

Carrier Planes Hit French Indo-China



Virgil Hamilton Awarded DFC and Air Medal

AF-A 12th AAF B-25 Base—1st Lt. Virgil Hamilton, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Hamilton, of Olden, Texas, a Twelfth Air Force B-25 Mitchell bomber pilot who has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with seven Oak Leaf Clusters, has flown 65 combat missions.

A participant of the mid-August invasion of Southern France, Lieutenant Hamilton had this to say of one of his most exciting missions which took place over Avignon, during an attempt to destroy a road bridge.

"It was on the afternoon of D-day and we were flying in number three position. The target was an important road bridge over which the Germans had been routing supplies and reinforcements to bolster their wavering beachhead defenses. The sky filled with bursts of flak as the bombers approached the bomb run. There was a jolt and the heavy 'chug-chug' of the hot pieces of metal struck the bomber. One burst bracketed the waist and radio gunners, and another shot out the telephone wires of the co-pilot. Every plane in the formation was struck and three of the planes were shot down. As rough as it was over the target, the bombardiers managed to lay the bombs directly on that bridge. That was my roughest mission, and you can bet I was glad to get away from that target."

ODT Appeals For Restraint On Civilian Travel

Increase of casualties in European fighting today brought from the Office of Defense Transportation another appeal to the public to leave rail, bus, terminal and hotel facilities for essential war travel.

E. O. Walker, district rail director of the ODT in Dallas, pointed out that travelers will face further inconveniences in the next few months as a result of the German counter-offensive.

"Casualties have increased in number and probably will continue to increase," the ODT official said. "As soon as the wounded are introduced to be transferred to this country, they will be shipped to various ports. To transfer them to hospitals with speed and dispatch it will be necessary to call on railroads for needed equipment. The first place we can look for this equipment is on the regular runs of the roads."

CISCO, RANGER TEAMS TO PLAY HERE TONIGHT

Ranger's first conference basketball game will be played at the Recreation building this evening beginning at 7:30 o'clock when the Bulldogs meet the Cisco Lobos.

Coach Don Martin stated that a fast game can be anticipated and that the outcome of the game is unpredictable as both teams have been putting up some good playing. Ranger went to the semi-finals in the tournament held at Brownwood last week and was noosed out of the running by Brownwood who won by a score of 38 to 31.

Cisco has already won the first conference game when they defeated the Weatherford eagles last Friday.

The starter for tonight's schedule will be a match between the Bulldogs and the Cisco B team. This game starts at 7:30 o'clock and the first string game will be called at 8:30 o'clock.

Ranger lost two games to Cross Plains Tuesday night when the boys team was defeated by a score of 34 to 33 and the Cross Plains girls' team defeated Ranger girls by a score of 22 to 16.

Coach Martin stated that the boys played the best brand of basketball that he has seen in a long time and fought to hold their own against a team that matched against Abilene in the semi-finals at Brownwood last week. Pete Dawn was high point man with a total of 19 and Frankie Ford was second with a total of 10 points.

Ranger did not use a single substitute with Ford and Dawn playing the entire game at forward positions. Lilburn Baker at center and Leonard Arterburn and Dan Bowen, guards. Cross Plains only put in one substitute.

For War Time Cooperation This Is Hard To Match

For wartime cooperation among civilians, this little story from L. T. Rushing, owner of the Ranger Steam Laundry, will be hard to match.

Due to the migration of domestic from all communities to war plants and such, the problem of getting the family wash done has been dumped squarely in the lap of such institutions as the Ranger laundry and bundles are brought in from great distances.

But with the coming of gasoline shortage and tire conservation, the problem of getting the bundles to Ranger arose. The ingenuity of some citizen in a nearby town solved the problem for its populace and here's how it works.

Each week someone with high-way proof tires and enough gasoline, brings the town's wash to Ranger. Then at the end of the week some citizen calls for the bundles of clean clothes and as each bill is presented, writes a check on the account of the owner and countersigns with his name.

Rushing says that no matter how small the bill is, a check is written for that amount and every check has been honored by the town bank.

That, we would say, is patriotic cooperation!

Wesley Johnson Funeral Plans Are Incomplete

Funeral services for Wesley Johnson (colored) who died here suddenly Thursday evening will likely be held at the St. Paul Baptist church sometime Monday. Arrangements are incomplete, pending the arrival of relatives from California. However, plans have been made for the services to be held here and burial will be in the Evergreen cemetery and services will be in charge of Rev. A. L. Dunn pastor of the church. Kil Hugworth's Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

The deceased was stricken about 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening as he left the Commercial State Bank where he had been at work as janitor, and started up main street. He was picked up by Lloyd Clem who rushed him to the West Texas Hospital where he died within a few minutes after getting to the hospital. This was the second attack within the last few weeks.

A familiar figure around Ranger for the past 24 years, he had served most of those years as janitor and shoe shine at the Johnson hotel and as janitor at the bank. His wife, Mollie, preceded him in death only a few months ago.

He was born in Corsicana November 6, 1900.

Survivors include one sister, Bessie Johnson of Ranger and two nieces, Odessa Johnson of Valley Mills and Emma Carlisle of Dallas. Two brothers-in-law who reside in California will attend the funeral services.

Lt. Whitefield Tells Lions Club Of War In The Air

First Lt. Charles Whitefield, who has just returned from service with the Air Force, stationed in England was the guest speaker at the weekly meeting of the Lions Club held Thursday at noon at the Gholston Hotel.

Lieutenant Whitefield, who was the guest of A. J. Ratliff at the luncheon, told in a very entertaining manner some of the experiences which he had as the pilot of a P-47 Thunderbolt, pilot while serving in the Air Force and while going on missions over enemy territory. The young officer told of the dangers encountered on the missions and of seeing some of his buddies go down while over enemy territory.

Lieutenant Whitefield is a veteran of 66 missions over Germany and other enemy territory and has 279 hours of flying on combat missions. He holds the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with Clusters.

Dr. F. T. Isbell, Eastland, Eastland County Health Officer for the past eight years, was re-appointed for another two year term Monday, January 8, but the County Commissioner's Court.

The following suits have been filed in Eastland County district courts:

Francis Louise Collins vs Billy C. Collins, divorce.

Wreckage of Wrecked Airliner



Here's the charred and tangled wreckage of the New York to Los Angeles American Airlines plane which crashed and burned in a fog among foothills near Burbank, Calif. Twenty-four persons, including the crew were killed. The ship's tail in the rear was the largest remaining part of the plane. Everything in foreground of photo is burned rubble that was the fuselage of the airliner. (NEA Telephoto.)

First Picture of Luzon Landing



Landing craft await H-hour, dawn on January 7, 1945 for the American invasion of Luzon. The amphibious fleet was under the command of Vice Admiral Beale inside Lingayen Gulf. Landing craft, awaiting H-hour circle a troop transport. (Signal Corps Radioteletype from NEA Telephoto.)

Comanche Rites Held Tuesday For Walter Durham

Funeral services for Walter Marvin Durham, 28, of Comanche, were held Tuesday afternoon at the Comanche Baptist church by Rev. E. G. Gregory. Interment was in the Comanche cemetery.

Survivors are his widow, the former Miss Frankie Winston, daughter of Mrs. P. L. Parker of Eastland; a son, Walter Marvin Jr., who is in the armed forces, and a daughter, Mrs. Frances Prather of California.

Mr. Durham was a man of high standing and a successful business man. He had been in the peanut and pecan business in Comanche a number of years.

Those from Eastland attending the services were Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Parker; Mr. and Mrs. Guy Parker; Mr. and Mrs. Don D. Baker and daughter, Mrs. B. J. Parish; Mrs. Nora Andrews and Mrs. Elmer Lawrence.

Parents Receive Cards From Son In Jap Prison

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Matthews whose son, Cpl. Fred W. Matthews, has been a prisoner of the Japanese since fall of the Philippines, have received two cards from the prisoner son. One of the cards was dated May 15, 1944, and the other was written July 15, 1944.

The most important news to the parents was the fact that the son stated that he had received some letters from home and also had gotten two boxes from home.

Navy Examining Board To Be In Dallas 3 Days

DALLAS, Jan. 11—A board of examiners from the Eighth Naval district headquarters, New Orleans, will interview and qualify applicants for training in the combat aircrewman school during a three-day visit at the Dallas Navy Recruiting station starting January 18.

Unmarried, physically sound men from 17 to 26 years of age are eligible to take the examination, and if successful, enlist in the Naval Reserve as Seamen, 2nd class. A ten month course in gunnery, ordnance, radio and related subjects is given before the enlisted man, by then a petty officer, is ordered to active duty with a combat unit.

Commander Dan Henry, officer in charge of the Dallas, or North Texas, recruiting district, pointed out that the presence here of the traveling examining board would eliminate the necessity of trips to Houston or New Orleans by applicants in this area. Enlistments were processed at the Dallas Office of Naval Officer procurement prior to disestablishment of that office last Dec. 1.

Applicants desiring to take the examinations in Dallas should arrive at the recruiting station by 9 a. m. on Thursday or Friday, January 18 or 19, the commander said. Travel expenses to Dallas will be paid by the Navy for applicants who pass preliminary tests at recruiting substations in Amarillo, Tyler, Lubbock, Fort Worth, Abilene, San Angelo, Wichita Falls, Sherman, Paris, Longview and Waco.

Young men of 17 may volunteer directly; men over that age may apply if they have not received orders for actual induction. Successful applicants in the latter category will receive letters of directed assignment assuring them of enlistment in the Navy.

Lt. Thompson At Army Air Base For Reassignment

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Jan. 11—1st Lt. Oran W. Thompson, 28, of Ranger, Texas, has arrived at Army Air Force Redirection Station No. 2 in Miami Beach for reassignment processing after completing a tour of duty outside the continental United States.

Medical examinations and classification interviews at this post, pioneer of several redirection stations operated by the AAF personnel distribution command for AAF returnee officers and enlisted men, will determine his new assignment. He will remain at the redirection station about two weeks, much of which will be devoted to rest and recreation.

Lieutenant Thompson, a heavy bomber pilot, flew 33 missions during six months in the European theater of operations, winning the Air Medal with four oak leaf clusters.

He is the son of H. C. Thompson of Route No. 2, Ranger.

GI's Package Reaches Home Without Stamps

DENVER (UP)—You can't tell a certain American soldier that you have to have stamps to mail a package.

S-Sgt. Cecil F. Bergman wanted to send a Christmas present to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Bergman of Durham, Kan. But it just wasn't possible to get stamps where he was.

PANZERS WIPED OUT; YANKS HIT HEART OF BULGE

PARIS, (UP)—American and British forces joined today in a most chopper actually eliminated the last remnants of Nazi Panzers west of the Ourthe and penetrated to the heart of the once threatening Ardennes bulge.

Marshal Montgomery's British troops rumbled east to establish contact with Gen. Patton's Third Army at the southwestern corner of the melting Nazi salient.

The Germans now have been driven out of roughly one half the area they occupied at the time of the deepest penetration.

Aircraft Program Increased 9 Per Cent For 1945

WASHINGTON, (UP)—The U. S. is now producing well over 135 B-29 Superfortresses a month, War Production Chairman J. A. Krug revealed today in announcing that the 1945 aircraft program has been increased by nine per cent.

The B-29, Krug said, is one of several "hot" military planes, whose overall production of last October must be tripled by March.

For some types of planes, the boost must be as high as 600 or 700 per cent, he added.

12 Killed, 8 Safe In B-29 Crash

OKLAHOMA CITY, (UP)—Army authorities disclosed today that the plane which crashed yesterday near Earlsboro, Okla., was a B-29 Superfortress from Walker Field, Victoria, Kan.

Four of the 12 men crew were killed, the other eight parachuting to safety.

Jury Says Thomas Guilty of Murder

PANAMA, Tex. (UP)—After deliberating only a few hours, a 10th district court jury today found Jim Thomas, 50 year old ex-convict, guilty of the Oct. 26, 1943, murder of Dr. Roy Hunt of Littlefield, and recommended the death penalty.

Says Three To Meet At Tehran

LONDON—The Ankara radio quoted the Turkish newspaper Ulus today as saying that the forthcoming meeting of President Roosevelt, Premier Stalin and Prime Minister Churchill will be held at Tehran as was their first "before January is out."

Urges Sentences For Work Shirkers

Gen. Will K. BETAON, N. W. WASHINGTON (UP)—Lt. Gen. William S. Knudsen, army production director, today joined advocates of stiff fines and prison sentences, rather than induction into the Armed Forces, as the enforcement weapon in proposed work-or-fight legislation.

The nation's highest military award, the Medal of Honor, has been awarded by the War Department to only 68 officers and enlisted men for valor in the present war.

SIXTH ARMY ADVANCES OVER PLAIN TOWARD LUZON CAPITAL

Carrier planes of the U. S. Third Fleet were in action against Japanese forces off the coast of French Indo-China today and on Luzon island in the Philippines Sixth Army troops advanced across the plain leading to Manila on a 20 mile front, sending advance patrols across the Agno river 90 miles from the capital.

LONDON (UP)—Berlin reported today that the long hovering Russian winter offensive in Poland had started on a broad front west of the Vistula some 120 miles below Warsaw with an initial impact which drove several wedges in the German defenses.

A 22 word communique from Adm. Nimitz's Pearl Harbor Headquarters gave no details of the Naval action, but there were indications that the biggest engagement since the battle of the Philippines last October may be underway.

Tokyo radio said today a "second" American convoy comprised of 50 transports and more than 200 landing barges had been sighted and attacked "in the Philippines."

Adm. Halsey's carrier forces were reported attacking the enemy in the area between Camranh Bay, considered the fourth best natural harbor in the world, and Saigon, 60 miles southwest.

In the European Theater, field dispatches from the Ardennes said the entire western half of the German bulge was melting away as the Germans pulled back in good order toward the Reich border.

British and American troops closing in from the west met only light rear guard resistance, but the Germans were fighting fiercely in the center to hold open their lines of retreat.

The beleaguered Axis defenders of Budapest were being compressed into two pockets on either side of the Danube after having sent out a cease-firing SOS to the German relief columns stalled 15 miles outside the capital.

Slightly improved weather permitted increased patrol activity on the Fifth and Eighth Army Fronts in Italy.

In the political sphere, leftist Etno-Lam forces signed a truce under which the Greek civil war is to cease at 12:31 A. M. next Monday.

A new crisis developed in Yugoslavia as King Peter rejected an Allied-sponsored agreement under which a regency would take over his powers pending a post-war plebiscite on the monarchy.

4 Killed, 4 Hurt In B-25 Crash

PITTSBURGH—An Army B-25 bomber crashed and burned near Morgantown, W. Va., airport today, killing four crew members and injuring four others, two seriously, Major W. G. Brown, of the Army Air Transport command announced here.

CASES SUBMITTED

The following cases were submitted in the Eleventh Court of Civil Appeals Friday, January 5, P. H. Jackson et al vs Clint Overby, Fisher County.

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WASHINGTON COLUMN

BY PETER EDSON
NEA Washington Correspondent

THEY say in John S. Rankin's native northeastern corner of Mississippi that he has ears six feet five inches long which are more sensitive than the Georgetown seismograph when placed on the ground and used to the earth rumblings of public opinion in the Congressional district he has represented in Washington for the last 24 years.



Knowing this, you can understand better why he put over his last legislative move on the opening day of the new Congress, making the Committee on Un-American Activities a standing committee of the House to continue the work begun by Martin Dies.

Some see "Silent" John Rankin as the unchallenged champion of intolerance in Congress, but to call him that or any other demagogic name does not discredit him in the least with the folks down home in Mississippi. The more he is charged with being a hater of Jews and Negroes, a poll-taxer, a hater of organized labor and Communists, the more votes he gets.

When he first started running for Congress, it was as a disciple of a movement to repeal constitutional amendments granting Negroes the right to vote. He has lived up to that ideal throughout his career, as evidenced by his effort in 1942 to make an issue on the mixing of Negro and Caucasian blood plasmas. He has fought anti-discrimination laws for the District of Columbia, the President's Fair Employment Practices Committee, and the anti-lynching bill. Yet he boasts his father—a school teacher—was a slave owner.

When the late Senator "Cotton Ed" Smith was making political capital out of crusades against Wall Street and the Cotton Exchange, Rankin climbed on that bandwagon and made the Mississippi voters think he was the owner and driver. His trades against the International Jew Bankers' carry over from that.

Though Rankin's success as a Congressman in getting the things he wanted cannot be questioned, he has been completely frustrated by his one great ambition. He wanted to be Vice President and running mate to Roosevelt in both 1936 and 1940, but the Mississippi state delegations stopped it cold in their hotel caucus rooms before it even started. The big laugh of that one is the record of Roosevelt policies which Rankin has openly opposed in Congress.

SPORTS

BY HARRY GRAYSON
NEA Sports Editor

THAT old adage "the rich get richer and the poor get poorer" is getting a good workout as a result of the stoppage of horse racing in the good old U. S. A. Small-time owners, unable to bear the expense of keeping their racers, have been forced to put them on the auction block.

Result is that wealthy breeding farms and stables, marvelously able to withstand a prolonged blackout of the sport of kings, have been able to grab off bargains in thoroughbreds. This may cause the sport, when racing is to go back on the plane it was years ago, when the best racers were in the hands of comparatively few wealthy owners, men who really could afford to indulge in horse racing as a sport, rather than a purely commercial industry or means of livelihood.

Whether this will prove a good thing for the future of racing remains to be seen.

WORD comes from Les Eiten, drum major of Michigan Athletics, that Don Lund has failed to become the sixth Wolverine in the history of the school to earn nine letters.

"If Don makes his basketball and baseball letters this winter and next spring," writes Les, "he'll join the select group of Benny

Oosterbaan, his present basketball coach, Harry Kipke, Norman Daniels, Russ Oliver and Danny Smick, all of whom earned their letters in football, basketball and baseball."

ETTEN also informs that Ensign George F. Ceithaml (pronounced Si-ham-1), captain and quarterback on the 1942 Michigan football team, always regarded as a blocker's blocker, has been throwing some real block in European and Mediterranean war zones. He helped land assault troops on the beaches in the Italian and Normandy invasions.

Visiting the campus recently, he likened Allied strategy to good quarterbacking. "We learned something on each play," he said. "We capitalized on the other fellow's mistakes and profited by our own. Take it from me, the infantry is tops in my book. I've seen those boys in action too often not to know they have the war's toughest job and that they're doing it magnificently."

By J. R. Williams Out Our Way



BUY WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

STAFF NEWS

Jan. 8 - Mrs. B. F. White of Mineral Wells was the guest of her son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. John M. White, the past week.
Mrs. John W. Thurman was a Ranger visitor Friday.
Mr. and Mrs. Berry Elliott and Wilma of Olden were callers in

the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Hazard Monday.
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Williamson were Eastland visitors last evening.
Mrs. Dale Pope and children of Eunice N. M. were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Pope the past week, and attended Sunday school at the Baptist church Sunday morning.
Mrs. John W. Thurman was a Ranger visitor Friday.
Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Hazard and Donald were visitors in the home of Mrs. C. D. Everton Sunday.
Mrs. T. C. Elking of Spur was a guest in the home of her brother, John M. White and Mrs. White, the past weekend.
Allen Crosby and family were Eastland visitors Saturday.
Mr. and Mrs. Bob Blackwell

and Mrs. Blanch Sims were visiting in Eastland Tuesday.
Mr. and Mrs. John M. White had as their dinner guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Flowers and Mrs. M. Flowers of Fort Worth, and Mr. and Mrs. H. F. White of Colony.
Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Capps of Ranger were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Thurman last Sunday afternoon.
Mr. and Mrs. Sam Fonville, Jimmie and Earl of Ranger were visiting with Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Hazard Monday.



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Advertisement for Anderson-Pruet Chevrolet Co. featuring 'TIRE TORTURE!' and 'LINE UP with BEAR'.

CARBON

Jan. 9—Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hayes had all of their children with them for New Year's dinner. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bennett and son of Big Spring, Mr. and Mrs. Louzo Wyatt and family of Cisco. Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hayes and children, and Miss Mildred Hayes of Carbon.

Walter J. Greer, Jr., returned Sunday from a visit with Bob and Jack Tyrone at Arlington.

Miss Yvonne Morris, who is teaching at Haskel, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ned Morris.

Mrs. Luther Reese spent the weekend visiting her daughter in Abilene.

Mrs. Walter Wyatt and Mrs. Dean Turner and son visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack Abbott in Stephenville over the weekend.

Mrs. W. E. Trimble left Monday night for Lubbock where she will be with her mother, Mrs. J. B. Frost, who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker Knight have all of their children with the this week except Sgt. Carl Knight who is overseas. Those present were Cpl. Truman Knight of Kentucky, Mrs. Ray Welch and Mrs. Lorene Hurst, Comanche, and Mrs. Ray Wyatt and family of Carbon.

Miss Rea June Stubblefield has returned to Orange where she has resumed her duties as a teacher in the public school.

Miss June Poe has returned to Denton, where she is attending N. T. S. T. C.

Miss Olga Underwood returned to Abilene Monday where she is attending school.

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attending A. C. C. Mr. and Mrs. Claude Blacklock and family of Ranger, and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Crossley of Eastland visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Crossley Sunday. Mrs. H. M. Usry was called to Dallas Monday to attend the bedside of a sister. Mrs. Arthur Mahan, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ramsey, and Mr. and Mrs. Buel McGaha have returned to Morenci, Ariz. after visiting relatives here.

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THE WAY OUR PEOPLE LIVED by W & Woodward

A DAY IN A VIRGINIA PLANTER'S LIFE (1713) AS the Swain party went on to Belmore in the late afternoon Swain and Randall made their horses cut out capers in the road, just for the fun of it, and now and then they would burst into drinking songs and old English ballads. After awhile they became weary of this horseplay and rode along sedately, in a manner that befitted men of standing in the colony. "We are getting near to Belmore," Randall said, pointing to a long, low structure by the side of a creek. "There's your sawmill, Ned." "Sure enough," Swain said, "and in another half mile we'll come to the brickyard." He took more pride in these industries than he did in the long-reaching acres of the tobacco plantation. "I've never failed, even in the worst of years," he told Randall, "to make good money out of the distillery, and the brickyard, and the sawmill, and the carpenter shop. Even when everybody was losing money on tobacco I was making a profit on these workshops." In the distillery he made peach brandy, and the carpenter shop was devoted to cabinetmaking in a rough way; it made kitchen furniture. Groups of workers, white and black, appeared now and then at the roadside. They were Swain's laborers going home, their day's work over. The male servants wore leather breeches, gray shirts, cloth caps and leather coats. Most of them were barefoot, but three or four wore heavy, square-toed shoes, without stockings. The Negro women had gowns of linsey-woolsey that were raised up to their knees and fastened by a rope which ran around the waist. It was not quite half-past six when they trotted through the gates of Belmore and up the circular gravelled road to the mounting block before the front door. There they leaped off their horses and turned them over to Dave and Mat. The manor house at Belmore was new; it had been built in 1710. In plan and architectural features it belonged to the latest type of Virginia plantation houses as they were in the early decades of the 18th century. It was built of dark red brick. The front steps led up to a terrace that ran across the front of the house. A striking feature of the facade was the imposing door frame of white marble. The ground floor had only three rooms—a long and wide living room, a smaller reception room, and a dining room. A hallway that was 15 feet wide ran through the house, from front to back. In the hallway rose a curving flight of stairs which ran gracefully to the second floor. There were six bedrooms on second floor of the main house, but no bathrooms. The people of that era bathed only on rare occasions, and when they did bathe it was in a wash tub brought into a bedroom for that purpose. The main building had two oaks, or wigs—one on each side. In one of the wings there was a huge kitchen on the lower floor. Upstairs there were rooms for some of the house servants. The walls of the chief rooms were paneled in dark oak; the bedrooms had wall paneling of white pine or poplar. The hall was so wide, the rooms so spacious and the ceilings so high that the house gave a visitor an impression of airiness. All over the house sconces for candles were set in the walls. The job of keeping the place lighted took the whole time of one slave. The black man molded the candles, kept the sconces and candlesticks polished, and went around every day to replace the burnt candles with fresh ones. In the kitchen the cooking was done at a huge fireplace, as in New England. Stoves were unknown. Outside, in the yard near the kitchen, was a brick baking oven. It was used chiefly to bake bread and cakes. AFTER having been greeted pleasantly by Mrs. Swain, whom he had known several years, Henry Randall was shown to his room by a young Negro girl, who brought him immediately a pitcher of water and some towels. He knew that dinner was ready, and he hurried through his ablutions. Then, with his face washed, his wig set straight, and the dust of travel brushed off his coat, Henry Randall descended leisurely the wide curving stairs. The family and guests were assembled in the large living room. Randall paid his respects to all in turn, bowing and taking their hands. First was old Mrs. Lightfoot, the mother of Sarah Swain; then in order came Mrs. Swain; Mr. and Mrs. Kirkland, who were house guests; their home was in Maryland, and the Swain grown-up children, Edward, Jr., who was 21, and Frances (known as "Fanny") who was a few years younger. The smaller children were having their dinner in a room off the kitchen. The dresses of the ladies were all voluminous, spreading around them in so many folds and frills that the shape of the wearer had to be a matter of inference rather than of observation. These garments of silk were highly colored, and the fabrics had figured designs on them. The effect was precisely the opposite of nunlike simplicity. When dinner was announced the party went into the dining room with the pleasant gravity of attendants at a cheerful ceremony. (To Be Continued)

regain consciousness until Tuesday. Mrs. Hugh McCall of Tallahassee, Fla. is visiting her husband's. Mr. and Mrs. Truly Carter of Cisco visited his mother, Mrs. M. M. Carter, Sunday. Ma. D. D. Sandlin's parents from Springtown are visiting her this week.

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Chronic bronchitis may develop if your cough, chest cold, or acute bronchitis is not treated and you cannot afford to take a chance with any medicine less potent than Creomulsion which goes right to the seat of the trouble to help loosen and expel germ laden phlegm and aid nature to soothe and heal raw, tender, inflamed bronchial mucous membranes. Creomulsion blends beech wood creosote by special process with other time tested medicines for coughs. It contains no narcotics. No matter how many medicines you have tried, tell your druggist to sell you a bottle of Creomulsion with the understanding you must like the way it quickly always the cough, permitting rest and sleep, or you are to have your money back. (Adv.)

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Johnson Radio Shop Located at my residence 318 EAST MAIN ST. 2 blocks east of Ratliff's Feed Store

WE ARE PREPARED TO TAKE CARE OF YOUR ELECTRIC TROUBLES At Reasonable Prices—We Specialize In Repairing and Refinishing

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DEFORMITY Is your body distortions in the chronic stage? Be sure to have your troubles corrected before they become chronic. Much time and effort has been spent that we may serve you better. YOUR CHIROPRACTOR E. R. GREEN, D.C. 434 PINE STREET RANGER, TEXAS

Buy War Bonds

Paramount Taxi PHONE 1 FOR SERVICE—H. R. HICKS Paramount Hotel SAFE COURTEOUS Buy Those Bonds And Stamps

BROWN'S Transfer And Storage Phone 635 —For—MOVING CONTRACT OPERATOR T&P TRANSPORT

Killingsworth's BURIAL ASSOCIATION OFFICE 120 MAIN STREET PHONE 29, RANGER, TEXAS SECURE A POLICY NOW It is better to have and not need it than to need it and not have it.

DON'T SPREAD IDLE RUMORS Don't be a Nazi agent. At your barber shop, in your office, at home. DON'T repeat idle gossip! DO spread the TRUTH actively! For the Best Haircut in Town. Come To Gholson Barber Shop

Announcement We have reopened our tin shop at 112 North Austin Street.

REGULAR INSPECTION IS ESSENTIAL Specializing in sheet metal work, plumbing, radiator repair. GET OUR PRICES ON YOUR NEXT SHEET METAL JOB.

Ranger Tin Shop J. R. HARGRAVES 112 NO. AUSTIN ST. Plumbing, Radiator Repair.

As a New Year Dawns - let us again say that it has been a genuine pleasure to have served you these many years. Since Pearl Harbor our services have been somewhat disrupted by necessary war-time restrictions but you have been patient with us and along with that, grand customers and true friends. If you have not already made that New Year's resolution, resolve now never to buy real estate without an abstract. Earl Bender & Company, Inc. Abilene 1923-1944 Texas

WANTED TO BUY Used Furniture, Stoves, Refrigerators, Washing Machines Highest Cash Prices Paid GODWIN FURNITURE CO.

THE MOST POPULAR Glass Picture Frame IN PRE-WAR DESIGNS 5x7 Size98c 8x10 Sixe... \$1.25 An unusual and attractive frame of simple dignity. The classic lines will add distinction and importance to your favorite picture. DELBERT D. CAPPS 110 So. Austin Ranger

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JOSEPH'S 26TH ANNIVERSARY SALE

SALE STARTS SATURDAY JANUARY 13 TH ON LADIES' & CHILDRENS' FALL AND WINTER DRESSES, SUITS, COAT S, HATS, BAGS, HOUSE, PIECE GOODS, AND MENS SUITS

The prices have been greatly reduced for our Anniversary Sale of Nationally Advertised Merchandise.

LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S HATS

One Group Values to 4.95 NOW **1.00**
 One Group Value to 5.95 NOW **1.98**
 One Group Value to 8.95 NOW **2.98**

LADIES' AND MISSES' DRESSE

One Group Values From 3.95 to 16.95 NOW **1.98 to 8.48**
 All other Fall and Winter Dresses including many Nationally Advertised Lines.
 Were 7.95 to 29.95 NOW **5.95 to 19.95**

All Wool Fall and Winter Coats and Suits Greatly Reduced **12.95 to 34.95**
 were 16.95 to 49.95

One Group Of Ladies Handbags Were 2.98 to 7.95 NOW **1.98 to 4.95**

One Group of Ladies Lace Hose Value To 1.98 NOW **1.29**
 One Group Seamless Hose Value 55s Now **39c**

Men's Fall and Winter Suits Double and Single Breasted Values to 29.95 26th Anniversary Sale **19.95**

One Assortment of Cotton Prints Remnants Were 25c Yard NOW **15c Yd.**

One Lot Remnants 1 to 3 Yards Values to 1.49 26th Anniversary Sale **98c**

Many Items On Sale That Are Not Mentioned In This Advertisement

Joseph's Dry Goods

Society, Clubs

QUARTETTE ENTERTAIN WITH "42" BRIDGE

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Blacklock and Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Pruet entertained at the home of the former with a bridge and "42" party Thursday evening at 8:00 o'clock.

At the close of the games refreshments were served from a table centered with a blue vase filled with pink carnations.

Those attending the party were Messrs and Mrs. Hugh Smith, Hal Hunter, A. W. Warford, Joe Dennis, L. L. Bruce, Lloyd Glenn, V. V. Cooper, Jr., R. H. McKelvin, Vernon Deffenbach, W. H. Lewis, George Robinson, W. H. Clarke, E. T. Eubank, C. R. Rogers and Dr. and Mrs. Rias Hodges and Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Jackson.

WHAT CAUSES EPILEPSY?

A booklet containing the opinions of famous doctors on this interesting subject will be sent FREE, while they last, to any reader writing to the Educational Division, 535 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y., Dept. V-1230

CLASSIFIED

FOR SALE—1937 Ford coupe. Clean, good tires, privately owned. Call W. E. Dean, at Johnson Motor Lines, Cjco, Texas, office phone 169, home 54

WANT to buy—Old model Schick electric razor, condition doesn't matter. Al Tune.

WE pay highest cash prices for sewing machines, Pianos, Bourland Music Co.

FOR SALE—Good Stadart upright small piano, (terms). Bourland Music Co.

FOR SALE—Underwood typewriter. Good condition. Marston Building.

FOR SALE—Sheppard place on Tiffin Road. Phone 333.

FOR SALE—Used lumber. J. L. Milner, Strawn highway.

FOUND—Commercial license plate with bracket, you can get same by identifying and paying for this ad. R. A. Jones Hunt Street.

FOR SALE—Basinet and baby bed. 800 Cypress.

HOUSE for sale, 7 rooms and bath, 1 1/2 corner lot, 1123 Desdemona Boulevard. H. G. Jennings.

LOST—Valuable note book, engraved with D. M. Supperstein. For reward Call 421.

WANTED—Small farm, improved in Eastland county. Write J. K. Rhodes, 2612 Milan, Houston, Texas.

FOR SALE—Plea Moore home in Young Addition. Rex Outlaw Home on Strawn highway. 5-room house Vitalius street in Cooper addition, (now vacant). C. E. MAY Insurance and Real Estate.

ROOM and Board. Meals for transients. Mrs. Masters, 428 West Main Street.

HAMMER TIRE SHOP. Plenty of good used tires. Buy, sell, trade cars.

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.

FOR SALE—cheap. Model A pickup, 5 good tires, 2 of them new. Lois Brown, Victory Cafe, or Eastland Hill.

ONE Medium size Hohner Accordion for sale—pre war, made in Germany. Mrs. L. J. Perdue, 521 Hill Ave.

A. G. Koenig Income Tax—Estimates. 4 blocks N. Postoffice, Ranger, Texas.

WANTED—Girl or woman. Reasonable wages and hours. Guaranty Ice Cream Parlor.

FOR SALE—Three room house. A. C. Ames, 615 Pecan street.

FOR SALE—Six room modern house, plenty outside buildings in Glenn Addition. Norman Richardson.

PERSONALS

Mrs. William Hazard who has been visiting her husband, William Hazard, seaman 1-c, in Quaddy Village, Maine, for the past six months arrived Wednesday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Gregory and her sister.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Cooper have returned to their home in Tyler after a visit with their father, V. V. Cooper, Sr., and other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Joseph and Mrs. Saule Perstein will leave Saturday for Austin where they will spend the week end. Mrs. Perstein will visit her daughter, Miss Doris Perstein, who is a student at the University of Texas.

Lonnie Lynn Forman of Hobbs, N. Mex., is visiting his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Hicks.

A baby boy was born Thursday at noon to Mrs. Guy Pledger, Jr., the former Miss Druanne Nicholson. The baby's father was killed in action over Europe on November, 17, 1944.

Cpl. and Mrs. John T. Woods of Strawn are the parents of a baby girl, born January 7, at the West Texas Clinic. Cpl. Woods is stationed with the Armed Forces in New Guinea.

Mrs. Guy Pledger of Corpus Christi arrived today to be with her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Guy Pledger, Jr., and her grandson who are patients at the West Texas Hospital.

Buy War Bonds

NIGHT COUGHS due to colds... eased without "dosing" Rub **VICKS** on VAPORUB APPROVED BY 2 GENERATIONS

FEED

Corn, Ground Wheat, Bran, Shorts, Ground Barley, Ground Oats, Ground Milo Heads

ATTRACTIVE PRICES

A. J. Ratliff
PHONE 109

NOTICE

W. R. Cogburn Will Open A WHITE AUTOMOBILE SUPPLY AND HOME FURNISHING STORE

In Ranger Soon at 311 Main Street.

Watch For Opening Date of this Home-Owned Store

W. R. COGBURN

More Of Uncle's Rockets For The Germans and Japs

DALLAS, Tex.—Here's more and news for Hitler and Hirohito—Uncle Sam's deadly rockets are coming toward them in greater quantities than ever before.

United States Steel Corporation announces that rocket production lines at the vast McKeesport, Pa., works of National Tube Company have passed from the experimental to full production stage.

One of the World War II pioneers in developing and mass-producing new type armaments, National Tube now is producing out rocket tubes and "war heads" in great quantities for the Navy.

Recently the Navy reported it had developed a small rocket carrying strip which has two and a half times the firepower of a 45-000-ten battleship.



By Joyce House
Josh Billings said, "Remember the poor—it costs nothing."

And he also remarked "There is two things in this world for which we are never fully prepared and them is—twins."

Recently, we told some Cotulla legends about O. Henry, as gathered deputy sheriff John Wildenthal. To him, we are indebted for an interesting little incident about Will Rogers. He met the cowboy humorist up North somewhere and mentioned what his home town was.

"Cotulla!" exclaimed Will. "That's where I'd like to settle down—a place where you don't need a lawyer." And he then related an occurrence when he was in Cotulla about 1906 with a small Wild West show. Two ranch owners, who had been having a controversy about some land, met in the town and a fight resulted. They were big fellows, and the scrap was a dandy. When it was over, they shook hands and that was the end of the argument; about

DELIGHTFUL STORY OF LOVE ON LEAVE!

BAXTER-HODIAK

Sunday Dinner for a Soldier

with CHARLES WINNINGER
 Anne Revere - Connie Marshall - Chill Willis - Robert Bailey
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ARCADIA

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

Grabbin' the apple—When a bronco rider grabs the saddle horn to keep from being thrown.
 Baser—Bull-dogger's assistant.

Rangeland definition:
 Cut out—To separate animal from herd.
 Daze—Weakening calf.
 Eating gravel—To be thrown from a bucking horse or steer.
 Four-footing—Roping an animal by feet in order to throw it.

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AT CAMDEN, ARKANSAS

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