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General Eisenhower May Get UNO Post

JAPANESE EFFICIENT IN CONSERVING TIMBER LAND

TOKYO, (UP)—Forest management is one of the few things in which Japan has an edge over America, according to Lt. Col. A. R. Spillers, Chief of the Forestry Division of the Natural Resources Section of the Supreme Allied Headquarters, Col. Spillers recently returned from a tour of the lumber section of Northern Japan.

"The Japanese don't know any more about logging and the conservation of forests than we do," he said, "but they have done much more about enforcing the improved practices than we have in the United States."

Representatives of the Japanese Forestry Division of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry said that while the lumber-jack tradition is one of Japan's oldest trades the lumbermen of Japan have never developed a legendary character to compare to the Paul Bunyan of the American logging camp.

The Japanese lumbermen, like the American counterparts, tend to be larger than the average Japanese male, but even so these giants of the woodlands only run around 5 feet 4 inches in height. Nevertheless, they are characterized by their sturdy build and muscular development and are formidable opponents in a rough and tumble.

The lumberman starts work around 3 a. m. and keeps right on going, with a little time off for food as possible, until 5 p. m. in the winter and 6 p. m. in the summer. Throughout the day he fells the trees with a single bitted ax and one-man saw (as compared with our traditional double bitted ax and two man saw), trimming each tree of its branches and cutting it into lengths for shipment, single handed.

However, he works in gangs which operate with military regimentation and precision. They sing as they work to maintain a given rhythm and the axes fall in split-second timing while the saws rasp back and forth with an exactness of a drill team going through the manual of arms.

The traditional garb of a lumberjack is a narrow white towel folded and tied around the head, sometimes distinguished by a blue design or characters, a white or khaki cotton shirt, breeches light from the knee down, spiral puttees wrapped around the legs, and a rubber soled cotton sock. In the winter he may put on a quilted

vest in place of our North woods gray-plaid sackcoat as a concession to the wintry blast. But he counts on hard work to keep him warm throughout the day.

Hard work is also the reason why he doesn't indulge in the bunk house story telling, handicrafts, and other pastimes which make the American lumberjack a colorful character. After a 14 hour day of swinging ax, saw and snaking logs out of the forest or breaking log jams in the streams, he does what any other workman would do—hits his bunk. There may be a little music in the evening if there is a phonograph or radio.

The greatest similarity which exists between the Japanese and the American lumberjack is his appetite. According to Japanese Forestry Department officials, he eats more than three times as much as the average workman, but his diet is similar to that of other Japanese, consisting mostly of rice. The present food situation is causing a shortage of labor, in the lumber camps since the rations have been cut down to about a 3.5 lb of rice as compared to the average of 2.1 lb per day for other workers. A "go" is 0.3 pints.

Because Japanese forests in which the lumberjacks work are seldom too far from farm lands, the modern woodman tends to live or work on nearby farms during the growing months and commute to the lumber camps during the winter season. This is a practice that is being encouraged by the government.

Where the men are far enough away from home to live in the camp, barracks are provided similar to temporary army barracks. If the logging project is to require several months away from home, he may bring his wife and family along in which case the barracks is divided up into rooms and each family given a room.

Officials of the Forestry Division say, however, that the typical "lumberjack" who learned his trade from his father and passes it down to his son is disappearing. Competition of the farms and other industries for labor has caused a flow back and forth. Anyone who needs a job and is strong enough to stand up under the hard work is likely to be heard yelling the native equivalent of "timber" in the modern Japanese forest.

G. C. Blankenship Enroute Home From The Pacific

Pearl Harbor, T. H. — Gainey C. Blankenship, S. E., son of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Blankenship, of 111 E. Main St., Ranger, Texas, is on his way home.

Blankenship is one of 1,500 high point Navy veterans whom the "Magic Carpet" is bringing back to the States aboard the U.S.S. Broadwater.

The U. S. S. Broadwater — one of more than 250 carriers, battleships, cruisers, and attack transports in the Navy's famed "Magic Carpet" fleet—left Saipan, December 9, and is scheduled to arrive in San Francisco about December 22.

Passengers will go directly to the Separation Centers nearest their homes to complete the formalities of obtaining their discharges before returning to civilian life.

—Victory Bonds Aid Vets—

Do You Know?
That the rock formation that forms the escarpment at scenic Point, becomes a deep formation and produces oil and gas in Jones County?

Last Rites For Mrs. Daniell Held On Sunday

Last rites for Mrs. Sally Olivia Daniell of Ranger were conducted at the Morris Funeral Home in Ranger Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock with a Christian Science reader in charge of the service. Interment was in the Evergreen cemetery.

Born in Mississippi October 1, 1857, Mrs. Daniell had resided in Ranger for about two years. Death came as a result of burns suffered at her home Wednesday morning when the paper she was reading caught fire and set fire to her clothing. She died shortly before midnight Wednesday.

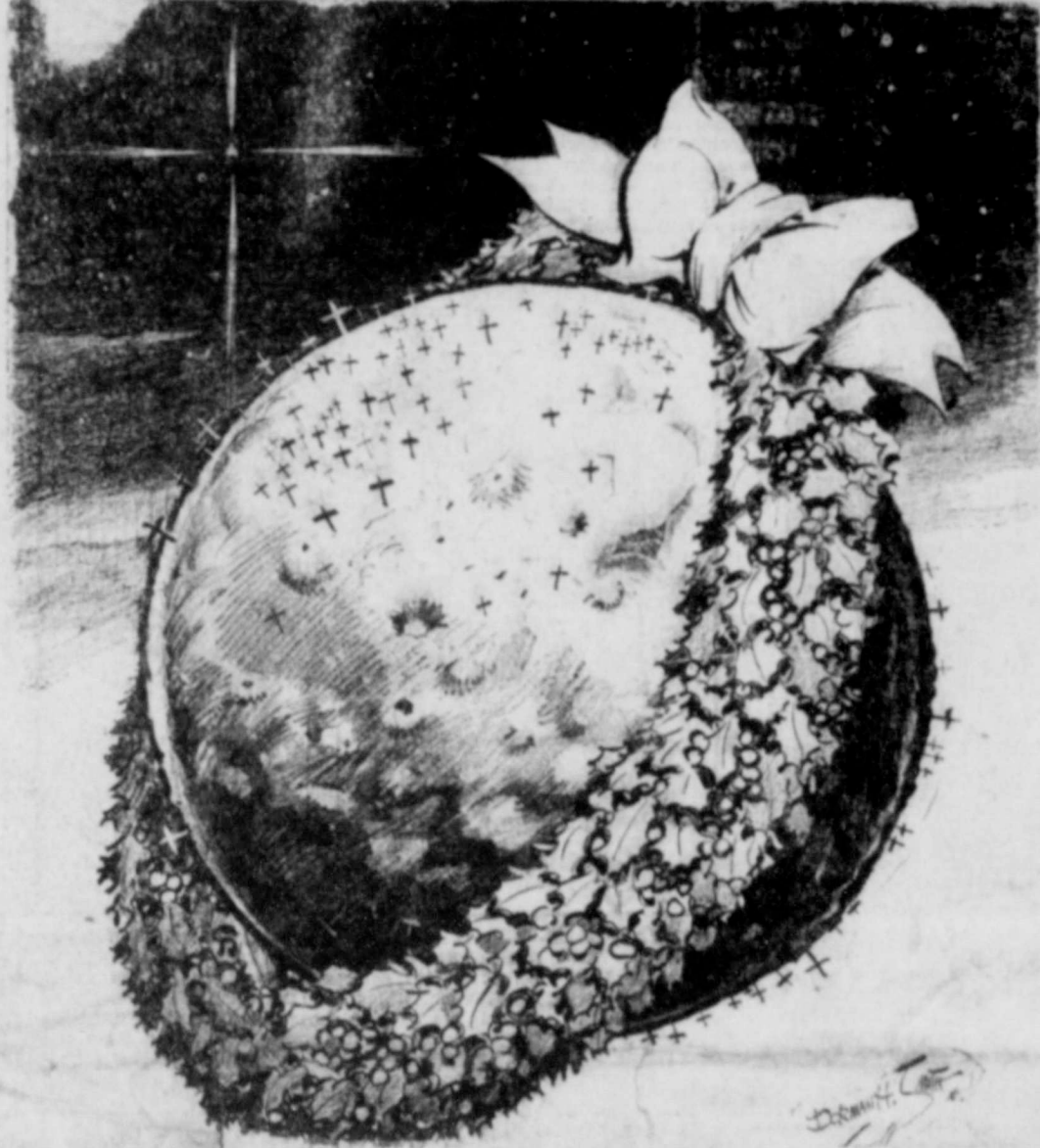
Survivors are one son, T. C. Daniell of Dallas, two daughters, Mrs. Charles Surbrook of Ranger and Mrs. Ola Kennedy of Los Angeles, California; one sister, Mrs. M. E. Corbin of Abilene.

Funeral services were held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Crawford, Con Hazard, Harold Getts and Basil Harman.

ARRESTS SOLDIER
WASHINGTON (UP)—The FBI said today that it had arrested Robert Frederick, 21-year-old army deserter from Chicago, for the hitch-hike-slaying four days ago of Ray Gordon Rich, next-door neighbor of Henry Ford II.

Florida is nicknamed the "Peninsula State."

For on This Day Was Born the Prince of Peace



CAROLLERS HEARD HERE SUNDAY NITE

Sponsored by members of the Intermediate department and the young people's department of the First Baptist church a large group went Christmas-carolling Sunday night following church services.

The group sang at both of the hospitals and at a number of homes including several where shut-ins live.

Refreshments were served at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Eubank, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Brashier and Mr. and Mrs. Koenig.

Among those in the carolling party were:

Betty Reuser, Marie Harper, Joy Harper, Gloria Graham, Pansy Seymour, Amelia Walker, Kathryn Adams, Mary Gues, Charlene Cobb, Rosemary Bruce, Peggy Bundick, Jo Oyler, Mary Katherine McHenry, Wanda Clem, Anita Gilson, Patsy Seymour, Martha Sue Duval, Francis Bankston, Jo Ann Seymour, Myra Sue Lee, Caroline Pruitt, Linda Jane Smith, Joyce Cole, Dorothy Imholz, Bob Eakin, Ralph Gay, Buddy Hancock, Bobby Harper, Alton Stiles, Jack Eubanks, J. E. Eubanks, Ronald Pruitt, Jack Cole, Robert Imholz, Harry Wilson, Charles Dose, Andy Jackson, Wesley Walker, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Hains, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Ham, Mrs. Mildred Cribbs, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blackwell, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hankston, S. H. Nash.

ENOUGH TO MAKE ONE LOSE HIS SHIRT

KIMBERLY, Ida. (UP)—The scene was in the courtroom of Justice of Peace L. E. Ward.

"Are you guilty or not guilty?" asked the judge of a fellow accused of stealing a suitcase full of clothing.

Funeral For Mrs. Ida Jane Green Held Saturday

Dr. and Mrs. E. R. Green have returned from Stephenville where they attended funeral services for Dr. Green's mother, Mrs. Ida Jane Green.

Mrs. Green died Thursday, December 20, 1945 at the home of her son in Ranger following a brief illness. She was born in Tennessee October 26, 1875 and came to Texas with her parents when she was very young. She was married to the late E. A. Green on August 30, 1894 and to them six children were born.

Funeral services were conducted at the Church of Christ in Stephenville Saturday at 1:00 with Max R. Crumley officiating. Interment was in the LiveOak cemetery in Hamilton county.

Survivors are four sons, Dr. Green of Ranger, B. Q. Green of Houston, Dr. H. O. Green of Sherman, and L. L. Green of Irving; two daughters, Mrs. F. N. Taylor of Stephenville and Mrs. C. L. Davis of Stephenville with whom Mrs. Green made her home. Eleven grandchildren and one great grandchild also survive.

Trial Of Jap Guard For War Crimes Halted

YOKOHAMA (UP)—The trial of Tatsu, Little Glass Eye-Touchiya, former Japanese prison guard, on the charges of brutally beating American prisoners was adjourned today because of an "incompetent" interpreter, but was expected to be completed Wednesday.

The prosecution has asked the death sentence for the first suspected Japanese war criminal to be tried in the homeland.

Tuchiya will take the stand in his own behalf when the trial resumes Wednesday with a new official interpreter.

WANTED, AT ONCE, RELIABLE BOY FOR PAPER ROUTE. MUST HAVE BICYCLE. NEED NOT APPLY UNLESS HE INTENDS TO GET JOB DONE.

U.S. SERGEANT MADE KNIGHT BY HOLLAND

ABILENE, Tex., (UP)—An Abilene staff sergeant, Albert L. Box, Jr., stationed at Maastricht, Holland, since Sept. 14, 1944, when the town was liberated, is now a knight as a result of ceremonies held October 13, at The Hague. Sgt. Box and 15 other Americans received the Silver Medal of Honor of Orange-Nassau, with swords, the highest order in the Netherlands.

Sgt. Box, the only GI in the group otherwise consisting of colonels, majors and captains, was awarded the decoration by Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands in recognition of his services with the administration of civil affairs in Maastricht, of which he is in charge.

The Texas sergeant described the medal in this way: The Orange-Nassau is the Royal Order, and is the highest order in the Netherlands. "With Swords" means that it is the highest order that particular medal because it also comes with the wreath. I'm supposed to be a knight because these medals of Orange-Nassau are sent to the Chancellor of the Netherlands, order of knight-hood.

After the presentation ceremony, Sgt. Box stood next to the Prince on the square in The Hague and the group inspected troops passing in review.

Holiday Death Toll Reaches 22 In Texas

By United Press
The death toll for Texas reached 22 today with more than a day remaining of the Christmas holiday as State Public Safety Director Homer Garrison, Jr., expressed fears the highways would bring death to more before the curtain falls on the state's first peacetime Christmas in five years.

Sixteen deaths were registered from traffic accidents. Six resulted from murder.

—Hold War And V Bonds—

GEN. PATTON BURIED TODAY IN GERMANY

HAMM, Luxembourg (UP)—Gen. George S. Patton was buried on a bluff beneath wind-swept pines today, surrounded by white crosses above the graves of soldiers who fell along his Third Army's victory road.

Raw blasts of wind swirled across the U. S. Military cemetery and snapped the Khaki canvas over the grave as the casket was lowered.

Three rounds of salutes from a 12 man firing squad rattled against the leaden sky. Then a lone bugler, his back to the wind, sounded taps.

The General's wife Beatrice stood quietly through the committal services but almost broke down when Patton's negro orderly, Sgt. William G. Meeks, Junction City, Kans., handed her the American flag that had covered the casket.

Like the 7,000 crosses around it, Patton's simple white marker held only his name and military serial number. Just "George S. Patton, Jr." The American Army knows no rank in death.

The burial ceremony, attended by military dignitaries of 41 nations was brief. It was executed as the "soft and solemn" general would have "in perfect discipline. Ladies salute black heavy coat and dressmaker style Gen. Genff.

Along a road over the Ardennes' the procession of military and civilian vehicles wound its way toward the cemetery. Somewhere in the hills a French artillery battery of 105-mm. cannons rolled out a 17-gun salute.

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Belle (Mamie) Hall of Ranger were conducted Sunday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock at the Second Baptist church in Ranger with the pastor, Rev. H. T. Pendley officiating. Interment was in the Davidson cemetery near Strawn and arrangements were by Killingsworth's Funeral Home.

Mrs. Hall died at the Ranger General Hospital Saturday, December 22. She was born in Mountain City, Texas, January 12, 1874 and had resided in Ranger for the past ten years. She was a member of the Second Baptist church.

Survivors are two sisters, Mrs. Maggie Mitters and Mrs. Elizabeth Vinson both of Ranger.

Funeral services were Francis Lindstrom, M. H. Alexander, W. F. Marshall, R. G. King, C. S. Maddux and Clyde Rogers.

—Hold War And V Bonds—

GI's Recovery From Wound Fools Medics

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (UP)—A young wounded infantryman at Brooke General Hospital here calls himself "a walking show."

And for good reason. That's one way S-Sgt. Leroy M. Rohrbach of St. Mary's O. can boast of the fact that he is still alive—much to the amazement of English, French and Russian surgeons.

While at a "rest area" two miles north of St. Lo a few days after D-Day, Rohrbach was seriously injured from a burst of German artillery. A piece of shrapnel had entered his head and seven small pieces had lodged in his right leg.

Despite the critical wound, the young sergeant remained conscious through the air evacuation trip back to England, where he was hospitalized. There, after three extremely delicate operations on his head, the piece of shrapnel was removed from the right ventricle after it had traveled from ventricle to right auricle and back to ventricle again.

The young soldier credits his being alive to Lt. Col. Dwight Harbison of Boston, although, after the operation, Rohrbach became a medical curiosity to visiting European physicians and surgeons.

Looking the picture of a healthy new, despite occasional short-sightedness, Rohrbach plans to return to his farm home in Ohio.

Twelve Die In Fire In Japan
SIXTH ARMY HEADQUARTERS, JAPAN (UP)—Twelve American soldiers were burned to death and 22 others injured when a flash fire swept a two-story frame barracks on Shikoku early Sunday, headquarters said today.

INVESTIGATING CRASH
CHILLICOTHE, O. (UP)—Army Air Force officials today began investigation of the crash of a C-47 transport plane which piled up in a field 12 miles west of here last night after flying approximately 1000 miles without a crew.

THE WEATHER
West Texas — Partly cloudy with occasional rain in extreme east portion this afternoon. Colder in interior tonight and in northwest and extreme west this afternoon. Low tonight 20-24 degrees in extreme northwest, 24-28 over remainder of the northwest and extreme north portions and near 32 in west central portions. Tuesday partly cloudy and colder.

The Mississippi River turns north at New Orleans.

Jefferson Barracks, Mo., is the oldest Army post west of the Mississippi River.

EXPECTED TO REPRESENT MILITARY ON SECURITY UNIT

WASHINGTON (UP)—The Army and Navy Journal, unofficial service publication, said today it expected the appointment of General Dwight D. Eisenhower, army chief of staff, as the chief U. S. Military representative on the United Nations security council.

The journal said the importance of the atom bomb discussions of the Big Three foreign ministers in Moscow focused attention on the UNO military appointments.

"It will be presumed that an understanding satisfactory to Moscow regarding control of atomic energy has been reached if Russia as anticipated, sends Mr. Foreign Commissioner, V. M. Molotov and other outstanding officials to the meeting of UNO in London next Monday," the journal said.

The journal said an agreeable settlement on the atom question was expected because of Premier Josef Stalin's "desire for collaboration among the Allies."

Commenting on President Truman's recent statement of policy toward Russia, the journal said he has now declared an United States policy that a breach of the peace including civil war, is a threat to the world.

President To Lead Nation In Xmas Celebration
WASHINGTON (UP)—The sweeping, snow covered south lawn of the White House will serve as the setting today as President Truman leads the nation in the first national community Christmas observance since 1941.

Mr. Truman will light the national Christmas tree at 5 p. m. EST, then, in nationally broadcast address, he will voice the nation's hopes and prayers for a lasting peace at this first Christmas in peacetime in four years.

Pope's Message is Sorrowful
ROME (UP)—Pope Pius XII, in his annual Christmas message to the world, said today "there is no true peace but only the post-war"—a sorrowful and very meaningful expression — and therefore this Christmas is only one of expectation, hope and prayer."

GREETINGS!
The Ranger Daily Times today presents its annual Christmas edition to its readers with the best wishes of the staff to one and all.

In the pages of this edition you will find greetings from the people of Ranger and the fact that this edition is the largest Christmas edition published by The Times in the last ten years, points to the genuine spirit that pervades in this, the first peacetime Yuletide in five years.

The staff of the Times is grateful to the people of Ranger for their cooperation during the wartime years, when the paper labored under the most trying times of its history. So it is with added sincerity and deep appreciation that the staff greets you at this season.

Don't miss reading a one of the greetings in this edition, as each is intended for you personally.

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★ EDITORIALS By James Thrasher

Though peace on earth may be new and precarious, and good will may be of doubtful measure, this should be a Merry Christmas for most of us. This is not the year to rejoice with reservation, for there are too many who deserve to celebrate the day with whole-hearted joy.

If there are any who have a happy holiday with accrued interest coming to them, it's kids who have had to put up with a lot from a badly managed adult world these last few years.

Wartime Christmases have been particularly trying for the older generation of small fry whose memories go back beyond Pearl Harbor. They remember days when bicycles, skates and electric trains, and sturdy metal trucks and fire engines, all of them new and shining, were to be found beneath the tree. They have been remarkably patient with ersatz substitutes and it's time they had something better, even though Santa Claus hasn't been able to reconvert completely to peacetime production.

Wartime Christmases must have been incomplete and bewildering to thousands of the smaller youngsters. They've needed a father around holiday-time who was something more than a picture on the table, or a vaguely remembered person who was too far away and too busy fighting the war even to hook a ride with Santa and arrive on Christmas Eve. And needless to say it has been tough on their absent fathers, and on the mothers who tried to do double parental duty with half a heart.

But the wartime Christmases are past. Many of those fathers already are home, and many more even now are on the last lap of the journey and will bring them back in time for the reunion that is the best and most treasured gift of all.

They will find no quarrel with the day's perfection, and the rest of us might take our cue from them. There is trouble and sorrow in the world, as always. But, concerned though we may be, our concern should not intrude upon this celebration crowned at last with victory and peace.

And so, a Merry Christmas to all.

WESTERN LEADERSHIP

We had a few qualms about the superiority of Western civilization after reading a speech by Charles A. Lindbergh, delivered on the 42nd anniversary of the Wright brothers' first flight.

It should be noted that Mr. Lindbergh had some qualms, too. The burden of his message was that there must be a world organization (an interesting statement in itself one of the most vocal of progressive nationalists) equipped with immediate, overwhelming strength to cope with trouble "in this age of split seconds and splitting atoms."

Mr. Lindbergh confessed a dismay shared by most of us, that our moral force has not kept pace with our scientific advancement. "Our minds are harassed," he said, "by the damage that has already been done; by the realization that Western man has not justified his trust; that he has misused his inheritance from the early pioneers."

Yet he advocated a world organization "led by Western peoples, who developed modern science with its aviation and its atomic bomb."

It is difficult to know how much importance to attach to this specification of "Western peoples" rather than "Western nations." Perhaps Mr. Lindbergh is less concerned with geographical boundaries than with geographical location and racial origin. At least we recall an *Aviation* article he wrote some years back which gave that impression.

The article appeared shortly before or after the beginning of the war in Europe. In it the author made the point, in effect, that it was suicidal for the Western nations (or maybe it was peoples) to be at each other's throats when they should be uniting for the great coming showdown battle with the dark-skinned races of the East.

There is no doubting the West's leading role in history for some time to come, in and out of world organization. But neither can it be denied that the advanced Western peoples have been responsible for most of the world's major wars since the Crusades.

The Western peoples have "developed modern science with its aviation and its atomic bomb," to be sure. But is that their only claim to undisputed leadership? If so it isn't enough.

The West should not pre-empt world leadership to the extent of refusing the East at least a prominent voice.

It would be sad indeed if the nation of racial or regional superiority, so recently put down in Germany and Japan (the most western in material culture of all Oriental nations), should arise to disturb the avowed equality of a world organization united for peace.

A Georgia man broke his leg while swinging at a golf ball. A driving hazard!

Some people who fall head over heels in love have a tough time getting back on their feet.

For all the kids' sake, here's hoping Santa will be 'round this year—and we don't mean his paunch.

You'll be caught in that last minute shopping rush if you sit back and let the rest of the world go by.

Pleasantries exchanged over the wire often are phoney.

The sugar ration for 1946 is likely to be unchanged, says the Agriculture Department. What do they mean, "the sweet by and by"?

The OPA has released wool for the manufacture of men's clothes. That suits us!

Don't wait for something to go wrong with your motor before you stop, look and listen.

An employment agency official suggests picking unemployed folk to serve on juries. Well, it's worth a trial.

Too often folks who merely trust to luck discover that it can't be trusted.

CHRISTMAS CUSTOMS COME FROM MANY LANDS



CHRISTMAS DAY—The name originally was "Christes Masses." At Twelfth Night, the three wise men from Jerusalem found the Christ-child in Bethlehem and presented to him gifts, gold, and frankincense and myrrh. Since then, His followers have marked the season with a general exchange of gifts. Gift-giving was also a feature of the pagan festivals, celebration of the Winter Solstice, which coincides with the Christmas season. In Scandinavia this sun festival is known as Jul or Yule, hence our "Yuletide."

GIVING OF GIFTS—"God, so loved the world that He gave His only begotten son." At Twelfth Night, the three wise men from Jerusalem found the Christ-child in Bethlehem and presented to him gifts, gold, and frankincense and myrrh. Since then, His followers have marked the season with a general exchange of gifts. Gift-giving was also a feature of the pagan festivals, celebration of the Winter Solstice, which coincides with the Christmas season. In Scandinavia this sun festival is known as Jul or Yule, hence our "Yuletide."

YULE LOG—A bonfire, or ceremonious burning of a huge log was featured in ancient festivals that marked the earth's progress around the sun, especially the Yule rites in Scandinavia, England and North Germany. The Yule log gradually became part of Christmas.



CHRISTMAS TREE—Few people realize that the Christmas tree, as we know it, came to England as recently as Queen Victoria's reign. Albert her prince consort, is credited with introducing this charming custom to the English. The practice of decorating a fir tree and lighting it with candles was an old German one. Other festive Christmas greens, such as holly, ivy and bay, date back to ancient Saxon religious rites. Martinique goes back to the early English Christian church where the Christmas tree was first used.

SANTA CLAUS—This is an American corruption of "San Nicolaas," the Dutch form of St. Nicholas, patron saint of children. St. Nicholas Day, Dec. 6, is still celebrated in Holland with many customs associated with Christmas. On St. Nicholas' Eve, Dutch youngsters put out their big wooden shoes, filled with grain for his reindeer. He is supposed to come in the night, take the grain and replace it with gifts. St. Nicholas Day customs, brought to America by early Dutch colonists, soon became part of the general Christmas observance.

OUR DEMOCRACY

GOOD SPENDERS - GOOD SAVERS

AMERICANS TRADITIONALLY ARE KNOWN AS "GOOD SPENDERS"—OUR LIVING STANDARDS ARE THE HIGHEST IN THE WORLD.



WE CAN AFFORD TO BE "GOOD SPENDERS" WHEN WE ARE ALSO "GOOD SAVERS" AND THE MONEY WE PUT BY FOR FUTURE SECURITY IN VICTORY BONDS, LIFE INSURANCE AND SAVINGS, SERVES ALSO AS AN ACTIVE FORCE IN INCREASING THE PRODUCTIVITY OF OUR DEMOCRACY.

dared that children be kept in the conference room, but they were unoccupied there, bored, worried and fretful.

Now, under the supervision of a matron, the children—more than forty of them a day—pass two or three hours in the sunny spacious nursery, reading, absorbedly through magazines, playing with blocks, sipping milk through drinking straws. They are free, for a little while, from the cares and turmoil that brought them there.

Milk is the only food and refreshment served. "Children can't have too many vitamins," Judge Robson said.

The children who came to the nursery average about 25 half pint bottles of milk each day.

"These youngsters have been disturbed; their young minds have been exhausted," Judge Robson explained. "We are duty-bound to try to restore their energies as well as their domestic peace."

Sinfonietta To Give Program At Dallas Museum

DENTON, Texas.—North Texas State College's String Sinfonietta under the direction of Joseph Kirshbaum of the NTSC School of Music has been scheduled for a concert in Dallas on January 13 at 4 p. m. at the Dallas Museum of Fine Arts, according to Dr. Milfred C. Bain, head of the

BARBS

BY HAL COCHRAN

IT'S the old check book that makes a man really appreciate his wife's drawing power.

Around Christmas shopping time, when things are sent C.O.D., father's the fish!

Present plans call for the quick return to civilian status of 13,000 Army doctors. Watch out for a shingle shortage!

It's only human to enjoy the voice of a person who is singing our praises.

If you're smart, you'll wash your hands of people who are always soft-soaping.

Children Play While Parents Settle Divorces

CHICAGO.—Unique in history, the creation of modern unrest and and judicial kindness, a playroom on the eleventh floor of the Cook County Building in Chicago brings solace and escape from worry and boredom to children whose parents are battling in the divorce courts.

An unused room adjoining the court of Judge Edwin A. Robson was redecorated as a nursery and fitted out with a hobby horse, a play pen, and the latest editions of the comic books a couple of months ago when the Judge began to worry over the obnoxious restlessness of youngsters who were forced to wait several hours while the tumult of their parents' lives was being settled in court.

"I always felt that the courtroom was no place for children," Judge Robson said. "When I first began to hear divorce cases, I or-



NOTHING CAN STOP THEM SINCE THE BUTCHER HUNG OUT THAT SIGN!



THE WORRY WAIT



Strike Delays Delivery of New Cars



Several hundred completed cars and trucks which were ready for delivery a month ago, are held up at the Chevrolet and Fisher body plants in Leeds, near Kansas City, Missouri, by strike action which began November 21st. (NEA Telephoto.)

They're Red Sox Fans Now



Jim Bagby, Jr., son of a great pitcher and himself one of the leading hurlers in American League, talks it over with his sons at Atlanta, Ga., after being sold by Cleveland Indians to Boston Red Sox, where he made major league start. The boys are Tommy, one; Larry, two; and Charles, three. They, inspect Pop's war club.

EX-ARMY MAN GOT AROUND IN THE NAVY

SAN DIEGO, Cal. (UP) — A buck private, who took Gen. John J. Pershing's advice 30 years ago and left the Army for Navy service is due to retire soon as a lieutenant commander.

He is Lt. Cmdr. Homer V. Randolph, wearer of 15 service ribbons and decoration bars and veteran of two world wars.

Randolph, who was writing a letter requesting retirement on Dec. 7, 1941, took the seagoing tug Cormorant into the Normandy beachhead on June 6 to sink a concrete caisson for temporary landing wharves.

"I wouldn't have missed the Normandy invasion for a million bucks, but I didn't see how we came out of it alive," he says in remembering attacks by waves of JU-88s.

Later he was assigned to the battleship Indiana, sailed into Tokyo Bay for the official surrender of Japan and "couldn't believe my eyes. I didn't know we had such a big Navy."

It wasn't Randolph's first trip to Yokohama. He had rushed there in 1923 to help relieve the suffering that followed the 1923 earthquake.

"It didn't look as bad then as after the B-29s and the fleet got through with it."

NAME PLATES FOR STREETS

Houston, Tex. (UP) — Signs of reconversion: Contractors doing curb and gutter work for Houston have agreed to install tile name plates on street corners.

—Save VIA V Bonds—

BARBS

BY HAL COCHRAN

PEOPLE have little chance of getting the best of you if you make the best of yourself.

A Texas judge sentenced a man to go to bed at 9 o'clock every night for three months. Sounds like an under-cover job.

Again drum majors have played an important part in a successful football season, says a high school principal. They have a high baton average.

The old thought that a fat man makes a hit with everybody may be the reason why they don't pull their punches.

The easiest way to induce a young man to go to bed is to let him stay in just a little longer.

BUY VICTORY BONDS



A bulwark of Victory Bonds around your home will keep the wolf away.

Surprises In Lights Due In Postwar Age

PHILADELPHIA (UP) — The experts say there's a surprise in store for the American housewife when she turns on the lights in her postwar "dream home."

Here's what happens when you click the light switches in the newest "home of vision," built in Philadelphia to illustrate what lighting will be 20 years from now:

The dining room is suffused by a "ribbon of light" from special fluorescent tubes.

Dark corners are lighted by built-in lighting fixtures.

The leisure room has "black light" lamps concealed in the corners along with the fluorescent lamps. Silver-colored wallpaper treated with fluorescent paints appears subdued under the fluorescent lighting, but "leaps to life" when irradiated by the invisible ultraviolet black light rays. Pillows and playing cards also are activated by the black light radiations.

The kitchen is fluorescent-lighted, with local fixtures concealed at strategic points such as above the sink. The laundry boasts a special fluorescent lighting unit which pops out of the laundry wall with the ironing board to make work light. And the lights come in assorted sizes and shapes to complement the furnishings.

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Rebel Composer Writes Music To Rhythm Of American Speech

MADISON, Wis. (UP) — A rebellious University of Wisconsin composer is writing music which follows the "natural rhythm" of American speech.

Harry Partch, a resident at the university under a Guggenheim fellowship, admits that his purpose is to "administer something of a shock to some segments of American culture in order to force a reevaluation of our present music." He maintains that neither concert music nor "swing" expresses the character of the American people.

"We don't have a music that comes from the people," he said. "Our concert music is abstract, beyond time and space. What we need is a good music, yet one that concerns us now, with no claim to immortality."

In Partch's high-school days he discovered that "speech itself has a natural rhythm—natural in the sense that words are not forced into a preconceived pattern, distorting their inherent music." He began writing music using this rhythm and trying to capture the inflections of ordinary conversation.

"In this music the words flow just as they flow in speech," he said. "I have a good tonal memory and can recall days later the inflection someone used in a phrase. That phrase and that inflection become the melodic basis for my harmonization."

One of Partch's work, "U. S. Highball," is a musical account of a cross-country hobo trip which the composer says was his own experience.

To fit music to the inflection of speech, Partch abandoned tradition and adopted one 43-tone scale all in one key. He calls the resulting music "monophony." However, he found that by using this system he could go into other keys as well.

Partch writes his music for an instrumental quartet and voice. Instead of a piano he uses a reed organ called the chromelodion, adapted to a 43-tone scale. The quartet usually is completed with an adapted guitar, a viola and a kithara, a modification of an ancient Greek instrument.

HOMELESS DOG NOW TRICK PERFORMER

DENVER. (UP) — Five years ago Samuel Gano paid one dollar for a homeless Belgian shepherd dog at the Dumb Friends League here.

Today the dog earns \$20 for a 12-minute vaudeville act thanks to Gano's skill at training.

Besides the standard counting tricks, the dog—Jerry—is Gano's valet. His master has taken out \$5,000 insurance on the dog and is training another animal to act as "bodyguard" for the one-dollar investment.

Highland Park Defeated Wichita Falls



A determined Highland Park football team outplayed a stubborn Wichita Falls eleven to win the right to go to the finals in the state school boy football race. Teddy Bristol, No. 22, Highland Park breaks through his right tackle to pick up 15 yards in the last quarter of the game played at Ft. Worth, Tex. Tidwell, No. 84, Wichita Falls, misses the tackle while Bill Elliot Highland Park does some fancy blocking to stop No. 99, Hames of Wichita Falls. (NEA Photo.)

Although the art of making glass goes back to the time of the ancient Egyptians, it was not manufactured in England until the 16th century.

Nebraska has more daily newspapers and fewer weekly newspapers than it had 15 years ago.

Team Sacrifices Holiday To Mend Some Weaknesses

LUBBOCK — Although most students of Texas Tech are home on a 16-day holiday, members of the Red Raider basketball squad will remain through most of the Christmas vacation for hard work on weaknesses which developed in competition.

The Raiders lost their last four games, two each to SMU and TCU and Coach Robinson is insistent deficiencies in play be removed before other college opponents are faced. Two workouts daily, scrimmages with military personnel and a couple of games with teams away from Lubbock are on tap. The campers will have a few days at Christmas, returning early to prepare for the next home game Jan. 5 when the New Mexico Lobos hit the campus.

Tech won its first two games against the Eastern New Mexico Greyhounds but fumbled the SMU Mustangs and TCU Horned Frogs too tough on their home floors, last week, although scores were close in all encounters.

Robinson will spend most of the holiday drills in working on defense and passing. The road games showed better defense might have won the close contests.

Raider scoring has been well divided with Gene Hardee, letterman from Kansas, leading. He has hit 25 baskets and 10 free throws for 60 points. Behind him bank Jiggs Jackson of Monument, N.

M., 55 points; Jay Kerr, Odessa, 44; Tilley Sneed, Idalou, 40; Ardie Barton, Spring Lake, 30; Bill Kelley, Idalou, 29; and James Putnam, Throckmaston, 8.

Coach Robinson is highly pleased with development of Sneed, 6 foot, 8 1-2 inch freshman, who is becoming more proficient each game. Both his offensive and defensive work are improving rapidly.

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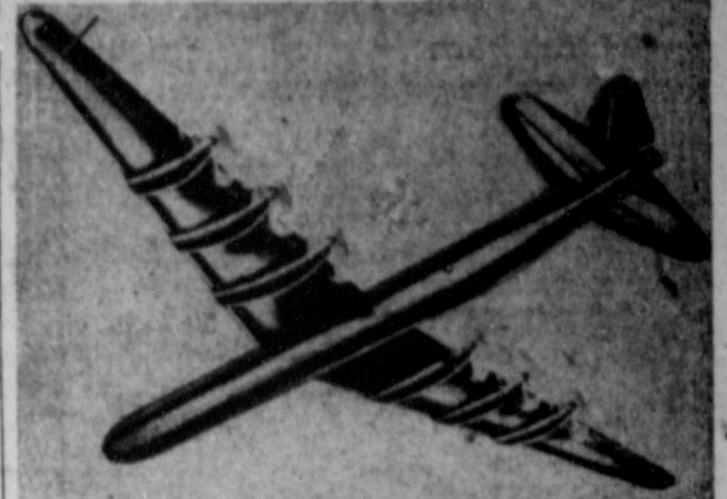
Louise Meiszner To Be Presented At N.T.S.T.C.

DENTON, Texas — Louise Meiszner, world-famous 21 year old concert pianist, will be presented on the North Texas State College fine arts program on January 7, at 8:15 p. m. in the main auditorium.

Accompanying Miss Meiszner at the second piano for Grieg's A Minor Concerto will be Ruth Henderson, senior student at the North Texas State School of Music. Miss Henderson will continue as accompanist on the Meiszner tour through this section of the country.

Miss Meiszner, "the phenomenal wonderchild of yesterday who has returned as America's most exciting woman pianist, began playing the piano at the age of three and a half and her first concert was given when she was five years old. She has studied in this country and abroad and in October

They Get Super-er and Super-er



The XB-36, newest super-bomber of the Army Air Forces, is shown in artist's sketch above. Now in process of assembly, the six-engine pusher-type plane is described by Gen. H. H. Arnold, air force chief, as faster, larger and more powerful than the famous B-29 Superfortress.

was awarded the world-famous Leventritt award and played her award performance at Carnegie Hall in New York.

Badwater creek in Wyoming named by Indians because of a disastrous cloudburst.

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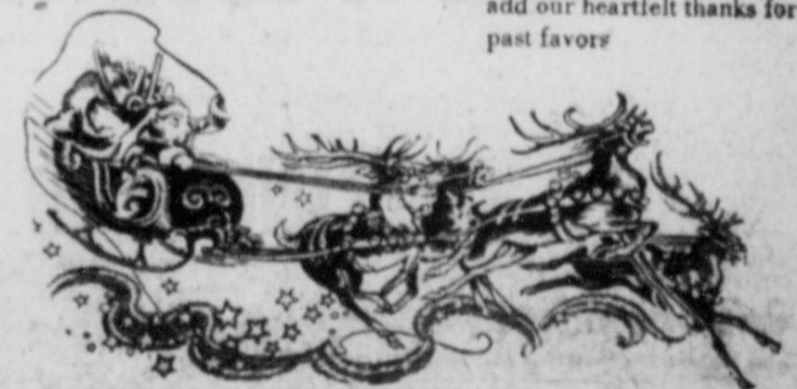
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● The goodwill of our friends we value immeasurably because we well know that without them life in itself would be empty indeed.

● As we wish you the Joys of Christmas and every Happiness throughout the New Year, we add our heartfelt thanks for all past favors



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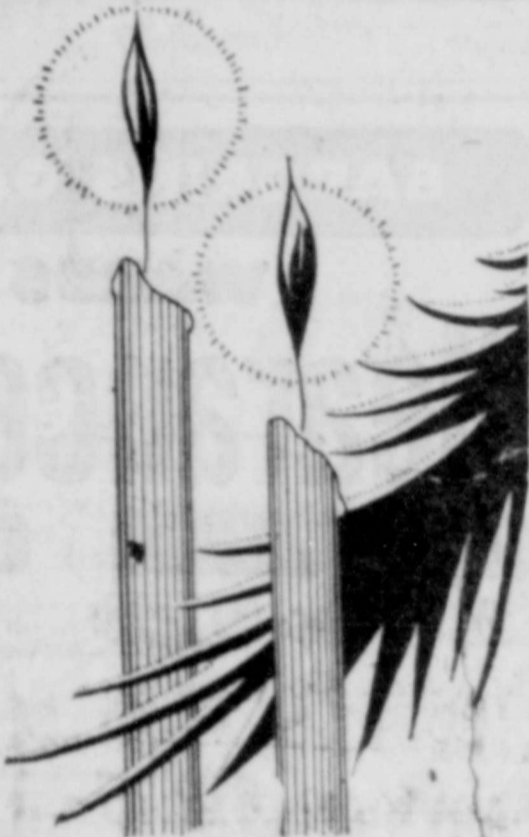
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Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd L. Bruce and Rose Mary

Here's OUR GREETINGS

Pause a few minutes, please, to accept our heartiest GREETINGS for the Christmas season. Our every wish is for your happiness and contentment at Christmastime and during the New Year.

Whatever your disappointments may have been the past year, whatever sacrifices may have been yours, may you find strength to face the future with a cheerful heart.



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78 Year Old Man Has Refreshing Ideas On Youth

The following article was contributed to this paper by a friend of the author who stated that the author was 78 years of age and still a very active man.

YOUTH . . . is not a time of life . . . It is a State of Mind. It is not a matter of red cheeks, red lips and supple knees; it is a temper of the will, a quality of the imagination, a vigor of the emotions; it is a freshness of the deep springs of life.

Nobody grows old by merely living a number of years; people grow old only by deserting their ideals. Years' k' nkle the skin, but to give up enthusiasm wrinkles the soul. Worry, doubt, self distrust, fear and despair . . . these are the long, long years that bow the head and turn the growing spirit back to dust.

Whether seventy or sixteen, there is in every being's heart, the love of wonder, the undaunted challenge of events, the unfeeling childlike appetite for what next, and the joy and the game of life.

You are as young as your faith, as old as your doubts, as young as your self confidence, as old as your fear, as young as your hope, as old as your despair.

In the central place of your heart, there is a wireless station; so long as it receives messages of beauty, hope, cheer, courage, grandeur, and power from the earth, from men and from the Infinite, so long are you young.

When the wires are down and all the central places of your heart are covered with the snow of pessimism and the ice of cynicism, then you are old indeed and may God have mercy on your soul."

The town of Lost Cabin, Wyo. was founded in 1886 by J. R. Okie, and recently was sold to R. W. Spratt, Tensleep, Wyo., rancher and president of the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission.

"Just What I Wanted!"



SKI CLUBS OPTIMISTIC OVER SPORTS' FUTURE

By Leonard C. Schubert United Press Staff Correspondent MILWAUKEE (UP)—Skiing is breaking new trails for national and international competition after being disorganized by the war.

Roger Langley, Barre, Mass., president of the National Ski Assn. of America, is optimistic about the outlook. He and other National Ski officers were here for the organization's 38th annual convention. It was the first held since 1941. "In looking forward, I feel that we are going to see a tremendous development of the ski sport in the

future," he said. "Although the international skiing picture is not clear at this time, we have great opportunities ahead in exchanging visits of ski teams with Canada, Chile, Bolivia, Argentina and with our old friends, Norway, Finland, Switzerland, Australia, and New Zealand."

The International Olympics Committee will hold a full session in September, 1946, at Lausanne, Switzerland. Plans are underway to celebrate games of the 14th Olympiad of the modern cycle in 1948. Invitations have been received from St. Moritz and Lake Placid for the seventh winter games.

Delegates to the Milwaukee convention unanimously awarded the 1947 national ski-jumping championships to the Ishpeming, Mich. club of the Central United States Ski Assn. The Ishpeming club is remodeling its hill for 300 foot jumps and will try it out in a sanctioned tournament on Feb. 24, 1946. This involves moving the takeoff back 70 feet. The best record made on the old slide was 336 feet. The National Ski Assn. of America was founded at Ishpeming in 1904. The first three national jumping contests were held on Ishpeming's "suicide hill" from 1904 until 1906.

The association's executive committee will invite various other clubs in its seven divisions to play host to other national skiing contests. The association now claims 363 affiliated clubs with 43,500 members.

Many of the foremost skiers served overseas in the armed forces during the war. Casualties ran as high as 90 per cent in some units. Those who paid the supreme sacrifice included the spectacular Norwegian star, Torger Tokle, who set records in many American tournaments before the war.

Many of the survivors are returning to skiing competition with renewed vigor. Lloyd Ellingson, Menominee, Wis., again is active as secretary of the national association after returning from three-and-a-half years' service in a naval aviation unit.

Irving Johnson and Lavern Trepp, who were class "A" competitors before the war, are planning to open a ski school at Iron Mountain, Mich. They trained military skiers of the mountain training group at Camp Hale, Col., and later were members of ski troop units who served in Kiska of the Aleutians and in Italy.

Cross country racing will be sponsored this winter by a dozen Upper Michigan high schools. The national convention adopted a resolution to encourage intercollegiate skiing and took action to organize junior skiing on a national basis. Funds appropriated for preliminary work in connection with a program outlined by the hut and trail committee. Chairman of this group is James Laughlin, Alta, Utah. It proposed to promote winter camping and touring, to prepare information about hats and trails and to encourage the development of suitable touring areas.

The town of Lost Cabin, Wyo. once was offered for sale at \$125,000. It later was sold at a price undisclosed.

Man And Wife Chosen Favorites For A Yearbook

DENTON, Tex. (UP)—A husband and wife have been chosen favorites for the Yucca yearbook of North Texas State College, for the first time in the school's history.

Pictures of Mr. and Mrs. John Lee will be featured along with 10 other students elected favorites of the college in the student election.

Mrs. Lee was Martha Brown before marrying Lee in a campus romance this fall.

Construction In 1946 Expected To Show Increase

NEW YORK — Construction activity should increase throughout 1946. The huge unsatisfied demands will undoubtedly continue to force an upward trend in the construction volume, as well as in the course of the Nation's economy.

Business generally is moving ahead, slowly but surely, in the shift from war to peacetime production. Confidence in the immediate future continues to be high, with government and the general public sharing in the belief that good times lie ahead.

On account of shortages of manufactured materials and uncertain labor conditions, large-scale operations in construction may not be attained before the end of the year. The Associated General Contractors of America has voiced the objective of construction operating at the rate of \$12,000,000,000 annually a year from the end of the war. It appears that such a rate

can be attained. But even that rate cannot quickly satisfy all demands.

The construction industry as a whole faces enormous accumulated and new demands for its services. To supply those demands will require the same resourcefulness and same know-how as the industry exerted in the war program.

There can be no question that the aim of everyone should be development of the Nation to the fullest extent of its resources. That would require something like \$20,000,000,000 annually in construction. This would provide business opportunities and jobs for about 4,000,000 men at the site of construction, and create job opportunities of from 6,000,000 to 8,000,000.

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PHOTOGRAPH OF A WOMAN WITH CAPTION: Hollywood gossip has it that screen star Joan Crawford above, and her third husband, actor Phillip Terry, have separated. Wed in July, 1942, they have two adopted children. Miss Crawford's previous marriages to Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., and Francis Tom ended in divorce.



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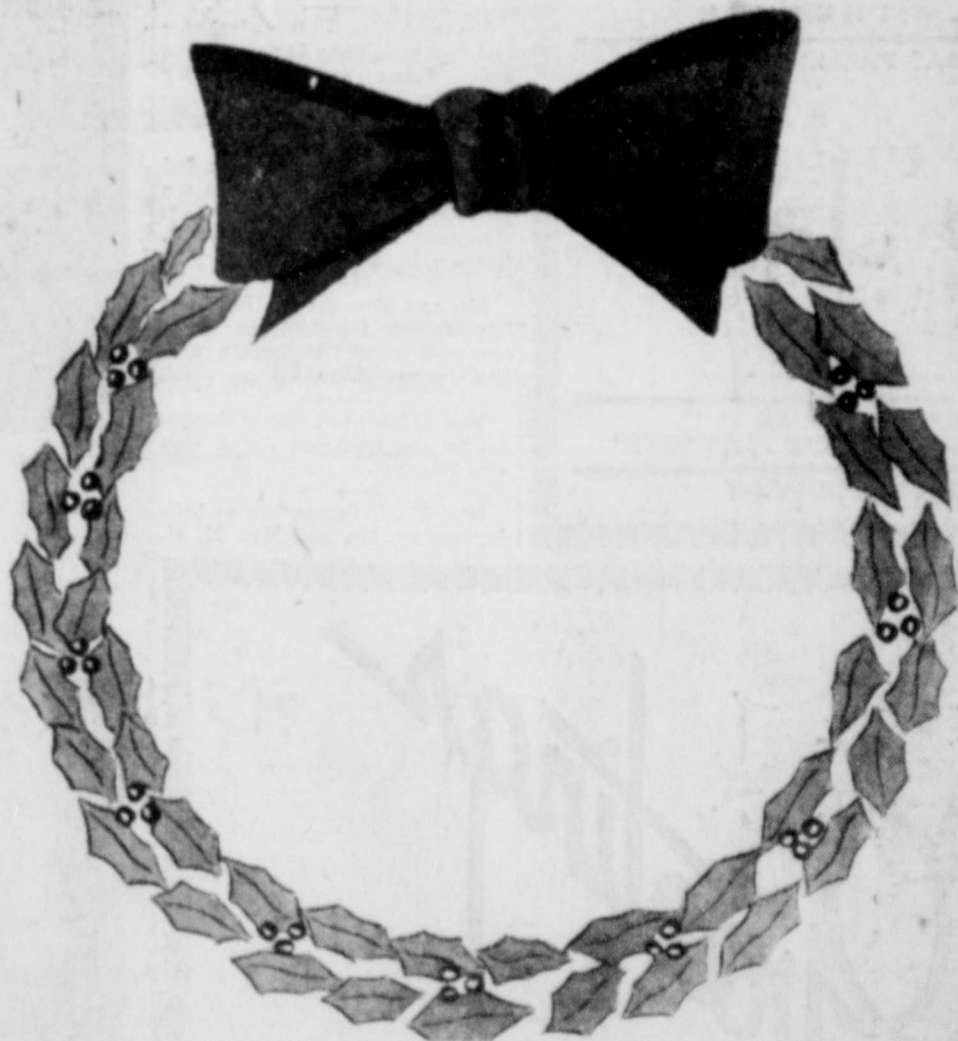
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Photo above suggests that motorist Arnold Anderson, 27, took literally the "visitors welcome" roadside billboard near Santa Rosa, Calif. This is how his car came to rest at the end of a 250-foot skid. Anderson was cut and bruised, a passenger in the car was unhurt.

CARD OF THANKS

To our many friends we wish to express our deep appreciation for the many kindnesses shown during the recent illness and at the death of our mother and grandmother, Mrs. Addie Pearl Parrish. Your thoughtfulness was a source of comfort to all of us. Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Parrish and family.
Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Parrish and family.
Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Chastain, Jr.

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Two Couples Wed In Breckenridge

In a double ceremony performed in Breckenridge Sunday, Miss Marilyn Murray daughter of Mrs. Blanche Murray of Ranger and Walter Murray of Mineral Wells, became the bride of Mr. Robert Jack Hickey, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Hickey of El Dorado, Arkansas, and Miss Johnnie Ruth Eaves, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Eaves became the bride of Mr. Gene A. Lyon, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Lyon.

The marriage service was performed at the First Baptist church in Breckenridge at 1:00 o'clock by Rev. Aldridge, pastor of the church. Immediately after the ceremony the two couples left for a short trip and were expected back in Ranger today. Mr. Lyon is serving with the Army and is stationed at San Antonio and Mr. Hickey is serving with the Navy as a pharmacist's mate and is stationed at the Naval hospital in Corpus Christi.

Both of the brides are graduates of Ranger high school and attended Ranger Junior College. Mrs. Hickey also attended T.C.U. in Ft. Worth and Texas Technological College at Lubbock.

Both of the grooms also are Ranger high school graduates and Mr. Hickey attended Ranger Junior College before enlisting in the Navy.

The two couples were entertained at a wedding dinner Sunday night at 6:00 o'clock in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Eaves. Only the bridal couples and members of the family attended.

Merry Christmas, All!

By CLARENCE HAWKES
The Blind Poet of Hadley, Mass.

(Written for the United Press)

War has ceased and peace has found us,
In the heart and in the brain
Joys we hardly dared to mention
Have come back to us again.
There's a heart throb in our greeting,
To the nations near and far,
Merry Christmas with our meeting,
Of the Christ Child and the star.

Bells are ringing in the steeple,
Waking echoes in the mind,
There are happy, laughing people,
In a world that's grown more kind.
War has ceased and peace has found us,
With His angels all around us,
Let us laugh and let us pray.

There is music in the churches,
There is singing in the home,
For man's ecstasy now reaches
Up to heaven's peaceful dome.
Hatred vanished and forever,
Peace and love will take its place,
What a gift and what a giver,
On this Christmas to the race.

Merry Christmas, saint and sinner
Merry Christmas, great or small,
Merry Christmas o'er your dinner,
Merry Christmas to you all.
May the Christ love once more banish
Every specter from the door,
While hate of nations vanish,
Through God's love forever more.

PERSONALS

Mrs. T. W. Hazard has as her guests for the holidays her son, Thomas W. Hazard, Sr., and Mrs. Hazard of San Jose, California and their son, Cadet Thomas W. Hazard, Jr., of the United States Military Academy at West Point. Cadet Hazard flew from New York to Dallas and was met there by his parents. This is the first time in three years that Mrs. Hazard has seen her relative.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gholson of Jackson, Mississippi are the holiday guests of Mrs. John M. Gholson, Mr. Gholson who served with the Army Engineers as a lieutenant colonel in the battle for Germany and Italy recently received his discharge.

Miss Betty White, a student at T.S.C.W. Denton is here to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Ven White.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dreinhof and daughter, Dana Lynn, of Agua Dulce, Texas are the holiday guests in the home of Mr. Dreinhof's father, J. F. Dreinhof.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Gorman and Mr. and Mrs. James Sanders are spending Christmas day with Mr. Gorman's mother, Mrs. W. C. Gorman, in Commerce.

Mr. and Mrs. George Robinson left Monday for Hamilton where they will spend Christmas with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Ralph Koen was in Ranger during the week-end for a visit with relatives.

Mrs. H. C. Croom has as holiday guests, Mr. and Mrs. M. H.

Brewer of Marlin, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith and Mrs. Scott H. Neal of Fort Worth, and Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Croom and daughter, Sandra of Strawn.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl T. Nolan and daughter, Fatsy, and Mrs. J. H. Housley of Strawn visited Mrs. H. C. Croom, Saturday.

Miss Elsie Hummel who is attending the American Conservatory in Chicago is here to spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Hummel.

Miss Effie High is critically ill with pneumonia in the Ranger

General Hospital.

Mrs. W. G. Pounds is resting well in the Ranger General Hospital.

Ed Stuffer is in critical condition in the Ranger General Hospital and spent a restless night.

Mrs. Lula Sims is a medical patient in the Ranger General Hospital and is being dismissed today.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Hipp of Strawn are parents of a baby boy born, December 23 at 4:54 in the Ranger General Hospital.

"It's Been A Long, Long Time"



After 27 months in China, Staff Sgt. William O. Murphy makes up for lost time as he meets his wife at the T&P station in Ft. Worth, Texas. Murphy is enroute to Fort S. M. Houston for his discharge. Mrs. Murphy said she was "very happy" after her strapping husband had given her a huge bear hug. (NEA Photo.)

Fire Sweeps Tulsa Laundry



A \$350,000 fire swept the Barnes-Manley Laundry in Tulsa, Oklahoma leaving nothing but the walls standing. The huge sign which stood above the building is just toppling into the blazing inferno. Two huge fires at the same time put Tulsa firemen to a hard task, since the weather was freezing at the time. (NEA Photo.)

Bobby Hickey who is stationed with the Navy at Corpus Christi is here spending a leave with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. V. W. Nichols of Cisco are parents of a baby boy born December 23 at 11:05 in the Ranger General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Webb of Eastland are parents of a baby boy born December 23 at 2:05 in the Ranger General Hospital.

Mrs. Charles Bettlinger of Fort Worth, the former Miss Betty Clem is here spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Clem.

Mrs. Albert Seay is seriously ill with pneumonia at her home in Eastland while her husband has been a patient in the Ranger General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Armstrong and three daughters of Odessa are the holiday guests of Mrs. W. L. Knight and Morris Knight.

Miss Mildred Balch, a student at T.S.C.W. in Denton, is here to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Balch.

Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Lanier have as their guests for Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lanier and children Roy, Jr., and Joy, of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bray and children, Paula and Pamela, of Wichita, Kansas.

Miss Gertrude Kaylor is in critical condition at the Ranger General Hospital following a fracture of the hip.

Frances McHenry who is stationed with the Army at Waco is here to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray McHenry.

Mrs. Hawey Minyard of Mingus is a medical patient in the West Texas Hospital.

Bob Hunt who is stationed with the Army at Waco is here to spend the Christmas holiday with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. Z. Bowen are the parents of a baby daughter born at the West Texas Hospital, Sunday.

Miss Jo Nell Hornsby of Whitnev is here to spend the holidays with her aunt, Mrs. E. A. Hightower, and Mr. Hightower.

Saunders Gregg of Houston is here to spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Saunders Gregg.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Outlaw of Evansville, Indiana, formerly of Ranger are here to spend the holidays.

Miss Evelyn Strickland of Alvin is the guest of her sister, Mrs. H. A. Cogburn, and Mr. Cogburn.

Nine Ex-Service Men Playing For Their Alma Mater

DENTON, Texas — After fighting all over the globe as members of the armed services, nine former North Texas State College students have now returned to do their fighting for the Eagle basketball team.

The veterans have shed their service uniforms for good, and are reluctant to raise the question of the superiority of each service in which they served. They are working together, and so far, that spirit has produced the first top-flight basketball team at North Texas State in three years.

Former fighters for Uncle Sam and now serving their alma mater on the cage courts are Ted

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Student Majors In Journalism Free Lancing

DENTON, Texas — Student journalists at North Texas State College have turned "free lancers" for magazines and newspapers, and from a group of five students in a feature-writing laboratory, 3 checks from publishers have boosted the morale of the young cub reporters.

Success was recently achieved when Elizabeth Youngblood of Fort Worth, sold two feature stories, and Margaret McDonald of Bonham, received a check for her article. Each article sold with photographs for illustrations. The Youngblood articles sold to the Associated Press and to Farm and Ranch Magazine. Miss McDonald marketed her story written for a class in Southern Hardware, a trade journal issued in Atlanta, Ga.

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SET YOUR QUOTA NOW IN THE GREAT VICTORY LOAN

Greetings

May the Spirit of Good Will and Kindness that is so much a part of the Christmas Season, linger on to brighten the coming year.

PIPKIN'S PIGGLY-WIGGLY AND EMPLOYEES

MAY YOUR CHRISTMAS BE FILLED WITH GLADNESS

GREETINGS AND BEST WISHES For a Happy Holiday Season

May your Christmas be chery and may good fortune be yours during the New Year.

We are glad that this season has rolled around and given us a chance to say what we have been thinking all through the year. That is, how much we appreciate you for your kind consideration at all times and for your loyal patronage. We give you our hearty and sincere thanks. We are trying to improve our service continually that you may profit by the conveniences we have to offer.

MRS. BAIRD'S BREAD

MR. AND MRS. VANCE BLOUSER

MORE CONVENIENCIES AND LESS BACK WORK URGED FOR FARMERS

MORE CONVENIENCIES 36 DC MONROE, Mich. (UP)—Heaven will protect the working girl, but who is going to help the farmer?

Ernest D. McIntyre, president of the Monroe Auto Equipment Co., offers many suggestions on that score—including short-wave radios in tractors to keep the farmer in touch with his headquarters, and food containers that keep hot food hot and cold drinks cold.

McIntyre says another radio might entertain the farmer while he is eating his lunch and resting in the field.

A farm owner himself, McIntyre believes that farmers deserve at least the "same break" in cutting back-breaking labor as factory workers already enjoy.

He said that while foundry workers, for example actually need carry only seven to eight tons of material to make one ton of castings (instead of 350 tons necessary before modern material handling methods were devised), the farmers still have little mechanical help in loading and unloading wagons and trucks, handling feed and fertilizer, picking up and carrying other materials and equipment.

McIntyre emphasized that industry should do more to help the farmer as well as help itself in the peacetime era.

His company now is engaged in manufacturing both material-handling equipment for industry and hydraulic, easy-ride seats for farm tractors.

The company head pointed out that the tractor is one of the least comfortable, "as well as one of the hardest-riding vehicles on earth." In addition to something out the ride for the farmer, McIntyre advises an enclosed cab to protect the driver from the elements, more automatic controls, proper insulation, and air-conditioning—or at least filtered air to keep dust and dirt from the

eyes and throat—as well as the clothes of the farmer.

"Conveniencies," McIntyre said, "and labor-saving devices and coming to be expected, if not demanded, by the factory worker."

"Mechanical and electrical farm equipment has helped the farmer, too, but a lot more could and should be done in the same direction."

"This is my opinion, is a No. 1 peacetime job for industry to undertake."

There is only one known case in Texas in which a brand was applied to a human being.

Asserts New Homes Not Too Far In Future

ATLANTA, Ga. (UP)—Front yards will become air strips and the kitchen will be the main dining room in the homes of tomorrow, predicts Flippin David Burge, one of Atlanta's foremost architects.

An entirely new field in real estate soon will be opened, Burge said, because of the desire of so many returning servicemen for private aircraft.

"Many cities are planning whole subdivisions built around private landing strips from which each resident can taxi his plane to a hangar attached to his house," he added.

Burge believes the homes of tomorrow—and he points out that he does not mean a distant tomorrow—will be a complete departure in

design and livability from the conventional house of today. Homes soon to be built will have hitherto-undreamed-of comforts and tend to make America a stay-at-home nation, according to the architect.

New homes will not be designed as in the past, yet they will not be modernistic, Burge said. "They will be functional, to be enjoyed by the family of average income as well as the well-to-do."

"Occupants of the homes of tomorrow will find that servants are not especially needed, and indeed will blend with the outdoors and the home owner will be able to appreciate the full beauty of the landscape without moving from his chair."

Burge said he has a practical basis for his prophecies: the inventive and engineering genius, the manufacturing know-how that was gained during the war, assures wonderful gadgets much sooner than originally expected.

—Victory Bonds Are Thrifty—

Barrel Shortage Is Adding To Distiller's Woes

CINCINNATI (UP)—The hard-pressed whisky makers have double trouble—not enough grain for whisky—not enough barrels to store it in.

Pursued during the war years by the problem of turning out enough whisky to quench the national thirst, the distillers now can't find enough white oak barrels to store the liquor they can make.

The government requires bonded whisky to be put up in white oak barrels—and they can be used only once.

But now white oak is scarce. One desperate Cincinnati firm has bought out a barrel factory to get a corner on the market. Other local firms are eyeing the idea with a jealous, thoughtful look. The

Iraq To Build Own Oil Refinery

BAGHDAD (UP)—The Iraq Government is making plans to build its own oil refinery, according to well-informed oil quarters here.

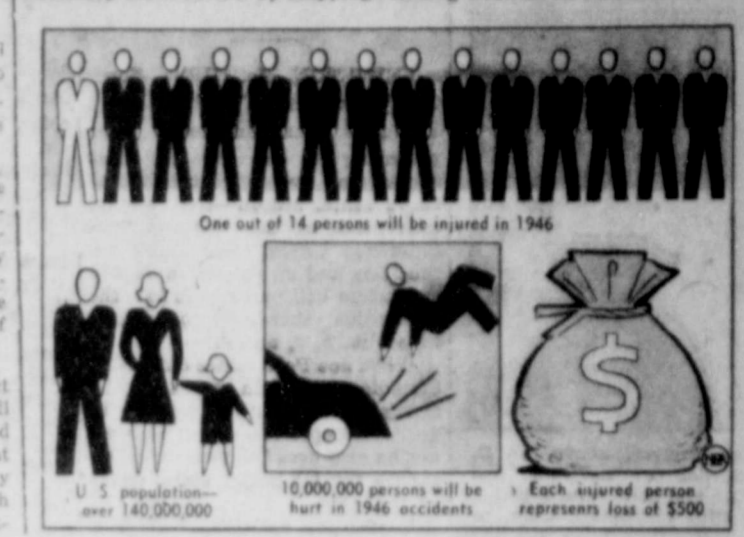
According to these reports, the Foster Wheeler, Ltd., an Anglo-American firm of consulting engineers in London, have already begun work on blue prints, bringing up to date a plan they made for Iraq before the outbreak of war.

It is estimated that the project will cost about \$6,000,000 and will produce 300,000 tons of refined oil yearly at a site said to be at Baiji. This production would fully meet local requirements, which are presently being supplied part-

tially by the small refinery of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Co., at Alwand, near Khanakin, Northern Iraq.

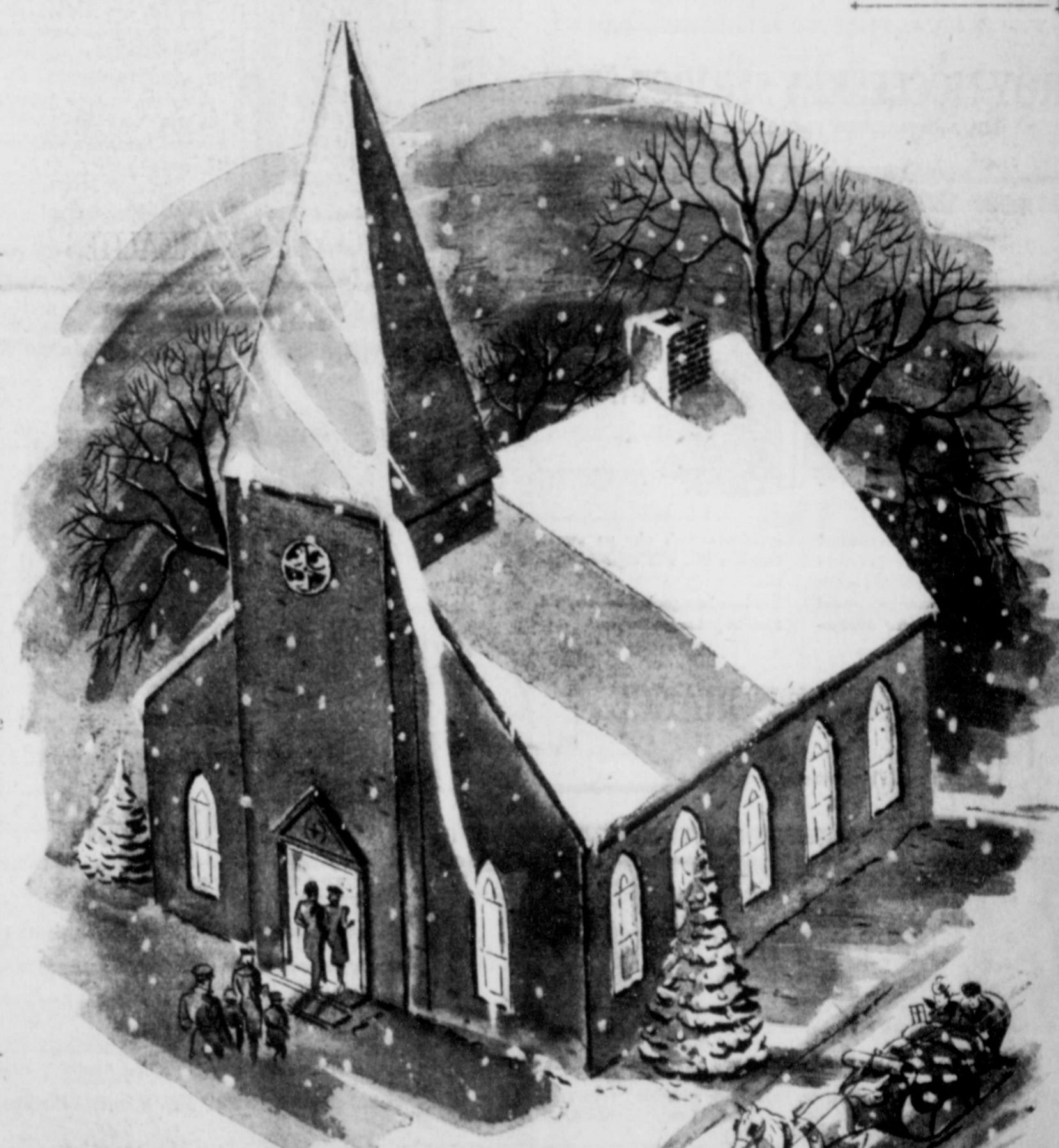
140,544 cars of fresh fruit during the 1944-45 season.

All servicemen are exempt from having to purchase hunting and fishing licenses in Louisiana.



Peace on earth good will to men

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 - Mrs. Jack Urban
 - Mrs. R. C. Carwile
 - Mrs. J. R. Crossley
 - Miss Effie Butler
 - Mrs. Earl Pittman
 - Mrs. Anna Mae Rippy
 - Mr. Wyatt Jacobs
 - Mr. J. T. Shirley
 - J. Lloyd Clem



Christmas, 1945... of all Christmases...
 looms as the most soul-stirring, the most meditative. A friendly day in which to dream as well as make merry... a day when 'Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men' will assume a greater meaning... a hope so profound that it transcends utterance.
 Give thanks for this land where people are free to gather openly and pray. Give thanks for the birth of the Saviour who taught the world that love is more powerful than hate, good mightier than evil, life stronger than death. Express your thanks—by attending church.

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To Palestine



Judge Joseph C. Hutcheson of the 5th U. S. Circuit Court at Houston, Tex., is U.S. chairman of the Anglo-American Committee which will study and report on political, social and economic aspects of the Jewish problem in Palestine.

Christmas Sock



Just hang up a nice big sock Christmas Eve and Santa is liable to put 'most anything in it. But hardly the Christmas doll seen in the photographer's dream above. She's screen player Janis Paige, soon to be seen in "The Time, the Place and the Girl."

Resigns



Charles Sawyer, above, U. S. Ambassador to Belgium, has resigned and will return to his home city, Cincinnati, Ohio, to resume law practice after the first of the year. He denied having any political plans.

NORTH WOODSMEN PREPARE FOR ANNUAL SNOWSHOE PAGEANT

LEWISTON, Me. (UP)—Some 2,000 French-Canadians and Franco-Americans today were preparing for one of the most spectacular events of the Northeast's winter season—the annual convention of the International Snowshoe Union. The 2,000 enthusiasts and an estimated 30,000 spectators will participate in the convention, scheduled to be held here Feb. 1, 2, and 3. When Joe Pete comes out of the Canadian and Main woods for the annual convention, he intends to display his prowess on snowshoes, but he also uses the meeting as an excuse for his major social event of the year. Convention activities include a great deal of social entertaining, gigantic parades and spectacles of all kinds—rivaling the New Orleans Mardi Gras in pageantry and color. The snowshoers all dress in club colors, in woolen uniforms that are complete from tasseled stocking caps down to the stockings similar to those worn by baseball players. Wide, bright saashes must be worn around the waist. On the Sunday of each convention the snowshoers march on their snowshoes to a solemn high mass in their honor. In other parades, each of the 53 clubs of the Canadian union and 37 clubs of the American union enter drum and bagpipe corps in spirited competition. Snowshoeing as a sport is a grueling test of endurance. The last time the 18 1/2 mile marathon was run at Sherbrooke, Que., in 1935 every contestant except the winner went immediately to a hospital. He was admitted the following day. The next year, the marathon distance was cut to 10 miles. A standout entry for this year's marathon is Gerard Cote. Four-time winner of the snowshoe marathon and three-time winner of the annual Boston A. A. marathon, Cote, who represents the Frontenac club of Quebec, holds the 10-mile course record of one hour, three minutes and 46 seconds. Even with his record, Cote isn't a certain winner of the race. Two years ago at Sherbrooke, he was defeated by Lloyd Evans of Montreal, another standout of the BAA marathon. Running on snowshoes is no cinch, but the way some of the boys do it is a sight to behold. Heads up, chest out, the snowshoe champions exhibit a form that would make a champion 10-1A miler blush with shame. And some of the experts really travel on snowshoes. The 100-yard dash record is held by Jacques Marchildon of Montreal, who won the 1941 race at Quebec in 13-2-10 seconds. The mile record is held by E. Cozdzajka of Manchester, N. H., in six minutes 10 4-10 seconds.

Highest paid woman



Deanna Durbin, above, screen soubrette, was listed by the Treasury as America's highest paid woman during the calendar year 1943 and fiscal year ended in 1944. Her income was given as \$224,401.

Apple Flavor Increasing In Public Taste

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (UP)—"Make mine apple" may be junior's cry in the soda fountains of tomorrow.

The invasion of refreshment menus by apple flavor and its chances of taking a place alongside such reigning favorites as vanilla and chocolate recently was discussed by growers at a Michigan horticultural society convention.

Speakers stressed an increasing demand for apples from processing plants making sauce, juice, frozen slices and apple butter, and for soda fountain uses.

Roy E. Marshall, Michigan state horticulturist, suggested that an apple essence—one ton of apples making one gallon of essence—may be produced as a by-product of the cider-vinegar industry.

District meetings will be held by the society in February and March at Pontiac, South Haven, Hart and Traverse City.

-V Bonds Stem Inflation-



HAPPINESS FOR THE NEW YEAR!

We wish you happiness during the Yuletide Season and our new 1946. Especially do we greet you who have been in the service and welcome you back to our community.

A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR TO ALL! We are grateful and appreciative of your fine patronage.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS PEACEFUL NEW YEAR



As the Spirit of Christmas prevails with symbols of "Peace and Good Will Toward Men," we pause to bring our kindest regards and warmest wishes that you and your loved ones will enjoy a Joyous Yuletide and a Happy New Year.

WE ARE ALWAYS HAPPY TO BE OF SERVICE TO YOU

ROY MCCLESKEY SERVICE STA.

MR. AND MRS. ROY McCLESKEY AND GLEN

Mount Sterling, Ky., received its name because of the numerous ancient mounds built by the Mound Builders. Some of the mounds are 300 to 500 feet in circumference.



THINKING OF YOU THIS CHRISTMAS

WE are wishing you heaps of cheer and hoping these wishes will bring you joy every day of the year.

May your voyage through the days ahead carry you over pleasant ways to a new and full contentment.

CLYDE S. KARKALITES

TAX ASSR. & COLLECTOR

Wishing You a Joyous Holiday...

May your share of happiness at this glad Christmastime be brightened by the knowledge of our appreciation of your fine and valued friendships.

May you enjoy the associations of those dear to you, and may their companionship continue through the years to come.

Happy Christmas to all!



ANDERSON - PRUET

CHEVORLET

CHRISTMAS



GREETINGS

Once more it is our pleasure to extend the compliments of the Yuletide Season to our host of friends in this community. It is a very pleasant and cheerful custom to renew these as-

sociations—that's why we await Christmas time with eager anticipation. You have been good to us—may old Santa be just as good to you.

C. E. MAY INSURANCE

MR. AND MRS. C. E. MAY

HAPPY NEW YEAR



Since Peace is settling over the war torn world, we want to pause at this most glorious time of the year and wish for you a Prosperous and Happy New Year! May it be one of Peace, Prosperity and Good Will Toward Men.

Let us in the meantime solicit along with your good will, your patronage.

We take this time to thank you for your past business and loyalty.

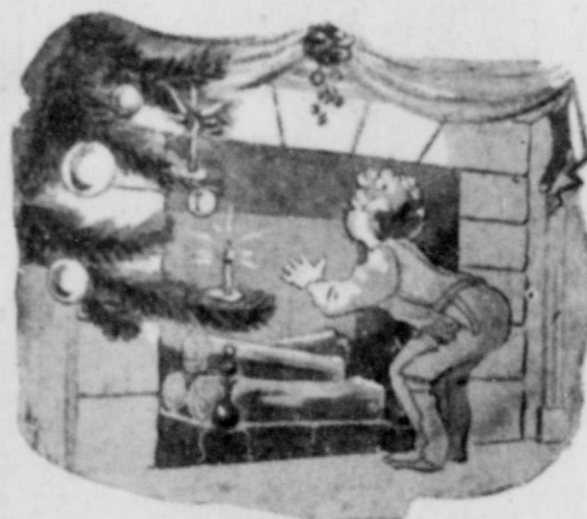
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YES, IT'S BACK CHRISTMAS AGAIN!

WHAT A CHRISTMAS!

We can now really celebrate Christmas as we Americans have always done. The war is over and the anxiety and strain we were under at that time has vanished. This Christmas can be the happiest we have experienced in several years and we are sure we will all put forth the effort it takes to make those around us truly and sincerely happy on this day.

We have received a maximum of pleasure in serving you and we look forward to such pleasure in 1946.

RANGER LUMBER AND SUPPLY

CALVIN BROWN

SINCERE WISHES



for a

JOYFUL CHRISTMAS and a very Happy New Year

It is with all the earnestness within our hearts that we express our cordial Christmas Greetings to all those whom we have had the pleasure of serving during the past twelve months. Our good wishes go with each of you as you enter

into the spirit of this occasion with your loved ones and friends.

We appreciate your patronage and pledge anew to improve our service in every way possible to merit its continuance.

MRS. HIGDON'S CAFE

MR. AND MRS. J. HIGDON

Birth and death columns in the have been combined under one Danville, Ill., Commercial News head: "Who—Where—When."

MERRY CHRISTMAS

And may the happiness of the Holiday Season be yours through all the coming—



NEW YEAR

HAL JACKSON'S
EASTLAND, TEXAS

JAP SHOONER TO BE CANTEEN FOR CAVALRY

TOKYO (UP) — The ancient decks of the Meiji Maru, once one of the largest and proudest sailing schooners to ply the seven seas, will soon resound with American whoops—with plenty of room for 100 jitterbugs to operate at a time.

The Meiji Maru, now permanently at anchor in the Sumida River, has been taken over by the American Red Cross for conversion into the first sailing-ship Red Cross Canteen in history, with snack bar, reading room, game rooms and other accommodations in addition to the dance floor.

In announcing the new-type canteen, Joseph Chapman, assistant field director in charge of Red Cross activities for the 1st Cavalry Division's 2nd Brigade, said that the ship is being renamed the S.S. Garry Owen, in honor of the famous battle cry of the 7th Cavalry Regiment, and that the 7th Cavalry troops will stage

Coiling Cagers



Called tallest basketball team in nation, Valparaiso University, Ind., cagers reach into stands at Madison Square Garden to shake hands with young admirers. Left to right, players are Wally Warnke, 6-10; Milt Schoon, 6-9; J. B. Chambers, 6-10; Jim Aibe, 6-7; and Milo Hansen, 6-10.

Ideal, Ga. Has Only One Kick No Telephones

IDEAL, Ga. (UP) — According to town officials, this city needs only one improvement to make it true to the name Ideal—and that's a few telephones.

It seems that telephone companies in the area have neither equipment nor workers to give Ideal a phone system. A delegation of 5 citizens from Ideal has appealed to the Georgia Public Service Commission for aid.

BEATS HOUSE SHORTAGE WITH BUS-APARTMENT

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (UP) — The acute Memphis housing shortage didn't bother J. A. Wood, 30, a tire plant employee.

Unable to find living accommodations, Wood converted a half-ton bus into comfortable living quarters.

Wood calls his blue bus-apartment his "Blue Haven," but there are no "Molly and baby to make three," because Wood is a bachelor.

All the forest lands in Kentucky are privately owned except one small reservation in Harlan county

—V Bonds Earn Extra Cash—

Over 90 per cent of Kentucky River, and the entire state lies in the watershed of the Ohio within the Mississippi River basin.

Merry Christmas



We cherish the thoughts of the fine friendships that have been ours in the past and we desire to take this means of expressing our genuine thanks for your courtesies.

We wish you the best of good things for Christmas and the New Year.

BOURLAND MUSIC COMPANY

GREETINGS CHRISTMAS

Best Wishes for the New Year

The past is behind us, the peaceful future is unfolding before us. With each page of the calendar blotted away, has gone our record either of things accomplished or things neglected. Whatever the record is, it is past and we have the future to face with golden opportunities.

It is our sincere wish that you may have the joy and satisfaction of knowing that every day during 1946 will show worthwhile things achieved.

May we continue to solicit your business and we will endeavor to serve you in the best way possible.



RANGER FURNITURE EXCHANGE

Colonel, Felton, Bill, F. P. Jr., Jimmie

a formal opening of the new canteen when the ship is ready.

The Meiji Maru was built in Glasgow, Scotland in 1875 and measures 225 feet from stem to stern, with a 30-foot beam. She was commissioned in 1880 by the Emperor Meiji of Japan, who was a passenger aboard her when the vessel, skippered by an Englishman, Capt. Robert H. Peters, made her maiden voyage from Hokkaido to Yokohama.

Subsequently, Capt. Peters relinquished command of the ship, and a Japanese crew of 50 members, headed by Capt. Masakiyo Nakayo, took over. Under Nakayo and his successors, the Meiji Maru was used at various times to carry cargo and mail, she served as a cable ship for several years, and before being taken out of active service, carried parties of officials on inspection tours of lighthouses.

In 1914, after making her last cruise between Nagasaki and Yokohama, the ship was moored in Tokyo Bay, where she was used as a training ship for Japanese merchant seamen. The only mishap of her long career occurred in 1920 when she was beached by a typhoon. Her keel now rests upon a specially constructed concrete base.

'Witch' Acquitted



After serving 13 years for murder of a roomer, Mrs. Rose Veres, above, 64-year-old Hungarian-born Detroitier, has been declared "innocent" by a retrial jury of eight men and four women. Mrs. Veres, once known as "The Witch of Delray," was accused of pushing Steve Mak out an attic window to collect his insurance. Photo above was taken at time of her original trial.



Merry, Merry Christmas Happy, Happy New Year

As Peace has come to all the world. We hope you realize more than ever our sincerity in wishing for you A Merry Christmas and a Peaceful Happy New Year.

We appreciate you and your past helpful patronage, and trust that we may share your good will for the bright year ahead.

MODERN TOURIST COURTS

MRS. H. E. SNYDER—TELEPHONE 84

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The Foundation of The American Way Of Life

In times such as these Christmas brings home to us the realization that "Peace on Earth, good will toward men" is more than an empty phrase. It is the foundation of the American way of life, the goal which each of us look forward to so that the greatest happiness may be achieved.

The Yuletide brings with it pleasant thoughts of tried, proven and cherished associations, bound together more firmly by the experiences of past months.

To you, our friends, may we extend the Season's Greetings and a sincere wish for genuine happiness at this Christmastime.

RANGER STEAM LAUNDRY

MR. AND MRS. L. T. RUSHING

ALLEN — JERRY

CHRISTMAS



It is that time of the year when we like to stop a few minutes to wish our friends all the good things of the Season.

It is the wish of every member of this organization that after this Christmas you will say this is by far the happiest you have ever spent.

Best of luck for the New Year.

JOHN ALLEN SERVICE STATION

MR. and MRS. JOHN ALLEN



MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR!



And may we add our sincere thanks for the many kindnesses that you have shown us in the past.

Because of your consideration the past year has been an enjoyable experience, one in which we have had the confidence and esteem of the people whom we serve. We only hope that we may continue to merit your good will and patronage, so that our policy of friendly, helpful service to all may be maintained.

RANGER CLINIC

DR. WALTER L. JACKSON

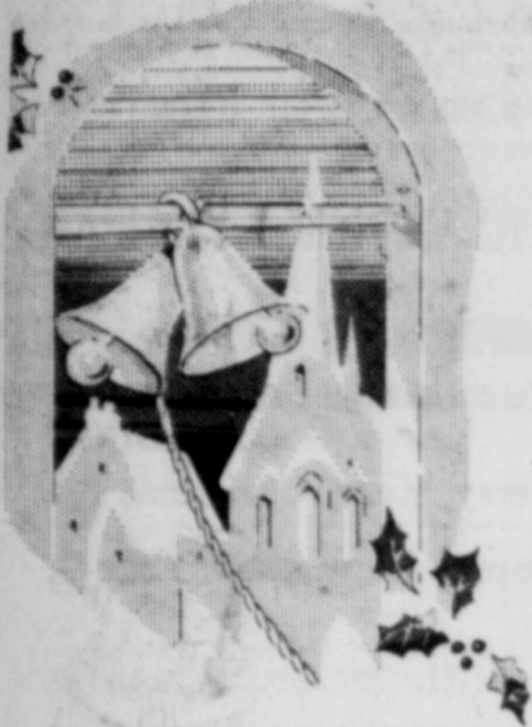
MRS. T. A. TUNE

DR. C. L. JACKSON

MISS JIMMIE BETH TODD

The word "paper" comes from the Egyptian word "papyrus," a plant from which they made the material on which they wrote. Some 200,000,000 board feet of lumber are used annually for plant boxes by citrus growers in California and Arizona.

Christmas Bells are Ringing Merrily...



... And it is pleasant to remember old friends, and to wish them, in a genuine sort of way, all the joys of a Happy Christmas.

May Health, Happiness and Prosperity be yours, not only on this day, but every day throughout the years to come.

O-K. GROCERY and MARKET

MR. and MRS. GEO. FINGLER



A STAR IS SHINING

AS WE GREET YOU THIS CHRISTMAS

The Star of Bethlehem is shedding its shining rays as it has been doing at this Christmas Season for years past. It seems to shine brighter than ever this Christmas with a gleam of hope that mankind will now live in a world of peace never again marred by the horrors of war.

May This Star shed its rays of Joy and Happiness over you and yours this Christmas.

We are interested in your welfare and happiness and promise you our very best service in the New Year.

WOODS GRO. & MARKET

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Woods

And Family

Phone 72

KENTUCKIANS LOOK FACTS IN FACE IN DRIVE

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (UP) — There's a group of civic-minded Kentuckians who feel the reputation the state has for its Bluegrass and fine horses is not enough. They believe something should be done to help the state "lift itself by its own bootstraps" to the top in other fields.

Known simply as the Committee for Kentucky, the organization is an outgrowth of a primary need, its backers feel, for better education, for industrial and agricultural growth and improved health conditions.

The committee, result of an idea born in 1944, was incorporated in April 1945. It is headed by Harry Schacter, a mild-mannered, respected Louisville businessman.

Joining with Schacter in a determined effort to bring Kentucky to the fore are representatives of labor, industry, agriculture, social welfare, education, health and press and radio — a total of 33 organizations enrolled for a single purpose, to build the state. Membership of the organizations represented totals 325,000 according to Schacter.

Schacter said the committee is the first of its kind ever formed anywhere in the nation. He says it operates on the premise that if Kentucky faces frankly and honestly the unpleasant facts as well as the pleasant ones, brought out by the study of problems, the knowledge ultimately will bring about a better state.

Operation of the committee

Musical Mouser



Ginger, champion Mank from Glen Ellyn, Ill., takes time out from the 34th annual show of the Beresford Cat Club in Chicago to brush up on music.

sounded simple enough as described by Schacter, although the committee head pointed out that fact-finding and presentation took time.

As a beginning experts recognized in their fields were named to study problems of education, health, welfare, and others which the committee planned to survey. Health, agriculture and education reports have been completed to date.

The committee non-profit and non-partisan, steers clear of "lobbying" in the state's legislative

halls, or of making recommendations on the "how" Kentucky can pull itself up by its own bootstraps, Schacter said.

He said presentation of the facts through the enrolled organizations through open committee meetings, through press and radio, would arouse Kentuckians to action. In turn, he said, the awakening of the people would be reflected in legislation.

The work of the organization is financed by voluntary contribution, Schacter said.

Some of the experts working voluntarily for the committee include Dr. Maurice Seay, of the University of Kentucky's educational department, who was employed by Alabama a few years ago to make a study of the state's educational needs; Dr. P. E. Blackerby, Kentucky health commissioner, and Dr. Thomas P. Cooper, dean of the college of agriculture, University of Kentucky.

The committee pulls no punches in its studies, according to Schacter. For instance a brochure given state-wide distribution says that 50 years ago Kentucky was first in industrial payroll, but in 1940, it was next to lowest in payrolls of Southern states.

The brochure adds that in 1940 only one other state had a higher percentage of illiteracy; only two states had a higher death rate from tuberculosis, and in 1942 4,000 teachers earned less than \$12 per week on a 52-week annual basis.

Schacter said these and many other facts brought out by studies showed Kentucky ranking close to the bottom in many fields, but that he felt if people were told the facts, they would demand solutions.

The street of Camino del Monte Sol in Santa Fe, N. M., takes its name from a conical hill nearby called "Monte Sol." It was so named because the first and last rays of the sun are cast upon it.

—Save VIA V Bonds—

Hitler's Fancy Silver Now In Ex-GI's Home

LEWES, Del. (UP) — Here's something else over which Adolf Hitler, if he were still alive, might rant and rave and chew up a couple of more rags:

When Hitler and other swaggering Nazis dined in the Munich Brown House, party shrine, the

table was set with beautiful silverware made especially for Adolf. Now, 126 pieces of the silver-bearing the monogram "A.H." engraved with swastika borders and bearing Hitler's personal crest—are in the Lewes home of Harry B. Massey, Jr., discharged first sergeant of the Counter Intelligence Corps of the U. S. Sixth Army group.

Massey collected the silver as his share of legitimate war trophies discovered in underground vaults of the Brown House. The

American soldiers had to blast open a 10-inch-thick steel and concrete door to gain access to the vaults.

Massey, who plans to put his trophies on display soon in Wilmington, Del., said the soldier found a lavishly furnished apartment, apparently one of Hitler's personal retreats in the underground section.

The number of eggs a hen may lay is determined by her parents.

Merry Christmas to All



We are hoping that every one of you enjoys the happiness of Christmas and the holiday season. We wish to express our thanks for your patronage and your friendship, and hope we may serve you throughout the future years!

BROWN TRANSFER

MR. AND MRS. RAYMOND BROWN

Hearty Christmas Greetings

AND

Best Wishes

FOR THE

New Year



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CHRISTMAS



... brings to each of us an appreciation of those fine friendships and memories which make life worth living. And so at this glad Holiday Season, we extend to you our cordial greetings and wish for you both health and happiness throughout all the coming year.



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War or peace, a brave new world is in the making. Justice freedom, and unity prevail and we may all look hopefully to the future. With gratitude for your continued friendship, we wish you and yours a joyous holiday season.



RANGER DAILY TIMES

A Sincere Wish for A Merry Christmas and A Bright and Successful New Year.



Here it is again—Christmas and with it the opportunity to say "thank you" for past favors. And a time to extend our wishes for the best of everything for you during the Holiday season and the New Year.

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Good Cheer for Christmas - - -

Peace and Good Will for the New Year

With deep gratitude for the blessings of Peace the past year has brought and for your cooperation and patronage during the year past we greet you this Christmas.

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Hero Prefers Civilian Life



Former S/Sgt. Paul W. Bolden of Madison, Ala., holds the Congressional Medal of Honor, but was rejected for re-enlistment in the Army recently, according to recruiting officers, because of illiteracy. By the time this requirement had been waived, Bolden had changed his mind. He is shown as he received the nation's highest decoration from President Truman.

Kentucky has 4,000 miles of navigable rivers.

Nat'l Research Foundation Set Up for Architects

AUSTIN, Texas —A National Foundation for research and education in architecture has been approved by the American Institute of Architects in Chicago, Walter T. Rolfe, announced today.

Mr. Rolfe, chairman of the committee on education for the Institute, said the research plan approved was initiated at the University of Texas.

There will be a complete reorganization of the Institute of Architects, Mr. Rolfe said, and funds will be allocated for research and scholarships. Organization of the Foundation will be announced after a director is employed.

—V Bonds Are "Blue Chips"—

MORE MEAT, BETTER TASTE SPECIFIED FOR NEW CHICKEN

CHICAGO (UP) — Some of the country's leading poultry scientists have drawn up a blueprint for the ideal chicken of tomorrow. It's going to have 10 per cent more meat than the average 1945 breed of chicken and it's going to taste 100 per cent better.

That's the prediction of D. D. Slade, Lexington, Ky., secretary-treasurer of the International Baby Chick Assn., and chairman of the committee of chicken architects.

Slade said the specifications called for a bird with meatier, shorter legs and a broader, juicier breast.

"It's going to taste better, too," he said. "Now all we have to do is find the chicken."

The committee met here to discuss the genetics of growing the super chickens. It is going to give \$5,000 to the first person who produces such a fowl in the next three years.

That doesn't mean that the next person who produces a chicken 10 per cent larger than those raised now is going to take home the bacon, Slade said. He must have laid the foundation for production of a whole breed of meatier fowls.

"Our committee realizes the difficulty of trying to blueprint a design for the future of something that lives, walks and breathes," Slade said. "But we will accomplish our main objective of focusing the attention of poultrymen on the benefits of selecting breeding stock for meat-type characteristics, as well as for their egg-producing ability." With Slade, the chicken comes before the egg.

Slade said the chickens had been working so hard at laying eggs that they had become "positively hollow-cheester." He wants farmers to concentrate on building up meat production as well as egg output.

There's an over-abundance of eggs now, anyway, he said. That's why the committee wants to catch the growers before the chickens

have egged them into another depression.

"The ultimate goal is to put at least 10 per cent more edible meat on the average chicken," Slade said. "It must grow faster on less feed for economical production, and must be able to reproduce."

"We expect to see a striking difference in chickens in 10 years. They'll probably look more like balloons than fowl."

Ex-GIs In High School Now Do Better Work

AKRON, O. (UP) — "Their war service taught them the value of a high school education," said A. J. Dillehay, head of curriculum instruction for public schools here.

Akron had 60 ex-servicemen enter high school at the beginning of the fall term to take up where they left off when they entered the armed forces. The students, ranging in ages from the late teens to the early 30s, were accepted

by other students with little excitement—adult students aren't rare in the city's schools. Former GIs like these, fresh from the foxholes and the decks of American ships, now do better work in class than they did before they left for service, Dillehay said.



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Spread happiness far and wide. For our Peace-Time Christmas we wish you happiness. For the New Year of 1946 we wish you prosperity.

We hope that we may continue to serve you in the future.

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James and Bobby

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Happy New Year

With Our Compliments



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HOLIDAY GREETINGS

Above all other things in our memory at this glad Yuletide is the thought of the splendid relations with friends of this organization who have made it possible for us to enjoy a very satisfactory year.

The warm spirit of the Holiday occasion reminds us that in our friends, not in our ledgers, do we find our real assets. There are many things that make us thankful this is our home, and for that reason we desire to extend Season's Greetings.



Please accept the kind wishes and sincere thanks of all of us. Best wishes for a Joyous Christmas and a New Year of much happiness, Good Health and Success for you and yours.

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And sparkle with the joy and happiness that we wish for you and yours at this glad time of the year.

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Merry Christmas

AND A VERY

Happy New Year

WESTERN AUTO ASSOCIATE STORE

Navy Storing Surplus Ships Set For Action

SAN DIEGO, Cal. (UP) — They're packing America's warships away in mothballs at the Naval Repair Base here today.

"We're not going to have any Red Lead Rows here like those after the first world war," Navy authorities say.

"America cannot afford to have hundreds of ships rotting away to worthless, rusting junk again. These must be ready to be put in action quickly in case of national emergency."

Which makes the job a little harder than putting "Max Jones" for coat away for the summer.

When completely "dehumidified" by new processes, these ships can be put back into action by "stepping aboard, firing the boilers, tooting the whistle and shoving

off," the Navy says.

Tied up in four-and five-ship divisions, destroyers are the first to be subjected to the new method. All but one destroyer in each division are fully dehumidified and the remaining one left partly open for maintenance crews.

Every hatch must be sealed, vents covered and metal sheets tack-welded and calked for easy removal, smokestacks closed up and a dehumidifying machine installed in each ship.

Cmdr. Clyde Lovelace, head of the Readiness and Preservation Department at the repair base, is enthusiastic over these new machines.

"They can be operated for only a few cents a day, keeping all air inside the ships dry—which certainly is cheaper than allowing the vessels to rust away and having to replace them," Lovelace says.

After enclosing guns and other exposed gear with webbing fishnets, a lubbery plastic compound just developed is sprayed on them

to form an airtight casing.

Rust-preventative compounds are coated on exposed bright metal on the weather decks, and all machinery is given a protective coat to keep it "in shipshape order for years."

Some of the most famous destroyers of World War II are already in the "moth ball," including the Sullivans, Porterfield, Hazelwood, Hunt, Pickens, Tingey, Jenkins, Gregory, Marshall, Preston, Lewis Hancock, Timthin McCord, Miller, Owen, Hailly Fritchett and Abbott.

"We've only started the job, but we're going to seal up the retired sections of the Navy just in case Uncle Sam has to draw 'em out again some time," Lovelace said.

The number of mole foods produced in the past eight or 10 years has been nearly about one-fourth as many as are needed to offset deaths.

Fastidious Five



Western Michigan College rack designed by trainer Dun Scott does away with throwing towels out on basketball floor or using sweaty bag in which they become mixed up, speeds cleanliness and sanitation. Freshening up are, left to right, Ralph Bennett, Don Boven, Mel Van Die, Swift Noble and Bob Fitch.

SAILOR FINDS BROTHER IN OKINAWA SEARCH

CIRCLEVILLE, O. (UP) — Due to Dale Ankrom's efforts, an almost impossible feat was accomplished.

Chances of finding a lone ship in the Pacific are very remote. And a lone man, especially a brother, would be even harder to locate. That didn't stop Dale.

Dale, carpenter's mate 2-c and a member of an LST 73 crew, heard that his brother's ship was in his vicinity. He decided to see him. He went to the Post Office on his side of Okinawa Island, learned the location of his brother's ship, hitch-hiked across the island on jeeps and trucks, and walked many a mile.

Ralph, 20, coxswain, was sitting in his compartment on the LST 293 writing a letter to his mother when Dale walked in. The two brothers finished writing it together.

EARLY DRAWING CARD

NEW ORLEANS (UP) — Even when he was in prep school, Agny's Felix (Doc) Blanchard was a drawing card. He appeared in the New Orleans charity Toy Bowl game his senior year, and a record attendance of 40,000 was set. It still stands.

An advertising assessment of oranges produced by members five cents is levied on every box of the California fruit exchange.



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Thank-you for friendly business relations in 1945 that we trust will extend through the New Year.

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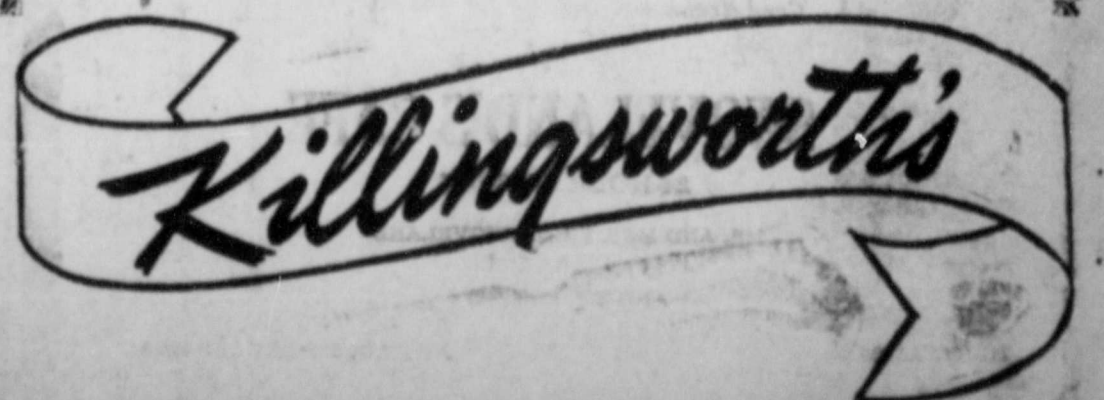
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to wish

YOU

a Joyous Christmas and a
Happy New Year





GREETINGS FOR CHRISTMAS AND 1946

Christmas is exciting, a glorious time—May its full joys be yours and may your efforts during 1946 be crowned with success.

Your patronage and loyalty have meant much. We hope to reward you with improved and more efficient service than we have been able to give during the war period.

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THE NEW YEAR 1946

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One-Celled Animals Aid Geologists To Determine Rock Formation Ages

AUSTIN, Texas — Tiny one-celled animals — called foraminifera — play an important role in helping the petroleum geologist discover the ages of rock formations, according to Don L. Frizzell, micro-paleontologist at the University of Texas.

In his university laboratory, Dr. Frizzell who formerly was with the Shell Oil Company at Houston, is studying fossils of the "younger" rock formations.

"Any drilling beyond productive sands in an oil well in a known area is a waste," Dr. Frizzell explained, "so it is of great importance to the producers to know the age of the rocks in which they are drilling. Therefore, microscopic fossils, one-celled plants and animals, and less common fossil shells

and vertebrate remains, are studied to determine the age of individual beds," he said.

Foraminifera — minute animals — vary from flask-shaped specimens to unbelievably complex forms, and some may be as large as five or six inches across. They are found chiefly in shale.

The fossils are collected from fresh samples, broken down by soaking in water, and then are concentrated by washing and screening the mud. Next they are mounted and studied. Index, or marker species of commercial importance are those which lived for a very short time and whose age can be determined definitely.

"Up to 1920, micro-paleontology was strictly a pure science,"

Dr. Frizzell said. "It was first developed in Texas as an applied science and is now in world wide use. Micro-paleontological laboratories employing from one to 25 persons are recognized divisions of the vast majority of oil companies engaged in exploration.

One of the earliest courses in micro-paleontology was offered at the University of Texas by F. L. Whitney and at the present time there is considerable interest in it on the part of the students.

Dr. Frizzell has done micro-paleontological research since 1934, when he was employed by Shell at Houston. From 1937 to 1944 he continued his studies in Peru and Ecuador, and for six months in 1944, before coming to the University of Texas, he did research at the U. S. National Museum. He joined the University staff in 1945 as an associate professor.

More than half of Florida's 1,150 miles of seacoast is on the Gulf of Mexico.

Ex Libris ... By William Sharp

THE CHRISTMAS TREE AND THE MISTLETOE *



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Department Aids Ex-Students To Restock Farms

LUBBOCK — The department of animal husbandry at Texas Technological College is helping former students restock their ranches after service in the armed forces.

A pure-bred herd of Hereford cattle was sold to Lewis E. Nance, animal husbandry graduate of 1941, who was recently discharged from the army after over three years service. The herd and nine pure-bred feed mills were added to Nance's commercial cattle holdings on his ranch in Scurry county.

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THE STORY OF CHRISTMAS

It is a story that brings a glow and warmth to our hearts—of the babe born in a lowly manger. Of how He brought Peace and Good Will that we cherish more highly today than ever before. May the blessings of Peace rest on your and yours is our desire at this Christmas.

We would not forget to express our thanks for past favors and kindness.

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May the coming year of 1946 be filled with the very best for you, and may the holiday season be a bright one.



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May peace be with you at this great season of the year. We are mindful of the friendships and associations that have been ours during the past year.



GEORGE L. DAVENPORT

Judge Ninety-First Judicial District



A WISH SINCERE

—For your continued happiness—
—and prosperity throughout—
—Christmas and the New Year—
—is what we would ask for you—
—this season.

EARL CONNER, JR.

District Attorney



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- 28 acres, 7 room house, 2 baths, newly decorated, modern, tractor, tools for farming, all hog proof, an ideal country home, on highway.

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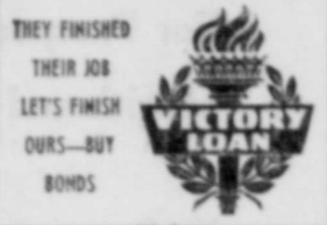
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Assistant Czar



Byron Price, above, wartime director of censorship, has been appointed vice president of the Motion Picture Producers and Distributors of America. He will be right-hand man to Eric Johnston, screenom's "czar."

Before the war, Florida was a strong competitor of Cuba in the cigar and cigarette field, with the state's volume running more than \$39,817,657 yearly.



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Texas Tech Gets Big Order Of Surplus Goods

LUFBOCK —Equipment and material of the value of \$55,000 has either been received by Texas Technological College, or is in transit, from the stocks of surplus war goods. Such donations of equipment and materials are made to schools and colleges on a basis of pre-induction training or aeronautical industrial training, according to S. T. Cummings, college purchasing agent.

Principal items of goods received include a big screw machine, an electric welding machine, and a 22 ton capacity hydraulic press from the Chemical Warfare department. And from this same source in transit is a large list of material including sewing machines, laboratory stools, typewriters, marking machines, waste balers, cloth cutters, floor trucks, and a miscellaneous group of electrical equipment and supplies, including motors.

From the Ordnance department material already received includes a multiple spindle automatic metal polishing machine, and a hardness testing machine. And in transit from the Ordnance department is a very valuable and expensive gear cutting machine, an automatic arc welding machine and a direct current electric welding machine.

In transit from the Army Engineers department is a large assortment of material such as hand saws, electric drills, vises, grinders, lathes, sanders and welding machines.

Four of a Kind



It was a long step toward easing the beef shortage when that biological rarity—quadruplet calves—were born on the farm of Chas. Lucas and Sons at Dyer, Ky., last April 18. They are shown on exhibition at the Chicago Market Fat Stock Show, wartime replacement of the International Stock Show.

When the lights went on again on the streets of St. Nazianz recently, it was the first time in 23 years. A storm in 1922 disrupted the

Town's Lights Go On Again After 23 Years

ST. NAZIANZ, Wis. (UP)—When the lights went on again on the streets of St. Nazianz recently, it was the first time in 23 years. A storm in 1922 disrupted the

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street-lighting system and the community was unable to make repairs because it lacked the necessary fund. However, this year a businessmen's association decided to tax the townpeople in order to finance the re-lighting project.

The village has a population of 485 according to the 1940 census figures.

About 29,000 California women enlisted in the armed services during World War II.

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The New Year 1946 Arrives

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TO OUR FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS WHOM WE HAVE HAD THE PLEASURE OF SERVING . . .

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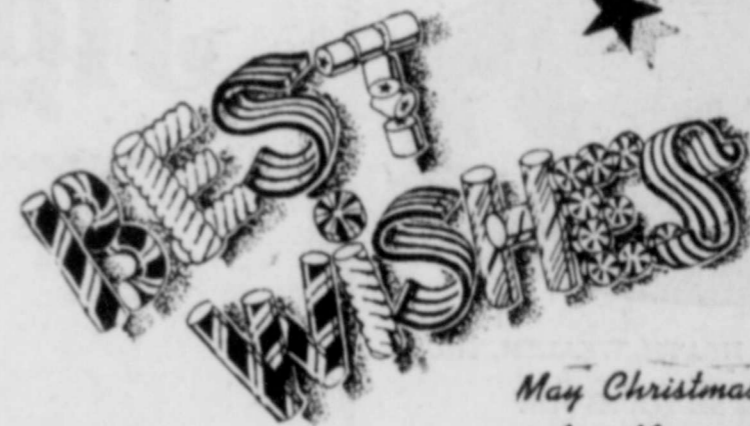
Tidings of Great Joy

The prevailing spirit of good will embraces us all during this joyous season. We, too, want to extend to you personally our hearty good wishes for an exceptionally

MERRY CHRISTMAS

JOHN HART

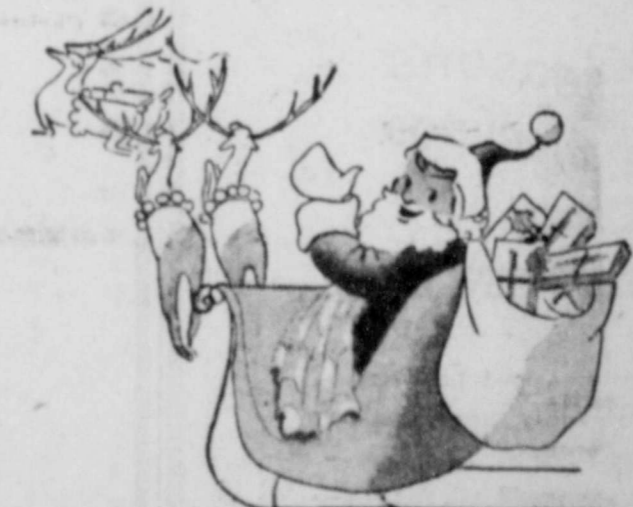
SHERIFF OF EASTLAND COUNTY



May Christmas be Long and a Merry One --- A Season You will Always Remember.

ROY L. LANE

DISTRICT CLERK



AS THE CHRISTMAS BELLS RING OUT, WE GREET YOU

We hear the Song of Peace and the familiar refrains of Christmas music at this season, and it cheers us. The heart is made happy and deeply thankful as peace reigns over the world. May your hearts be lighter and your Christmas cheerier than ever before and may the New Year shed its peace over you is our sincere wish.

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23 Gold Star Mothers To Send Navy Men Gifts

FORT WORTH — (UP) — A group of mothers whose sons won't come home this Christmas—on any other Christmas—have organized to plan a cheerful Yuletide for other mothers' sons who have returned.

A little housewife group of women wearing tiny gold stars in memory of boys lost in this war, they met in a Fort Worth hotel room to form the Tarrant County

Gold Star Mothers of World War II.

The 23 mothers present didn't know much of parliamentary procedure, but they managed to put together a constitution and by-laws.

What they were sure of, though, was the first objective of their organization—preparation for this Christmas.

Memory was still sharp in their minds of how boys love to eat, so they voted to present Navy parcels in the U. S. Public Health Service hospital gifts of food delicacies.

Save Cash, Buy Victory Bonds



MAY THIS CHRISTMAS OF PEACE

Be filled with countless joys and each day of your New Year an inspiration to worthwhile achievement.

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TO ADD TO THE JOYS OF CHRISTMAS — PORTRAITS OF DISTINCTION



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In Hot Race



Gen. Eurico Gaspar Dutra, above, of the Social Democratic party, is a leading contender for the presidency of Brazil. He visited the United States in 1943 on a military inspection trip.

22 Year Old Request Finally Gets Some Action

LEPANTO, Ark. (UP) — When M. C. Wall came to Lepanto in 1923 to take over his duties as a railroad agent, his first request was that lanterns and lamps in the tiny depot be replaced with electric lights.

Recently, after 22 years of waiting, Wall's request was granted and electric lighting was installed in the depot.

Wall said something about better late than never.

Calls Apathy Biggest Spur To U. S. Slums

CHICAGO (UP) — Widespread indifference toward housing problems is America's greatest spur to slums, according to Eri Hulbert, Federal Housing Authority expert.

Hulbert, a senior project service advisor in the FHA characterizes the existence of slums a product of a "Rip Van Winkle attitude in the field of public housing." Only a national, co-ordinated housing program put into operation immediately can correct the existing conditions and provide for rent housing facilities, he said.

In a recent appearance at the University of Chicago, Hulbert attacked claims that slum-dwellers create the slums.

"The day-by-day living activities of residents of public housing projects is proof enough of the care most give their homes and their communities," he said. "They care for lawns, attack the problem of garbage disposal, paint dwelling units, plant gardens, find each other jobs, organize recreation programs and health campaigns. They so improve their standards of living that observers find it difficult to believe they and their children are the same as those who originally moved in."

Hulbert called for increased research by government, private enterprise, foundations and educational institutions and co-ordinated public-private efforts to procure decent housing.

Technological and economic "revolution" also are long overdue in the design, building, marketing and financing aspects of the housing industry, Hulbert charged.

1945 Champions of Nation's 4-H



For leadership in their respective 4-H groups during the year, Donald McKnight, 21, of Street, Md., and Mary Arlene Nelson, 20, of Humboldt, Kan., today hold those gold cups shown with them in the picture, as well as \$200 college scholarships. They are among the many winners selected in various contests during the 24th National 4-H Club Congress at Chicago.

GRID STAR DEXTEROUS

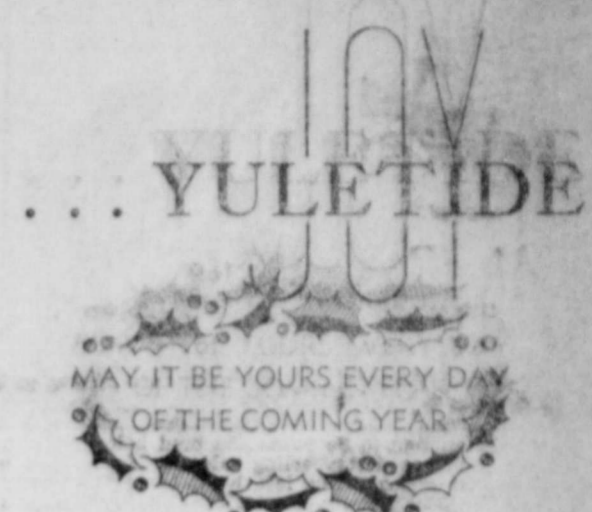
BATON ROUGE, La. (UP) — Jim Cason, star Louisiana State halfback, goes all-out when it comes to being ambidextrous. He throws a baseball with his right hand, and passes a football with his left. He bats with his right hand, and kicks with his left foot. He writes with his right hand, and eats with his left.

Tech Instructor Illustrates Book

LUBBOCK — Miss Edith Coleman, instructor in applied arts at Texas Technological College illustrated Gardner's Cook Book of 1945, published by the Houston Council of Texas Garden Clubs. The book features appetizing Mexican and Spanish dishes.

The catalogue of the famous Roosevelt stamp collection, soon to be placed on public auction, contains copies of the correspondence between the late President and the rulers of several foreign countries. In one letter Mr. Roosevelt writes: "I can almost say that I owe my life to my hobby—especially to stamp collecting."

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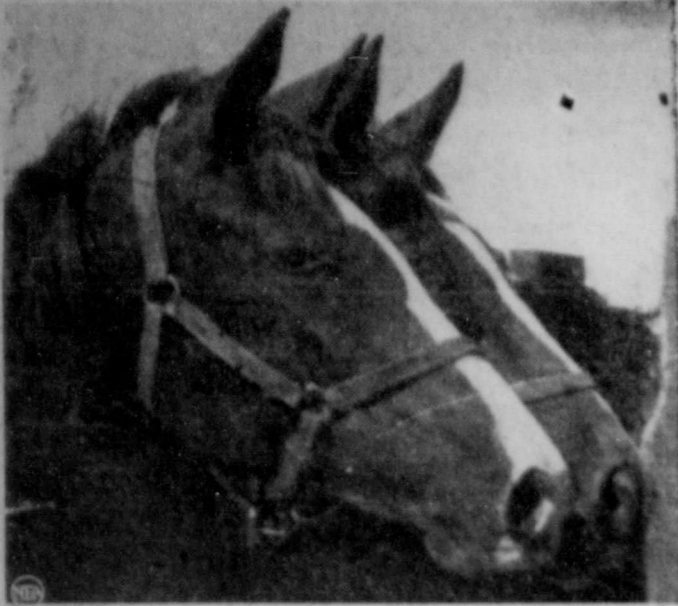


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Gelatine Made Jap Printing Press For PWs

AUSTIN, Tex. (UP) — These packages of gelatine which Lt. Raymond McKee's mates sent him while he was a prisoner in Germany might have been good eating had they not been so useful. McKee, a second lieutenant in the 2nd Bomber Group and his roommates used the stuff for making maps which aided prisoners after they escaped from Stalag Luft 1 prison camp.

Now a geology major at the University of Texas, the 23 year old Houston flier has told his story to friends here. He was shot down over the Alps March 18, 1944, and taken a prisoner of war.

By improvising shallow pans from discarded cans, McKee and his mates had containers in which they overcooked the gelatine. It made a semi-solid gelatinous substance. Face-downward on a table they laid a map traced out in ink. This was absorbed by the gelatine. When a blank sheet was placed on it and pressed, the map was reproduced.

The original maps had been gathered by prisoners for three years from a few German papers that came into the camp and from other papers smuggled in. They were compiled to show a 60-mile radius around the camp.

Utmost caution was used to produce the maps. German guards searched for the printing press in vain. In the course of their daily associations and in a combulant manner—as if nothing unusual was happening—the maps would be handed to prisoners who had planned to escape.

After 15 months, Russian soldiers freed McKee.

Mount Sterling, Ky., received its name because of the numerous ancient mounds built by the Mound Builders. Some of the

Italian Premier



An eleven-day crisis in the Italian government was resolved when Alcide de Gasperi, above, accepted the task of forming a new cabinet in which Socialists will hold the key interior portfolio. De Gasperi, leader of the Christian Democrat party, will retain the post of Foreign Minister in addition to premiership.

GRID GREENHORNS

BATON ROUGE, La. (UP) — Two Louisiana State footballers were really greenhorns at the start of the season. Guard Herd Miller had never played the game before and Fullback Joe Bartus played only 45 minutes in four years in high school.

The street of Camino del Monte Sol in Santa Fe, N. M., takes its name from a conical hill nearby called "Monte Sol." It was so named because the first and last rays of the sun are cast upon it.

Col. Thomas Eyles, a graduate of the Missouri School of Mines at Rolla, has been superintendent of the Carlsbad, N. M., Caverns National Park since 1927.

Foreign Students Studying Air Transportation

AUSTIN, Texas — Students from Iceland, Argentina, and Turkey are enrolled at the University of Texas to study air transportation. Dr. John Frederick, professor, reports.

Figurdur Matthiasson of Reykjavik, Iceland, received a scholarship from his government to study here, and he hopes to become an

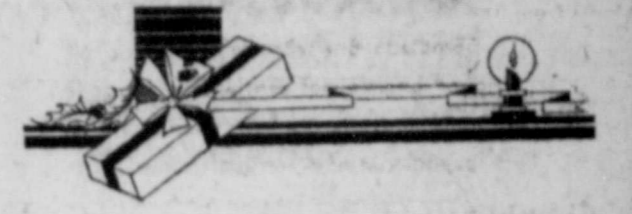
airport manager when he returns to his home country.

Guillermo Suaya of Buenos Aires, Argentina, is taking special work as a representative of the aeronautic department of his government. He was formerly legal adviser for the agriculture department for the Bureau of Social Agrarian Policy, and was one of the Argentine delegates to the San Francisco Conference.

Kamil Yaldir is from Istanbul, Turkey, and is majoring in mechanical engineering, and minoring in air transportation.

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AMERICAN CHRISTMAS CUSTOMS COME LARGELY FROM PEGAN RITES

American Christmas customs stem largely from Pagan rites developed long before the birth of Christ, according to a new article prepared for the Encyclopaedia Britannica by Mary Emogene Sazette, principal of the University of Wisconsin Library School.

Of American celebrations of Christmas, the custom of exchanging gifts is one of the few that springs from the Christmas era. Miss Hazeltine writes, Christmas candles, bonfires and Yule logs arise from the heathen festivals observing the winter solstice, December 21, when the days begin to lengthen. That was a time of great rejoicing for ancient sun-

worshippers who built bonfires to give strength to the "winter sun-god."

Pre-Christian Romans ornamented their homes with green boughs and blowers for the Feast of the Saturnalia which began on December 19. Druids gathered mistletoe for that season, while ancient Saxons used holly, ivy and bay. Modern mistletoe and holly wreaths come from those peoples.

Christmas trees, too, spring from ancient German days when the Germanic tribes made sacrifices to the sacred oak tree of Odin. When the missionary St. Boniface traveled to Germany in the Eighth Century and saw these celebrations he persuaded the natives to substitute

a fir tree for the oak and to adorn it in tribute to the Christ child. Thus was born the first true Christmas tree. Prince Albert introduced the tree to England after his marriage to Queen Victoria, while it was brought to America with all its decorations and spangles by German immigrants to this country.

In the pre-Christian world the celebration of the winter solstice was the principal event of the year. And because the exact day and year of Christ's birth have never been satisfactorily settled, the fathers of the Church, when they decided in 310 A. D. upon an official date for the birth of Christ wisely chose the day of the winter solstice which was firmly fixed in the minds of the people and which was their most important festival. Owing to changes in man-made calendars, Miss Hazeltine continues, "the time of the solstice and the date of Christmas vary by a few days."

The exchange of Christmas gifts, was originated by a bishop, born in the Third Century A. D., who was later made the Netherlands' patron saint of children—San Nicholas.

Santa Claus, as the American contraction of his name calls him, had a reputation for making secret gifts during the Christmas season. Saint Nicholas has become a

familiar figure in the folklore of many lands, yet in the Netherlands, as in Belgium, gifts are given on December 6, a special holiday for children, instead of on Christmas day. In France, too, gifts are exchanged on New Year's instead of Noel, and in Italy presents are distributed on the Epiphany, the celebration day of Christ's baptism.

St. Francis of Assisi is responsible for the birth of two widespread Christmas customs, Miss Hazeltine points out in the new article. He originated the use of the creche, a miniature tableau of the Nativity, in 1224, and since then the manger scene is the heart of the Roman Catholic celebration. St. Francis also encouraged the singing of Christmas carols, and they passed from Italy to France and Germany and then to England and the United States, always retaining their fervent and festive religious style.

During the Middle Ages the entire Christmas season was celebrated in equal fervor with that now shown on Christmas day. In some lands the celebration lasted from December 24 to January 6—Twelfth Night—and in others from December 21 to February 2. By the year 1644 Christmas in England had become such a wild orgy that the Puritans forbade its celebration by law.

Spain sold the state of Florida to the United States in 1819 with this country gaining full possession of the area in 1821, for only \$5,000,000.

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Assigned to Iran



Rapid withdrawal of U. S. troops from Iran is the task of Gen. Donald H. Connally, above, deputy commissioner of the Army-Navy Liquidation Commission, who heads the U. S. mission to Iran to speed "wind-up" of U. S. affairs there.

English Being Studied As A Foreign Tongue

AUTIN, Texas — English as a foreign language is being studied at the University of Texas by Spanish-speaking people from Mexico, Cuba, Puerto Rico, and most of the Central and South American countries.

In classes taught by Ralph B. Long, assistant professor of English and educational psychology, and Jesse J. Villarreal, assistant professor of speech, some 60 Latin American students study the grammar, reading and composition and phonetics of the English language.

Material used in the classes is being prepared by the teachers in book form, to be made available to teachers of Spanish speaking people elsewhere, Mr. Long said.

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ST LOUIS (UP) — Bet you never made more than 400 per cent on a six-month investment. The City of St. Louis did. Late June Park Commissioner

Palmer B. Baumes ordered the purchase of a motorcycle so Forest Park police could enforce a 30-mile-an-hour park speed limit. The machine cost \$500.

Since it was bought, Baumes said, the city has netted \$2,675 in fines from park traffic violators.

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Holland Nears End Of Battle To Regain Land

AMSTERDAM (UP) — Holland soon will have won her battle to reclaim her land inundated by the Germans and Allies, according to an announcement of the Department of Canals and Waterways.

Walcheren, the garden of Holland, will again reappear just a little more than seven months after the Nazis were chased from the country. Two hundred fifty thousand acres of land again will be available for cultivation and the farmers can begin to rebuild their 450 farms and 1,000 homes destroyed by the flood.

With the help of Allied engineers and equipment, the Dutch labored relentlessly through the months, working to plug the dikes that kept the Zuider Zee off the land. Some farmers from this area have already returned to begin ploughing the salty soil. At present, the main pumps, which were left intact by the Germans, are pumping off the water at 500 tons a minute. Soon, with implementation of new pumps from the U. S. the rate will be speeded up to 4,800 tons per minute.

The job at Walcheren was more difficult but despite disappointing delays due to storms which washed away all progress, the main hole in the Nalldike finally has been sealed off and water is being drained off rapidly.



A white-robed Japanese Shinto priest performs the ancient ritual of purifying the grounds of war in rubble-strewn Tokyo. The Japs regard this ceremony as necessary before they start the rebuilding of homes. Photo by Tom Shafer, Acme Newspictures-NEA Service photographer.

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Hollywood Film Shop

HOLLYWOOD (UP) — Patricia Roc, one of the first of the "lend-lease" actresses to arrive from England, has changed her mind about American men and decided that all of them are handsome.

"We met lots of your Navy men in England during the war," Miss Roc explained. "I decided that somehow they must have gathered up all of the handsomest men for service in the maritime branches."

"Now that I'm here, though, she added, "I've decided that there wasn't any special selection for the Navy, as far as looks are concerned. All American men are handsome."

"Not that they're any better

looking than Englishmen," she inserted hastily. "I couldn't let my husband hear me saying that. It's just that I had been led to expect something quite different."

Miss Roc was working at Universal studios in a featured role in "Canyon Passage." She had just returned from location in Oregon with the Walter Wagner technical production.

"I saw my first rodeo up in Oregon," she remarked, "and it was really more exciting than a horse show. Only thing I missed was the steeplechase."

She was intrigued with Western style of riding, she said, being an ardent horsewoman herself and bought a cowgirl blouse and a pair of frontier trousers.

"Now I need a palomino pony to go with them," she laughed.

Pat said the thing that pleased her most about Americans was the easy manner between sexes.

"There's no needless formality. Instead, you have a polite familiarity that makes associations much more pleasant. During the war we in England were a little surprised at the familiar attitude of the GIs toward English girls, but after a while we discovered that a whistle or a wolf call isn't necessarily rude, but rather a compliment."

"When the girls found that out, they stopped acting indignant and started smiling instead."

Hollywood (UP) — Al Jolson and Larry Parks, the comparative unknown who was given the big part of playing Jolson in the Columbia picture based on the famous entertainer's life, say they have become Hollywood's first pair of Siamese twins.

They mean they've been together hours on end during which by a kind of osmosis known only to actors Parks has been absorbing the old Jolson shuffle, the warm Jolson voice.

"Larry was the only candidate who didn't come around and say that he already could do a perfect imitation of Jolson," the singer said, explaining why Parks got the part. "It was his modesty plus the ability I saw in a couple of his unreleased pictures."

Parks thanked Jolson for the compliment but said he wasn't too happy at his good fortune.

"I'm on the spot," he said. "Millions of persons have seen the original Jolson. The imitation is going to have to come pretty close to it. If he doesn't—well, I'll buy a service station back in Peoria."

Jolson said he wasn't worried. He took Parks under his wing 4 months ago to prepare him to recreate one of the most successful personalities in the history of entertainment.

"He's really been swell to me about it too," Parks interrupted. "For instance, one day at rehearsals he asked me if I had noticed

the way he always timed a certain gesture to the music of the theater orchestra.

"Was I embarrassed when I had to confess I'd never seen him on the stage?"

"Boy, you've never lived, he told me as he reached for a phone," Parks continued. "He arranged for an orchestra to be sent on the stage next to 'The Al Jolson Story.'"

"Half an hour later there I was sitting in solitary grandeur with a whole Al Jolson show going on for my benefit. It was swell, but I'm still worried. Now they expect me to be able to do it too."

vature on top of an airplane wing?

A—To give the plane aerodynamic lift. The curvature forces air passing over the wing to go farther, hence faster, than air passing under the wing. Air over the wing is thus spread thinner, resulting in "give" from pressure below.

J—What U. S. currency carries a picture of an automobile?
A—A \$10 bill.

• BARBS
BY HAL COCHRAN

TIGHT-FITTING suits for women are on show for winter wear. Dangerous curves ahead!

Most college classes are led by girls, says a professor. So are the male students.

The thumb-jerking hikers always hope there'll be a hitch in their plans.

A few of this year's hunting accidents have happened because both the hunters and the guns were loaded.

Time is money only when you spend yours earning it.

Greetings To You



During the past year your loyalty and kind patronage has meant much to us. In this new Peace-Time 1946, we hope that we may continue to serve you efficiently.

We Wish You Happiness and a Bountiful New Year.

MILLER GRO. & MARKET
C. MILLER
111 No. Austin

Merry Christmas And A Happy New Year To Each Of You



We have enjoyed serving you all this past year, now we want to thank you for the friendliness you have shown us. We are counting on serving you this coming year as efficiently and courteously as possible.

WM. JONES GROCERY
MRS. FRANK ARRENDALE
339 Ray Street Phone 358W

QUESTIONS and ANSWERS

Q—What ruler became president of his country, and then was proclaimed king?
A—Zog of Albania, proclaimed King in 1928.

Q—Where is Petain imprisoned?
A—On Ile d'Yeu in the Bay of Biscay.

Q—Where is Basuto Land?
A—In Southern Africa. It is part of the Union of South Africa.

Q—What is the purpose of cut-

May you and yours share to the fullest measure the brightness of the light of liberty and that good old American freedom.




Merry Christmas

TO ENJOY MANY MERRY CHRISTMASSES AND HAPPY NEW YEARS

MRS. HARRELL'S CAFE
MR. AND MRS. R. E. HARRELL

THE AMERICAN EAGLE




WATCHES OVER AN AMERICAN CHRISTMAS

Without the watchfulness and protection afforded by America, Christmas would fall far short this year. But because Americans everywhere have fought so courageously, Christmas in America will continue to be traditional.

P. L. CROSSLEY
COUNTY JUDGE

MAY JOY THIS CHRISTMASTIDE



attend you and may new found blessings make the New Year more bright.

We gratefully acknowledge your consideration during the past and solicit your continued thoughtfulness.

ROY D. MARTIN LUMBER CO.
RANGER

We Wish You Well

Our every thought this Yuletide is for those about us whom it has been our privilege to serve and those whom we would like to serve in the future.

Your consideration and regard mean much to us and we are grateful for your friendships.

May this be a Christmas never to be forgotten for its happiness and contentment.

Season's Greetings



SOUTHERN ICE CO.
ROY DAWN, MGR.

YOU MUST NURSE YOUR CAR THIS WINTER



If you think you are going to buy a new car this year, you're probably going to be disappointed. New cars are being made, but over 14 million eager buyers are after them.

So...once again...you'll have to make the old bus do. That means more careful nursing than ever before...through the winter months of hardest driving conditions.

Sinclair Dealers can help you nurse your car through the winter. They can do it with Sinclair-ize for Winter Service. This special service includes changing over summer grade lubricants to lubricants of the right grade for winter protection, caring for battery, tires and cooling system. Call your Sinclair Dealer for an appointment today.

STOP AT THIS SIGN

SINCLAIR-ize  **for WINTER NOW**

...AND TRY THE NEW H-C GASOLINE

THIS IS OUR WISH FOR YOU



Every business, regardless of size or type; every individual, is dependent upon someone else for support and existence. Our business is dependent upon our many loyal friends who have favored us in scores of ways during the past year.

It may have been through your patronage... it may have been a kind word of cheer... or it may have been an expression in our behalf to some friend of yours... but, in whatever way you may have favored us, we are thankful.

It is our hope that each of you may receive the blessings of a joyous Yuletide Season.

J. E. MERONEY
Agt. Sinclair Refining Co.

MERRY CHRISTMAS HAPPY NEW YEAR



L. R. PEARSON

CHEMICAL REACTIONS OF GROWING PLANTS STUDIED

AUSTIN, Tex.—Studies of the chemical reactions that take place in growing plants, which may some day unlock the secret to the production of fuel and power from sunlight, are being conducted at the University of Texas by Dr. Jack Myers, assistant professor of physiology.

The scientific name for Dr. Myers' research project is photosynthesis, which Webster defines as "the synthesis (combination) of chemical compounds effected with the aid of radiant energy, especially light." More specifically, it is the process carried out in green plants by which the energy of sunlight is used to build up sugars out of water and the carbon dioxide of the air.

"Photosynthesis is the most important chemical process that goes on in the world," Dr. Myers said. "It is the ultimate source of all food and is the process by which in past ages our reserves of energy in coal and oil were created."

"Our immediate problem is to find out how photosynthesis works in the green plant. When that is done, then we can expect to improve on the efficiency of the process and someday have factories for the production of fuel from sunlight to replace sources of energy such as coal and oil."

In studying the photosynthesis Dr. Myers uses one-celled plants such as the algae which makes "frogsum" on ponds and the green coating on the bark of trees. Millions of the tiny plants are being grown by Dr. Myers in his laboratory under carefully-controlled conditions.

"In my present experiments different batches of cells are being grown under different light intensities," Dr. Myers explained. "The plants are then tested for their efficiency in bringing about photosynthesis by measuring how fast they can produce oxygen, which is a by-product of the process. If the light used for growing the plants is too bright or too dim,

the cells are not very good at bringing about photosynthesis. By choosing just the right light intensity, very efficient cells are produced. The next job will be to find out the difference in "biochemical machinery" between the efficient cells and the poor cell."

The study of photosynthesis is a good example of "basic research" being conducted at the University, which seldom produces immediate patents or profits but lays the basis for industrial processes and medical knowledge that will raise our standard of living in years to come.

Warning Given On Gray Market In Automobiles

DEARBORN, Mich. — Ford Motor Company dealers throughout the nation have been warned against participation in the so-called "gray market" in new cars, J. K. Davis, director of sales and advertising for the company announced today.

Abuse of the informal and unofficial "priority systems" which have been set up to handle new car sales, has reached serious proportions, Mr. Davis said, and various tactics are being worked to capitalize on the public hunger for new automobiles.

The abuses, he explained, range from name-switching on the unofficial priority list to payment of fabulous bonuses for transfer of cars after they have left the dealers' hands. In many instances, Mr. Davis pointed out, the unfortunate victims of such swindles are veterans, who should have very high—if not top—priority on Ford dealers delivery lists.

Three measures have been recommended for adoption by the Ford dealers to help minimize effects of the "gray market." They are:

- (1) No name substitution on dealer lists, and strict adherence to the first come, first served principle;
- (2) definite allocation of a proportion of all new cars obtained by dealers—from upwards of 25 per cent.—to veterans;
- (3) use of the now-abolished OPA priority lists to determine all debatable or borderline applications.

Reclamation and irrigation work worth \$17,000,000 is planned shortly for Wyoming.

STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

To All Stockholders of The First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Ranger.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Ranger, will be held at the Paramount Hotel (in the form of a free breakfast) on the 8th day of January 1944, at 7:00 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing directors and to transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

A. J. RATLIFF, President.
C. E. MAY, Sec.-Treas.



Season's Greetings

To All
MRS. COKE MARTIN
ANTIQUES

A JOYOUS NOEL

With this Greeting we wish to include our sincere thanks for the splendid cooperation we have had from our customers the past months. It has been difficult, at times, for us to maintain our usual standard of service, yet you have been most understanding and liberal with your patronage.

It has been a privilege to have these associations and we will strive with our every effort to merit a continuation of your patronage.

NEAL'S LAUNDRY

HOPING

Christmas Will Be A Merry
One and the New Year Full
Of Happy Experiences and
Many Opportunities
For Success

We trust you will realize how sincere and heartfelt our greeting and good wishes are for you at this Christmas. We feel too, that the year 1944 has bright prospect for the country as a whole and for you as individuals.

We assure you we will be more able to serve you efficiently than for sometime and our best is none to good in return for your kind patronage of the past.

RANGER PEANUT CO., INC.

RANGER, TEXAS



MAY YOU ENJOY THIS CHRISTMAS TO ITS FULLEST

For the first time since 1940 we can enjoy a Peace-Time Christmas and we should certainly look forward to the New Year as an opportunity to make the most of it in every way. We hope to serve you in a way that will be both pleasant and profitable to you. We hope to serve you after 1946.

ROGERS SHOE & BOOT REPAIR
109 N. Austin

THE PERFECT PICTURE



GHOLSON BARBER SHOP
L. E. GRAY
and EMPLOYEES



**A MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND
A HAPPY NEW YEAR**

From the Board of Trustees and
the Faculty of Ranger Junior
College
Dr. G. C. Boswell, President

GIs Take Advantage of Free Schooling by Government, Ranger College is an Approved College

Merry Christmas!



HAPPY
New Year
CLUB CAFE
BETTYE STIFFLER, Mgr.

Our Wish For
AMERICANS
EVERYWHERE



Merry Christmas

D. E. PULLEY

WATCHMAKER JEWELER

203 MAIN

UP AND DOWN BROADWAY

NEW YORK (U.P.) — Two playwrights who have collaborated with fine success in the past, Joseph Fields and Jerome Chodorov, have come an interesting crupper with something called "The French Touch." It is not a happy thing to contemplate. I can't even say that the play has a good idea, because whatever basic thought was there in the first place has been carved up and scattered around in such fashion as to obscure it. And along about the second act the affair acquires labor pains and from there on out tedium rules.

no heat and little to eat, at least the invaders have left them alone. Pat comes a new Nazi dispenser of culture to the French capital and he has taken a shine to the star who was the actor's first wife. For some reason he displays a certain restraint in his smug pursuit and uses her to persuade her former husband to produce again.

The Frenchman is afraid of being a collaborator, but his first wife convinces him that they can put on a play of his own devising and, by giving it a surprise patriotic finish, of which the Nazis will not be aware until the night of the premiere, strike a blow for France. Into this martial and marital mess comes the actor's second wife, a member of the underground, and the Nazis insist that all three women be in of amatory trouble, especially as to the actor and his first mate. Eventually they get back together again, the actor kills the Nazi more or less by accident and the night of the great performance is just around the wings as the final curtain falls.

Brian Aherne does as well as anyone has a right to expect with the leading role. My chief objection to him is that he appears to be too young for the character. Arlene Francis had a rather hazardous role as the first wife, a character never clearly defined. Neither is the second wife well drawn, although Madeleine Le Beau does her best with it. Jacqueline Dalya comes off best as the third wife because the character is better delineated by the authors. Others in leading roles include John Wengraf, who's capital as the Nazi; John Regan; Jerome Thor and Richard Bengall. The producer is Herbert H. Harris, head of a large perfume house and uncle of Fields. Rene

To You and Yours

A
YULETIDE
OF MUCH
MERRINESS
A
NEW YEAR
OF GREAT
HAPPINESS

May old Santa remember you well this Christmas—our wish for you and yours.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin George Morris - Dorothy

• BARBS

BY HAL COCHRAN

IT'll soon be time for New Year's "swearing off." About all some people will get out of it is a chance to swear.

The best light on any subject can be had by a little reflection.

Speaking of the Victory Loan campaign—folks are right in time when they hop aboard the bond wagon!

When you are satisfied to sit back and take things as they come, they seldom do.

When they put their shoulders to the wheel in South America, you never can tell how many revolutions it will make.

ressed and George Jenkins designed the one effective set.

playwrighting contest for Negroes has been announced by the sponsor of the McKinley Square Players, in The Bronx, a new organization dedicated to a repertory policy for Negro plays appearing in all type of theatres.

not just those written for Negroes. The contest, which closes next May 31, will mean a \$500 Victory bond and a fax production to the winner. Judges will be Eddie Brown, Russel Cruise and L. J. Robinson.

-V Bonds Are "Blue Chips"-

Approximately 21,000 trout will be planted in Wyoming streams and lakes this fall by the Snowy Range Fish Propagation Assn.

Italians outnumber Frenchmen more than two to one in New Orleans' famed "French Quarter." Florida has the longest coastline of any state—1,197 miles.

Christmas Greetings



THIS first peacetime Christmas in four years brings many good reasons for rejoicing... family circles made complete with loved ones back from foreign lands... Christmas lights twinkling again outdoors... the first shining metal toys to gladden the hearts of youngsters... tables laden with good food from a rich and unscarred

land... but, most of all, that blessed feeling of peace and security and hope for the future that is now ours to enjoy.

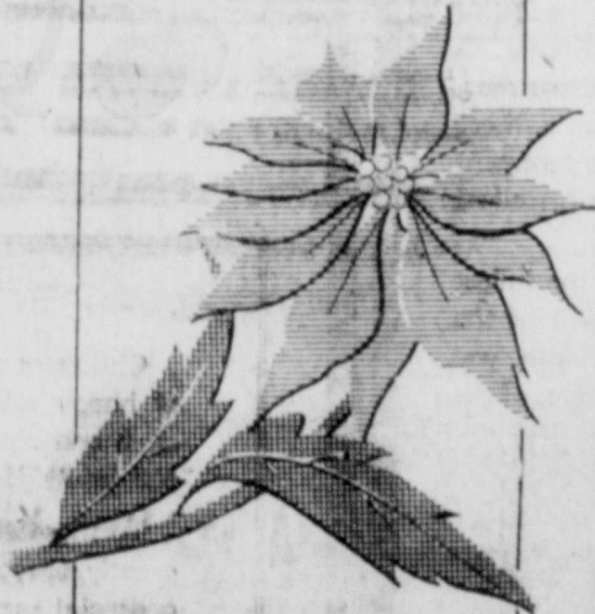
Yes, this Christmas is indeed one to live long in memory. If our service is helping to make the occasion brighter and more enjoyable, we are glad.

To our customers and employees, we extend heartiest greetings of the season. Merry Christmas to you all!

COMMUNITY PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY

THE YULETIDE SEASON

BRINGS A
JOYOUS GREETING
TO ALL OUR CUSTOMERS



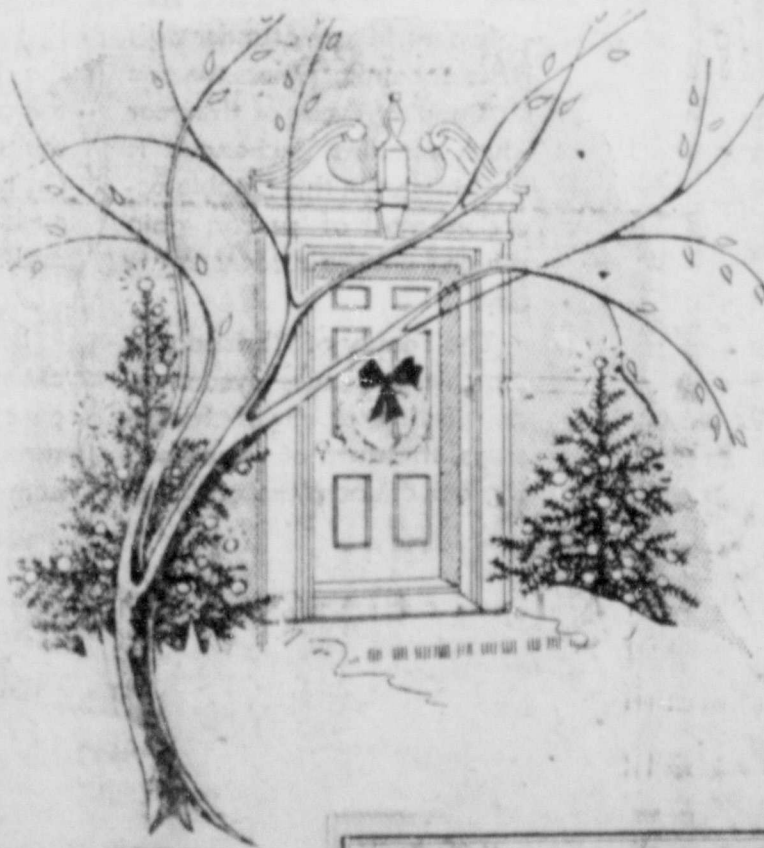
In this most cordial of holidays, when joy prevails everywhere, may we bring a message of Good Cheer to each of you, and express a sincere wish that the coming year holds the realization of your fondest hopes and ambitions.

WEAVER AISHMAN
GROCERY & MARKET
MR. AND MRS. WEAVER AISHMAN
TOMMIE and EMPLOYEES

MERRY

Christmas

TO ALL



With the splendid remembrances of the harmonious associations we have had with our many good friends in this area during the past, we eagerly look forward to a continuance of them in the future.

We sincerely hope that these friendships have been as pleasant to you as they have been to us.

May this be your happiest Christmas and may the New Year bring you some new joy each day.

Best Wishes for the Holiday Season

Pickens Weaver
Jess Weaver
Mae Weaver
Anna Mae Mathis
Clyde Jaynor

RANGER DRY CLEANERS

ROY L. GRAY

Viola Basham
Vera Mae Stewart
Mettie Dooley
Mavarine Lemley
Albert Dooley



AS THE highest joys of Christmas come to us from the blessing of giving, we gather our humble share by giving our service to this community and our cordial and heartfelt wishes for your happiness. May the Spirit of the Nativity go with you throughout the coming year, and may your share of joy be brightened by the acknowledgment of our appreciation of your past favors.

GREETINGS

AND BEST WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR

PROMPT PRINTING CO.

PAUL MacDONALD

Christmas Lights Remind Nurses Of Mercy By Candlelight At Front

WASHINGTON — Christmas time—and candles burn in the windows of many homes in America tonight.

Peace on earth, good will to men begins to mean something after the weary years of war.

Candles in the window, or the twinkling of Christmas tree lights have added significance to the war nurses and medical women of World War II. Many of them worked beside the surgeons in candle light, or by electric flash light, or lamp.

Thousands of nurses will not be able to be home this Christmas. Their job is not over, for they must serve the wounded and sick in the Army and Navy hospitals and the rehabilitation centers.

Tonight their thoughts turn back to the shaded lights of the dressing stations, to the hospitals close to the front lines. As they wish their patients a "Merry Christmas" some may think of tortures of Bataan and of the rigors of the tunnels of Corregidor.

It was Mrs. Norman T. Kirk, wife of Major General Kirk, surgeon general of the U. S. Army

who conceived the idea of providing a practical memorial for these war nurses and medical women. She was a nurse in the first world war and knows their needs.

From her idea the Nurses National Memorial was born, a project to raise at least \$2,000,000 to build and endow a center and "home" for war nurses in the Nation's Capital.

It will be a place where they can stay at very low cost when in Washington, a rest and rehabilitation center with accommodations such as nurses require. It will be a practical memorial, to endure through the years as a national center for army and navy and air force nurses, rather than a monument of marble or granite.

Under Arthur H. Johnson as chairman of the memorial fund committee a headquarters has been opened at 325 Woodward Building in Washington and an appeal has gone out for volunteer workers and for subscriptions to the fund. After the first of the year plans will be speeded to put the campaign into full swing.

Chairman Johnson said today that the movement is sponsored

by Mrs. Truman Mrs. George C. Marshall, Mrs. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Mrs. Ernest J. King, Mrs. Chester W. Nimitz and many other wives of high ranking Army and Navy officers, as well as their husbands.

The appeal has met with an enthusiastic response throughout the country, Chairman Johnson said. For example, he said, the Wilson Daily Times of Wilson, N. C., has voluntarily opened a local campaign in that community and is soliciting donations, starting off the list with its own contribution.

"This appeal is so worthy that the entire amount of \$2,000,000 could be raised through newspapers and radio solicitation alone, those sponsoring the project firmly believe," said Chairman Johnson.

Miami Beach, Fla. has no railroad station, airport, cemeteries or slums.

HISTORY OF OF WORLD WAR II BEING PREPARED BY SOCIETY

AUSTIN, Texas — A history of World War II as told through personal letters, photographs, diaries, travel experiences, and phases of military training is being prepared now by the Texas State Historical Association, H. Bailey Correll, acting director of the Association, announced today.

"We are asking every citizen of Texas to cooperate with us" in collecting and acquiring records of Texans in World War II," Dr.

Carroll said. "The Association, with the consent of Brigadier General J. Watt Page, state director of Selective Service, has asked the local board of each Texas county to furnish the list of persons serving in the armed forces. Many of these lists already have been received and placed in the permanent archives of the University."

and diaries which reveal the human experiences of the war — boot camp, USO, travel experiences, anecdotes, recreation, amusement, tragedies and deaths.

Original letters and diaries may be copied before sending in the originals, Dr. Carroll said, and duplicates may be kept while the originals become a part of a listing file for the use of future historians and students. All papers will be housed in the University of Texas archives and will become a part of the Eugene C. Barker Texas History Center when it is established.

All contributions should be addressed to Texas State Historical Association, Austin 12, Texas.



GLAD TIDINGS

To our faithful old friends and our cherished new ones, we extend sincere Christmas greetings and good wishes for the coming year.

SWANEY'S PHARMACY

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS ---



Most cherished among the gifts which come our way during the past year is the memory of the pleasant relations with those with whom we have been privileged to serve. We wish for you a good old fashioned American Christmas and a New Year made to your order.

RANGER AUTO PARTS

MR. AND MRS. J. J. KELLY

MR. AND MRS. GASTON DIXON

Compliments of the Yule Season

AND THANKS for EVERYTHING

J. C. PENNEY CO.
Joe Graham, Manager



MERRY CHRISTMAS

From
TEXACO SERVICE STATION
FRANK PENN

THE MATCHLESS BEAUTY OF CHRISTMAS

In a world torn asunder with strife and unhappiness the one outstanding event of the year which remains unchanged is Christmas. On this notable occasion most of us can gain refuge from the burdens of the day.

The beauty of Christmas is matchless! Home, loved ones, gay festivities, loyal friendships, the thrill of remembering our friends, the anticipa-

tion of being remembered and the host of other beautiful things that are enthroned in the true spirit of Christmas. On no other occasion is there such a feeling of contentment and happiness. It is priceless!

Let us enjoy it to the fullest extent. May the spirit of the event remain with you throughout the 365 days of the coming year.



JOSEPH'S DRY GOODS

Mr. and Mrs. D. Joseph
And Employees

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

AMONG THE GOOD THINGS BESTOWED BY THE PASSING YEAR, OUR MOST VALUED ONE IS THE FRIENDSHIP AND GOOD WILL OF THOSE WE SERVE

IT IS A PRIVILEGE AT THIS HAPPY SEASON TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION AND TO WISH YOU ALL THE JOYS OF THE YULETIDE SEASON



RANGER TIRE SHOP

NEELEY and CHAMBERS



Greetings

Christmas comes and reawakens the appreciation of happy relationships . . . rekindles the warmth of friendships made during the time it has been our privilege to serve you.

To those whose friendly support has contributed so greatly to our welfare, we extend our most cordial appreciation.

Best wishes for the Christmas Season and the New Year



H. & C. FOOD STORE

Roscoe Hopper Arlie Carver

174-POINT MAJOR GOES BACK TO REGULAR ARMY

SHANGHAI (UP)—Maj. John D. Coffey, 31, Tuckahoe, N. Y., is a recruiting officer's dream. After adding 174 points in two tours of overseas duty—in Europe and China—the air force navigator is re-enlisting in the regular army.

Coffey was high point man of a group of 1150 Army officers and enlisted men to go aboard the Navy transport USS Hocking here for return to the United States.

While recruiting officers in the China—the air force navigator is in re-enlistments of men in this theater for service in the regular Army, Coffey was busy making plans for his furlough at home and then "I hope, more navigating of medium bombers.

Coffey returned to the United States with the first large-scale group of China (and India-Burma) veterans of the U. S. Army. The men were principally "casuals"—

individuals—who had amassed their points in long months of overseas duty.

Coffey got his points—50 more than any other man aboard the USS Hocking—from 30 months overseas duty in combat in North Africa, Sicily, Italy, Burma, China and Thailand. He wears the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with eight oak leaf clusters, three battle stars for his ETO campaign ribbon and four battle stars for service in the CBI.

He is married and the father of a three year old daughter. Coffey went into service with a National Guard unit and transferred to the Air Corps in 1941.

High point enlisted man was T-4 Albert C. Myers, Walnut Creek, Cal., with 92 points in 26 months. He served with the OSS in Alaska, England and China. Myers plans to resume his college

THIS IS AMERICA
by DAN V. RANCHO

IN 1905 ROENTGEN DISCOVERED POWERFUL MYSTERY RAY—CALLED IT "X," THE UNKNOWN...

A YEAR LATER W.D. COOLIDGE, MIT STUDENT BEGAN EXPERIMENTING...

IN 1913 THE NOW DR. COOLIDGE, INDUSTRY SCIENTIST, INVENTED REVOLUTIONARY NEW X-RAY TUBE...

IN CONTINUING RESEARCH FOR RELIABLE METHOD OF CONTROLLING RAYS IN 1920 HE DESIGNED EQUIPMENT FOR SAFE X-RAY APPLICATION, FROM WHICH CAME DENTAL X-RAY OUTFIT...

JODRY HIS COMPANY HAS CREATED FIRST PORTABLE 2,000,000 WALT X-RAY FOR THE BENEFIT OF MEDICINE AND INDUSTRY.

OUR DEMOCRACY

—by Ray

Christmas 1945

A Season of Peace and good will in the homes of America.

Amelita Galli-Curci, famed coloratura soprano, is a self-taught vocalist.

The first U. S. Mint was established by Congress in Philadelphia April 2, 1792.



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

The spirit of the season prompts us to express to you Appreciation of our pleasant business relations during the year. Best holiday wishes to you and yours.

RANGER AIR PORT

MR. and MRS. C. C. MCKEEVER
and EMPLOYEES

YOUR VOLUNTEER BOND SALESMAN IS YOUR BEST FRIEND

CHRISTMAS AT ITS BEST

From the depths of our heart we wish to extend our sincerest Christmas greetings. We are mindful of the part you have each had in the trying days of the past year and it is because of such unselfish efforts that the American way of life will be maintained. It is our wish that you will enjoy Christmas at its best, with an abundance of good cheer, good fellowship and goodwill for all.

TRADERS GRO. and MARKET

studies at the University of California.

"I just can't quite believe that blue pinstripe is just around the corner," he said, grinning as he carted his war souvenirs up the gangplank.

Like Coffey, S-Sgt. Linwood P. Scott, Newport News, Va., decided to stay in the Army. Scott was listed with 140 points for his service overseas—because of his re-enlistment he could not be listed in the high-point category of men going home for discharge.

Recruiting officers in China have noted a slight upswing in enlistments, crediting much of this trend to the feeling the men have that conditions are too unsettled for them to jump back in civilian life.

"Many of the boys figure they won't be able to find jobs right away, or get themselves adjusted to being civilians so they will stay in the Army for a year or two."

But, out of the 25,000 or so troops in China recently, only 250 had re-enlisted with another 500 listed as "prospects."

"Most of them men want to get home—and that is one of the things we can offer, if they sign up out here," recruiting officers said.

One officer pointed out that re-enlistments get a high priority on travel to the States. If they re-enlist for a three year period, they can choose the theater in which they wish to serve. In this case, if the Army's proposed China mission is formulated many men who have signified an interest in the Far East, may sign up for China and remain there, or return upon completion of their furlough.

Enlistments are running slightly higher in the Air Corps, where younger troops feel they want to stay "flying" rather than return to college or jump into strange jobs in which they have little or no training.

Recruiting posters boast of the "security" of the Army, and it is evident this is a drawing card for many veterans.

4-H Specialist Is Appointed For Texas A&M

COLLEGE STATION, Texas—Miss Lorens Stevens of Tyler has been appointed 4-H Club specialist for the A. and M. College Extension Service, and will assume her duties here at headquarters December 7, Director Ildo P. Trotter, has announced. Miss Stevens will be in charge of girls' 4-H Club work.

The new specialist has served as county home demonstration agent in three Texas counties, Hopkins, Upshur, and Smith. She taught school before she went to Hopkins county on May 1, 1931. Miss Stevens has been Smith County home demonstration agent since March 1, 1944.

A graduate of Sam Houston State Teachers College, Huntsville Miss Stevens received her B. S. degree with a major in home economics. Livingston is her home town.

A FRIENDLY GREETING

As you eagerly await the occasion of an enjoyable Season with your friends and family . . . we trust you will pause just long enough to accept these few words of Christmas cheer from the personnel of this firm.

To have served you in the past has been a decided privilege, prompting us to express a Christmas Greeting that carries with it our best wishes for the coming year. The friendships formed these past twelve months, combined with those other friendships of long standing, lead us to again renew our pledge of service.



COMMERCIAL STATE BANK
Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

SO IT'S CHRISTMAS AGAIN

We've been waiting a whole year for this occasion—it's a time of the year when for a day or so we can make some attempt to return to normalcy. It gives us a splendid opportunity to renew acquaintances, to express our gratitude for all past favors and to pledge anew our ideals of service.

We wish you the best of everything and trust that from the spirit of Christmas you will receive the courage and strength to meet new problems of the coming year.

T. J. SPINDLE, AGENT
American National Life Insurance
Home Office, Galveston



TASTY BAKING COMPANY
BUD POWELL, Agent

THE SEASON OF GOOD CHEER

Finds us again eagerly awaiting the opportunity of expressing a warm and friendly GREETING to our hosts of friends in the community which it is our privilege to serve.

It is our sincere wish that we may continue those fine relationships that have come our way.

Sincere good wishes for a Joyful Christmas and

A HAPPY NEW YEAR



SIG FAIRCLOTH SALES BARN
S. S. FAIRCLOTH, TRUCKING

TO ALL who live beneath the shining light of freedom, we extend our sincerest wishes for joyous Christmas. We sincerely and affectionately dedicate our efforts in the coming year toward a better service to our fellow man.

May Peace and Freedom bless the earth and all its peoples.

U.S. Colonel, 72, Shows Way To K.O. Time

NEW YORK, (UP) — If you wish to be 20 years younger, take a lesson from Col. Philip J. McCook, 72, who has served in three wars.

In 1942 Col. McCook was told by the Army that they could not use him. They said he was too old, so he devised a rejuvenation program for himself.

Every day, for two months, he exercised vigorously at his Niantic

Conn. beach cottage. Everything from swimming and hiking to digging in his garden was included in the muscle-building period.

Finally, after two months, the colonel again asked for his commission in the Army. Medical examiners told him that he was "an individual of almost 70, with the face of a man of 67 and the body of a man of 40."

In the face of his remarkable physical condition, the Army soon put him to work in the Judge Advocate General's office.

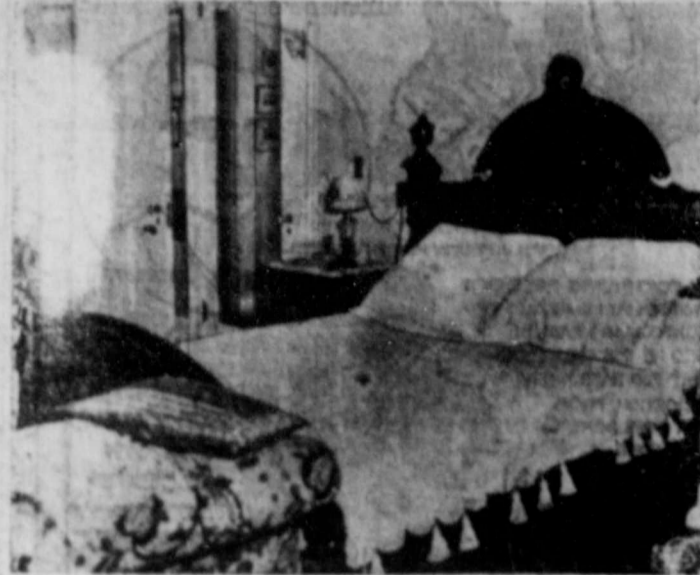
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First Photos Show Simplicity of Late President's Home



Almost Spartan simplicity marks the late President's boyhood bedroom, with its plain brass bed and single electric light.

The photos shown here are the first ever permitted to be taken inside the Roosevelt family home at Hyde Park, N. Y., which will be opened to the public as a museum in 1946. Although the house frequently is referred to as a "mansion," the keynote of Hyde Park is simplicity of furnishing and the homely "lived-in" atmosphere to be found in the average American home.



The President's massive, hand-carved wooden bed has a hand crocheted spread. In the closet is seen his Navy Cape.



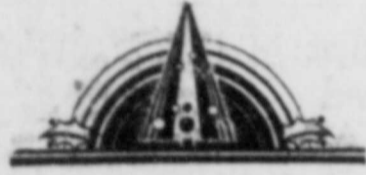
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OVER QUARTER MILLION SS BENEFITS BEING PAID

ABILENE, Texas, Dec. 18, 1945 — Over a quarter of a million dollars annually is now being paid in sixteen west Texas counties under the retirement and survivors insurance provisions of the Social Security Act. This announcement was made today by Ralph T. Fisher, Manager of the Abilene Social Security Board Field Office, in connection with the observance of the sixth anniversary of the opening of the office. This total includes payments of some \$55,000 a year being made in Eastland County.

Approved claims in the sixteen-county area served by the Abilene Office total \$29,321.15 monthly, or \$279,853.80 annually. An estimated 14 per cent of the claimants have, however, requested that their payments be suspended temporarily; these suspensions were requested because of employment or for other reasons. The net annual total of monthly payments

actually being made is thus approximately \$240,000. In addition to these monthly amounts, lump-sum death payments of some \$10,000 per year are being made. Monthly payments go to the retired worker after age 65, with supplementary payments for his children under 18 and for his wife at 65. Survivors payments are made to children under 18, to the widow with such children in her care to the widow at age 65, and in some cases to dependent parents at age 65. Approximately 65 per cent of these payments go to women and children.

Persons wishing help on their claims, or information about their social security accounts, should get in touch with the Abilene Office, located at 205 Alexander Building. The office was opened on December 18, 1939, and since that time has been serving an ever-increasing number of people throughout the sixteen-county area.

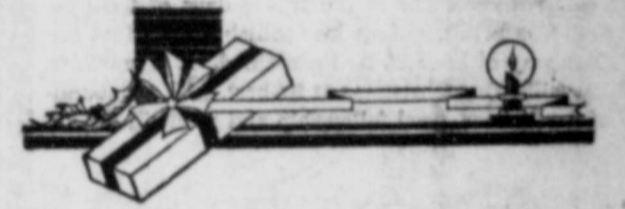


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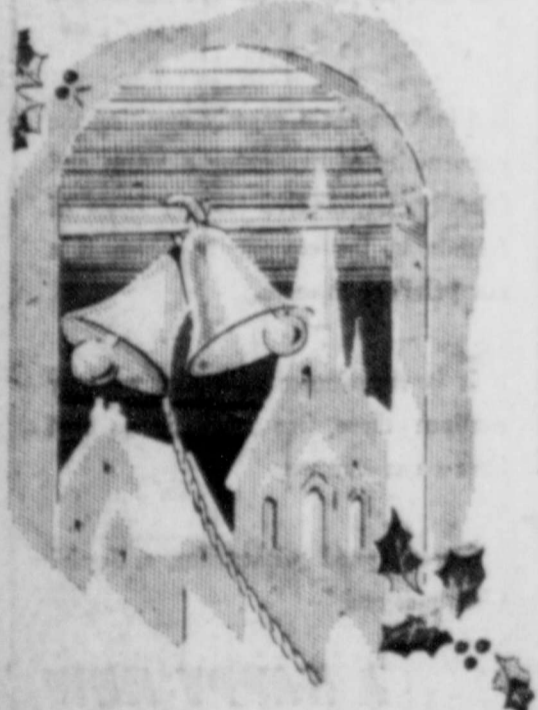
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