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Yanks Gain Despite Greater Resistance

OUT OF DEBT SIGN SLIGHTLY MISLEADING

AUSTIN, Tex. (UP)—Texas has announced it is again on a cash basis and has adopted a constitutional amendment to keep it permanently on a pay as you go basis, but this is true to a limited extent.

It is true to the extent that the state's general revenue fund, from which a large part of current expenses are paid, has been put back in black figures after many years "in the red," yet that does not mean that the state owes nothing.

State Auditor C. H. CAYNES directed his staff to inquire into the bonded indebtedness of the state and found that on Aug. 31, 1944, it owed outstanding bonds that totaled \$4,102,200. The date selected for the recapitulation was the day on which the state's last fiscal year was ended.

Above this \$4,102,200, there are of course the individual bonded debts of counties, school districts, road districts, improvement districts and of cities and towns for which the state as a whole is not liable.

To the ordinary citizen who knows whether he is broke or not by flipping out if his bank account is overdrawn or his credit refused, the intricacies of public bonds is, to say the least, confusing.

It is confusing to discover that "municipal" bonds are not necessarily the best of a city. The term seems to be used generally for all bonds backed by the state or any of the various subdivisions of state public government.

It is confusing, too, to find that one branch of government holds the bonds of another. All of the \$4,102,200 of strictly state debt is owned by some of the separate "permanent funds" of the state and its institutions.

"Permanent" funds are accumulation which are invested, usually in bonds, and from which only the current income can be spent.

Probably the greatest holder of public bonds is the permanent school fund. It holds \$2,872,000 of the \$4,102,200 state bonds and also many times that amount in bonds of school districts. In fact, a school district may not sell its bonds on the general market without first offering the bonds to the State Board of Education and getting a release of the board's right to buy the bonds as an investment of the permanent school fund.

Examinations To Be Jan. 10-11

Dr. G. C. Roswell announced today that final examinations for the first semester of Ranger public schools and Ranger Junior College will be conducted Wednesday and Thursday of next week and schools will be dismissed on Friday.

The second semester of schools and colleges will open Monday January 15, with registration being carried out during the week of January 8-12.

It was also announced that buses will run thirty minutes earlier Wednesday and Thursday January 10 and 11 since examinations will begin at 9 o'clock instead of 9:30.

Sgt. Moore Home After 21 Months Of Foreign Duty

Mrs. J. C. Moore received word Thursday that her husband, Sgt. J. C. Moore, who has been in foreign service for the past 21 months that he is now in the States and expects to be in Ranger within a few days for a visit with his wife.

Sgt. Moore landed at Camp Miles Standish, Mass. after seeing service in combat in North Africa, Italy and France. He has been in the army four and one half years.

Mrs. Moore has been making her home in Ranger with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Burch, while her husband has been in foreign service.

Employment Plans Get Approval At Abilene Meeting

ABILENE, Tex. Jan. 5.—Full approval of the employment stabilization and priority referral program calling for every individual's cooperation in view of present urgent war production needs was expressed by the Abilene Area Labor Management Committee in a meeting conducted here yesterday by E. J. Berry, War Manpower Commission Director, at the Wooten Hotel.

The meeting was held here at the same time other such meetings were called throughout the nation for the purpose of acquainting labor and management with the specific problem of war production and devising a program to meet the problem.

Explaining the problem, Berry told the committee:

"Forty percent of our individual war production schedules are behind schedule and 28 percent of production needs are of a super-critical nature, products without which the war cannot be won. But though all else in a $\frac{1}{2}$ be up to schedule, what good is a truck without tires or a gun without ammunition?"

"All war production is on schedule here in the Abilene area. However, none of the super-critical items are manufactured here."

The committee was told that the primary problem in the Abilene area is the problem of transferring surplus labor here (persons unemployed or employed in less essential or non-essential activity) to war production centers badly in need of manpower.

"The Amarillo area, adjacent to ours, has a quantity of 'must' production which is behind schedule due to manpower shortages," Berry pointed out.

The Labor Management Committee pledged itself to give full assistance and cooperation to the War Manpower Commission and the United States Employment Service personnel in presenting and publicizing war production conditions to all groups and individuals in the area.

They agreed to participate in organizing community mobilization committees composed of the county judge, the newspaper publisher and a member of the local selective service board in each of the 25 counties in the Abilene area not directly served by a local USES office.

"A pledge of cooperation with this program was prepared by the committee. It is to be distributed after Christmas to employers throughout the area who will be asked to pledge that they will not hire any workers in violation of established WMC employment stabilization programs. It is to be signed and returned to the USES office and we hope to be able to publish it in the form of an honor roll. A similar honor roll for work-ers who accept war production jobs will be prepared also."

A suggestion by Harold Getts of Ranger, representing labor, and that when war production cut-backs result in partial layoff, management should give serious consideration to releasing those workers who could accept jobs in other areas and retaining those workers who, for good reason can not leave the community, will be publicized throughout the Abilene area.

The committee will meet early in January to review and evaluate the effectiveness of the program and the suggestions and make whatever provisions necessary to meeting the program.

"They will consider also setting up of a ceiling program for employers, a rationing of manpower. That has not been done in the Abilene area, but the committee feels that it must be instituted if the shortage of production needs is not met," Berry said.

The WMC director also pointed out that 141,000 workers are needed to produce critical items now, and another 159,000 within the next six months.

Members of the committee present were Nib Shaw of Abilene, and J. A. Dean of Brownwood, representing management; Roland C. Suggs of Abilene, Harold Getts and Verne Peterson of Ranger and Roy L. Flanary of San Angelo, representing labor.

B. H. Day, placement specialist on the state administrative staff at Austin, was present also.

British Soldier Writes Mayor For Rodeo Materials

FORT WORTH, Tex. (UP)—A British soldier in North Africa is going to have his wish come true.

He wrote Mayor McCrary a wistful letter stating that he would like to have some action pictures of rodeo performers, printed programs and brochures of rodeo programs—especially something about fancy roping and rope twirling.

The soldier signed his name "Pvt. 'Tex' Rundle," and said he was "a humble member of the British Commonwealth."

He explained that he had witnessed Tex Austin's rodeo in London a few years ago, had become interested in rope twirling and had even tracked down a volume on the art in the British Museum in London.

Private Rundle will get his pictures, and it's a 100 to 1 bet he'll get a good twirling rope.

One hundred years ago, when life insurance was new in the United States, policies became void and all previous payments were forfeited to the company if the policy holder went on a sea voyage without permission and without paying an extra premium.

The U. S. manufacturers 500 billion matches a year, divided roughly as follows: 200 billion kitchen matches; 200 billion matches in paper books; and 100 billion penny box safety matches.

In order to protect its staff from "the moral dangers of the street" which might be encountered during lunch hour, the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Co. of Newark, N. J., started serving noon meals to employees in the office in 1869. The practice still continues.

More than 3,500,000 U. S. farms have no electric lights or electric power according to the Rural Electrification Administration.

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 major 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 Antulee 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.

Chaplain Proves Scripture Right

With the American Infantry Division, Somewhere in the South Pacific. (UP)—In Matthew 4:19, there is a passage which reads: "I will make you fishers of men." Capt. Walter Griffin, Army chaplain, is not only a fisher of men, but also a fisher of fish. He varied the diet of his infantry company by catching 300 pounds of fish in one of the rivers that flows through the jungle island on which he is stationed.

The chaplain made his haul in less than an hour—using a small charge of TNT to stun the fish.

Vapor Trails Fill European Skies



Vapor trails fill the skies above as Allied planes engage enemy planes in a terrific dog fight. Below an alert M-M anti-aircraft battery is silhouetted as they wait an incoming enemy straffer, somewhere in Germany. (U. S. Signal Corps photo from NEA T photograph.)

NP Patients In Army Hospitals Enjoy Sports

TSALOOOSA, Ala. (UP)—It helps them to get rid of that put up feeling. Maj. Henry D. Guntz, army rehabilitation chief at the Northwood General Hospital here, explained as he watched a group of neurotic patients working on a golf course. To the reporter, making their second stop on a tour of conditioning centers, these hospitalized veterans looked no different from the other patients soon to be released from the army—they were healthy and active.

But as Guntz put it, "Their emotions have reached the breaking point, and they need rest." Combat duty has done something to them that doctors can't put their finger on, causing headaches, backaches and sometimes blindness.

Although cases of mental fatigue in rest camps overseas usually go back to the front, few of these boys will return to full combat duty.

None of the NP patients are forced into activities but after watching the others play shuffleboard, volleyball, etc., they usually fall in. They especially enjoy competitive sports.

At a jam session in the hospital auditorium, NPs sat up in front near the band, laughed and applauded at the antics of the players. They have many other diversions, like weaving, painting, sculpting, and carpentry.

That afternoon at a typing class I met an NP who'd been a ground mechanic with the Ninth air force. A slow-talking serious GI, he is a graduate of Emory University, Atlanta, Ga., where he majored in business administration.

In France only 45 days before he was hospitalized he has served in the army 27 months and isn't sure whether he wants to be in "much longer."

"This is a fine place, but I'd like to get out of the hospital," he explained. "Of course, I'd rather get a regular discharge after the war is over than a medical discharge now."

Civic Projects Suggested At Talk Before Lions

A. J. Ratliff was in charge of the Lions Club program at the regular meeting held Thursday at noon at the Gholson hotel.

Ratliff presented Hall Walker who outlined for the club civic projects that might be of interest to the club and suggested other possible developments for the future of Ranger.

Joe Dennis, president of the club, presided at the meeting.

Adolph Views German Wreckage



A sad faced Hitler, hat in hand, surveys the ravages of war in an unidentified town at the Western Front surrounded by Nazi leaders. Date of this picture is unknown. (Signal Corps Radio Telephoto from NEA Telephoto.)

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, was in the Eastland cemetery.

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.

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.

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

FALSE TEETH BY AIR

BROWNSVILLE, Tex. (UP)—Tan American World Airways in Brownsville has proved that anything can be sent by air-express.

They sent approximately 1500 false teeth each month to countries in Central and South America.

WEST TEXAS—Cloudy tonight warmer east and north central, light rain except in extreme north west, Saturday cloudy, warmer in northeast, light rain in east and south.

Montgomery In Command Of Units On North Front

PARIS (UP)—Supreme Allied headquarters announced official tonight that field marshal Sir Bernard Montgomery has taken over command of all Allied forces on the northern side of the German salient, including the U. S. First and Ninth Armies.

LONDON (UP)—Prime Minister Churchill returned today from France, where during a short visit he met Gen. Eisenhower and Marshal Montgomery it was announced officially.

WASHINGTON (UP)—President Roosevelt said today that the transfer of the American First and Ninth Armies to the command of British Field Marshal Montgomery did not mean that Montgomery was to become a deputy commander to Gen. Eisenhower.

PARIS (UP)—American and British forces of Marshal Montgomery's newly expanded command ground forward another tough mile or more today in the teeth of point blank artillery fire from the slowly yielding German positions along a 21 mile stretch of the north rim of the Ardennes salient.

Olden Boy Gets Combat Badge For Infantryman

Pfc. John M. Edwards, son of Mrs. DeAly 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.

Big 3 Meeting To Be After 20th

WASHINGTON (UP)—The big three meeting between President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill and Premier Stalin will be held sometime after Jan. 20, Mr. Roosevelt said today. The time and place, he added depend a good deal on what he called ice conditions.

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 16. Survivors include his wife and child now residing at Colorado.

Army Called On To Correct Acts

CHICAGO (UP)—Montgomery Ward officials today, asked army officers operating the mail order firms government seized properties in seven cities for close cooperation to correct what they termed "illegal actions" by the Army.

Crew Makes Most Of Extra Money

CORPUS CHRISTI, Tex. (UP)—Members of a merchant marine crew covering the Texas coast discovered that they had \$15 extra in the ship's fund.

What should they do with it? Go out and have a good time? No, they decided against that.

They took up a collection among themselves which came to \$25 more and presented \$40 to the Nueces County Tuberculosis Society.

BRITISH UNITS AID AMERICANS DRIVING FOR BIG JUNCTION

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Allied troops continued to advance to the northern flank of the German salient in Belgium today on the third day of their offensive, with some units of the American First Army gaining as much as 2 and one half miles in one sector against gradually stiffening enemy resistance.

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The Germans were making a strong counter offensive about 30 miles northwest of Budapest in an attempt to rescue the cornered Nazi garrison in the capital, where a battle of annihilation still raged. Soviet field dispatches said the attack was being held after gains of as much as six miles.

Allied Army troops in Italy made good progress against fierce German opposition northwest of Ravenna and north of Faenza.

The Eighth Air Force resumed its heavy assault on Germany, sent more than 1,000 bombers and 300 fighters in a smashing attack today on at least 20 important enemy supply points behind the fighting lines.

The Pacific offensive blazed from the Asiatic continent to the Japanese homeland as British Empire troops invaded and occupied the port of Akyab in Burma and one or more American convoys, according to Tokyo, sailed through the Philippines below invasion-marked Luzon, where U. S. warplanes sank about 35 Japanese ships.

Enemy broadcasts said four B-29 Superfortresses made lone nuisance raids on Japan yesterday and today.

The southeast Asia command said Akyab, Burmas third largest port, was taken without opposition.

Admiral Nimitz confirmed that carrier based planes hit Formosa and Okinawa for the second straight day and Gen. MacArthur disclosed that American bombers had wrecked 60 Japanese ships in three days around Luzon.

Reds Recognize Lublin Poles In Big Policy Break

LONDON — Russia, in a major policy break with the other big powers today recognized the Lublin Poles as the provisional government of Poland after Britain had informed the Kremlin that she would not abandon the Polish government in London.

In Washington, the United States government reaffirmed its recognition of the Polish government in London, and revealed that Moscow had served in advance of its intention to recognize the Lublin committee.

FDR To Broadcast Gist Of Message Saturday Night

WASHINGTON—Pres. Roosevelt will summarize his annual message to Congress in a Saturday night broadcast over all major networks from 9 to 9:30 P. M. C.W.T.

Mr. Roosevelt told his news conference that he was preparing a message of about 8,000 words to be delivered to Congress tomorrow afternoon. The broadcast version will be less than half that long.

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WASHINGTON COLUMN

BY PETER EDSON (NAME PAPER) Washington Correspondent

FRENCH people still have a number of misconceptions about the United States and the American war effort which the Psychological Warfare Division of the Army and the Office of War Information are trying to correct.

One of the OWI jobs has been to run a public opinion survey group to keep abreast of what the French think about the Yanks and from these analyses it has been learned that stable elements of the population believe such things as that German war prisoners are killed in the United States since they have a better and softer life than the average Frenchman.

Part of the difficulty in France today is that the country is still a lot of isolated communities. Electric power is limited, broadcasting is limited, communication services of all kinds are limited and there is a shortage of newsprint.

To fill gaps in the lack of information until the French can get going again is a big part of the job of the Allied Psychological Warfare Division of Joint British-American civilian-military authorities working with the French government and trying to meet its requests.

CHOIX, a British-American Reader's Digest in French, goes out 250,000 copies a month. "Vois," an OWI Look-type picture weekly, goes out 420,000 copies a week. The French government has asked that circulation be stepped up to three millions and the price raised from 16 to 20 cents to make sure they'll get to the most influential people.

Chile competing with America's stars—and besting them at their own game. Long Island University in Madison Square Garden, appeared elsewhere on the east coast last winter.

Ken Davidson, west coast standout, now in the Navy, coached and succeeded in bringing the first national championship to Chile's Catholic University before the tournament was cancelled by the war.

Colonel Ducoud, a field artilleryman in the Chilean army for 27 years, now a specialist in ordnance on the general staff, reveals that he is on the lookout for top American players as Chilean coaches when the war is won.

Colonel Ducoud's fondest dream is to some day see the youth of Americans a long way.

Out Our Way By J. R. Williams

BUY WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

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.

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.

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.

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 Unti Bo came to Stephenville last Thursday. Mrs. Delbert Funk and son of Hobbs, N. M., spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pierce.

George 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 Dueter, spent the holidays with their mother, Mrs. Mae Speer. Miss Gladys Green of Ballinger 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 Blac 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 Sprillin and family in Smithville.

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. I. 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 his 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. Yostes 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 Bette 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. Clarence Skaggs Comanche, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Martin, San Saba; 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. 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 Ft. 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. O. James E. Vaughn of Ellington Field, here where they spent Christmas. Pfc. Doc Martin of Del Rio is visiting his family here. Arzil 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. Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Yarbrough spent Christmas with her mother, Mrs. W. J. Hines.

Three Suns, presenting a new dawn of rhythm, will bring their instrumental talents to the air- lanes of Texas during the month of January as the feature stars of "Showtime."

Three Suns, a nightly feature over a national NBC hookup, and featured for the last five years at New York's famed Piccadilly Hotel, will be heard in their first TGN hookup, over Stations WF- AA, WBP, WOAI, and KPRC, next Sunday.

The musical group, an unusual trio, features electric organ, accordion and electric and spanish guitar with vocal interpolations. Next Sunday's Showtime broadcast will feature the famed voice of Carol Bruce, long a favorite with the night spot patrons in New York and currently the star of the Copacabana show and the Raleigh Room show on NBC.

The Three Suns together with several special vocalists will be the featured attraction of Interstate's hookups for the next four Sundays.

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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.

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ESSENTIAL War Workers needed by L. O. Stocker Construction Company, Borger, Texas, Good pay, time and one-half for overtime, transportation furnished. Seasonal agricultural workers investigate.

Representative will hire workers each Saturday from 9:00 a. m. to 4:00 p. m., at the courthouse in Eastland. Essential workers will not be hired.

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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.

reason for this is that man is made in the image of a great spiritual Father who is love, and for that reason you are going against the laws of your own being unless you are directed by an active good will for others.

The success of your relationship with your fellows, and therefore the real values of your life hinge upon your respect and reverence for them as individuals.

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A PURITAN VILLAGE IN 1680

ON a bright, sunny morning in April of the year 1680 a young man waited patiently on a bench in the Walling garden for the constable to come out of the house and depart. The young man, whose name was Oliver Hillman, wanted to see Captain Walling on a very personal matter, and he much preferred to have no listeners to his conversation. Young Mr. Hillman was plainly nervous; he kept twisting about on the bench, and now and then he would rise and take a short walk around the garden.

"It is, sir. A man named Brown. He seems to do all the work on the place. Jerry Sheldon, when he's in the tavern, in his cups, boasts that he's retired."

"He does, eh? Well, I'll retire him—way he will not relish. Give him summons to appear before the court next Monday. I'll write it now—his goose will pen scratched over a sheet of paper—and if he cannot show that he works every day and all day I'll send him to a place where he'll be busy."

rather thick Captain Walling said, "Is there something that you wish to speak to me about?"

"There is, sir," said young Hillman. "Your daughter Harriet. May I call on her and be her friend? I mean be friendly with her?" This was uttered with blushing and hesitation.

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.

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A PURITAN VILLAGE IN 1680

AFTER Oliver Hillman had departed, Captain Walling stood musing for a moment. The young man's desire to keep company with Harriet had not surprised him; he had noticed Oliver's bashful, sheepish expression whenever he was in the girl's presence. The Captain hoped it would turn out well, and he thought might, if young Hillman could ever overcome his bashfulness at the point of asking her to marry him.

No, he reflected, she will never be an old maid, and I hope Oliver Hillman will be my son-in-law.

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Mrs. Charles Surbrook and Mrs. H. C. Croom, entertained at the home of the latter Thursday evening with an informal open house honoring Mrs. Hamill of Hollywood, formerly of Ranger, Mrs. Fred Lange of Dallas and Mr. D. M. Superstein of McAllen.

As the guests gathered they were ushered to the dining room where Mrs. Lange presided at the silver service at one end of the lace covered table which was centered with an attractive holiday centerpiece of red carnations and red berries.

Mrs. Hamill, who was instrumental in establishing Hamill's Incorporated in Ranger, is now directing a dramatic school in Hollywood and, in connection with the school, a small theater for students of the school. Since going to Hollywood she has done dramatic work over the radio and has appeared in several movies. She is enroute back to California after spending the holidays in Dallas.


Mrs. Lange who accompanied Mrs. Hamill to Ranger from Dallas is the wife of the executive director of the Dallas County War Chest and arbitrator of the United States War Labor Board.

About 20 guests called during the evening to enjoy an informal visit with the guests.

of the Royal Neighbors of America will hold a pie sale at the Adam grocery Saturday afternoon, beginning at 2:00 o'clock. Proceeds from the sale will go toward the convention fund for the organization.

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PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Hopper and baby, Kaye, and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Maddocks and Gary have returned to their home in Dallas after spending 10 days here with Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Strong.

Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Strong, and Mrs. Roscoe Hopper of Dallas visited relatives in Abilene Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Chastain, former Ranger residents are here for a few days visit while Mr. Chastain is looking after business interests. Mr. Chastain who until recently was associated with the U. S. Petroleum Administration with offices in Chicago, is now

actively engaged in the oil business with headquarters in Jackson, Mississippi where they are temporarily making their home.

Mrs. J. E. Fletcher who has been making her home in California while her husband, Major Fletcher, is serving with the Armed Forces in the Pacific, is here for a visit with friends.

Mrs. Dave Olliphant of San Diego, California is here for a month's visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Morgan. Mrs. Olliphant is the former Miss Elsie Morgan.

It was erroneously reported in the Times Thursday that Miss Montrella Langley had made an "Superior" rating in two subjects at Abilene Christian College when as a matter of fact she made the rating in seven subjects and had the highest average in the college for the past six weeks.

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For the new year, the telephone company's plans hinge upon the demands of war, of course. But certain things will be done, you may be sure.

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