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## SQUIBS BY JAY

This column will be short and sweet this week, not because old Jay wants it that way, but because Dr. Hal Cooper says, "Take it easy, Dummy." We figure Dr. Hal knows what he's talking about, so we're "taking it easy."

We just want to say a few words. During the time when McCamey streets were frozen over, we saw a lot of citizens going to back their cars away from the curb without success until "walking citizens" got the job done. It didn't matter who the riders were and it didn't matter who the walkin' citizens were. A brother or sister citizen was in need of assistance . . . so the assistance was immediately forthcoming.

This is the sort of thing for which America is famed . . . particularly the Texas part of America. It made our country a great country.

We can make of our town and county a fine place to live . . . if we'll keep pulling together in this manner. Old Jay votes in AYE.

## Announcement Made of Bone-Thomas Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Bone have announced the recent marriage of their daughter, Erlene Bone, to Roy Curtis Thomas, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Thomas. The wedding took place Saturday evening, Dec. 21, at the Methodist Church in Ozona, with the pastor of the church performing the ceremony.

The bride was attired in a white gaberdine dress trimmed with gold and black, and wore a corsage of fuchsia carnations. She was attended by Miss Ann West of Ozona, who wore a grey suit, pen-striped with brown and brown accessories.

The groom was a 1946 graduate of McCamey High School and is now a student at Texas Tech in Lubbock. Mrs. Thomas is a Junior in McCamey High School and plans to complete her education.

## Railroad Crossing To Be Repaired

A representative of the Santa Fe Railway early this week gave Mayor E. C. Bone and the City Council the go-ahead signal on repair of railroad crossings in McCamey. Bone was given authority to obtain bids and have the work completed as quickly as possible.

The City has been seeking authority to have this work done for several months.



REPLETE — Ever-hungry Jughead (Archie Andrews) of NBC's "Archie Andrews" has eaten enough—for once—and his mind is far from food as he ponders how to finagle a cost-of-living raise in his weekly allowance.

## Livestock Shipments Take a Downward Trend in November

AUSTIN, Tex., Jan. 6.—Texas livestock shipments took a downward turn in November after soaring in October with the removal of OPA control over meat prices, according to figures released by the Bureau of Business Research of the University of Texas.

The total of 10,262 cars shipped were 17 per cent below October's 12,388 and were 13 per cent less than shipments made in November, 1945.

Shipments of hogs showed the only increase over October, 62 per cent, and rose 133 per cent over November, 1945.

Shipments of cattle fell 15 per cent from October.

## Street Repair Work Underway in McCamey

The work of grading McCamey streets leading to the schools began Monday, Jan. 6, according to Mayor E. C. Bone. County equipment is being used, with County Commissioner Joe Conger supervising the work.

Bone said that this work would progress as quickly as conditions and availability of equipment would allow.

Certain bacteria multiply at such a terrific rate that if not destroyed by natural enemies, they would dominate the entire earth in less than a year's time.

## Housing Shortage Reaches Acute Peak

The housing shortage reached an acute peak in McCamey this week as employees of the Paso-Tex Company moved in to begin work on the laying of the pipeline from Iraan to Wink. Approximately 55 men are here to do this work, many of them bringing their families with them, with the housing situation causing them a great deal of misery.

Appeals have been made daily for bedrooms, apartments, and houses, but to the most of these people, none have been available. If you happen to have any of these available, even though you have not rented before, you will be doing these employees a great favor by letting this be known.



ARTIST AND MODEL — A new comic strip has been previewed on television—for the first time. It is Milton Caniff's "Steve Canyon," illustrated by the author in a special show on NBC Television. Beautiful model posing for new character, Copper Calhoun, is Miss Utah 1946—Carol Ohmart.

# Headlines of 1946 From Files of Rankin and McCamey News

## Primary Election Held On July 27th Was Chief Topic for Discussion In 1946

Probably the biggest news story of the year creating more local interest was that of the Primary Election held on July 27.

A review of other outstanding headlines for 1946 are as follows:

January 11.—Formal opening held for Tommie Priest Memorial Library at First Baptist Church. Billy Wayne Savarene of Rankin accidentally killed with own gun. Fire Department kills gasser near Iraan. Elite Cafe and No Name Cafe are looted by night prowlers.

Jan. 18.—Jess Wade heads the March of Dimes Drive in Upton County. Rankin launches Clothing Collection. Boyce House to speak to Lions Club.

January 25.—James Diaz is awarded Bronze Star Medal. Toots Mansfield wins again in Colorado rodeo. County has huge job ahead on home repair.

February 1.—\$200,000 school bonds are sold to Dallas Union Trust Company. Kenneth Babcock opens appliance store. Southern Union Gas Company pays interest on deposits.

February 8.—1946 prospects for Upton and Crane counties brightest in years. New business buildings being constructed. Oil companies now bringing in new drillings. McCamey to get new automobile agency. W. T. D. Flying Service now distributors for Bellanca Aircraft Company.

February 15.—Total of \$586.55 is raised for Upton County March of Dimes. Scout committee meets in McCamey. Bill McKinney gets air corps discharge. Stoker is re-elected as school superintendent of McCamey school system.

February 22.—Supreme Court rules against Upton County in Warrant Case. Boy Scouts in McCamey take over police force and other departments for one day. David F. Lawson found dead near Sterling City.

March 1.—Two Upton wells to get higher allowances. Local V. F. W. Post membership now 128. Commander Strubling predicts 100 per cent. T. E. Baxter, pioneer cattleman, dies. Allen Moore purchases laundry. Local Red Cross Drive gets underway.

March 8.—Establishment of a Sports Congress is proposed for Permian Basin. Outstanding ropers to participate in Upton County show. V. F. W. to end Membership Drive with supper and dance.

March 15.—City Council acts to relieve acute housing shortage. 175 apartments are requested under Lanham Act. Softball fever hits Permian Basin cities. Cleanup week slated for April 21-26.

March 22.—McCamey gets concrete tile manufacturing plant. Big Bend Construction Company. Jim Langdon, former F. B. I. man, opens law office in McCamey. Calf roping show starts Saturday.

March 29.—5,000 view fair grounds calf-roping show. Many candidates seek Upton offices. Rankin wool, mohair making ready for the 1946 clip. English and Italian brides, Mrs. Tarvin and Mrs. Buffalo, join husbands here. City Council takes steps to police the city dump area.

April 5.—School census gets underway. Final plans are approved for school buildings in McCamey. Boyd and Fisher are re-elected to McCamey City Council. Fair Association barbecue is held at Country Club.

April 6.—First annual horse show is scheduled for April 20. Upton oversubscribes Red Cross quota with a total of \$1,667.19. Easter Cross drive nears success. 250 people attend barbecue at Rankin High School.

April 19.—McCamey Recreation Program to begin June 3. McKinney buys Grimes Jewelry Store. Forester garage is destroyed by fire. Easter Cross fund is \$39 short of quota.

April 26.—McCamey cards 3-day race meet June 7, 8 and 9. Many fine horses are shown at Upton's first annual horse show. Pioneer rancher, John Garner, dies Monday. Rains Electric Freezer announces home freezer unit.

May 3.—Bob Jetton is assaulted by escapee from Big Spring State Hospital. Breeding horse wins \$1,000 matched race. Badger Band is awarded first division honors.

May 10.—McCamey war veterans to get 20 emergency housing units. Bob Jetton dies Monday night. Emergency food collection is begun here on May 13. 170,000 pounds of wool appraised in Rankin.

May 17.—George B. McCamey Annual Celebration to be held

June 16-18. Young-McCollum V. F. W. Auxiliary is organized. Bread goes up cent. Closing exercises of school are held at Rankin High School.

May 24.—Officials act to clean up McCamey. Graduation exercises are held for McCamey schools. D. F. C. is awarded posthumously to Capt. Darden McCollum. Midland boosters visit McCamey.

May 31.—Large crowd is expected for McCamey race meet, June 7, 8 and 9. Junior Chamber of Commerce is organized for McCamey. Summer Recreation Program to begin June 3.

June 7.—McCamey's big 3-day race meet starts today. Dewey Jones to open Ladies Apparel and Children's Shop. District 4-H Club girls attend encampment in New Mexico.

June 14.—McCamey's first post-war celebration starts today. 19 local beauties vie for bathing beauty crown and title of Venus of the Pecos. Ranch Rider wins featured races. Hamilton Still is new superintendent of Rankin schools.

June 21.—Three McCamey men, Earl Strubling, Britt Pruitt and Frank Nickens, Jr., are injured in wreck. George B. McCamey is celebration visitor. Local amateur stage boxing show. McCamey to field tough football team in 7-A District.

June 28.—10 free boxing bouts at McCamey Gym tonight. Rankin homes being sprayed with DDT. Bones narrowly miss La Salle Hotel fire.

July 5.—Architects are drawing up final emergency housing plans. Units from Ahilene to be moved here. Humble will loop Upton-Reagan pipe line sector.

July 12.—WTD Flying Service to train veterans. Club Cafe changes hands. Reimers to attend fire marshal course. Price and Workman attend Krieger Club Convention in Austin.

July 26.—Texas Primary Election to be held Saturday. Heavy polls expected. JayCees receive special recognition at Dallas Convention. Final boxing bouts to be staged tonight. Baron's house is damaged by fire. Federal approval received for improvement of highway running due south of McCamey. Ross Dawkins goes to Houston for training in Shell Main Office.

August 2.—Jester and Rainey are in run-off for governor. Fisher is elected County Judge. Gene Eckols-Wynn run-off for Sheriff. Upton has largest V. F. W. Auxiliary Charter in organization's history. McCamey All-Stars play San Angelo All-Stars. August 5.—F. D. "Shorty" Bolcher is appointed Chief of Police of McCamey. City Council votes. Jim Meeks poundman. M. H. S. football boys attend coaching school. V-J Day is celebrated with Silver Tea by the V. F. W. Auxiliary.

August 16.—Annual Hilltop meeting is held by Masonic Lodges of West Texas. Turner and Brooks purchase Master Cleaners here. Rankin Recreation Program is in full swing. Wagon to be new Badger football coach for 1946-47. City Water Department buys transite pipe. Dr. McClish to locate in McCamey.

August 23.—Contracts are being forwarded this week for Emergency Housing Units. Air mail rate reduction becomes effective Oct. 1. Rankin schools will open Sept. 4.

August 30.—Eckols essay winner for Sheriff of Upton County. Yocham defeats Shaw; Price beats McDonald. Terminal leave pay application forms now available at American Legion Hall. McCamey schools to open on Sept. 4. New Midland Highway under construction.

Sept. 6.—McCamey JayCees receive charter at banquet Tuesday night. Mansfield beats Pettigrew in 12-calf roping event at Midland. Coach Wagon announces Badger football schedule. Gray Blackmon opens garage here. Harold Patterson dies of injuries in wreck.

Sept. 13.—McCamey Badgers open season tonight against the Lakeview Chiefs. District 5B meeting held in McCamey. Ross State College opens for fall term on Tuesday.

Sept. 20.—Echo Drug and Fisher Drug are robbed of morphine, cash, pistol and whiskey. Boy

## Martinez Baby First To Arrive In Year Of 1947

Louis Olivas Martinez, Jr., was the first baby to arrive in McCamey at the Cooper Hospital for the year 1947. His proud parents are Mr. and Mrs. Louis Martinez of this city. He was born on Friday, January 3, and weighed 8 lbs. and 4 oz.

As a perpetual birthday gift to this young fellow, the McCamey News is giving him a lifetime subscription to this paper. May he live to read many editions of it!

Scouts receive numerous awards at Court of Honor. New organization of Cub Scouts started on Monday night.

Sept. 27.—Increase in cost of production forces subscription rate hike Oct. 15. 15 miles per hour school zone signs are placed in school area. McCamey delegates attend area Girl Scout dinner in Odessa.

Oct. 3.—Emergency housing work begins with McKenzie Construction Co. doing work. Junior Historians reorganize, elect officers for 1947. WMS of Baptist Church completes business and makes quarterly report.

Oct. 11.—Petition asks for closing of Little Mexico Cafe. City Council bans livestock from city limits. Jayne Brown new manager of Western Union Office here.

Oct. 18.—McCamey Badgers to take on powerful Pecos Eagles tonight. Rev. Estes leaves to attend annual conference. Rev. Rogers accepts pastorate in Leonard. Ceremony to be held in celebration of Armistice Day. Veterans begin receiving terminal leave bonds.

Oct. 25.—Final USO Drive is on. Armistice Day program is announced. Pecos Eagles scalp the Badgers here 51-18. Upton H. E. Club plan for Achievement Day, Nov. 7.

Nov. 1.—Robbers hit double jackpot; loot Baron's Nuway, Echo and Fisher Drug and Mitchell Drug in Rankin. Toots Mansfield retains title of World's Champion Calf Roper at Madison Square Garden Rodeo. V. H. Carroll killed in fall from derrick.

Nov. 8.—Homecoming game tonight when Badgers play Crane. Construction of houses for the Humble Pipeline underway.

Nov. 15.—County Agent calls important meeting to propose a Youth Center for county. Local delegation attends Highway 67 meet in Chihuahua. Construction work progresses on apartments for ex-service men.

Nov. 22.—Key man in Nuway robbery apprehended. McCamey man believed "finger" for job. Davidson rodeo to be held Dec. 14-15. McCamey Garden Club has anniversary tea.

Nov. 29.—Lloyd's Jewelry Store is robbed Wednesday morning. V. F. W. to sponsor all home talent show. Upton County has highest market rating in State.

Nov. 6.—12 veterans to serve as special McCamey officers. Move to halt robbery in McCamey area. Pep Parade V. F. W. show tonight.

Dec. 13.—McCamey JayCees to stage annual Christmas party. Six representatives of Oil City Lodge No. 1256, A. F. & A. M., attend Annual Grand Lodge. East Side Grocery opens for business.

Dec. 20.—Merchants-JayCees party starts at 10 a. m. Friday.

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## Pipeline Contractors Begin Work on The Iraan-Wink Pipeline

The H. C. Price Company of Bartlesville, Okla., have begun erection of a pipe coating station in McCamey preparatory to beginning work on the 16" Iraan-Wink pipe line. M. J. Lane will be the superintendent in charge.

A company representative informed The News this week that approximately 55 employees would be required for this operation. Thirty-five plant and twenty line employees make up this total.

Three months was estimated as the time required to complete the job.

The O. R. Smith Company, Odessa contractors, will lay the line. The contractor has moved ten trucks into McCamey and is housing equipment in the Phillips 66 building opposite The News office.

## Tom Corr Transferred To Santa Fe, N. Mex.;

Tom Corr, former West Texas district manager of the Southern Union Gas Co., has been transferred to Santa Fe, N. M., as district manager there. He will be replaced by Sloan Paxton, who has been serving as assistant manager for this district for several years.

The change became effective on Jan. 1. Mr. Corr has been with the company for over 15 years, having served as district manager for the past several years, and building most of the main line for the gas company in West Texas. Mr. Corr took an active interest in civic affairs in Pecos, having served as President of their Chamber of Commerce and Lions Club; campaign chairman for the Red Cross during one financial drive; serving as a member of the Pecos Valley Chapter's board of directors; board of director for the Pecos Chamber of Commerce; and as president of the Pecos Fair Association last year.

The new manager, Mr. Paxton, has been with the Southern Union Gas Co. for approximately 12 years, having begun his work at Santa Fe. From there he worked in Quanah, Pecos and several other West Texas towns. He is a member of the Rotary Club and also shows a great interest in civic affairs, even though most of his time has been spent in the field.

The assistant district manager to succeed Mr. Paxton has not yet been announced.

## All Navy Hospital Corps Men Are Given Commendation

All men who served with the U. S. Navy Hospital Corps at any time since the beginning of World War II have been awarded a blanket commendation by the Secretary of the Navy.

Officers and enlisted men of the Regulars, Reserve, Active, inactive, and former members of the Hospital Corps, are included. Personnel in this category are advised that these commendation pamphlets are available by making application to the Commandant of the Eighth Naval District, New Orleans, La.

## Special Navy Branches Need Trained Men

A pressing need for trained men has brought about a change in the regulations regarding enlistments in several special branches of the Navy.

Personnel discharged as aviation radio technicians, radio technicians, aviation electronic technicians mate and electronic technicians mates may be re-enlisted in the regular Navy in the pay grade which discharged regardless of length of time which has elapsed since discharged.

The men must have served in World War II and be physically and mentally qualified. Ex-members of USN, USN-I and USNR are included.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Hemphill of Albany were business visitors in Rankin and McCamey the first of the week.



INVITATION — Martha Tilton, looking lovely in a new fashion creation, invites listeners to NBC's "Meet Me At Parky's" show every Sunday night. Martha, featured vocalist on the program, has been starred on many network shows. She began her singing career in Los Angeles, and has appeared in several motion pictures.



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## REGIONAL ROUNDUP

BY JAMES CARLL

The Highland country was covered with one of the biggest snows in years last week in a fall which started late Monday and continued intermittently for 48 hours.

The fall was officially recorded at 7 1-2 inches but was lighter in some localities of the area and heavier in others.

It did not compare, however, with the record snow of last January when an estimated 36 inches fell in Alpine over a period of two weeks.

Last week's snow was heavy enough to stop traffic for 24 hours or more. The first regular bus run out of Alpine north was made Wednesday afternoon. Deep drifts in the canyon country north of Fort Davis stopped all traffic in that area until highway crews could clear the roads. The roads in the Sanderson area east of Alpine were also closed for 24 hours.

The snow was accompanied by low temperatures with freezing weather prevailing from the time the fall started. The lowest temperature recorded in Alpine during the blizzard was at the S. P. depot where the thermometer stood at eight above Tuesday morning. The official low as

recorded at the weather bureau station at Sul Ross College was ten above Wednesday morning. Precipitation from the snow was .69 inches.

Oil men in the Toyah area are scratching their heads or tugging at their ears or doing whatever an oil man does when he is thinking.

The head scratching and ear tugging is brought about by the drilling of a test well a short distance from Toyah a few days ago.

Important factor is that gas was struck at the shallow depth of 245 feet and the well increased in production until it is estimated that between 3 1-2 and five million cubic feet of gas was roaring from the well daily.

The well caught fire the day after the gas was struck and that blaze destroyed a \$7,000 rig owned by the Shackelford Drilling Co., an organization that is drilling test wells in this county for the Gulf Oil Corp.

The blaze was extinguished after about ten days. Dirt was thrown around the opening and water was used to snuff out the blaze.

The rapidly thinning ranks of those hardy pioneers who helped to build West Texas into a vast

ranching domain lost another member Tuesday morning when John Monroe Cowan, almost 70 years of age, died at the family residence at 723 South Hickory in Pecos.

Mr. Cowan, well known over this part of the state, at one time was one of the area's most prominent ranchmen, owning thousands of acres of land on which grazed many head of cattle.

He had been in ill health for several years and his condition had become critical in recent weeks.

John Monroe Cowan was born Jan. 15, 1877, in Fayette County, Texas. He moved with his parents to Alpine in the early 80s and later came on to Reeves County in 1883. He was associated with his father in the operation of the V-H Ranch for a time but later went into the ranching business on his own, in the foothills of the Davis Mountains, and became highly successful in that venture.

He and Miss Zimma Payne were married in Clyde, Texas, on June 14, 1898, and to this union six children were born. Those children and the widow survive. The children include Mrs. J. T. Murrell of Pittsburgh, Pa., W. L. Cowan of Lincoln, Neb., Mrs. Ben Colwell of Pecos, John M. Cowan, Jr., Goldthwaite, M. L. Cowan, Conroe, and Camp C. Cowan of Ft. Worth.

Three brothers, Will and Marvin Cowan of Pecos, and Sid

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Cowan of Barstow, and three sisters, Mrs. Lou Duncan of Toyah, Mrs. Jim Prewitt of Pecos and Mrs. Marvin Liles of San Antonio, and six grandchildren also survive.

Mr. Cowan was converted to Christianity when he was 20 years old and has been a faithful member of the First Baptist Church.

He had resided in Pecos ever since moving there in 1883 with the exception of some four or five years that he and Mrs. Cowan lived at De Leon.

Funeral services were held from the First Baptist Church at Pecos at two o'clock Wednesday afternoon, with the Rev. W. M. Turner, pastor, officiating. The Rev. Bernard Guy, pastor of the West Park Baptist Church, assisted in the services.

Because of the weather conditions not all of the relatives could go to Fort Worth for the rites held in that city Tuesday. All of the children were present for the services held at the First Baptist Church in Pecos, however.

Veterans Administration processed over 11,500,000 pieces of incoming mail during October in its program of serving veterans and their dependents.

More than 10,000 volumes were added to libraries of Veterans Administration hospitals during October for the veteran patients.



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# Weekly SURPLUS NEWS WAA

Home town dental care for veterans with service-connected disabilities is now available in Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi the Veterans Administration has announced.

Under the program, all veterans entitled to out-patient dental care at VA's expense have free choice of dentists participating in the project where VA dental clinic service is not available.

Veterans must obtain authorization for this local treatment from the VA regional office hav-

ing jurisdiction. Regional offices in the Dallas Branch Area are located at Jackson, Miss.; New Orleans and Shreveport, La.; and Dallas, Waco, Houston, San Antonio and Lubbock, Texas.

Approximately 131,000 veterans in Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi were receiving monthly payments at the beginning of December as a result of disabilities incurred during World War II.

The average monthly payment for the disabled veterans is approximately \$42, VA said. Of the 261,664 claims filed by World War II veterans in the Dallas Branch Area, 115,572 had been disallowed and 10,515 were pending.

The Veterans administration has a total of 11,569 wards in Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi. These include 8,651 minors, ac-

ording to a VA report of Nov. 31, 1946.

Move of the Fort Worth regional offices of WAA from their present quarters in the T&P Building, Fort Worth, to the plant of North American Aviation at Grand Prairie, Texas, starting on Feb. 1, was announced this week by Karl E. Wallace, WAA regional director.

Wallace explained that the move is in the interest of economy. The Dallas WAA regional offices were moved to the same location last November. After the move is made, Wallace stated that for the time being the Fort Worth regional office would continue to operate as a separate region serving the 105 counties of West and North Texas. Ultimately it is contemplated that the Zone office which is also located at Grand Prairie superv-

ing the activities of WAA in the states of Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Mississippi would become the operating unit for the five states in place of the seven regional offices which now exist.

A Customer Service Division and a veterans' certification unit will remain in Fort Worth after the move is made in order to render adequate service to Fort Worth regional customers.

Veterans Administration hospital managers have been authorized to furlough patients, whose treatment can be completed out of hospitals, to make more beds available for other veterans awaiting hospitalization.

Those furloughed will be treated on an out-patient basis. Service-connected cases will be treated at VA clinics or on a fee basis by private doctors at government expense. Non-service-connected cases will be treated only at VA clinics and must pay their own transportation or other expenses.

As of Nov. 30, approximately 3,000 veterans were awaiting hospitalization in Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi. Of these, only one was service-connected.

An inventory of approximately \$250,000 of surplus musical instruments is now being offered for sale by WAA. Included are wind, string, percussion and electrically amplified, as well as miscellaneous musical instruments.

About half of the instruments available for disposal will be requisitioned by the Veterans Administration for its special services program for disabled veterans in hospitals.

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q. Do I lose the subsistence allowance that has not been paid to me because of my failure to report my earnings promptly?

A. No. You do not lose any of the allowance due you. If your report shows that you are entitled to subsistence allowance, you will receive everything due you since the date of suspension.

Q. I am a foreign-born American citizen, a veteran of World War II, and would like to know if I will continue to receive my disability compensation if I visit the land of my birth?

A. Yes. But you may have to report in due course for a physical examination to determine whether it should be continued.

Q. Will Veterans Administration provide me with quinine or atabrine tablets because of my service in malaria infested countries, even though I have never made application for compensation?

A. Yes. For the time being, if you will present your discharge at a Veterans Administration office and it indicates that you saw service in a malaria infested country, VA will provide you with quinine or atabrine tablets. However, it would be well to establish your rights as of record.

Q. While I was in a Veterans Administration hospital, my clothing was damaged so that I could use it no longer. Is there any way that I can collect for the damage done?

A. You should make application to the manager of the hospital who will appoint a qualified disinterested employee to inquire into the matter informally and make recommendations. The manager is authorized to dispose of the matter locally or to make formal investigation when the size or circumstances of the loss warrant such action.

History's worst mining disaster occurred in the Iensihu coalfield of Manchuria in 1942 when 1,527 Chinese and Koreans were killed and 268 injured by a methane gas explosion.

Over 495,000 veterans filed applications with Veterans Administration from January 1 until October 31 to convert their term insurance to permanent policies.

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## January 15 Is Deadline For Filing Tax Declaration

The Collector of Internal Revenue reminded federal income taxpayers today that Jan. 15 is deadline for filing, amending and paying 1946 Declarations of Estimated Tax.

In issuing this reminder, the Collector cautioned taxpayers not to confuse the Jan. 15 tax date with the usual March 15 deadline for filing final 1946 income tax returns. However, he pointed out that if a taxpayer files and pays his final 1946 tax return (on Form 1040) by Jan. 15, it will serve both as his return and as any declaration or amended declaration which would otherwise be due him on that date.

The Collector estimated that only about one out of every five taxpayers in his district are required to file anything Jan. 15, since this date concerns only those taxpayers whose tax is not substantially paid up by withholding from wages. In other words, the average wageearner, who gets his entire income from wages subject to withholding, is not required to file a declaration and need only file his return before March 15.

The principal groups concerned with Jan. 15 filing are:

1. FARMERS—Farmers were excused by law from estimating their 1946 tax early in that year, and, therefore, must file their declarations or final returns and pay the tax now.

2. BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL PEOPLE GENERALLY—This group was supposed to have filed declarations of their 1946 tax last March 15, and generally will have only to pay the final installment on such declarations. However, those who fail to file should do so now, and those who wish to change their estimates to avoid the penalty for underestimating by more than 20 per cent have until Jan. 15 to file.

3. CERTAIN WAGE - EARNERS—Although Jan. 15 does not apply to the majority of wage-earners whose sole income is from wages subject to withholding, the filing date does apply in the same way as described for businessmen in the previous paragraph to the following:

a. Those who, in addition to their wages, had more than \$100 income from other sources (for instance, income from rents, dividends, sale of property, etc.)

b. Those whose wages, even though subject to withholding, exceeded \$5,000 plus \$500 for each exemption except their own (for instance, \$6,000 for a man with a wife and one dependent child.)

c. Those whose wages were NOT subject to withholding (for instance, domestic servants, farm laborers.)

Both the declaration forms (Form 1040-ES) and the return forms (Form 1040) are available from the office(s) of the Collector.

Taxpayers needing assistance in the preparation of these forms are urged to seek it as soon as possible in order to avoid a last-minute rush on Jan. 15.

### SHEFFIELD NEWS

Mr. Lewis A. Lively and Miss Melba Pearlne Ritchie of Iran were married Sunday at 5 p. m. in Sheffield. The ceremony was read by H. A. Holmes of Sheffield.

The Rev. W. Lee Massagee, Roy Brey, Walter Dudley, Sherwood Story, R. T. Adams and H. A. Holmes attended the Zone Brotherhood meeting held at Crane Tuesday, Dec. 17.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Garrett of Dallas were here visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Green Dec. 25. Mrs. Garrett is the sister of Mr. John Green and Mrs. Katie Anderson of Sheffield.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd McIntire and children are visiting Mr. McIntire's father at Breckenridge, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Alden of Dallas were here visiting Mr. Alden's mother, Mrs. Katie Anderson of this city. Bernard is attending the Southern Methodist University in Dallas.

Pvt. James Glover of Aberdeen, Md., was here visiting his mother, Mrs. Ralph Rhoades, through the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rhoades and sons, Wayne and James, spent Christmas at Richard Springs with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Rhoades.

Electric lighting in a poultry house can keep the laying flock on a 14-hour working day, thereby avoiding the winter laying slump.

## REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE FIRST STATE BANK OF RANKIN

of Rankin, Upton County, Texas, at the close of business December 31, 1946, a State banking institution organized and operating under the banking laws of this State and a member of the Federal Reserve System. Published in accordance with a call made by the State Banking Authorities and by the Federal Reserve Bank of this District.

ASSETS	
Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	\$ 862,900.02
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	533,694.50
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	213,103.43
Corporate stocks (including \$2,550.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	2,550.00
Loans and discounts (including \$7,515.27 overdrafts)	1,385,178.60
Bank premises owned \$1.00, furniture and fixtures \$1.00	2.00
Other assets, Series E Bonds for Redemption	12,962.87
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>3,010,391.42</b>
LIABILITIES	
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$2,011,636.30
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	126,566.49
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	12,875.43
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	725,016.45
<b>TOTAL DEPOSITS</b>	<b>\$2,876,094.67</b>
Other liabilities	39.57
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES (not including subordinated obligations shown below)</b>	<b>\$2,876,134.24</b>
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
Capital*	\$ 25,000.00
Surplus	60,000.00
Undivided profits	41,757.18
Dividends payable 1-2-47	\$2,500.00
Reserve for taxes	5,000.00
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS</b>	<b>134,257.18</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS</b>	<b>3,010,391.42</b>

Common stock with total par value of \$25,000.00

**MEMORANDA**

Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes 273,964.03

I, Alma Adams, Assistant Cashier, of the above-named bank, hereby certify that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

**CORRECT—ATTEST:**  
J. P. Rankin, J. M. Lackey, O. W. Parker, Directors.  
State of Texas, County of Upton, ss:  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of January, 1947.  
MRS. TOM WORKMAN, Notary Public.

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**BANK'S OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE SECURITY STATE BANK**

at McCamey, Texas, at the close of business on the 31 day of December, 1946, pursuant to call made by the Banking Commissioner of Texas in accordance with the Banking Laws of this State.

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts, including overdrafts	\$ 256,879.02
United States Government Obligations, direct and guaranteed	896,033.32
Obligations of states and political subdivisions	73,302.09
Other bonds, notes, and debentures, Federal Land Bank	100,000.00
Cash, balances due from other banks, including reserve balances, and cash items in process of collection (including exchanges for clearing house)	237,701.67
Banking house, or leasehold improvements	4,431.06
Furniture, fixtures, and equipment	1.00
Other assets	166.65
<b>TOTAL RESOURCES</b>	<b>1,568,514.81</b>
LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
Common Capital Stock	\$ 25,000.00
Surplus: Certified \$25,000.00	25,000.00
Undivided profits	38,860.00
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	1,188,760.14
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	4,500.00
Public funds (Incl. U. S. Govt., states and political subdivisions)	278,977.35
Other deposits (certified & cashier's checks, etc.)	5,054.09
Total all deposits	\$1,478,404.81
Other liabilities	2,363.23
<b>Total Liabilities and Capital Accounts</b>	<b>\$1,568,514.81</b>

**CORRECT—ATTEST:**  
E. F. Matejowsky, E. P. Halamecek, Wayman Rose, Directors.  
**STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF UPTON:**  
I, James Benton, being Assistant Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement of condition is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
**JAMES BENTON.**

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- GRAPEFRUIT, large ..... ea. 03c
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- CAULIFLOWER ..... lb. 12c
- NEW POTATOES ..... lb. 08c
- CABBAGE ..... lb. 05c
- FRESH TOMATOES ..... lb. 19c

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- Sun-Maid RAISINS, 15 oz. pkg. .... 31c
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BLUE MOON CHEESE ..... 1-4 lb. pkg. 10c
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PEANUT BUTTER ..... 16 oz. jar 31c
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- HEART'S DELIGHT  
APRICOTS ..... No. 2 1/2 can, 25c
- CHEF BOXER DEE  
SPAGHETTI DINNER ..... 33c
- FANCY LONG GRAIN  
RICE ..... 2 pounds, 33c
- NO. 2 CAN  
ASPARAGUS ..... 39c
- PINTO BEANS ..... 2 lbs. 35c
- DEL MONTE  
CHILI SAUCE ..... 12 oz. bottle, 29c
- VACUUM PACKED  
CORN ..... 17c
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