil's River News



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TWELFTH WEEK

## Lions Present Atchison With War Bond

H. C. Atchison, Jr., vice-president of the Sonora Lions Club, who leaves here January 16 to assume duties of Tom Green County agent, was presented with a war bond from the club at its Tuesday luncheon in appreciation of the work he has done in the club, the community and the county. W. H. Dameron, who made the presentation, enumerated the many services Atchison has rendered the community, including his active participation in church work and civic improvement.

Atchison, in response to Dameron's remarks, gave credit for whatever he has accomplished to the cooperation of the citizens of the community. "This is the finest group of men I have ever been associated with. I will go further and say that the people here are the finest I have ever been associated with", he said.

The program for the day was a showing of the movie, "The Alaska Highway", which told the interesting story of the building of an overland supply road from Canada to Alaska, a road built against such odds and in such record time that it will go down in history as one of the great engineering feats of all time.

## Bond Sales Comm. Plans Campaign

Members of the county War Finance Committee, planning an intensive campaign to begin next week to raise the local quota of \$227,000 in the Fourth War Loan Drive, will mail letters to adult citizens on Monday urging their cooperation in purchasing bonds as soon and in as large amounts as possible. Also, as many citizens as possible will be contacted personally during the drive which will continue through February, according to George H. Neill, county chairman. This method of personal contact, used by the committee in the Second and Third War Loan Drives, met with signal success.

Neill emphasized, however, since the goal for sales of Series E Bonds is \$88,000, the work of the committee in charge of sales will be lightened if citizens will make their pledges voluntarily. The sooner these pledges or purchases are made, the easier will be the work of the committee.

A meeting of the committee will be called by Neill early next week.

## "MOST MISSED MAN" TO BE RECOGNIZED IN RADIO PROGRAM

"The most missed man" in the county is the claim made for John Lee Nisbet in a recent article in this paper which Boyce House, well known Texas columnist and author will quote on his Sunday program, January 16.

While Nisbet was in a San Angelo hospital, activities were tied up in the Lions Club, Boy Scouts, Ration Board and many other civic enterprises, according to the article which appeared in the "Son-of-a-gun" column.

Boyce House's program, "I Give You Texas and the Great Southwest", is sponsored by the makers of Justin Cowboy Boots and Shoes. It is heard at 12:45 o'clock Sunday noon, over stations KGKO, Fort Worth-Dallas; KXYZ, Houston; KGNC, Amarillo; K TSA, San Antonio.

## Happy Birthday

- Saturday, January 15—Mrs. Dorothy Norris, Billy Bryan Savell, Joe Brown Ross
- Sunday, January 16—Jim Perry, Mrs. Aldwell Nisbet, Tommy Bond
- Monday, January 17—Raymon H. Morgan
- Tuesday, January 18—J. R. Caldwell
- Wednesday, January 19—Vincent Roueche
- Thursday, January 20—None
- Friday, January 21—Mrs. Joe Brown Ross

Billy Scott, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Scott, who was dangerously ill with pneumonia in a San Angelo hospital last week, has been removed to San Antonio for treatment. According to the last report received here, he is improving now.

## Polio Fund Drive Meets Good Response Here

\$75 TAKEN IN BY WEDNESDAY

Good response has already been made to the cards mailed last week by H. V. Stokes, county chairman of the President's Birthday Celebration, asking for contributions to the National Foundation of Infantile Paralysis. Seventy-five of the \$300 that Stokes and George D. Chalk, roll call chairman, hope to raise had already been donated by Wednesday.

Stokes said that during the last days of this week and the first of next week, increased effort will be made to contact all adults in the county who have not made contributions so far.

No birthday celebration program will be presented on January 31, the President's birthday, as has been done before. Stokes said that in times like these it was believed that citizens had rather see all of their contributions go directly to preventing and curing paralysis, rather than to incur expense on entertainment of any sort and that the money can be raised entirely by contributions.

## Lions To Fete Ladies, Scouters

Plans for a combination Ladies' Night and meeting of the executive committee of the Ranch District of the Boy Scouts were made when the directors of the Sonora Lions Club met Tuesday night.

Between 60 and 80 out-of-town guests are expected for the annual affair, which will be held at the Methodist Church basement Tuesday night, January 18. Scouters and Scout executives from Del Rio, Crystal City, Sabin, Uvalde, London, Junction, Rocksprings, Eldorado, Ozona, representing the counties in the district, will be present.

The guests will assemble at the High School Auditorium at 7:30 o'clock, after which they will go to the church for dinner. At the end of the dinner, the program will be turned over to the Scout executives. Main speaker for the occasion will be Judge E. C. Grindstaff of Ballinger, prominent Scouter and deputy governor of the Lions 2-A. Wayne West of Ozona, district chairman, will be in charge of program arrangements.

Also considered at the director's meeting, was the possibility of sponsoring the annual June 4-H Club Wool Show and Lions Auction Sale.

## MRS. ADAMS BURIED IN SAN ANGELO TUESDAY

Funeral services for Mrs. Matt Adams, 68, sister of Mrs. James Parker of Roosevelt, were held Tuesday afternoon from Johnson's Chapel in San Angelo with the Dr. K. P. Barton officiating. Interment was in the Fairmount Cemetery, San Angelo.

Mrs. Adams, a resident of Fort Stockton since 1934, died there Sunday night. The body was taken overland to San Angelo for the services.

Survivors include the husband; one son, Bud Parker; nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were J. L. Mercer, Bob Whitaker, Dr. R. E. Windham, H. G. Whitaker, Charlie Harper and M. C. Puckett, Ft. Stockton.

## OLD AGE ASSISTANCE ROLLS DECLINE IN DEC.

Austin, Jan. 10—The Old Age Assistance rolls continued to decline during December, 179,645 persons being certified for January checks, which is 866 fewer than received aid in December. Payments in January are \$2.30 below the authorized grant. This compares with the \$2.44 cut effective in December.

The blind rolls sustained a net loss of one recipient during December, \$114,528 being distributed to 4,680 recipients in average grants of \$24.47.

The Aid to Dependent Children rolls lost 216 families, representing 470 children. In January, \$216,279 will be paid to 10,173 families representing 22,530 children in an average grant of \$21.26 per family.

Miss Marjorie Reba Nisbet, freshman student at the University of Texas, will arrive Saturday for a week-end visit with her father, John Lee Nisbet.



H. C. ATCHISON

## Sutton County Loses Atchison To Tom Green

Sutton Countians feel that their loss will be Tom Green County's gain, when H. C. Atchison, Jr., county agent here since 1937, reports on January 16, to take over duties of the county agent in San Angelo. Atchison's appointment to the Tom Green County post, made by newly-appointed acting extension agent, J. D. Previtt, was announced by district agent W. I. Marschall, who resigned the Tom Green County agency on January 1, to take the district post.

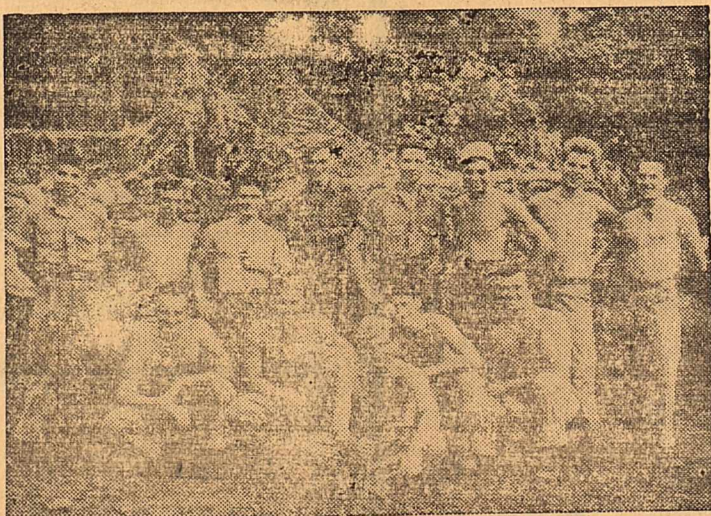
Atchison, whom Marschall said, "has an enviable reputation and is rated as one of the better county agents in West Texas", has been active in church, civic and club work in Sutton County during his 7 years here. He is an officer of the Methodist Church and first vice-president of the Sonora Lions Club. It was largely through his efforts that the first annual 4-H Club Wool Show and Lions Club Auction Sale was held here. This annual event, attended by buyers and ranchers from all sections of the country, has been of great benefit to the Lions Club, the community, county ranchers and to the 4-H Club boys.

Moving to San Angelo with Mr. Atchison, when he assumes his duties there, will be Mrs. Atchison and their three children, Betty Jane, Clay III, and Frances.

Lt. Albert A. Murray, former science teacher and football coach in the high school here, received his wings at the Marfa Army Air Field last Friday, and he and Mrs. Murray were here visiting friends last Sunday. After a visit with Mrs. Murray's parents in Jacksonville, Calif., where Lt. Murray will be stationed at the Victorville Army Air Field.

Charlie Watt, small son of Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Howell, who was in a San Angelo hospital last week being treated for an ear infection, is reported to be doing nicely at this time.

## Vernon Cook And Buddies



The above group is composed of U. S. Marines and Sailors at battle station in the Southwest Pacific. They are engaged in secret work which the censor requested us not to mention in this story. Fifth from the left in back row is Petty Officer Vernon Cook of the U. S. Navy, a Sonora boy, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Cook.

Young Cook volunteered for naval service in August 1942. He took his boot training at San Diego, California. After boot training, he was given special training in the secret work which the unit was engaged in for nearly a year at the front. Whatever action these boys saw at the front must remain secret for the time being; however, the last action participated in by Cook was a short time before Christmas.

The day before Christmas Cook, Wunningham, Bouchillon and O'Connor boarded a plane down under for a 3,000 mile flight to a new post of duty as instructors at a naval school. Reaching the top of the world, they flew into Christmas Day and had the rare experience of celebrating Christmas twice in 1943.

## Bank Officers, Directors Remain Same For 1944

AFFILIATES' OFFICERS ALSO RELECTED

In the director's meeting, held at the First National Bank Tuesday morning, and in the stockholder's meeting that followed, all officers were re-appointed and all directors re-elected for the First National Bank, the First Loan Company and the Sonora Construction Company. The only change made at either meeting was the addition of the name of E. K. Folley, assistant cashier, to the roll of officers of the bank. Other officers of the bank are E. F. Vander Stucken, president and chairman of the board; George H. Neill, active vice-president and cashier, and Mrs. Maysie Brown, assistant cashier.

Directors re-elected are E. F. Vander Stucken, Edwin E. Sawyer, George L. Aldwell, Neill, George S. Allison, S. H. Allison and Lea Roy Aldwell.

Officers re-elected for the First Loan Company and the Sonora Construction Company are E. F. Vander Stucken, president; George S. Allison, vice-president; Neill, active vice-president and treasurer, and Mrs. Maysie Brown, secretary.

## 1943 Rainfall Falls Below 7-Year Average

Total rainfall for 1943 in Sutton County, as reported by George D. Chalk of the Sonora Wool and Mohair Co., was 18.83 inches, which was the smallest yearly total since 1940 when the total was 17.44. The two months of greatest rainfall in 1943 were May, with 6.44 inches, and September, with 4.32 inches. The driest month was last February when no rainfall in the county was reported.

The 1943 total fell considerably below the past seven-year average of 21.26 inches, which is considered a good yearly average. Lowest point included in the average was 16.25 inches, the total rainfall in 1937. The greatest amount measured in the seven-year period was the 1941 total of 36.91 inches.

## STATE POLICE URGE DRIVERS TO CHECK LICENSE DATES

Austin, Jan. 10—Approximately 450,000 operators licenses of the current issue have recently expired, State Police Director Homer Garrison said today. These licenses bear serial numbers from one to 300,000 and 1,000,000 to 1,150,000.

Garrison urged drivers to check their licenses, which expire two years from date of issue, so that the licenses can be renewed prior to expiration.

When a person's license expires, the law considers him as a new driver, and he must take a driving test.

## Vander Stucken Resigns As Head Of County AAA

Joseph M. Vander Stucken announced his resignation this week from the chairmanship of the Sutton County Triple A Committee, a position which he has held for the past three years. His resignation from the AAA automatically ended his chairmanship of the USDA War Board.

Bryan Hunt, vice-chairman of the County AAA and the War Board, will serve as chairman pro-tem until another election is called. The third member of the War Board is R. A. Halbert.

In announcing his resignation, Vander Stucken said, "Since in my estimation some of the most worthwhile practices now so necessary to the war effort have been withdrawn from the Triple A program, I would be doing my friends a grave injustice by continuing to represent them on this committee."

## District OPA Meet Held Here

At the district meeting of ration board personnel, ration bankers and gasoline retailers, held here last Friday night and presided over by J. P. McFarland, ration bank executive of the San Antonio OPA district office, the cause, remedy and extent of black market activities in gasoline were discussed.

As a remedial measure, a new regulation for handling gasoline coupons has been scheduled to start January 15. This order will require all coupons holders to write their vehicle license numbers in ink or indelible pencil when receiving them. Also, retailers have been given strict instructions not to accept loose coupons.

At the meeting, it was revealed that black market activities in the sale of gasoline have reached gigantic proportions and that, if allowed to continue, this condition will result in dire shortages of gasoline. Counterfeiting and careless handling of legal coupons have been the main causes of this condition, it was pointed out.

Other district officers from San Antonio at the meeting were A. M. Scott, ration enforcement attorney, and F. M. Koch, district mileage ration officer.

Also attending the meeting were the following ration bankers: Ray Thompson, Scott Peters and Lovell Littleton of Ozona; B. F. Gaines, Edward Ellis and Pete Yates of Menard; H. E. Finnegan, Lewis Whitten, and W. T. West of Eldorado, and George H. Neill and E. K. Folley of Sonora. Other Sonorans present were John Lee Nisbet, Ralph Trainer, D. L. Locklin, Boyd Lovelace, Hub Hale, R. L. Hallum, W. A. Carroll, C. A. Tyler, C. W. Taylor, L. E. Johnson, Mrs. J. B. Shanks, and Mrs. V. J. Gentzler.

## NEW DRAFT ORDER TO SPEED INDUCTION OF COUNTY'S FATHERS

A new order received by the local selective service board from State headquarters this week and effective February 1, will eliminate the giving of physical exams to registrants locally and will cause pre-Pearl Harbor fathers to be called for physical exams this month instead of during next month. The order provides that one half of the Sutton County quota of 36 inductees for February must report for pre-induction physical examinations at the Induction Center, San Antonio, this month.

The men passing these examinations will return here for three weeks, after which they will be returned for actual induction into either the Army, Navy, Coast Guard or Marine Corps.

Miss Melba Kleitches, clerk of the local board, said that the registrants will be sent for the pre-induction examinations soon, and the majority of them will be pre-Pearl Harbor fathers.

For the third year, a \$5,000 music fellowship fund has been made available to the University of Texas Radio House by Karl Hoblitzelle, Dallas theater magnate and philanthropist. The fund is used to provide a 15-member orchestra and a 12-member chorus to furnish music for Radio House broadcasts.

## County Gets 8-Inch Snow

LARGE LIVESTOCK LOSSES EXPECTED

The heavy snowfall, which began here Wednesday night and continued all day Thursday, measured almost eight inches, according to a report made on measurements taken by personnel of the Sonora Wool and Mohair Company. Although the snow will be good for the ranges, it is at present working a hardship on ranchers through heavy losses of livestock.

This morning no estimates of livestock losses in the county had been reported, but most ranchers believed that they would be heavy. Clear skies this morning, however, promised an end to the snow, which with sunshine will prevent the situation from becoming worse. W. H. Dameron, superintendent of the Experiment Station, said that the ranchers who have feed probably will not suffer too severe losses.

Four persons were reported by Dr. J. F. Howell to have been injured as a result of the ice and snow. Paul Turney suffered a broken thumb when he fell on the ice at his ranch home, and Cynthia Milton, high school student injured her knees Thursday in a fall at the school house. Also, Dr. Howell treated two men from Del Rio who were injured when their automobile overturned on the highway about two miles out of Ozona. The driver of the car, R. L. Crosby, suffered a severe cut on the instep, and his companion was painfully bruised.

Snow on the highways out of Sonora in all directions was reported to be deep and dangerous, and the hotels and tourist courts here were filled to capacity last night. Boyd Lovelace, who returned from a trip to Del Rio with Don Baldwin and H. C. Graf of San Angelo on Thursday afternoon, reported that they were forced to drive very slowly and carefully and that their car left the highway once.

All mail service from out of town was stopped Thursday. Mail from the east and west, which arrives from San Antonio and Fort Stockton by bus, did not come in, and the mail which comes from San Angelo by the mail carrier did not arrive.

## Fountain Pen Salvage To Begin

REBUILT PENS GO TO SERVICEMEN

The salvage of broken fountain pens and fountain pen parts begins here next week, under the sponsorship of the Sonora Woman's Club. The parts will be used in making rebuilt pens, without cost, for distribution to servicemen overseas. Jars will be placed in both drug stores here to receive the pens that are turned in.

The pens so collected will be sent to Emerson McCord of Houston, who makes them and sends them to Army chaplains, who in turn give them to the servicemen. The White Rubber Co. of Ravenna, Ohio, impressed with the work McCord is doing, furnish the rubber stacks needed in the rebuilding of the pens.

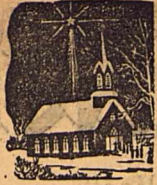
The Houston man, an invalid, began repairing pens as a hobby. Having an independent income, he does the work for nothing as his contribution to the war effort. His idea was quickly accepted on presentation to William R. Arnold, Chief of Chaplains of the U. S. Army.

His efforts have brought him many expressions of gratitude and appreciation, not only from the men who have received them, but also from Army and government officials.

Since last summer, more than 1,500 pens have been shipped, through Col. Ora J. Cohee of the Eighth Service Command, to men overseas. Every person in Sutton County who has a broken or discarded fountain pen is urged to turn it in for salvage, so that this good work may continue.

Sulphur production was a \$40,000,000 industry in Texas in 1942, reports the University of Texas Bureau of Economic Geology. That year a total of 2,579,739 long tons of this mineral was produced, valued at over \$41,000,000. Production in 1941, however, amounted to 2,842,988 long tons, valued at \$45,487,808.

Announcements  
From The Churches



METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday Program—  
Men's Bible Class 9:30  
Sunday School 9:45  
Morning Worship 10:50  
Youth Fellowship 7:15  
Evening Worship 8:00  
Womans Society of Christian Service meets each Wednesday Afternoon 3:00  
Men's Brotherhood Social every second Thursday afternoon at the church.  
Cordial welcome to all.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Evening Services, second Sunday, each month 7:30  
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH  
Sunday School 10:00  
Morning Service 11:00  
Evening Service 7:45  
Mid-week Service and Choir rehearsal, Wednesday 7:45  
W. M. U. each Wednesday 3:00  
Ra's, Ga's and Sunbeams second and fourth Sunday afternoon 4:30

Legion Auxiliary Meets Monday

The American Legion Auxiliary met Monday night at the Masonic Hall in their regular monthly business meeting. Mrs. O. L. Richardson, president, was in charge.

At the meeting Mrs. Doreen Montgomery was introduced to the club as a Shield Member having been a member of the Auxiliary for five continuous years.

It was announced that the Sonora Auxiliary had tied with the Alamo Auxiliary of San Antonio for the Invasion Award with 118.25 percent of their membership. The award, a \$25 war bond, is to be divided between the two units. The local group voted to complete the bond, and Mrs. V. F. Hamilton donated two dollars in war stamps which were previously won in the National News Contest.

Present were Meses. H. C. Atchison, Jr., Doreen Montgomery, O. C. Ogden, M. G. Shurley, Gene Lightfoot, Finis Hamby, Artie Joy, Hamilton, Boughton and Richardson.

FOR SALE: Six- and eight-weeks old baby chicks. Good stock. Write J. E. Beyette, Rocksprings, Texas. 3tc -1-14.

Marlar's Laundry is open. East of Tom Driskell residence. 1-72tc.

THE WOMAN'S PAGE Clubs • Parties • Features

PAT REILEY, Editor

Sonora, Texas, Friday, January 14, 1944 The Devil's River News

Wanda Brewer And G. C. Allison Wed In Pampa

Miss Wanda Brewer of Coleman and Master Sergeant G. C. (Sonny) Allison, Jr., were married in Pampa, Sunday, January 2, where the bridegroom has been stationed.

The bride before her marriage was a transportation dispatcher at the Pampa Army Air Field. She will join Sergeant Allison later at Sheppard Field, Wichita Falls, where he is beginning training as an aviation cadet.

Sergeant Allison is the son of Mrs. E. F. Noelke of San Angelo and G. C. Allison of Sonora. He attended San Angelo High School and Schreiner Institute before entering the Army Air Forces nearly three years ago.

WSCS To Hold Quilting Bee

Members of the Women's Society of Christian Service, in meeting Wednesday afternoon, voted to hold an all-day quilting bee next Wednesday at the Methodist Church when quilts will be made for the Methodist Home at Waco. A covered dish luncheon will be served at noon. In charge of arrangements are Meses F. L. Meadow, L. E. Johnson and Rose Thorp.

Mrs. J. F. Howell, presiding in the absence of the president, Mrs. E. E. Sawyer, announced that the World Day of Prayer is to be held here on February 25. The host church has not yet been announced.

The Reverend F. L. Meadow gave the devotional at the meeting, and the following ladies were present. Meses. Johnson, Howell, Thorp, Meadow, C. A. Tyler, J. C. Stephen, O. L. Richardson, J. D. Lowrey, C. W. Taylor, W. R. Cusenbary, S. M. Loeffler and W. H. Dameron.

WOMAN'S CLUB TO BUY NEW LIBRARY BOOKS

Mrs. E. E. Sawyer and Mrs. Edwin Sawyer were hostesses when the Sonora Woman's Club met Thursday afternoon, January 6.

In the business meeting the members voted to use \$76 in purchasing new books for the library and to sponsor a fountain pen salvage campaign.

Present were Meses. C. C. Ball, W. M. Penick, I. B. Boughton, Charles Davis and W. R. Cusenbary.

Elliott-McKinley Engagement Is Announced

Announcement was made this week by Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Elliott of the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Miss Mary Elizabeth Elliott, to F. L. McKinley, former flight instructor at the Pacific Air School, Fort Stockton, now of Long Beach, Calif. The groom-elect is the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. A. McKinley of Carlsbad, N. M. Definite date and plans for the wedding have not yet been announced.

Mrs. Taylor Hostess to FWBC

Mrs. J. H. Brasher was elected secretary-treasurer and Mrs. Joe H. Trainer was presented with a gift when The Firemen's Wives Bridge Club met in the home of Mrs. C. W. Taylor last week.

Pie and coffee were served to Meses. E. T. Smith, A. H. Adkins, Beamon Speed, Lee Patrick, Louis Bennett, Brasher, L. M. Roueche, Sr., Arthur Carroll, L. E. Holland, Harvey Morris, Tom Nevill, J. B. Shanks and Trainer.

Present were Meses. C. C. Ball, W. M. Penick, I. B. Boughton, Charles Davis and W. R. Cusenbary.

A & M Mothers Meet Tuesday

Mrs. O. L. Carpenter was hostess to the A. & M. Mother's Club when they met in her home Tuesday night.

Mrs. I. B. Boughton, president, was in charge of the meeting at which the members voted to con-

tribute \$10 to the A. & M. College Church and to take part in the salvage campaign.

Refreshments were served to Meses. Boughton, O. L. Richardson, E. D. Shurley, H. C. Atchison, Jr., C. W. Taylor and J. V. Alley.

Liberal reward for return of keyring and three keys to E. S. Long.

1-7 2tc.

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**BEANS** PINTOS 2 PTS. LB. 10 LBS. 69c

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|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----|
| JACK SPRATT - NO. 2 CAN             | CHICKEN NOODLE SOUP, 4 Pts. Can | 16c |
| GREEN BEANS, No Pts. 12c            | KRAFT'S MALTED MILK, 1b Can     | 35c |
| ARMOUR STAR Potted Meat, 1 Pts. Can | HYPRO, Qt. Bottle               | 15c |
| COLORAX, Qt. Bottle                 | MORTON'S SALT, 2 Boxes          | 15c |
| OLD DUTCH CLEANSER, 2 Cans          | K. B. PEANUT BUTTER, Qts.       | 39c |
| FRESH - GALLON CAN PRUNES, 54 Pts.  |                                 |     |

**Oranges** TEXAS 216 SIZE DOZ. 25c **Lemons** SUNKIST 360 SIZE DOZ. 28c

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|--------------------------------------|-----|-------------------------------------|-----|
| 46 OZ. CAN Grape Fruit Juice No Pts. | 27c | NO. 2 CAN TOMATOES, 13 Pts. Can     | 9c  |
| NO. 300 CAN Pork & Beans 13 Pts Can  | 12c | Cream of Wheat, Lge. Box            | 25c |
| GRAPE NUTS, 2 Boxes                  | 29c | HERSHEY'S COCOA, 1/2 lb Box         | 11c |
| 60-70 SIZE PRUNES, 4 Pts. 1b         | 15c | DRIED - WITH SEEDS APRICOTS, 1b     | 47c |
| 46 OZ. CAN Tomato Juice, 6 Pts. Can  | 25c | 47 OZ. CAN Pineapple Juice, 28 Pts. | 39c |

**COFFEE** FOLGERS 1 LB. PKG. 32c **ADMIRATION** 1 LB. JAR 34c

BLUE BOX Super Suds, Lge. Box 25c **PINK SALMON**, 1b Can 16 Pts. 28c

**FRUITS AND VEGETABLES** **REAL BUYS IN CHOICE MEATS**

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|---|-----|---------------------------------|-----|
| CARROTS, Bunch                              | 5c  | STAR - SLICED BACON, 4 Pts. 1b  | 35c |
| GREEN BEANS, 1b                             | 15c | STRIP BACON, By Piece 3 Pts. 1b | 30c |
| FRESH SPINACH, 2 1b                         | 15c | CURED HAMS, 4 Pts. 1b           | 34c |
| GREEN HEADS LETTUCE, 2 For                  | 15c | DRY SALT JOWLS, 1 Pts. 1b       | 16c |
| PASCAL CELERY, Stalk                        | 18c | BEEF BRAINS, No Pts.            | 15c |
| SEEDLESS - PINK - 80 SIZE GRAPE FRUIT, Each | 6c  | BEEF Sweet Breads, 3 Pts. 1b    | 32c |
| FRESH EGGS, Doz.                            | 39c | CEVARLET 7 Pts. 1b              | 29c |
|   |     | STEW MEAT, 4 Pts. 1b            | 25c |
|   |     | FRESH SHRIMP, FISH & OYSTERS    |     |

**PIGGLY WIGGLY**

LOMAX and TRAINER

WMU Holds Royal Service

The Baptist WMU held a Royal Service program Wednesday afternoon, at which time the program of the year was given. Mrs. Fern McGhee was hostess and refreshments were served.

Mrs. Fred Wright presented the theme of the year, "Make Known The Majesty of His Kingdom"; the topic of the year, "Characteristics of the Citizens of the Kingdom"; and the watchword, "That Generations to Come May Know". The hymn of the year, "The Morning Light Is Breaking", was sung by the group, and Mrs. Wright talked on "Citizens of the Kingdom".

Five talks on religious subjects were made and jewels were presented as symbols of each topic. These were as follows: Mrs. J. E. Eldridge, the opal, "Family Altar"; Mrs. G. G. Stephenson, the diamond, "Christian Observance of Sunday"; Mrs. C. D. Crumley, the agate, "High Standards of Speech, Dress and Conduct"; Mrs. Wright, the pearl, "High Social Standards"; Mrs. Rip Ward, the amethyst, "Patriotism and Law Enforcement".

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**READING & WRITING**  
BY Edwin Seaver AND Robin McKown

Novels with a religious theme have been among the notable best sellers in the past few years. First to make its mark was "The Nazarene," by Sholem Asch, which was a Book-of-the-Month Club selection in 1939. Two years later, "The Keys of the Kingdom," by A. J. Cronin, also a Club selection, was the number one best-seller for many months, as was still a third book-of-the-month, "The Song of Bernadette," by Franz Werfel, the following year. "The Robe," by Lloyd Douglas, which has proved phenomenally popular, was also published in 1942, and now Sholem Asch's new novel, "The Apostle," is meeting with the same public favor.



JENNIFER JONES

First of these big novels to reach the screen is "The Song of Bernadette," with Jennifer Jones playing the role of the French peasant girl, Bernadette Soubirous. "The Keys of the Kingdom" is also in production, and "The Robe" is likewise on Hollywood's schedule. It will be interesting to see if the motion picture versions of these novels meet with the same kind of popularity as have the books they are based on.

Albert Spalding, in his autobiography, "Rise to Follow," tells this story on himself. During a recent tour, he was on a train going West and had shut himself up in his compartment to practice. A friend, who was waiting for him outside, noticed a girl across the aisle who looked very unhappy. He asked her what the matter was. She indicated the compartment where Spalding was. "Don't you like music?" the man asked. "Music!" she snorted. "You call that music?"

He said it sounded all right to him. "There is nothing so painful," was the severe reply, "as inferior violin playing to ears accustomed to the best... if you want to hear what the violin can sound like," she added pointing to an advertisement in a Los Angeles paper, "I advise you to attend this concert." The advertisement was for a forthcoming concert by the famous violinist, Albert Spalding.

Eddie Cantor in his introduction to "World's Book of Best Jokes" says that his favorite Dorothy Parker story concerns her visit to the country estate of some friends for the week end. It was so boring to her that she almost immediately sent the following telegram to a friend: "Please send me a loaf of bread—and enclose a saw and file."



# Son of a gun



Everyone in the county seems to be of a single opinion, regarding the picture of Clay Atchison which appeared in Tuesday's Standard—that is, he should have a new one made. Even Clay himself had a funny story to tell about it. He said that the Commissioner's Court called him to the Tom Green County Court House to get a good look at him. One of them said, "We just wanted to see if you really looked like that, because if you did, we knew we wouldn't want you up here."

A member of the Lions Club remarked that Clay was very brave to give them a picture of himself, when he could easily have used one of Clark Gable.

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And speaking of newspaper pictures of localities, hardly anyone recognized that of Buzzie Stokes, which also appeared in the Standard recently. It is seldom that we get a chance to see Buzzie without his beard.

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"Winter wonderland" is the only appropriate term we can think of to describe Sonora and the surrounding country after the snow that fell Wednesday night. That which was beautiful became more so in a blanket of shimmering white; less attractive objects took on unaccustomed beauty and dignity.

As lovely as a Christmas card was the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mann, covered with snow, festooned with icicles, and surrounded by trees and shrubs that looked like white ostrich plumes.

For many youngsters in Sonora, this was the first snow of their young lives. Those who had not seen snow before had to be told what it was. Not so with little three-year-old Barbara Wilson, however. When she saw the snow, she said, "Oh, it snowed for me last night."

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We have always heard that man is more or less at the mercy of Nature's whimsy, but the most impressive concession we have yet seen a human being make to her was when Dr. Boughton wore a hat Thursday. It was plainly an emergency measure, as the hat (if it might be dignified by that name) was one he had found discarded down at the Experiment Station.

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The quotation, "all pleasure with some pain is fraught" was doubly true here of the snow. Although it was beneficial to the ranges, it brought livestock losses to ranchers already hard-pressed because of the feed shortage. Actual losses can not be estimated until the snow thaws.

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Scheduled for showing at the Lions Club luncheon early in February are two educational films. One tells the story of the long search for a successful way of preserving foods; the other shows how soldiers, statesmen, men of science and farmers have joined hands throughout history to find better and more abundant food. The dates of showing of these pictures, which are part of a series of educational films the club has secured for their meetings, will be announced in the near future.

## 49 Years Ago

C. J. Nichols, the carpenter and builder of Sonora, has secured the contract to build C. T. Turney's residence at his ranch 12 miles south of Sonora. Work will begin on the 20th.

—49—

George S. Allison, the well known cattleman, left on a business trip to San Angelo Wednesday.

—49—

J. W. Mayfield will move his family to his new ranch at Lost Lake Monday.

—49—

T. B. Birtrong bought Jess Mayfield's residence and improvements in West Sonora for \$1,000.

—49—

The lady who took a black cloth cloak from the Court House New Year's night by mistake can have her own by calling at Mayer and Hagerlund's.

—49—

John Potter, the sheepman and democrat to boot, was in Sonora Monday and made the News office a pleasant call.

—49—

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. March arrived in Sonora Saturday and are the guests of the Huffman House.

—49—

Asa Robertson and James Halcomb have moved their families to Sonora.

—49—

Capt. McMullan, the sheepman from down the draw, was in Sonora Friday for supplies.

—49—

J. W. Reiley's wool was sold by Charles Scheiner of Kerrville for 7 1-8 cents.

—49—

R. T. Baker, the cattleman, bought the David Adams ranch on Bee Hollow for \$1,400.

—49—

R. F. Halbert, the Schleicher County stockman, was in Sonora Monday.

—49—

L. M. Halbert this week sold to George Dunagan 20 acres of land at Hibernia Heights adjoining town.

—49—

Dr. J. B. Taylor, the cattleman who is president of the Texas Wool Growers' Association, was



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Sometimes, the dome can be seen softly through a veil of mist or, uncertainly, through a fog.

Most awesome of all is the view from the second story porch of the Plaza Hotel at night. There is no approachway of trees, and one stands close to the vast structure, bathed in light (in a happier time than this). It is as though the plunge of Niagara had been frozen to granite. Mightier even than the greatest cliff in the eternal silence of the Big Bend is this miracle of man, this symbol of the strength and grandeur of Texas.

The far-reaching tentacles of the usury business in Texas are revealed by the fact that one company has no less than 38 offices in 23 counties, according to Assistant Attorney General Fred Isely, who has been active in fighting the loan shark evil. There are other companies with nearly as many offices, and most of these concerns are owned out-of-State and it is extremely difficult, if not impossible, to get service on them in case a victim wants to bring suit. The sharks take in millions of dollars in extortionate interest but immediately siphon most of it out of Texas, so there won't be a substantial amount of assets on hand to levy on, in case of a suit—and also so they won't have to pay taxes to our cities, counties and State on their huge "take".

Then there was the citizen who read that there was surplus in the State's Confederate fund, so he sent in, for redemption, \$1,000,000 in Confederate money!

Unusual names: Rollin Waters. He's manager of the Reese-Wilmond Hotel in Harlingen.

in Sonora Thursday.

—49—

Mr. Alexander, the handsome representative of the well-known house of Schwartz and Ross of San Angelo, is in Sonora on a pleasure trip.

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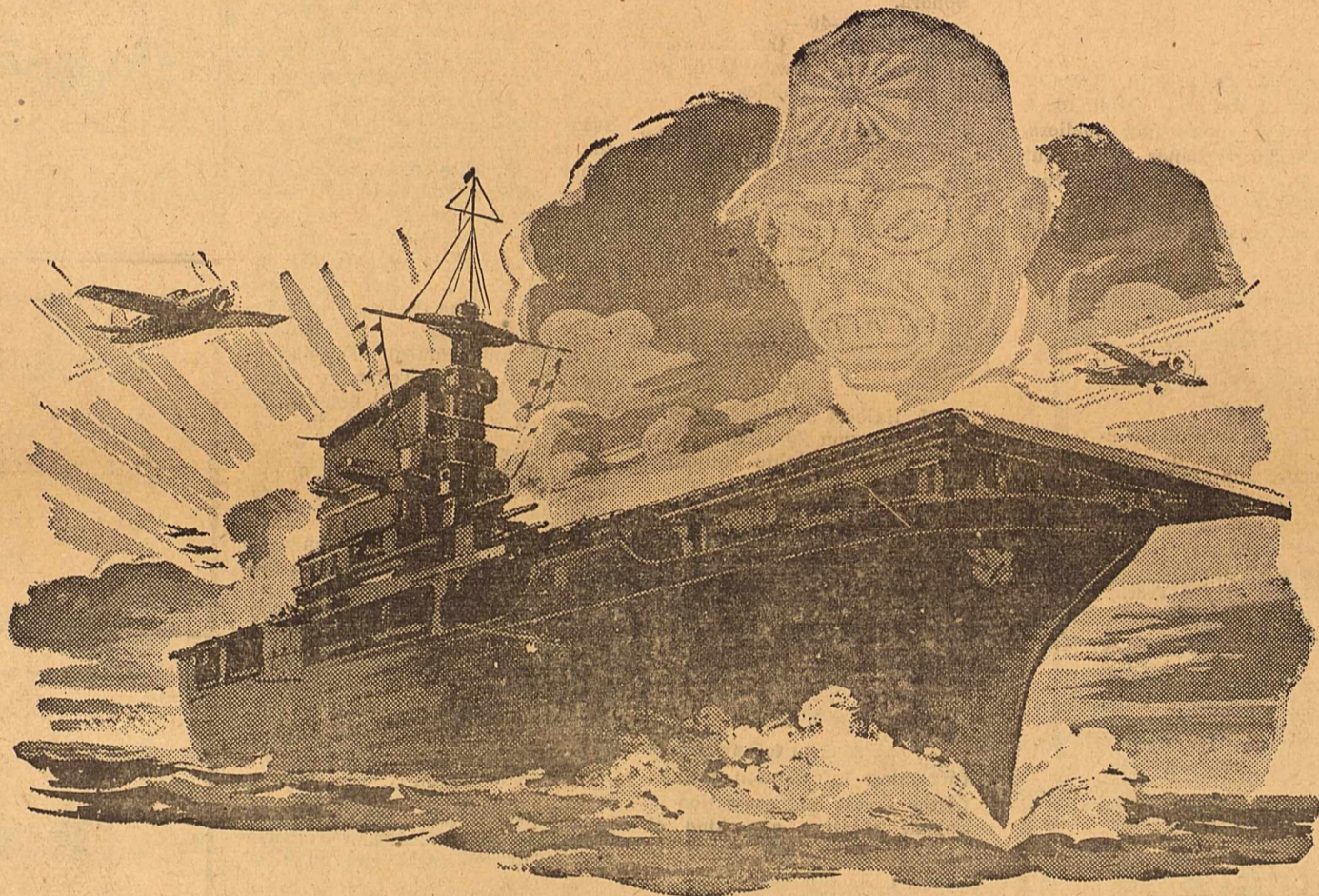
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When you know something of interest about a member of the armed force from the Sonora area, write or telephone us. We'll appreciate it and the men in uniform will be glad to hear about their friends and buddies in other parts of the world. This feature page will act as a clearing house for the activities of the service men, many of whom receive the News.

## ROLL OF HONOR

Sgt. Reginald Trainer, who is stationed in England, writes:

"We have just had a nice Christmas dinner. The cooks of the enlisted men's mess really put out a great amount of effort preparing the meal, trying to make it as much like Christmas as they possibly could. I think all of us feel more like Christmas has been here, for all their effort, too.

"There is something that has made this Christmas season different and outstanding to me. I will never forget it. Being a small part of what I am to tell you, certainly made Christmas seem more like Christmas to me, even so far from home, and those I would like to have been with.

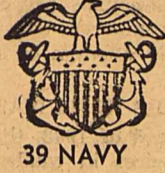
"My friend 'Snuff' Hendrick and I helped our outfit with a little Christmas party given for school children of a nearby village. We went with the trucks to get the children. I wish you could have seen the look in their eyes when we soldiers arrived in the trucks to take them to the party. Such eager expectation!

"At the party one of the soldiers was dressed as Santa Claus (or 'Father Christmas', as they say here) and you may not believe it, but Santa, with a pronounced Brooklyn accent, went over big with the children.

"One of the boys from the kitchen did a marvelous job of decorating the room and tree for the occasion. The cooks had prepared cake, soft drinks, etc., for refreshments. Also, our Brooklyn saxophonist and an accordionist were on hand to furnish music for the kids to sing by. We sang the usual carols and, with some coaxing, obtained a fair response from the eighty children present. I can never tell you how amazed we were when one tot asked for 'You Are My Sunshine'. But that isn't all; you should have heard them sing it. They nearly raised the roof. We



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were completed 'flabbergasted'. One little girl about five or six years old sang a solo 'Bicycle Built for Two'.

"In the midst of the festivities a cute, blond-headed little girl walked up to a major. He bent over to hear what she had to say. She informed him that it was time for her to have tea and that she had to leave. He seriously explained to her that we were going to have tea following the sing-song, and all was o. k.

"After the sing-song and refreshments, Santa handed out the presents. Each package contained candy, gum and cookies. (We had saved our rations for several weeks for this.)

"When we returned the children to where we had picked them up, Snuff had a time with one little boy. Snuff started to help him from the truck and the little fellow didn't want to get off. He hated to leave. One of the teachers, I think, finally convinced him that the party was over.

"Last night (Christmas Eve) Snuff, Jerry and I visited our friend, George. His wife had cooked a chicken and the traditional English Christmas pudding. We had a very nice meal and an enjoyable Christmas Eve.

"Hope all of you are doing fine and enjoyed your Christmas season."

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Frankie R. Franks, MM2-c, writes the following from Australia:

"How is everyone by now? I am fine so far, although I burned my eyes several days ago, and

they bothered me for a couple of days. However, they are alright now. I was working on my cot, when I got them burned, as another boy was welding on the cot at the same time.

"What is all the news in Sonora? I hope it isn't as hot there as it is here. It has really been hot here today even though we had a big rain last night.

"Other than the heat here, the flies are very bothersome. We have to use our mosquito netting at night, or we couldn't sleep at night at all. There are also ants over here. They are called Meat Ants. They are very red and are rather long in shape. They say that when they bite they really hurt.

"It won't be long until Christmas, and I hope that all of you have a most enjoyable one."

A later letter states:

"Hope that this letter finds you all as well and happy as I am. I have just gotten back off my leave. I certainly had a swell time. I wish you could have seen what I was doing on Christmas Day. As you know, it is very hot here, so a buddy and I went swimming. It was the first time I ever had a chance to go in swimming at this time of the year. It really seems funny to be doing things like that at Christmas time.

"When I got back off my leave, I really had a bunch of letters. I was tickled to death to receive them.

"Sorry to hear that it has been so cold at home. It has been raining here ever since I got back.

## In The Service

### Home From The War



2 COAST GUARD

Pfc. Louis R. Shroyer of Gowen Field, Boise, Idaho, is here this week on furlough visiting his mother, Mrs. Mary Shroyer, and other relatives and friends.

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Pfc. Robert Allen Simmons, laboratory technician at the base hospital at Camp White, Oregon, arrived here last Saturday to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Simmons, and will be here until Sunday.

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Pfc. Harold Ray Briscoe of Camp Barkley, Abilene, is here this week visiting his mother, Mrs. Thelma Briscoe.

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things.

"That night I went up to help one of the boys dress a buffalo yearling he had killed up the river about a mile. After we had dressed it, we decided if we sat down there and kept quiet something might come out of the jungle that we might get a shot at. It was nearly full moon. After awhile, I heard a noise in the edge of the jungle, and I flashed my light over that way and saw the eyes. I was fairly sure it was a deer, and I kept worrying it with the light until it finally came out of the jungle and down on the sand bar. When it got up to about fifty yards, I shot at it, but it ran back up into the jungle, as I fired. I realize that it looked more like a leopard than a deer.

"On the way back to camp that night, we saw what we thought to be another big black buck down at water hole. When it started to run, I let it have it broadside. It fell, and when I got over to where it was, it turned out to be a buffalo bull. I got the horns and am going to send them home also.

"The next morning we all went out hunting again. I didn't see anything but some monkeys and some large tiger tracks. On the way back to camp, we went back to where I had shot at the supposed cat the night before and found a blood trail. After following it up in the jungle about 200 yards, we found it to be a small reddish brown colored deer. It was the oddest thing I ever saw. It had horns like an antelope, except they were covered with skin for about four inches, then had little 'nubs' of horns sticking out. It also had a long fang sticking out of the top of its mouth on each side, like a hog. It was really a

queer sight. It had two big wrinkles of skin between its eyes that were a blackish color. I carried it back into camp and found that one of the boys had killed one just like it, except the horns above the skin part were about two inches long. It was probably an older deer.

"I skinned the head of my deer and also dried the skin, boiled the head and took off all the meat. As soon as it dries out good, along with the skin, I am going to try sending it home also.

"I am going back in the morning and try to kill a tiger. I am going to take a small goat and tie it out in the jungle and sit up in a tree and wait for a tiger to come to make a kill. Maybe I can kill the tiger. It sounds easy to do on paper, doesn't it?

"All my life I have wanted to hunt big game in Africa and now I have the chance and just hope I have some luck."

"After awhile, I gave up and started off, and just as I did, one broke out of the brush close by and I dropped it. I decided it must be the hog I had shot at before and had probably only stunned. From this hog, I cut the hams and back strap and took them back to camp to eat.

"The next morning I started out early. I saw a bunch of buffalo and shot one, but it was not good to eat. One of the old bulls charged in, when I tried to get near the dead one, so I retreated into the jungle. I went back by the place where I had killed the pig the day before to see if anything had eaten it. Nothing had. When I started on, I found another dead hog about twenty yards farther in the jungle. As it was evidently the first one I had shot, that made two hogs killed instead of one.

"After that, I found a big game trail and started following it. I was about two miles back in the jungle from the camp when I saw the largest deer I ever hope to see. It looked up and saw me just as I fired. It broke to run, and I fired again but hit a tree. It ran about 150 yards and started to stumble and finally fell. I eased up close to it, to be sure it was dead, and then went up to it. It was a six-point buck. After I turned him up so he would dry, I went on down the trail to a little creek and jumped another big deer but didn't get a shot at it. I also saw some huge tiger tracks in the mud by the creek.

"I went on back to camp then, as it was near dinner time. One of the other boys had shot at a deer but did not hit it.

"After dinner, I took four native bearers and another boy and went back to get the deer I had killed. You are going to think I am a liar when I tell you how big he was, but the six of us couldn't carry that deer even when it was tied to poles. He was so huge that I had to cut him up, and two bearers carried the hind quarters, two carried the fore quarters and the other guy and I carried the head and skin, and at that we had a load. I took some pictures of him before I cut him up and will send them home as soon as I get some prints. The hide and head were about eight or nine feet long. That sounds like a large deer, but with the hams and shoulders we fed all the officers on this post. I am going to get the hide tanned and I cut the horns off in a scalp mount and am drying them. When they are dry, I am going to send them home along with some more



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### Health Officer Emphasizes Need Of Dental Care

Austin, Texas, Jan. 13—The fact that dental decay in likely to occur in the mouth of the average person, despite proper home care given the teeth, does not lessen the importance of brushing the teeth and massaging the gums daily, nor does it minimize the need for a cleaning and inspection of the teeth twice a year by the family dentist, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, says that the lack of these measures gives added power to germs that attack the enamel of the teeth and gum tissues.

"If, despite the proper application of such procedures, decay is suspected or teeth are injured in any way, the thoughtful person will seek the dentist's office promptly for the necessary corrective work," Dr. Cox said.

"It is surprising, though, even in these days of comparatively painless dentistry, that so many persons neglect to make good their dental defects, inevitable or otherwise, because they foolishly fear the discomfort they might experience in the dentist's chair," said the State Health Officer. "There are others who having lost a tooth or several teeth, make no effort to obtain replacements. Apparently they believe they can get along without them. Reduced masticating power, the annoyance and sometimes actual discomfort of chewing hard substances on the exposed gums, and crooked teeth are some of the possible consequences of gaps in the teeth."

Dr. Cox advised those who are interested in experiencing the best dental and bodily health possible, to give daily attention to their mouth and visit the dentist twice each year, and promptly seek the dentist's services should decay or other suspicious conditions arise between the periodic visits.

"In short", Dr. Cox declared, "successful mouth hygiene means not only intelligent personal daily application of prophylaxis but complete and timely cooperation with the family dentist as well."

Texas produced minerals valued at \$895,775,540 during 1942, the University of Texas Bureau of Economic Geology reports. Value of this production was down \$58,495,610 below that of 1941.

### Town And Farm In Wartime

**CIVILIAN MEAT SUPPLY**  
 About two-thirds (67 percent) of the United States supplies of meat available for all needs in 1944 has been allocated to U. S. civilians, according to the War Food Administration. This allocation will allow about the same per capita civilian meat consumption in 1944 as in 1943. On a dressed basis, it is equivalent to approximately 132 pounds per capita for the year compared with the pre-war 1935-39 average of about 126 pounds.

**PRICE RISE IN '43 WAS SMALL**  
 At the end of 1943, the general level of prices in wholesale markets was two percent higher than at the close of 1942, and the prices of staples that families buy in retail markets for everyday living were up by about three and one-half percent. This price rise was smaller than in any year since 1940, according to Frances Perkins, Secretary of Labor.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR VETERANS**  
 Returning war veterans may enter virtually any of the 30,207 apprentice training programs in the United States. Age restrictions and other limitations have been especially lifted for veterans in many apprenticeship standards, so they may obtain training for skilled work, according to the War Manpower Commission.

### NEW FOOD PRICE ADJUSTMENTS

To allow food processors upward adjustments of their maximum prices because of wage increases, the Office of Price Administration has amended food regulations covering canned fruits and vegetables, frozen fruits, berries, and vegetables, jams, jellies, pickles, and pickled products, and apple products. OPA estimated that increases at retail will not run more than one cent a can or, in the case of frozen fruits, one cent a pound. There will be no increases in prices civilians pay for tomatoes, peas, snap beans, corn, peaches, and pears.

### BRITISH FARMERS ARE GRATEFUL

The three United States farmers who returned recently from a two-month survey of agriculture in the British Isles reported that British farmers are very grateful for the assistance Lend-Lease farm machinery has given them in attaining maximum food production. The U. S. farmers, whose trip was sponsored by the Foreign Economic Administration, were Oscar Heline, Marcus, Iowa; Robert J. Howard, Sherburne, N. Y.; and Earl Robinson, Mondovi, Wis.

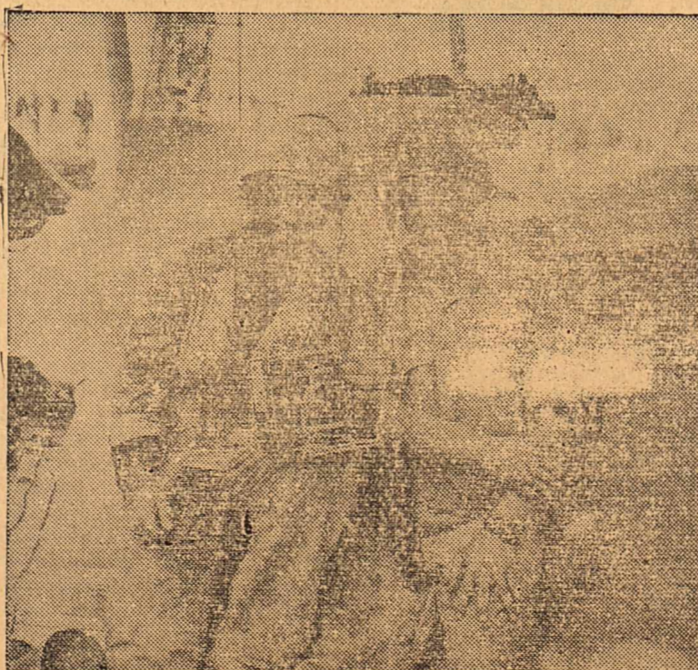
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### Combat Photographers



U. S. Marine Corps Photo  
 Corporals Obie R. Newcomb of New York City, left, and Raymond Matjasic, former Cleveland Plain Dealer photographer, are two of several Marine Corps combat photographers who contributed many excellent pictures of the Battle of Tarawa. They are resting beside the wreckage of a Jap plane after the battle.



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