

TODAY and TOMORROW
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JOBBSpledge

I never heard of George Gallowhur, president of the Gallowhur Chemical Corporation of Windsor, Vt., until I read an advertisement of his head, "Letter to a Fighting Man." In that letter, Mr. Gallowhur made public a promise that, as soon as the war is over, he will not only re-employ the men who have left his company to go to war but will definitely employ 25 per cent more people than at present and these extra men will be made up entirely of men now in uniform.

In his letter on his postwar plans, Mr. Gallowhur also said that all employees would have a share, above their wages, in the profits of the company, all would have free insurance benefits, hospitalization and free retirement benefits.

Although I don't know Mr. Gallowhur personally, it is easy to recognize him as being made of the pioneer type of stock who made this country great and who will put our nation on the road to permanent prosperity after the war is over.

Our country was built by men who took chances—by men who set goals for themselves and then let nothing interfere with achieving those goals. Mr. Gallowhur, many business men might say, has "stuck his neck out" in making such a pledge without first knowing what business will be like after the war. But in my judgment the only way we can avoid a major depression when the war ends is for a lot more business men to "stick their necks out" in exactly the same way and then see to it that these pledges are kept.

ANSWERSprotection

I think that Mr. Gallowhur's pledge holds the solution to most of the major problems we will face as soon as the war is won.

By promising ahead of time to hire more men he has given a sound answer to the problem of preventing postwar unemployment. By his promise to give insurance benefits to employees, he has shown how the need for government-sponsored social security can be eliminated.

And finally, by offering his employees a share of the profits he has pointed the way to a logical solution of our nation's labor problem.

That question of social benefits is an important one these days, because there is already a bill in congress calling for the expenditure of billions of dollars each year, to be raised by a tax on the profits of big companies. For it would seem now that the only way industry can loosen the grip which unions are getting on workers is to offer the workers something better than the unions offer them.

If employees of a company are offered an opportunity to share in the profits, there is every reason to believe that they would, from then on, put their loyalty to their company above their loyalty to a union. Unless industry does adopt some such plan, and announces it before the war ends, we are apt to have strikes in this country which will so paralyze business that a depression worse than we have ever experienced will result.

PROFITSsharing

Big business, as a result of its amazing war job, stands in better with the people today than it ever did in history. At the same time, unions, which have so interfered with war production, have invited the enmity of a large number of people. Thus, today, industry seems to have an unusual opportunity to assure its postwar prosperity, and the postwar prosperity of our nation, by making it clear to labor that in the future it will share with stockholders and management in the profits which they all make as a team.

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SEABEES BUILD SPRINGBOARDS FOR ATTACK

Navy's Newest Unit Fights, Digs Under Fire of Enemy

"Believe me in all sincerity, I really mean the statement that the navy will remember this war by the Seabees."—Vice Admiral W. L. Calhoun, commander of the Pacific Service force.

Like a flash, war burst at Pearl Harbor, and almost immediately its black clouds rolled westward to Guam, Wake and the Philippines.

Caught in the outburst were many civilian construction workers for the navy, without weapons to defend themselves, or subject to execution by the enemy as guerrillas if captured bearing arms in civilian dress.

To Rear Adm. Ben Moreell of the bureau of yards and docks and to the civilian engineer corps came the idea of organizing the Naval Construction Battalion—the heralded Seabees of today.

'Can Do' Boys. Coined the name, "Seabee," from the initials of Construction Battalion, the newest branch of the navy set out to create its own tradition. The Seabee's first construction jobs were undertaken with such enthusiasm and such disregard for obstacles that other branches of the service began to refer to these newcomers as the "Can Do" boys. The name caught on, and soon "Can Do" became the tradition of the Seabees.

As performance reports came in to establish the wisdom of the conception of the Seabees, it became immediately obvious that the sights had been set too low. The Seabee quota rose from 8,000 to 20,000 to 60,000 to 100,000, and finally to the present quota of some 262,000 which is well in excess of the total complement of the entire prewar navy. Today there are approximately 115,000 Seabees in battalions serving overseas. Another 147,000 are completing their training in this country. Commanding the Seabees are approximately 7,500 civilian engineer corps officers.

Hico Superintendent Gives Report On School Activities

The Hico Public Schools resumed work Monday, January 3, following the Christmas holidays. Only a few pupils were absent due to the "flu" epidemic.

The elementary school enrollment has increased slightly within the past month and several new students are expected during January.

The first semester ends January 21. The week beginning January 17 will be devoted to review and examinations. Students—"The wolf is at the door"—exams are only one week away.

We are very proud of our school lunch room. It is more successful than ever this year. Although it costs each person a few cents more each week, better lunches are being served.

We hope it will not be long until you will see the 1943 football lettermen wearing their new jackets. The boys are very anxious to get them. The sporting goods company promised delivery about the middle of January. All of the school and school officials wish to thank each and every one who helped in making it possible for our boys to obtain jackets this year.

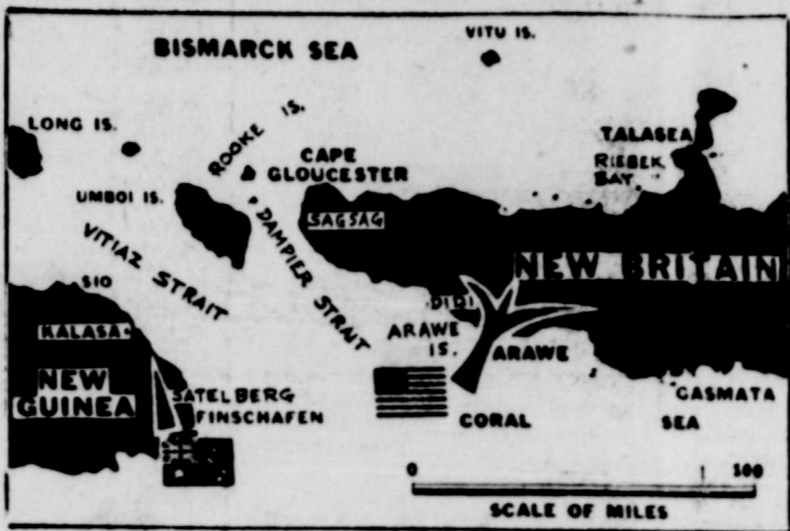
There will be only two more basketball games until the mid-term examinations are over. Monday, Jan. 10, Fairy High School will visit Hico bringing a girls' team and a boys' team. Tuesday, Jan. 11, Stephenville will bring two boys' teams to the Hico gym. The boys and girls are improving each week. Come and see them play.

The Army began the Scrap Drive this week. Every person is requested to cooperate to the fullest extent in this drive. This drive is being stressed through the school—each boy and girl is being urged to keep an eye open for scrap metal and report to his or her home room teacher who in turn will report to the commanding officer.

The Army is assisting in collecting scrap paper. Our government urges everyone to save every piece of paper—even to the labels on tin cans. If you will have your paper on your front porch early Monday, Jan. 10, the truck will pick it up.

I. L. LASATER.

Where Yanks Won Another Jap Area



The southern end of New Britain, which was invaded by the American Sixth Army. Shortly after the landing, American troops were reported to be beating their way from Arawe toward the Jap air base at Rabaul, which lies at the northeastern tip of the island. The invasion was preceded by an intense U. S. air raid during which 365 tons of bombs were dropped. U. S. casualties were reported as being light and no planes or surface ships were lost during the invasion. At the same time Allied bombers hammered at other important enemy bases on the island.

Business Women's Club Entertained At Rاندals Home

The Hico Business and Professional Women's Club met in regular session Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. E. H. Randals Sr., with Mrs. E. H. Randals Jr., Miss Ruth Phillips and Miss Jessie Guth as hostesses. New Year's decorations were carried out and a "good luck penny" was given each member and guest to insure prosperity throughout the New Year.

A delicious salad plate was served and after a brief business session games of Bingo were enjoyed, the booby gifts furnishing fun throughout the evening.

REPORTER.

C. of C. to Meet Next Tuesday Night At Puckhorn Cafe

S. W. Everett has announced that arrangements have been made with the management of the Puckhorn Cafe for the monthly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce to be held there next Tuesday evening, Jan. 11, beginning at 7:30.

Webb McEver, newly elected head of the organization, will preside.

Annual Meeting of Erath REA Slated For Stephenville

The annual meeting of the Erath County Electric Cooperative Association, Stephenville, Texas, will be held in Stephenville in the Recreation Building at 2:00 p. m. Tuesday, January 11, 1944.

A complete report will be given by the board of directors, and all members are urged to be present. "Ask your neighbor to go with you" is the request made in inviting attendance. A board of directors will be elected to serve for one year.

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County Baptist Association to Meet At Fairy Jan. 20

Hamilton County Baptist Association will meet at Fairy January 20th. This will be a joint meeting with the State Training Union Team having the afternoon and evening program.

The meeting will be called to order at 10:00 and will adjourn at 9 p. m.

The team is composed of Ralph E. Perkins, leader, E. G. Gregory Jr., pastor of First Baptist Church of Comanche; D. A. Bryant, pastor of First Baptist Church of Goldwaite; the latter's wife, and Miss Connie Dear, of Seminary Hill, formerly educational director of First Baptist Church, Stephenville.

This team will hold one-day meetings in Glen Rose, Meridian, Stephenville, and Fairy. Those interested are urged to plan now to attend this meeting at Fairy.

"Have Your Paper Ready, Please" Ask School Students

Monday, January 10, scrap paper will be collected from every house in town that has it on the front porch or somewhere in sight. If possible, everyone is requested to have the paper tied in bundles.

The paper will be gathered by the Army trucks and the proceeds from the sale will go to the Junior and Senior classes.

Everybody is urged to cooperate with this drive, as paper is vitally needed by the government at this time.

JUNIORS AND SENIORS OF HICO HIGH SCHOOL

WEATHER REPORT

The following weather report is submitted by L. L. Hudson, local observer:

Date	Max.	Min.	Prec.
Dec. 29	50	33	0.00
Dec. 30	65	39	0.00
Dec. 31	60	29	0.00
Jan. 1	52	35	1.90
Jan. 2	45	36	0.00
Jan. 3	65	29	0.00
Jan. 4	63	43	0.00

Total precipitation so far this year, 1.90 inches.
Total precipitation during past year (1943), 29.33 inches.

Whooping Cough Is Dangerous And Often Fatal

Austin, Jan. 4.—In speaking of the control of communicable diseases, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, said today that whooping cough is one of the hardest to control. This is because it is highly contagious and begins as an ordinary cough. It is catching during the week or ten days before it can be recognized by the "whoop." Even then a physician is not called and often children are allowed to play with others when they are known to be sick.

In children under the age of three years, and especially babies, whooping cough is dangerous and often fatal. Frequent spells of coughing and vomiting weaken a child to such an extent that the disease becomes dangerous. The majority of deaths are due to pneumonia, which is the most frequent and dangerous complication. Because this complication is so dangerous, it is advisable to have a doctor as soon as the child becomes sick.

Dr. Cox further advises, "Do everything you can to protect children from whooping cough. Often prevention and control of whooping cough, especially among infants and small children, may be accomplished through use of approved vaccine and convalescent serum." Dr. Cox said, "Keep them away from playmates who have been with the Seabees on New Zealand until being moved recently, has written his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Lane, that his outfit has about gotten set up in the new location which is described only as being dusty and sandy, "about like West Texas," he wrote. Durward said he had received most of his Christmas presents, including some pecans and two Scout knives, which with the other things were greatly appreciated.

SINGING AT CARLTON

Carlton Singing Class will meet Sunday afternoon, Jan. 9, at the Carlton Baptist Church, beginning at 2 o'clock.

Visitors are especially invited to meet with us.
MRS. HOBBY THOMPSON, Sec.



WITH THE COLORS

Sgt. Grady Coston (notice the elevation from Corporal) has written his family that he is in China and is enjoying warm water for the first time since he left the States. He also said he had been eating chicken-fried steaks. Does that make any of you other boys want to go to China?

Lt. and Mrs. O. M. Bramblett Jr. have sent the News Review staff season's greetings from Miami Beach, Fla. Mrs. Bramblett is the former Miss Jane Adams of Waco. They were married last Oct. 7 at Coral Gables, Fla., where Lt. Bramblett is assistant commandant of cadets at the navigation school at the University of Miami.

Claude W. Barbee, M 2/c in training at Camp Peary, Virginia, wrote his mother that his Christmas package made a timely arrival, being received on Christmas Eve. He hasn't had such good luck with his papers and other mail so far, but here's hoping the New Year will bring him better luck along this line.

Durward Lane, M 2/c who has been with the Seabees on New Zealand until being moved recently, has written his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Lane, that his outfit has about gotten set up in the new location which is described only as being dusty and sandy, "about like West Texas," he wrote. Durward said he had received most of his Christmas presents, including some pecans and two Scout knives, which with the other things were greatly appreciated.

Set Calvin R. Camp, stationed at Camp Barkeley near Athlens, came to Hico last Friday night to join his wife who had come here the previous Wednesday for a visit with her aunt, Mrs. N. A. Lambert. Sgt. and Mrs. Camp had never visited in Hico before, and Mr. and Mrs. Lambert especially enjoyed their company since they are all originally from the same part of Alabama. The service man, who has been in the army for three years, has been stationed at many points in the United States, and in other parts of the world. He and Mrs. Camp returned Saturday afternoon to Camp Barkeley to be present at a big supper planned by the men there, at which time a 100-pound cake was to have graced the table, among other good things to eat.

Mrs. C. S. McNeely, collecting a Western Union bill Monday morning as one of her many helpful gestures toward her husband around the local Katy station, said she had some good news and some bad news when questioned about her son, C. S. Jr., in the United States Navy. First she gave the information that he had received a new rating, that of Aviation Machinist's Mate, second class. Then she said that he was in a hospital at Quonset Point, Rhode Island, under treatment for a broken knee received when he tripped over a rope and fell. The injury at first was not thought serious, but young McNeely wrote his parents that the doctor's only comment each time upon inspecting the injury was: "Quote—Dear, dear—unquote. The service man's wife, whose home is in Arizona, is now in Rhode Island with him.

Sgt. Wayne D. Cook returned the first of the week to Camp Wolters, after having spent a holiday furlough here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Cook and family and other relatives. After his departure his sister, Mrs. John F. Crow, came in to see about his subscription and also to pay up for her mother's subscription.

Mrs. Crow is the only daughter in a family of ten children, from which there are four sons in service. Also her husband, Sgt. Jno. P. Crow, is in the army and is now stationed in the California-Arizona desert maneuver area.

Sgt. M. C. Cook has been stationed at the air base at Santa Ana, California, for a year without a furlough.

Cpl. I. D. Cook is serving overseas with an infantry unit, and the family received a Christmas greeting he sent from Italy.

Pfc. George W. Cook was home on furlough in November, but on his return trip to his headquarters at Fort Lewis, Washington, he became ill and had to leave the train and receive treatment at the station hospital at Pocatello, Idaho.

His mother received a letter from him Monday saying he was better, had been released from the hospital, and was on his way home.

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Supplying Marines on Apamama



Marines and navy Seabees roll drums of gasoline and fuel oil through the water at Apamama, one of the Gilbert atolls that fell to the invaders at this point.

Military Rebel and Ousted President



Left: Maj. Alberto Taborga, who was reported to have led the rebel military forces that overthrew the government of Bolivia. Right: Former President Enrique Penarranda, who was escorted to Arica, Chile, by the revolutionists. One of the first acts of the new government was to seize the tin mines which had been producing for the U. S. and Britain.



Candidates Announcing For Numerous Political Offices

Houston White Is Grateful to Voters; Asks Re-Election

My Dear Friends:
 Again I am a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Hamilton County, and I am taking this method of requesting whatever assistance and support you may favor me with.

First I want you to know that I fully realize the fact that this office would be impossible for me to have attained in the past, were it not for the loyalty of you, my friends. I must say that you have been most generous and kind in placing me in charge of your law enforcement affairs. These duties I have discharged to the very best of my ability.

As your sheriff, I have ever been most mindful of the fact that a public office is a public trust. The success or failure of any official depends largely on the co-operation given him by the people he serves. In this co-operation you, the people of Hamilton County, have been very co-operative. For this mutual assistance, I am most grateful. And to you I shall always be thankful for your sympathetic attitude.

Therefore in this public statement, I give you the assurance that if re-elected my undivided attention shall continue to be given to the duties of law enforcement to which you may elect me. I am,

Sincerely,
 HOUSTON WHITE.

O. R. Williams Offers Again for Assessor-Collector

I take this method of announcing to the people of Hamilton County that I am making the race for County Tax Assessor-Collector of Hamilton County to succeed myself.

I wish to say I am grateful indeed to the people of this County for their many acts of kindness and consideration shown me; your many expressions of friendliness have made it a pleasure to serve and be a fellow worker with you for the betterment of our County, all of which I appreciate far beyond my power to express in words or kindly deeds.

I am making this race strictly on the merits of my past records. Many changes have been made in the Tax Collection department due to the crisis our Country is passing through. I have spent many days and hours studying these changes and feel that the long study I have given would make me a better officer than I have ever been.

The duties of my office will require most of my time and I probably will not have time to see each of you, but I want you to know I will appreciate your support in my race.

Respectfully,
 O. R. WILLIAMS.

C. E. Edmiston Asks Re-Election As District Clerk

To My Friends in Hico and Community:
 In response to numerous requests from loyal interested friends that I again submit my name for re-election for the office of District Clerk, the office I now hold, I will say in the beginning that it has indeed been a distinct pleasure and privilege to serve the people of Hamilton County for the past seven years in this capacity, and I also believe that the knowledge and experience gained in serving you will enable me to serve you even better, next term and if the good people of Hamilton County see fit to again favor me with the nomination for the office of District Clerk and if elected I will pledge you the same courteous attention that has been my policy in the past.

Thanking each one in advance who may do me a kindness in any way in my behalf.

Will say in conclusion that here's hoping that before another New Year rolls around that your sons and mine shall win a Victory overseas that will insure peace and will be at home with us to celebrate the year 1945.

Respectfully Your Friend,
 C. E. EDMISTON,
 Candidate for District Clerk.

Ira Moore Thanks Voters and Asks For Re-Election

I take this opportunity to again announce my candidacy for the office of County Clerk.

I would like at the same time to thank the people of Hamilton County for the many favors shown me in the past.

While our first thought must continue to be the winning of the war, it becomes necessary to elect a County Clerk during this war year, and I shall greatly appreciate your vote, and your influence.

Sincerely,
 IRA MOORE, County Clerk.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The News Review is authorized to announce the following as candidates for the offices under which their names are listed for the nomination at the Democratic Primaries:

Hamilton County

- For State Senator, 21st District: KARL L. LOVELADY (Re-Election)
- For Representative, 94th District: EARL HUDDLESTON (Re-Election)
- For Sheriff: HOUSTON WHITE (Re-Election)
- For District Clerk: C. E. EDMISTON (Re-Election)
- For County Tax Assessor-Collector: O. R. WILLIAMS (Re-Election)
- For County Clerk: IRA MOORE (Re-Election)
- For County Judge: W. J. HARRIS (Re-Election)
- For County Treasurer: MRS. H. A. TIDWELL (Re-Election)

Erath County

- For County Clerk: ELMO WHITE (Re-Election)
- (Political Advertising)

Senator Lovelady Submits Candidacy For Re-Election

State Senator Karl L. Lovelady has authorized the News Review to place his name before the voters as a candidate for re-election to the office he now holds in the 21st district, composed of Hamilton, Erath, Bosque, Coryell and Bell Counties.

Lovelady was in Hico a short time early this week, informing as many as possible of his friends that he was desirous of their support and influence, but didn't have time to see as many local citizens as he would have liked to. He hopes to get back as often as possible, under current war conditions, and the press of his various duties, but in the meantime asked that the public look with favor upon his candidacy.

In the near future he hopes to have a fuller statement concerning his record and views, which he hopes will be read by those who are interested in the way their affairs are run at Austin and in the district are handled.

To My Friends And Voters of Hamilton County

This brief message to you, the Voters of Hamilton County, is my public announcement for the office of County Treasurer to succeed myself. First, I wish to express my heartfelt thanks and gratitude for the gracious courtesies that you have favored me with in the past.

When you first elected me to this office, I made you a solemn promise that I would be faithful to the trust that you placed in me. I have ever been mindful of this solemn promise, and have performed the duties of the office to the very best of my ability. I do not claim all credit for the success of my administration. Had it not been for your hearty cooperation and kindly assistance, I am sure that it would not have been so successful.

It is to you, the public, that I shall ever be most grateful for the favors shown me. I earnestly solicit your continued favor by electing me again as your County Treasurer.

With kind regards to all, I am
 MRS. H. A. TIDWELL.

Erath County Clerk Submits Candidacy For Another Term

Elmo White of Stephenville, who has a record of having efficiently served the citizens of Erath County for the time he has held the office of County Clerk, this week authorized the News Review to place his name in its announcement column for the next term.

White says it is hard for him to carry on his duties creditably, as he is determined to do, and still get around to see all the voters, especially those in the edge of the county whose trading center is elsewhere than the county seat. Therefore he asks his friends to consider favorably his candidacy for re-election, and invites them to visit his office at any time he may be of service while they are in Stephenville.

Earl Huddleston Seeks Re-Election As Representative

Earl Huddleston of Oglesby, present representative in the Texas State Legislature from the 94th District composed of Hamilton and Coryell Counties, this week authorized the News Review to place his name in its announcement column as a candidate for re-election.

In explaining that war conditions probably would keep him from campaigning much, Huddleston wrote that he would have a message for the voters which would be forthcoming in future issues of the papers. At the same time he made the following statement concerning a timely matter: "I am in favor of our men in service being allowed to vote in the 1944 elections. If the National Government can't do this, then it is my honest opinion that the State of Texas through the members of the House and the Senate should meet and pass a law which will accomplish this purpose. If these men are good enough to fight for us it is my opinion that every one of them should be given the right to vote."

To the Voters And Citizens of Hamilton County

I take this method of announcing to the people of Hamilton County that I am a candidate to succeed myself for a second term as County Judge.

First I want to thank all the people of Hamilton County for their uniform courtesy, the many favors accorded me during this first year of office holding, and assure you that I enter my second year of work and my campaign for re-election with the pleasure and gratification of feeling that I have won your friendship and loyalty because of the kindness shown me. It is a real pleasure to serve you. You will recall, no doubt, that in making my first race I promised an economical administration and equal taxation to all. I hope I have not disappointed you. Upon the merits of my record as an officer alone I ask you to re-elect me County Judge for a second term.

I earnestly solicit the consideration and influence of every citizen. In return I pledge continued honest, efficient and economical service to the discharge of my duty.

Sincerely,
 W. J. HARRIS.

Millerville

— By —
 Chas. W. Giesecke

We have had lots of rain the past few days. Old Mother Earth is really wet.

Mr. Parsons and family of Hillsboro visited his son, Woodrow Parsons, and family here Sunday and Monday. Mr. Parsons will probably move into this section later.

Mr. and Mrs. Phipps have moved below Iredell. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Caulder and daughter have moved on the farm vacated by the Phipps family. We regret to lose Mr. and Mrs. Phipps. They have resided in this community for the past four years and are fine neighbors. We welcome the Caulders.

M. E. Giesecke made a business trip to Stephenville Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Morta Hipp and little son of San Antonio visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Shaffer. They had secured a house and came after some of their household goods. They returned Sunday.

James Howerton, who has been visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Howerton, returned to the home of his parents in Waco Sunday.

C. B. Miller has hired Woodrow Parsons to work on the farm. He and his family have moved into our community. We welcome them.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Runion, who recently bought the McCollum farm, are at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Mayhew have moved on his father's farm recently purchased from Randalls Brothers, on the old Hico and Duffau road.

C. R. Higginbotham is fencing his place with sheep-proof wire.

Mrs. Raymond Mayhew is visiting her mother and other relatives at Sweetwater this week.

Falls Creek

— By —
 Virginia Coston

H. G. Coston was in Hamilton Tuesday.

Mrs. Pershing Rodgers and little daughter, Silva Lea, and Mr. Bullard of Hico spent Monday with Mrs. Walter Tolliver and family.

Mr. and Mrs. John Trammell of Hico spent Sunday with Mrs. Mary Foust.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Coston visited Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Cook of Selden Wednesday.

Andrew Lloyd spent the week end with W. D. Tolliver.

SEE US For Your BABY CHIX

BUY U. S. WAR BONDS-STAMPS.

Fairy

— By —
 Mrs. J. O. Richardson

We have had more rain the past week and farmers would like to see some clear weather, as some have field work to do.

Mr. and Mrs. John Burney have moved to the Gum Branch community to reside until they can get possession of the property they recently purchased in Hico near the Baptist church. May we say, best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Burney.

Elton Massengale was a weekend guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Judd Massengale. We do not know his rating, but he is in the service of his country and is stationed in Ohio.

Miss Daphne Hoover of Fort Worth was a weekend guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Hoover, and Patsy Ann.

Mesdames E. M. Hoover, J. O. Richardson, Gladys Cox, Prentiss Newman and Carl Ray Sellers were guests of their mother and grandmother, Mrs. A. L. Newman, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hoover of Dallas were weekend guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Hoover.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie New and family have moved to the John Burney farm which they recently purchased. We welcome them to our community.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ray Sellers spent Tuesday afternoon of last week with Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Richardson of Meridian, who had the pleasure of having all their children home for the Christmas holidays. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Choate and four children of near Walnut Springs, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Richardson and three sons from Morton, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Richardson and two sons of Lamesa, and Fehrlin Hugh. This was the first meeting of some of the relatives with B. A. (Bernal) and his family, as it just so happened that they missed each other on previous visits. The afternoon

was spent in gay conversation and picture making.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Jones and little daughter, Nita Ruth, of Latham were guests of her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ray Sellers, New Year's Eve.

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Clark and family had as their guests Sunday the following: Mr. and Mrs. Cost Clark and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Arrant and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Clark and family, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Parks and son, Mr. and Mrs. Braxton Edington, Mrs. Mamie Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Abel, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Rachuig and family, and Chapman Coker. A delicious dinner was served at the noon hour, and the guests played games and had a good time chatting with each other the rest of the day.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Clark had as their guests over the holidays Mrs. Clark's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Shirley, of Breckenridge.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Goynne had as their guests Tuesday night Mrs. Goynne's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lisenby of Tahoka. They were on their way home from a visit to their daughter of Houston, her brother at Texas City, and were to visit her brother, Tom, at Hico and her sisters, Mrs. Bud Luckie and Mrs. Johnnie Lowe at Weatherford.

No. 1832

In the Matter of the Estate of Wayne Thompson, Mildred Thompson and Wilbur Leo Thompson, Minors.

In The County Court at Law, In and For Hamilton County, Texas, Sitting in Probate.

To all persons interested in the Above Minors or Their Estates:

You are notified that I have, on the 4th day of January, A. D. 1944, filed with the County Clerk of Hamilton County, Texas, an application under oath for authority to sell the real estate of said wards, which is an undivided one-sixth interest in Lots Eight and Nine in Block Number Twenty-Eight of the original town of Hico, Texas; that W. J. Harris, Judge of the County Court of Hamilton County, Texas, on the 4th day of January, 1944, duly entered his order designating

Monday, the 14th day of February, A. D. 1944, at 10:00 o'clock A. M. in the County Court room of the Courthouse of such County as the time and place when and where such application would be heard, and that such application will be heard at such time and place.

MRS. IRENE THOMPSON,
 Guardian of the Estate of Wayne Thompson, Mildred Thompson and Wilbur Leo Thompson, Minors.

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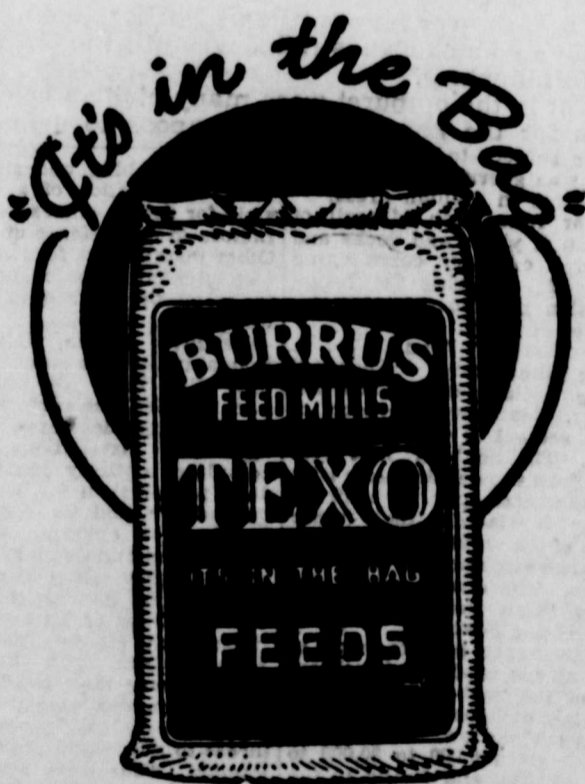
- ★ MONDAY, JANUARY 10TH
- ★ SATURDAY, JANUARY 29TH

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(Each week in this space will be presented a picture and word portrait of someone whose name is news.)



Vandegrift

The man who took command of 350,000 of the world's toughest fighting men on New Year's day is a soft-spoken, six-foot Southerner. Lieut. Gen. Alexander Vandegrift, new chief of the U. S. marines, is a real career soldier. He has been in the corps for 34 of his 56 years. Wherever trouble was brewing, Vandegrift was there. When he was in his third year at the U. of Virginia he suddenly decided on a military future. A few months after he joined the marines he was commissioned a second lieutenant. He first saw action in Nicaragua in 1912. In 1915 and '16 he was battling in Haiti. He remained there through 1918. His duties took him all over the next few years: Cuba, Panama, the South Pacific, China. He rose steadily through the grades. After graduating from advanced officer training he was chosen secretary to the marine commandant in 1936, and a little later, assistant.

IREDELL ITEMS

by Miss Stella Jones, Local Correspondent

Mrs. T. M. Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Phinis visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Powers in Fort Worth during the holidays.
Dorothy Rae Clepper visited in Dallas during the holidays.
Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Harris of Fort Worth spent the past Saturday here.
Mr. Wingren left Monday for Dallas.
Mrs. Lou Buchan of De Leon visited her sister, Mrs. Mainy this week. Her daughter, Mrs. Blair of Itasca accompanied her.
Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Wyche of Campo, Colorado, visited his brother, John Wyche, during the holidays.
Mrs. Billy Echols is working in Fort Worth.
Mrs. Rena Miller of Meridian, Misses Ona and Ruth Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Ellis and baby, Mrs. Howard Myers, all of Dallas, spent the past week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Miller.
Mr. and Mrs. Riggs and daughter, Patsy, and Mrs. Munn, all of Burnet visited Mrs. Wingren here Wednesday. They had been to Fort Worth.
Miss Grace Simpson of Dallas visited her sister, Mrs. Mainy this week.
Mrs. Grace Rice and daughter of Cleburne visited her uncle, Mr. Dunlap, and wife on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hurt and daughter accompanied her mother, Mrs. Cunningham, from Dallas on Saturday, Christmas day, and visited here until Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Hurt lived in Oregon. They will live now in Dallas.
Mr. and Mrs. Otto Bowman and son of Arkansas are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cas Bowman. Mrs. Bowman and son came in Sunday and he came Thursday.
Mrs. Everett Chester of Texas City returned home Sunday after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Jackson, and his mother, Mrs. Chester, and other relatives in Cleburne. Her mother accompanied her home.
Mrs. Deatherage is visiting her sister, Mrs. Chester, in Cleburne. Mrs. Chester fell and broke her hip on Christmas Eve when the ice was on the ground. She is getting along very well.
Jack and James Harris of Fort Worth spent the week end here.
Corporal J. D. McElroy, stationed in Mexico, is here on a furlough to his parents. He returned to camp Thursday.
Mrs. Lena Beavers and sister, Miss Doris Helm, who were called home early in December due to the illness and death of their father, have returned to Miami, Arizona to resume their duties as teachers in the school there.
Mrs. J. D. McElroy of Fort Worth visited here this week to be with J. D. while he was here.
Mr. and Mrs. John Parker announce the marriage of their son, Cleland, of Fort Worth to Miss Jean Gray of Rising Star, on Dec. 18. Cleland has lived here and has the best wishes of his friends.
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Turner and baby of Dallas spent the past week end here with his grandparents.
Mr. and Mrs. Clem McAden, Allen Dawson, and Mr. and Mrs. Arch Parks spent the week end in Dallas.
Mr. and Mrs. Webb had all their children and in-laws at home for Christmas day. Mr. Early, who is

in Houston, could not come. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Webb and Scottie of Levelland, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Moore and children of San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Madden of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gibbons of Meridian, Mr. and Mrs. Chessie Webb who live a few miles east of town, and Mrs. Early and daughter. All had a "big time."

T. M. Tidwell was in Waco and Hillsboro Friday.

Mrs. Clara Golden of De Leon is visiting here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Helm and children of Cranfill's Gap spent the week end here with his mother.

Mrs. Ralph Echols of Waco visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. McElroy, this week. She also came to be with her brother, J. D.

Mrs. Landis got a phone call to come to Midland at once as one of her brothers was very ill. All the family left for Midland. She got the call Saturday and all left Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. McDonel visited in Dallas this week.

Rev. and Mrs. D. D. Tidwell left Thursday for their home in Illinois after a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Tidwell, and her mother, Mrs. Turner, of Stephenville.

John L. Tidwell was in Waco Thursday.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Goodman of Dallas was given the name of Gay. She tipped the scales at 7 lbs. 8 1/2 ounces.

Mrs. Ralph Wingren left Monday for San Antonio where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. Devereaux.

Staff Sergeant David (Pinkey) Schenck, who is stationed in San Antonio, visited his father this week.

Mrs. Oakley Slater of Hartford, Conn. is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Conley. Her husband has been sent to South Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sadler and son, Hayden, visited Mrs. Bryan at Dublin this week end.

Tommy Joe Bryan of Dallas is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Newman.

Mr. and Mrs. Word Main visited in Waco Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe Fouts and baby of Dallas visited here this week.

Had some more rain last week end. Today (Monday) is a fine day. The farmers would like to see several days of fine, clear weather.

Bascom Mitchell Jr., who is in A. & M. at College Station, returned there Sunday after spending the holidays with his parents.

Predicts '44 Victory



Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, who was named commander of the main European invasion force. When he left Algiers to take over his new post he flatterly announced: "We will win the European war in 1944."

Sea Transfer



Rear Adm. B. W. Bradford, USN, is shown as he transfers from a destroyer to an aircraft carrier during a campaign in the Gilbert islands.

I don't wonder at you being cold, the coat you have on is thin."

A servant took the poor little girl into the warm kitchen and gave her a good warm lunch. Glad gave her one of her coats which would keep her warm.

"Where have you been?" asked Glad.

"I work for a woman a short distance from here every afternoon after school. She doesn't pay me much. We never had much Christmas, as my daddy drinks most all the time. My sister, Annie, who is 19, works in a store close to home and she got a little Christmas for us. Dad gets all of our money if he can, for whiskey is high now and hard to find. Mother has to work to make money for us to live on, and sometimes she hides the money from him."

Glad gave her \$25.00, saying "It will help."

Glad and her brother Tom, age 15, took the girl home. The father came in while they were there—and was he drunk! Mrs. Green told Glad and Tom to report him, so in a few minutes an officer was there and he was put in the calaboose. Before Glad left, she told Cora to come back the next day as she had some dresses that would be fine for her. Cora gave the money to her mother. She thanked Glad very much. "John gets all the barley-corn he can get his hands on, but he won't get this," she said.

The next afternoon Cora wended her way back to the rich home. Glad gave her several of her old dresses and also some underwear.

A colored girl told Cora to get ready to take a good hot bath. She had never been in a bath tub—always bathed in a wash tub. She was thrilled to get in such a nice bath tub. She enjoyed her bath for the poor little girl was really dirty (on the surface). The colored girl gave her a shampoo. Her hair was naturally curly, and a very dark brown even after it had been washed, and was pretty, too.

A dress was ready for her to put on when she got cleaned up, and she sure looked different.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, Glad and Tom took the little girl home. A good many of the dresses had been fixed, and Mrs. Green was very proud of them.

"Mrs. Green, if you were closer I could give you work," said Mrs. Anderson.

"I could give the young lady work in my large, complete department and dry goods store," Mr. Anderson said.

This poor family owned their home.

"I can get you a renter, or perhaps someone might exchange places with you; there is a place close to us," said the man. And as a result Mrs. Green and the children moved close to the Andersons.

HELPING OTHERS

A Story by STELLA JONES

"Oh, Mother, look at that little girl standing out there!" said a little girl age 11. Her mother, a beautiful woman in her late forties, looked up from the fancy work she was doing and said, "Gladys, go out there and see what she wants."

Gladys Anderson was standing in the spacious hall looking through the glass panel of the door. The day was cold, first week in January.

"What will you have?" asked Glad.

"I was just looking at the beautiful house and the lights" was the reply. The lights were turned on in this home and they were beautiful.

"I am so cold and hungry," said Cora Green.

"Come with me," said Glad, "and I will give you something to eat."

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Haphazard chicken raising is out this year. Our government needs poultry and eggs as never before — so do your part. Check up on your poultry management for the cold winter months. Read the suggestions contained in this checklist ad, the thirteenth in our series of practical pointers for poultry raisers. Watch, also, for more ads to come.

CHECK LIST NO. 13

Cold Weather Management SUGGESTIONS

CHECK THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTIONS AGAINST YOUR POULTRY RAISING METHODS

- () Provide Good Ventilation
Good ventilation is a "must" in poultry management this year. When your laying houses are well-aired, you won't have difficulty with dampness. Fix loose-fitting doors and windows — they cause drafts. Cracks and crevices should be filled up. Remember, a damp, drafty laying house helps to bring on colds . . . roup. Insulation helps to avoid radical changes in temperature, and that's important too. We'll be glad to help you plan the most economical way to insulate your laying house.
- () Keep Drinking Water From Freezing
Always provide the hens with plenty of fresh, clean drinking water. If it's cold enough in the poultry house to freeze water, you need one of our heated fountains to keep it from freezing. Use Dr. Salsbury's PHEN-O-SAL in the drinking water also, to check germ growth. We have a complete stock of poultry supplies, waterers, and feeders. Let us help you solve your poultry equipment problems.
- () Provide Extra Incentives to Eat
In cold weather, more of the feed consumed by the birds goes to supply heat for their bodies . . . less for egg production. To keep egg production from lagging, it's important to keep layers eating heartily. They need extra incentives to eat. We recommend that you use Dr. Salsbury's AVI-TAB in the mash; it helps pep up lagging appetites. Another thing — warm, moist mash feedings once or twice a day are helpful, too.

LET US HELP YOU

Feeding problems can be solved easily if you will come in and talk it over with us. We have a complete line of poultry equipment. The emblem at the right tells you that we are co-operating 100% in the National Poultry Conservation Program. Come in and let us help you.

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Any erroneous reflection upon the character of any person or firm appearing in these columns will be gladly and promptly corrected upon calling attention of the management to the article in question.

Hico, Tex., Friday, Jan. 7, 1944.

CHILDREN — \$7,762

A group of statisticians have figured out that it costs a total of \$7,762 to raise a child from birth to the age of 18.

That figure is for a family in the middle income group which earns around \$2,500 a year. It is broken down this way, for the 18-year period:

- Expenses attending birth, \$300.00.
- Food, \$2,272.00.
- Clothing, \$710.00.
- Shelter, \$2,648.00.
- Education, \$82.00.
- Medical care, \$297.00.
- Recreation and transportation, \$1,127.00.
- Sundries, \$326.00.
- Total, \$7,762.00.

Of course these costs vary greatly from family to family. And there may be some that can be questioned—such as the expense for shelter when the family might live in the same home whether they had a child or not. But, in general, there are few families, if they figured the cost of raising a child to 18, wouldn't arrive at as high a total as that given above. Broken down to smaller figures, this average cost amounts to about \$8 per week—just about the same amount millions of people pay for a low-priced automobile on the installment plan—which seems a low enough installment payment for a walking, talking, thinking, smiling human being.

SMALL TOWN RESPONSIBILITY

The business leaders of our country are making it increasingly clear that they are depending upon the people in towns like ours to see that free enterprise survives after the war.

While most of us have been watching to see what industry is going to do to fight the growing trend toward socialism, industry has reached the conclusion that it must come to us with its problems and hope that it will be able to enlist our voting power and our vocal cords in the fight to save the American system of business and government.

Many of us who live in small towns may not be aware of the power which we actually have. As an individual community we may not be able to wield much influence, but joined with the vast network of small communities all over the nation the small towns are recognized as the most powerful factor in our government. And since the outlook of our community is not dissimilar to that of thousands of other prosperous towns which dot the nation, without the necessity of formal organization we are apt to seek the same things and want the same kind of life as do people in those other communities.

For that reason, big business interests to come to us with its social and legislative problems and will leave their solution primarily in our hands.

Wee Bits of JESTURE

Folks, I don't have anything in particular against all "Salesmen", but I'll be doggoned if I'm not out gunning for that one that sold me on the idea that a fellow could cut some more teeth by taking "Baby Percy." Now I'm not boasting, but I do have good sales resistance, and when he offered to throw in that teaching ring with ten dozen bottles—well, he sold out, and I got a "corner" on his wares.

—By PRINTIS A. NEWMAN.

'Now, Altogether'



Ration Reminder!

Gasoline—In 17 east coast states A-8 coupons are good through February 8. In states outside the east coast area A-9 coupons are good through January 21.
Sugar—Stamp No. 29 in Book Four is good for 5 pounds through January 15, 1944.
Shoes—Stamp No. 18 in Book One good for 1 pair. Stamp No. 1 on the "Airplane" sheet in Book Three good for 1 pair.
Meats, Fats—Brown stamps R and S are good through January 29. Brown stamp T becomes good January 9.
Processed Foods—Green Stamps D, E, and F in Book Four are good through January 20.

Sugar Ration Remains Same
Sugar rations for home use will remain the same for another two and one-half months, according to OPA. Sugar Stamp No. 39 in war ration book four becomes valid on January 16, and will be good for buying five pounds of sugar through the end of March. Sugar stamp 29, now in use, is good through January 15.

Plenty of Anti-Freeze
The nation's motorists are being oversold on anti-freeze and told of shortages that do not exist, according to WPB. Production of alcohol and anti-freeze for this winter is 50 per cent more than last, officials said and asked motorists to watch their own needs and not overload. Alcohol from which the anti-freeze is made is a critical war material.

Items No Longer Rationed
Pressure cookers and feed grinders and crushers have been removed from rationing. Because the supply of pressure cookers will not meet all uses, the approval of WFA is necessary for purchases of pressure cookers for other than food preservation uses. Application should be made to the director, Office of Materials, War Food Administration, Washington, D. C.

Release Peaches to Civilians
Approximately 750,000 cases of canned peaches, previously set aside for government purchase, have been released for civilian supplies and will reach some retail markets within a few weeks.

Ration Tokens for Retailers
Retailers selling rationed foods should file their applications for ration tokens by Saturday, January 8, to be sure of having a supply when the token plan starts on February 27, OPA says. The application form is being distributed to retailers by trade associations and also is available at local rationing boards.

Two Million Flatirons Coming
A program to make two million flatirons for civilian use in 1944 has been approved by WPB. This amount will not come up to normal production but it will ease the hardships caused by two years of almost no production. It will probably be six months before many of these irons will reach dealers.

Gas Ration for Servicemen
To aid servicemen in recuperating from illness or wounds received while on active duty, OPA has announced that they may be issued special gasoline rations for use in traveling to and from their homes or other places of convalescence. This special ration will be issued upon presentation of leave papers to a local rationing board and a letter from the attending medical officer certifying that transportation by automobile, rather than by any other means, will materially assist in the recovery of the serviceman's health.

WITH THE COLORS
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pital, and was proceeding immediately to his station for further orders.

Capt. Harry T. Pinson returned to Camp Hood Sunday after a holiday leave spent here with his wife and daughter, Patsy. They also visited in Farmersville, where Harry ate so much he got sick and had to get his leave extended.

HERE'S WHERE PART OF YOUR WAR BONDS GO

Sgt. Thomas A. Hoffman, former resident of Hico where he was an employe of the Southern Union Gas Company, and where his mother, Mrs. W. M. Marcum, and Mr. Marcum still live, has written an appreciated letter to the editor which contains a message about War Bonds that should impress home people.

Read Tommie's letter, for we are sure he won't mind, and see if you don't feel like buying another bond or two. Here it is:

Somewhere in Italy,
Dec. 22, 1943.

Dear Holford:
No doubt this will come as a surprise, but honest, I've been wanting to write a long while back but various things would come up and I just never got around to it.

The first thing is, I want to congratulate you on the "With the Colors" column. I think it is by far the best of its kind—and I've seen several over here from over there. Even though I haven't written, I have been able to keep tabs on most all my old friends. The News Review is like getting a nice long letter from home, so needless to say I'm very thankful for it.

I'm afraid you won't find this letter very interesting as censorship prohibits my telling much about myself or my work. For the life of me, though, I can't like this so-called Sunny Italy. I no longer wonder why there are so many Italians in America, after seeing this over here! There are still a lot of barbers left over here, though. After a lull all you have to do to get a shave and haircut right on your fox-hole front porch is to wave your hands and hold up a pack of American cigarettes, and you get service with a smile. There are several light moments around here but usually it's a pretty grim business.

There isn't any doubt in our minds over here about what a grand job you folks are doing back there on the home front. We see your Bonds coming in every day in the form of guns and planes—and they are really doing the job.

As space does not permit my telling more, I am sending under separate cover a copy of our daily paper, "Stars and Stripes." I'll be seeing you. May all of you at home have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Sincerely,
TOMMIE.

Mrs. J. A. Thornton reported to the News Review force this week that she had received a letter from her son, Pfc. Lawrence D. Thornton, somewhere in Australia, saying that the home paper was coming in bunches now after waiting so long to receive a copy. Another son, T/S J. T. Thornton, wrote from somewhere in Italy wishing them a Merry Christmas. Mrs. Thornton was on her way to Meridian to be with her younger son, Alton, who underwent an emergency operation for appendicitis at the Holt Hospital Tuesday. She reported that he was getting along fairly well. "And oh, yes!" she added, "have you heard about my

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Six-Inch Sermon

† REV. ROBERT H. HARPER †

Jesus Busy With His Ministry of Love,
Lesson for January 9: Mark 1:23-2:14.

Golden Text: John 9:4.

The many healings, the early vigil, the tour through Galilee, the call of Levi (Matthew) all show that Jesus was indeed busy in his ministry of love in the spring of 28; all the incidents cannot be considered in brief space. So, with a few general observations, we shall think especially of the healing of the palsied man.

Jesus had sympathy with the suffering. He touched the leper. And we must be sympathetic if we would truly help needy men. And Jesus revealed his power to heal. This should lead us, instead of abandoning medicine and surgery, to extend their ministry to the poor, using the means at our command and trusting the Great Physician to use it.

The palsied man's friends showed love, cooperation, persistence, and faith—good things to be imitated. Jesus said to the palsied man: "Son, thy sins be forgiven thee." Critics were correct in thinking that only God could forgive sins; they erred in failing to recognize that God was with them. And nothing could be worse than for men not to see God in Jesus.

Whether or not the palsied man's condition was due to his sins, he was a sinner. And the greater cure he needed was that of the soul. Jesus had compassion on men in their bodily ills but He was chiefly concerned to win their love and save their souls. And the helpful ministry of the church should be the means to the blessed end of leading men to spiritual life. In the final incident of the lesson Jesus went at once to the soul of a man and called Matthew to new life and made him a blessing to the ages.



Look and Listen!

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Personals.

H. G. Perry of Johnsville was a business visitor in Hico Thursday.

Joe Guyton of Camp Hood spent the week end here with his mother, Mrs. J. A. Guyton.

State Senator Karl L. Lovelady of Meridian was in Hico on business Tuesday afternoon.

Ona Weaver of Fort Worth visited here Monday with Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Keeney.

Miss Annie Pierson, who is employed at the Quartermasters Depot in Fort Worth, spent the week end here with friends.

Mrs. Frank Haggard, who has been quite sick since the middle of December, is up and about again. Mr. Haggard recently spent ten days at home.

Mildred Bobo returned to her work in Fort Worth Sunday, after having spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bobo, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Adams and little son of Kerrville spent the week end here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Adams, and his sisters, Aline and Betty.

Mrs. Lenora Langston paid her regular annual business visit to the News Review office, remarking at the time that she is feeling better than she has in years.

Miss Quata Woods has sent a check from Dallas to renew subscription to her brother, Tom J. Woods, 1130 11th Ave, Fort Arthur, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Johnson returned to Dallas this week after spending the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ford, Mrs. Johnson and her father both were ill with the flu during the holidays.

Miss June Malone, who has been taking a nurse's training course at the Robstown Hospital, came in Wednesday for a few days' visit with her aunt, Mrs. George Christopher, and uncle, John Simonton, before leaving for Dallas to continue her studies.

Mrs. Earl Bowman, who has been making her home with Mr. Bowman in Hobbs, New Mexico, came in last Thursday for a visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Roberson. Earl was inducted into the armed services and she plans to join him later.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Killon Jr. and family came in last Saturday from Alpine to visit here with his parents and to be with her mother, Mrs. Little of Stephenville, who is ill in the Stephenville Hospital. J. D. is with the Fire Department at the Marfa Air Base, and was granted a 7-day leave.

Watt Ross, who is employed at Consolidated Aircraft Plant in Fort Worth, will return to his employment this week end after spending his two-weeks vacation here with Mrs. Ross and the boys. Also visiting in the Ross home during the same time is their daughter, Mrs. Jack Moffitt, and children of Dallas.

Mrs. Ida Tunnell and daughter, Rosemary, of Fort Worth, accompanied by their son and brother, Ted Tunnell, Msmth 2/c in the Seabees, spent New Year's day here with Mrs. Tunnell's sisters, Mrs. G. H. Anderson and Miss Nettie Wieser. Ted was home for the first time in 18 months from the Southwest Pacific where he has been serving with a construction battalion.

Mr. and Mrs. Arlon Poteet have recently moved to Fort Worth where they are both employed by Williamson-Dickie Mfg. Co. On Jan. 4 Arlon was appointed head of the piece goods department. Their daughter, Norma Jean, will remain in Hico with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Haines, until after mid-term examinations in the Hico schools, after which time she expects to join her parents in Fort Worth.

W. A. Brown was host to many relatives and friends the past week end: Cpl. and Mrs. R. D. Smith of Brownwood; Leo Brown, Doug Hefner and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Swilling and sons of Fort Worth. The latter recently moved to that city from Seattle, Wash. Also present was C. P. O. James Swilling, U. S. N., who left Hico 19 years ago. He was on leave after serving in the South Pacific Zone. Swilling's home is in El Cajon, Calif.

Recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Burden were Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Snow of Fort Worth; Rev. and Mrs. Clyde Pittman and children, Bangs; Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Meeks, Arkadelphia, Ark.; Mrs. O. J. Ford, Arlington; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burden and Miss Norma Ruth Burden, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Vaughn and children, Fort Worth, and Mrs. C. A. Proffitt and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Luther Burden and children of Carlton.

ROSS SHOP, Jeweler. 45-tfc

A. A. Brown of Camp Hood spent the week end here with his family.

Sheriff Houston White was over from the county seat Monday on official business.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Adkison, a son, December 28, The lad, who made his arrival at Gorman Hospital, has been named Royce Brenton.

Little Donald, Nell Rich returned to her home in Meridian Sunday after a week's visit here with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hicks, and uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hendricks.

Ernest L. Barrow of Fort Worth, who is due in here for a bird hunt if he has any shells, has written to renew his subscription. "Our wish for Hico folks is that you may have only the better things of life in this fateful year packed with promise of peace again in a strife-torn world," he added.

Mrs. Paul Verduzco and little daughter, Rosalind, came in last Friday from Fort Arthur for a visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lusk Randals. They plan to leave from here for Lake Charles, La., to make their home, where Paul was recently transferred.

Holiday guests in the home of Mrs. Terry Thompson and daughter, Mrs. Datsy Dankers were Mr. and Mrs. Cager Mahon of De Leon; Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Mahon, Dallas; Mrs. Gladys Cannon of Waco, and Mrs. Jim Thompson and children, Jimmie Ruth, John and Terry of Hico.

Rev. V. L. Sherman, Dorothy and Billie of Robstown spent the holidays with Mrs. Sherman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hedges. Another surprise visitor for a week-end during the time his parents were here was A. C. Robert Sherman, who is stationed at Hicks Field near Fort Worth.

Weldon Burney of Evans, former representative in the Texas legislature from this district, was in Hico Monday afternoon, accompanied by his young son, Ben Burney. The latter had a lot to tell about the things he got for Christmas and the sights he had seen while running around with his dad who is now employed by the Texas State Liquor Control Board.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Lambert have been making extensive repairs to the residence they recently purchased from Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Roberts after the latter moved to Camp Hood where Mr. Roberts is employed. The Lamberts are not strangers in Hico, having resided in the Greyville community before moving to town last fall, but their many friends are glad to have them closer. Their new home is just north of the CPS power plant.

"We could more easily do without the Star-Telegram than the home paper," writes Mrs. George Tabor from her new home at Stephenville, along with a check for renewal of subscription. She also said she and Mr. Tabor had heard from Dick Stegall, who is also enjoying the home paper through their courtesy. Dick has been overseas for 22 months, and says there are lots of people in Hico he doesn't know. He said they had about six turkeys for a hundred boys and they looked like No. 2's, so he didn't eat any. Dick learned too much about turkeys through helping George while he was in the produce business here.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. McCullough and daughter, Frances, were called to Goldthwaite last Friday on account of the illness of her father, J. H. Frizzell. Mr. Frizzell fell on Christmas Day and it is believed that he suffered a stroke; however he was improving until the sudden change on Friday when he went into a coma and died about 9 o'clock that night. Services were held in Goldthwaite Saturday. Others from Hico attending were Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Wolfe and Mrs. C. L. Woodward. Miss Mary Ella McCullough of Austin, who joined her parents in Goldthwaite to attend the services, was taken ill with flu and was brought back to Hico. At last reports, she was improving.

W. S. C. S. MET MONDAY AT HOME OF MRS. WOLFE

The Methodist Woman's Society of Christian Service met in the home of Mrs. H. N. Wolfe Monday afternoon, January 3. The meeting opened with a devotional by Spiritual Life Chairman, Mrs. C. D. Hanson. Mrs. W. H. Greenslit conducted the service for installation of officers for the coming year. Mrs. Wolfe as program chairman, suggested those present fill out their yearbooks at this meeting. The meeting closed with a benediction.

Those enjoying Mrs. Wolfe's hospitality were: Mrs. Floyd Thrash and daughter, Judy; Mrs. Harold Hanson and daughter, Martha Lou; and Mesdames C. D. Hanson, Annie Waggoner, Morse Ross, E. H. Randals Sr., W. H. Greenslit, E. H. Persons and S. E. Blair. The Society will meet with a social Monday, Jan. 17, at 3 p. m. in the home of Mrs. Morse Ross. REPORTER.

A Ruf Punch



Bobby Ruffin makes full use of his weight as he leaps from the bleachers when singing a left to Sammie Apple's law in their 10-round bout at the Mason Square Garden, New York. Bobby Ruffin's apparel consists of a pair of pants, a pair of shoes, and a pair of socks.

STEWART-MILLER MARRIAGE RITES SOLEMNIZED

Before a beautiful improvised altar of lovely flowers and greenery in the First Methodist Church in Stephenville, Miss Jewell Zambette Stewart became the bride of Herbert Henry Miller of Iredell, December the twenty-fifth at two o'clock in the afternoon.

Before the ceremony, Mrs. E. L. Howard of Iredell, wearing a lovely brown dress and brown accessories, with a corsage of yellow mums, played "At Dawning" by Charles Wakefield Cadman, and "The Rosary" by Ethelbert Nevin. Mrs. D. D. Tidwell of Carbondale, Illinois, wearing a lovely gray satin frock and wearing a corsage of red carnations, sang "I Love You Truly" by Carrie Jacobs Bond, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. E. L. Howard.

At the sound of the Bridal Wedding March from "Lohengrin" Dr. D. D. Tidwell of Carbondale, Illinois, the officiating minister and friend of both families, came to the altar from a side entrance. C. B. Miller of Hico, brother of the bridegroom, entered from an opposite side entrance and acted as groomsmen to the bridegroom. The bridegroom entered next from the same entrance and waited at the altar for the bridal procession.

In the bridal procession was Miss Pauline Tidwell of Cleburne as bridesmaid and wearing a lovely gold-colored dress with black accessories and a corsage of white carnations. Next to enter was Miss Jeanie Stewart, sister of the bride and maid of honor, wearing a powder-rose colored dress with black accessories and a corsage of white carnations. Last to enter was the bride on the arm of her brother, James H. Stewart of Granbury, who gave her in marriage. The bride was lovely in an aqua blue-colored silk dress which was designed in a long bodice effect. Her accessories were of black and her corsage was pink sweetheart roses. During the ceremony Mrs. Howard played softly on the piano "Because" by Guy D. Hardelot. After the ceremony she also played the Wedding March from "A Midsummer Night's Dream" by Mendelssohn as a recessional.

A number of friends and relatives of both families were invited to the wedding. Edward and Sterling Stewart, brothers of the bride, were ushers.

Immediately after the wedding the bride and bridegroom left for a short honeymoon trip to San Antonio, Austin and other points South. The bride traveled in an aqua blue wool suit, the shade being a little darker than her wedding dress. All of her accessories were of black.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. E. S. Stewart and the late E. S. Stewart of Stephenville. She is a graduate of John Tarleton College and has her Bachelor of Science degree from North Texas State Teachers College, Denton. She had been teaching in Erath County for several years, but for the past two years she has been a member of the Hico school faculty. The bridegroom is a son of C. H. Miller and the late Lou Ella Miller, and a nephew of the late Lewis B. Miller, who for many years taught in various colleges and was author of many published novels and short stories. The bridegroom's father and grandfather were active in the pioneering of certain portions of Erath County, the Millerville school and church being named in the family honor.

The bridegroom is a graduate of John Tarleton College, North Texas State Teachers College, and received his Master's degree from the University of Texas. For a number of years he was employed as head teacher in the Purves school in Erath County, but for the past several years he has been employed as grammar school principal at Iredell where he is employed at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller will continue teaching at the same places. CONTRIBUTED.

CARD OF THANKS
I have returned home from the Stephenville Hospital and am doing fine. I received so many cards, sweet letters and flowers from my beloved friends and neighbors that I can't begin to write to all; so I take this method of thanking each and every one of you for your kindness. I just love you all, and may God bless you.
SALLIE PURDON.

Church News

Baptist Church

Listen to the Baptist Hour each Sunday morning at 7:30 over Station WFAA. These programs will continue for 13 weeks.

The teachers and officers met for a chili supper Monday night, with 27 being present. Great plans were made for the S. S.

The W. M. U. will meet at the church, at 3. Sun Beam Band at same time and place.

This month we want to enlist all of the unenrolled Church members in Sunday School. If you are one of those, please attend. There is being organized another Sunday School class to take care of the men out of the Complex Class and all who are not enrolled. Mr. I. L. Lasater will teach the class. Sunday is the first meeting of this class.

A large group of S. S. teachers and officers are to go to Hamilton Sunday afternoon to attend an Associational meeting.

RALPH E. PERKINS, Pastor.

Methodist Church

At a recent meeting of the Board of Trustees of the church, plans were tentatively laid for buying bonds for the purpose of enlarging and making improvements on our church building. The date, Jan. 9, was set up as the time for presenting the plan to the congregation for its approval. It is therefore imperative that we have a representative group of our membership present Sunday morning in order that proper action may be taken before launching the bond-buying campaign. The pastor will preach at 11 a. m. and the plan will be presented at the close of the preaching service.

Evening services will begin at 7:30. "Marks of a Christian" will be the subject of the sermon. The next three months can be great months in the Methodist church as we launch into the "Crusade for a New World Order." There is an opportunity for expansion in every part of the work of the church. This expansion awaits the faithful assistance of each member of the church. Come to Sunday school and the preaching services Sunday. Make your membership vital. Invite someone to come with you.

Visitors and new citizens coming to Hico will find a welcome at the Methodist church. We invite you to come.

FLOYD W. THRASH, Pastor.

WATCH NIGHT PARTY AND WORSHIP SERVICE

The Methodist Youth Fellowship closed the old year, 1943, in an appropriate manner by holding a Watch Night party and service on Friday evening of last week. Beginning with a party at the home of Carolyn Holford the young people enjoyed a fine social occasion, playing games of various kinds.

Refreshments of popcorn, balls and punch were served in an attractive manner.

At 10 o'clock the party ended and the young people gathered in the church where they were joined by a number of young spirited adults. An hour was spent in singing hymns. The final hour of the old year was spent in a beautiful and helpful worship service in which the entire group participated, dedicating themselves to God for greater service in the coming year.

The Youth Fellowship is planning many fine things for the young people of the Methodist church and the community at large during the coming year. All young people are requested to remember the meetings each Sunday afternoon.

Mary Ellen Haggard has returned to T. S. C. W. Denton, after spending Christmas at home with her mother and Dale.



Bring him in today . . . while He's at Home . . .

for the Portrait that you'll cherish until He comes Home again.

THE WISEMAN STUDIO
HICO, TEXAS

Railroad Boss



Maj. Gen. Charles P. Gross, who was placed in charge of operating the nation's railroads as chief of the army's transportation system. The army seized the lines when a strike of railroad workers seemed imminent.

Former Resident of Hico Buried Here Tuesday Afternoon

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Mary Huckabee of Walnut Springs, former resident of Hico, Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Barrow Funeral Chapel. Services were conducted by Rev. Jimmie Bolton of Walnut Springs, assisted by Rev. John P. Cundieff of Iredell.

Mrs. Huckabee passed away Jan. 3, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. O. Daves, in Walnut Springs.

Mary Alice Logan was born June 5, 1859 in Fayette County, Alabama. She was united in marriage to Rev. W. A. Huckabee on Nov. 22, 1876 at Fayette, Ala. To this union six children were born.

They moved to Texas in 1892, settling near Grandview where they lived for two years, moving from there to Glen Rose. In 1905 Rev. and Mrs. Huckabee moved to Hico where they made their home until 1932, when he was called by death. Since that time she has lived with her children.

She was converted in young womanhood and united with the Baptist church, and was a consecrated and devoted mother.

Surviving are the following children: Mrs. F. O. Daves, Walnut Springs; Mrs. Carrie Turner, Stephenville; Mrs. P. J. Rattan, Arlington; and T. A. Huckabee of Cleburne; also 20 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren survive. Burial was in the Hico Cemetery.

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THIS AND THAT

By JOE SMITH DYER

CASH ON HAND:

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PRIMER FOR AMERICA:

What do we have, besides our liberty, that is truly and peculiarly American? We have plenty!

OTHER WAY AROUND:

Stanley W. Tefft, 25, an aerial gunner from Toledo, Ohio, disclosed that Christian natives on a South Pacific island had won to Christ seven Navy airmen who had been shot down in combat with the Japs.

LASSIE COME HOME: Last night I finished "Lassie Come Home" by Eric Knight, a moving story of a dog whose devoted heart urged her over hundreds of miles of mountainous country, around rivers and lakes, to the home of her original owners—the Carracoughs.

Singing Pulse Taker: After Miss Irene Day sang with a nationally famous orchestra for wounded soldiers at Valley Forge hospital in Pennsylvania, she was named by the veterans as "the girl we'd most like to take our pulse."

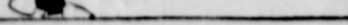
Strike Conferees

J. S. Aronson, of the New York Central railroad (left), and J. J. Folley, president of the Association of American Railways, as they arrive at a White House conference on the threatened railroad strike.

THE HOUSE OF HAZARDS

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By Mac ARTHUR





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Real Estate

See Shirley Campbell for Farm, Ranch and City Property. 11-tfc

Wanted

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WANTED: Woman to do housework. Mrs. Grady Hooper. 32-tfc

WOOD CUTTERS wanted. R. W. Hancock. 29-tfc.

WANTED: Family or couple, with references, to occupy comfortable farmhouse rent-free for keep. See C. M. Hedges, Hico. 28-tfc.

WANTED: More listings. For quick sale of land or any kind of property, list it with Shirley Campbell.

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For Sale or Trade

FOR SALE: One-horse wagon. See N. A. Lambert, Hico. 33-2p.

FOR SALE: Ford Coupe; also Waltham Watch. John D. Higgins. 33-1p.

FOR SALE: One Broad-Breasted Turkey Tom. Keeney's Hatchery.

FOR SALE: 8 ft. windmill wheel & fan. Plenty of cottonseed till planting time. T. J. Snellings, Hico. 33-3c.

FOR SALE: Filling station, suitable for living quarters, and 8 acres of land 3 1/2 mi. from Hico on old Hamilton Road, \$600.00. See Mark Waldrop or write H. E. Bell, Kieberz, Texas. 39-tfc.

FOR SALE: Very choice Holstein, Guernsey & Avashire heifers \$25 each and up. Shipped C. O. D. if desired. Bull free with 5 heifers. Homestead Farms, McGraw, N. Y. 29-5c.

FOR SALE: Registered Duroc Jersey pigs. McEver & Sanders. 29-tfc.

For Rent or Lease

FOR RENT: Two rooms to reliable couple. Mrs. S. F. Battershell. 33-2p.

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Collision Which Killed 72



Wreck of the Atlantic Coast Lines' two streamlined trains which killed 72 and injured approximately 100. Workers using torches are shown attempting to reach trapped victims. Cars of one train were derailed and a few minutes later the second train crashed into the derailed coaches.

The Mirror

Published by Students of Hico High School

Editor Carolyn Holford

REPORTERS:

Senior Elva Jo Rainwater Sophomore Paul Wolfe
Junior Patsy Pinson Freshman Frances Angell

SENIOR NEWS

If you saw some of the Seniors two weeks ago carrying around such things as paper doll books, wooden irons, baby combs, donkeys, and other crazy things it was just some things they were taking to the Christmas party at Mrs. Lasater's. Frank and Jimmie made fudge while the rest of us picked out nuts to go in it.

After we had eaten the fudge and drunk cocoa, Mary Katherine passed the presents. You should have seen Carolyn's face when she got a donkey with her name on it, and Frank cutting out paper dolls and dressing them.

We sent off our money for our calling cards week before last and this week we sent two cents deposit on our invitations. We are hoping to receive them soon along with a gift offered for sending them early.

JUNIOR NEWS

Despite too much candy, a few cases of the flu, and laziness in general, most of the Juniors are back in the swing this week. As one Junior girl said, "If the soldiers hadn't been coming, I just couldn't have made it to school at all."

Our party before the holidays turned out to be lots of fun. From the looks of some H. H. S. students the holidays turned out the same way.

Wayne Houston has come back to attend school here. We are happy to have a new, but old, student in our class. Mona Tess Lewis has moved and it is rumored that our two "J's" are not going to finish at mid-term. J. D. Jones and J. W. Burden may soon leave us. We hope they change their minds if this is true.

ASSEMBLY PROGRAMS TO BEGIN

Tuesday in our Christmas assembly, Mr. Lasater announced that we will begin to have assemblies often on the warmer days of the season. He announced that the Seniors will be the first to pre-

sent a program. The program has not yet been planned, nor has the date been set for its presentation.

SOPHOMORE NEWS

All the teachers wished us a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and said, "When you come back next year, start it off right." I wonder how many felt like it. No one, after hearing our American History test grades. To anyone who is in doubt as to why the girls are looking out the windows and are just crazy to go to the gym—the soldiers are here.

Our party turned out fine. At first we had our Christmas tree drawn on the board, but a "fish" loaned us a real one. Mrs. Angell got the best present, a box of candy; and, for a joke, someone gave Jackie a bar of baby soap. Mrs. Angell passed out some of her candy, and then everyone gladly went home.

The following is what Santa Claus brought some of the Sophomores: Weldon, a watch; James Lindy, the holiday was enough for him; Billy K., a baby bottle (I don't think Santa sent this); Billy H., Billy Jean said she was going to give him something but he wouldn't have much use for it; Lloyd A., a watch; Marcelle, a bag; Winnie Oma, everything; Wanda, Thurman; Jackie, Buzie; H. C., War Bonds; Norma Jean, (she's expecting six packages from the Navy); Roy Dean, Santa's deer were running away when they passed his house; Jerry, two pairs of gloves, music, and a shirt; Paul, a game table—after Christmas he got the biggest surprise; Dale, a bed jacket.

FRESHMAN NEWS

We Freshmen are glad to be back after the holidays, as we missed all our teachers very much. Santa Claus was very good to us, bringing us lots of "toys" and too much candy and a few stomach-aches. On the whole though, we enjoyed the holidays as it was a rest from school work.

We are looking forward to our

mid-term examinations with great anxiety. (Only one more week). We do not mean that we enjoy those exams, but that we will have only four and one-half months of school left. We enjoy school, of course, but we also enjoy summer vacations.

We are glad to welcome James Barnett back into our class. He rejoined us Monday after leaving us and starting to work several weeks ago.

Carlton

By Mrs. T. C. Thompson

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Adams and children were business visitors in Hamilton Tuesday.

W. P. Barnett was a business visitor in Dublin Thursday morning.

N. N. McGuire made a business trip to Hamilton Tuesday.

Tyrus King of Hico was in Carlton a short time Tuesday morning. He and his brother, Cyrus, attended the auction sale at Hamilton Tuesday afternoon.

R. L. Smith and daughter, Mrs. Dock Finley, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bush were in Hico Monday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clint Richbourg.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Proffitt and daughter moved Tuesday to the V. O. Porter home, vacated by Mr. and Mrs. John Box and family.

Mr. and Mrs. John Box and family have moved to the J. S. Minter farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Burden and children spent the week end in Fort Worth and Dallas visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clyde LeFerre and other relatives.

Robert Sowell and Mrs. Howell Sowell and children left Wednesday afternoon for Mineral Wells to visit Howell Sowell who is in training there.

Mrs. Nona Thompson and Maxine Fine were business visitors in Dublin Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Roberson and children of Fort Worth spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Joe P. King.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Clemmer and daughter are moving to Houston. Miss Vasta Rose Wilhite spent the week end with Miss Wanda Crockett.

Misses Mattie and Alton Rogers were business visitors in Hico this week.

Dock Couch of Hico was in Carlton Wednesday.

Rev. S. W. Miller and family spent last week in Brownwood visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Shaffer and daughter, Mrs. White, all of Sevan are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Shaffer, also Mrs. Bertha Chick.

KEEP ON BUYING WAR BONDS

Charter No. 4364 Reserve District No. 11
REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF HICO, IN THE STATE OF TEXAS

At the close of business on December 31st, 1943 published in response to a call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under Section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes.

ASSETS

Loans and discounts (including \$253.62 overdrafts)	\$153,117.75
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	\$34,910.00
Corporate stocks (including \$3,000.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	3,000.00
Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	\$76,187.79
Furniture and fixtures	1.00
TOTAL ASSETS	1,067,216.45

LIABILITIES

Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$11,027.34
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	2,548.23
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	18,151.90
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$31,727.47
Other liabilities: Dividend No. 94	2,500.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$34,227.47

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

Capital Stock: Common stock, total par \$50,000.00	50,000.00
Surplus	50,000.00
Undivided profits	32,989.01
TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	132,989.01
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	1,067,216.45

State of Texas, County of Hamilton, ss:
I, C. L. Woodward, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

C. L. WOODWARD, Cashier.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day of January, 1944.

J. C. RODGERS, Notary Public.

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E. H. Randals, J. W. Richbourg, T. A. Randals, Directors.

Wartime Lighting Suggestions

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SIX OTHER WAYS TO CONSERVE LIGHT

1. Remove and clean lamp bulbs and lamp bowls regularly. Dry thoroughly before using again.
2. Keep shade linings light. Clean or brush regularly. Repaint or reline dark-colored paper or parchment shades.
3. Sit close enough to the lamp to get all the help it can give your eyes.
4. Avoid direct glare from lamp bulbs by using shades deep enough and wide enough.
5. Arrange furniture so one lamp can serve two people. But be sure lamp is not too far away from either person.
6. Eliminate amber or flame-tint bulbs. Inside-frosted white bulbs of same wattage give much more light.

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"BATTLE OF RUSSIA"
WATCH BILLBOARD FOR
OTHER PROGRAMS

WITH THE COLORS
(Continued from Page 4)

new grandson?" Charles Derwood, weighing 11 pounds and 5 ounces, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Artie Oxley on December 29, in the clinic at Hamilton.

Camp Shanks, N. Y., December 28, 1943.
Dear Editor:
Just a few lines to let you know of a slight change in my address. I have only missed one or two copies of the News Review and I do want to say, thanks to you.

I hope the holidays have been pleasant to all of you. We were very busy, but had Christmas Eve off. After eating a big turkey dinner with all the trimmings, we were given a 12-hour pass. So you can assure yourself we had some fun.

I enjoy the news in the home paper so much, for through it I can keep in touch with all of the boys. So keep the good work up.

Yours truly,
PVT. GREER B. STROTHER.
USNH, Box J Personnel
Oakland 14, California
December 26, 1943.

Dear Mr. Holford:
I suppose that swell town by the name of HICO is still as cheerful as ever after the Christmas holidays. In fact that is the only way for Hico to be at any rate, and it always was while I was there.

I have been reading the NR and I may say it is the main thing of the week for me. Before I started receiving the paper I thought my friends were writing me all the news—but not at all! In fact they were leaving out the most important things that happened. Since I have started getting the home paper I have found out where some of my old pals are and have begun a swell correspondence. In fact, I have had a few visits.

A mere coincidence happened to me the other day. I happened to be taking care of officers' records for furloughs and I had the pleasure of finding an officer that was born in Hico. His name is Lt. Chas. McCollum Jr. I wanted to talk with him before he left, but didn't get a chance. He is probably there now—or possibly at his home in Fort Worth.

We certainly had a swell Christmas here at Oak Knoll. We had one of the best stage shows that is possible on Christmas Eve. I mean it was a dilly—in other words, OK. Then at Christmas dinner we had orchestra music, accompanied with a most delicious dinner you could want. If Mother had cooked it. And last night we had the pleasure of attending the "Truth or

Consequences" program. And of course everything was decorated to the "T". So I believe Uncle Sam tried his best to make Christmas a pleasure instead of just memories. Of course we had the memories anyway.

Well, I had better close and do a little washing. I suppose you've heard about sailors' washings? A native TEXAN, and proud of it!

BAYLOR PARSONS, PHM 3/c.
Care of Fleet P. O.
San Francisco, Calif.
Dec. 29, 1943.

Dear Mr. Holford:
Well, I received that Hico paper, but Mother sent it by Air Mail. The big fellows beat me to the post office early this morning—I got my paper this evening at six. Of course I didn't mind MUCH as I got them often. I received the last one the 26th of August while in Diego. Don't ask me where Diego is, because I don't have a map and my sense of direction isn't good.

How did your Victory Garden turn out? I believe you had some pigs also—what about them?

Have you heard from Wimpy? His letter won the race. It beat the Hico paper here by two days. Tell him I treasure that page dearly. I suppose he just can't get on the ball like a sailor, you know, off the beam, soldier. Ha!

You can't say too much good about Maun Hase Biltz. That guy is doing a swell job. I am proud I can say I know him. I've got to go now and would appreciate it if you would do one thing for me—just tell all the guys hello.

Yours sincerely,
WILLIAM H. TODD, S 2/c.
P. S. Tell the soldiers I didn't mean that crack. I can't talk about the Marines; you see, I live with them.—Harold.

Mr. and Mrs. Clair Brunson of Route 3, Hico, recently received a V-Mail letter from Captain Henry M. Reitz, commanding officer of the battery to which their son, Pvt. Nona Brunson, is attached. The letter conveyed holiday greetings from the captain personally, and from the men of the anti-aircraft unit with whom he is associated.

"In addition to sending you holiday greetings," the letter continued, "I want to personally let you know that your son Nona, whom we are proud to have as a member of this battery, is in good health, his morale is high, and he is doing splendidly in every task that he faces in combat."
"This battery and the battalion of which it is a part has made an enviable record in enemy planes destroyed since landing in Italy. This has been possible only because of the united efforts and unflinching devotion of every member. I am certain that this record will be continued and that the coming year will bring victory to our cause."

"In the meantime his greatest morale builder is the letters he gets from home, so keep them coming."
Sgt. Lynn Holley was in Hico the first of the week for a short visit. All the editor found out was that he was on his way from the West Coast to the East Coast.

Mrs. Frank Haggard has received word that her nephew, Pfc. R. M. Buntyn of the 8th Marines has been wounded in action and is in the Naval Hospital in Hawaii.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Nix have ordered the paper sent to their son, Pvt. Travis Nix, who is stationed

at Fort Morgan, Ala. Travis was employed with North American aviation plant near Dallas before going into the service about two months ago.

Pvt. and Mrs. Roy Meador arrived Wednesday from California. Roy underwent an operation in the Station Hospital at Fort Baker, California, recently and received a 30-day sick leave to recuperate.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rainwater have ordered the News Review sent to their nephew, Pvt. Robert T. Simpson Jr., who is stationed at Camp Callan, near San Diego, California.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Rodgers received a letter this week from their nephew, 1st Lt. Harry B. Stephens, saying that he had landed safely somewhere in North Africa.

Pvt. Lee Gregory left Sunday for his station at Fort Bragg, N. C., after spending a ten-day furlough here with his wife and parents. Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Gregory, other holiday guests in the Gregory home were Mr. and Mrs. Milton Kaudson and daughter, Phyllis, and Mrs. Ethel Reynolds, of Dallas.

Sgt. Lucian H. Hardin now has an APO number out of New York, according to advice from his mother, Mrs. J. H. Hardin at Fort Worth. He has been at Walla Walla, Washington for some time. Mrs. Hardin added that they all had as nice a Christmas as could be expected at Fort Worth, since they didn't get to come home.

LT. COL. VICKREY WRITES
MOTHER ABOUT NEW GUINEA

Lieutenant Colonel Luster Vickrey, who served four years as an instructor at West Point Military Academy and then took special training at Fort Sill, Okla., after an extended leave spent here last April, has been sent overseas, according to his mother, Mrs. Em Vickrey. The colonel's wife and two children retain their residence at Baltimore, Md.

Mrs. Vickrey received the following letter from her son this week:
New Guinea,
Dec. 21, 1943.

Dear Mother:
I sent you a cablegram when I first got here. I hope you have received it by now so that you won't have any occasion to worry about my ocean trip. It was really quite uneventful. I can't tell you much about the trip on account of censorship, but it was not bad at all. We all know that the Pacific Ocean is a big body of water now.

Our outfit is now in New Guinea, what part I am not allowed to tell you. The place is beautiful if you like jungles. It is not too uncomfortable. None of our outfit has been sick since we have been here. This Atabrine that we take seems to be very effective against malaria. It does make one's skin somewhat yellow after taking it for a while.

The food here is pretty good considering that we are somewhat out at the end of the supply line. We use a lot of dehydrated foods. They are pretty good. Of course, we use a lot of canned foods, too, for there are no fresh vegetables or

meat here. We are very fortunate in having some good cooks so we get along quite well.

Our outfit lives in tents and thatched huts and we are quite comfortable. We do our own laundry, of course, without any ironing.

This is going to be the hottest Christmas that I ever spent by far. In this part of the world it is summer now. Of course it's always summer here.

This will get to you after the holidays, but I do wish you a Merry Christmas.

Love,
LUSTER.

Mrs. C. F. Barnett has received a V-Mail letter from her son, Sgt. Harold Barnett, with a bombing group overseas, as follows:

Dear Mother and All:
I thought I would write to you today while I am in the writing mood. I got two packages today—I guess that's the reason for the mood. I got one from a friend in Pendleton, Oregon, and a good book from the pastor of the South Tacoma, Wash., Baptist Church. That makes about five packages I have received from good friends in the last month of the year. I hope there will be lots of celebrating at home this year, too.

I hope that all my staff at home is O. K., and guess they are all right because I know all is in good hands.

Well, Mom, all of you be good and God bless you.
Your oldest son,
HAROLD.

THANKS!

Since Uncle Sam needs my future services in uniform more than I could be of use to the war effort at home, I have sold my interest in the

Ratliff Market & Grocery

to my partner, Wallace Ratliff, who will continue to operate it along the same lines as in the past.

I would find it very difficult to leave this community without expressing my thanks to all of our friends and customers for their past patronage. Because of your faithful support, we have been able to keep improving on a small beginning. You have made it possible for us to expand our stock and services until we feel our store is filling a real need in the community. I thank you.

I would be grateful to all of you if you would continue trading with my brother and former partner. He and the store force will keep serving you as we have done in the past.

Sincerely,
J. B. (DUDE) RATLIFF.

To All Our Friends & Customers

Naturally it is with regret that the business partnership with my brother, J. B. Ratliff, is being severed through his entry into the Armed Services. He has made a hand in every way in the business, and we will really miss him.

But I will continue to operate our market and grocery as in the past. We are going to have an uphill pull, but with your assistance and patience we will try to continue a brand of service you will be pleased with.

I think I know the meat and grocery business from long experience, and while we don't expect to burn the world up, we do hope to continue to take care of your needs in a satisfactory way—at least till further notice.

To my brother and former partner I wish all good luck and hope for his early return to his home and business as soon as Victory is obtained.

At Your Service,
WALLACE RATLIFF.

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Read every item carefully — all are drastically reduced for sure clearance!

- 18 Boys Sweaters Were 1.49 Now 98c
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- 10 Boys Blanket-Lined Jackets Were 2.49 Now 1.98
- 2 Pr. Boys Wool Knickers Were 1.98 Now 1.00
- 4 Boys Cloth Hats Were 49c Now 98c
- 5 Mens Wool-lined Army Coats Were 12.50 Now 6.95
- 3 Mens Rubberized Jackets Were 2.98 Now 1.98
- 32 Prs. Mens Dress Pants Were to 3.95 Now 1.98
- 24 PACKAGES STRAIGHT PINS Could be 25c 5c Pk.
- 19 Girls Sweaters Were 1.98 Now 1.00
- 9 Womens All-Wool Sweaters Were to 2.98 Now 1.00
- 12 Hot Water Bottles—Pre-War Rubber Should be 2.98 Only 1.98
- 18 Boys Corduroy Suits Sz. 3 - 9 Were 3.95 Now 2.98
- 9 Yds. Black Velveteen Was 1.98 Yd Now 98c Yd.
- 4 Mens Horsehide Jackets Were 16.95 Now 10.95
- 4 50% Wool Blankets Were 6.95 Now 4.95
- 4 25% Wool Dbl. Blankets Were 6.95 Now 4.95
- 9 Pr. Boys Striped Overalls Were 1.29 Now 1.00
- 24 PKGS. BOBBIE PINS Should be 25c Just 10c Pk.

CLEARANCE WOMEN'S COATS

- Gp. 1 - values to 12.95 - Reduced - 7.95
- Gp. 2 - values to 19.95 - Reduced - 12.95
- Gp. 3 - values to 24.50 - Reduced - 16.95

CLEARANCE WOMEN'S DRESSES

- Values to 8.95 Reduced 2.98

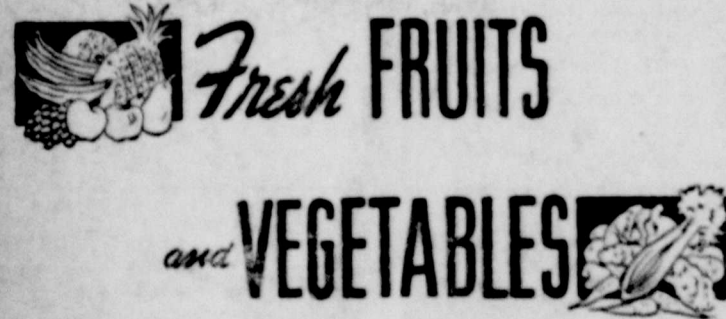
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- Groupe 1 - values to 1.98 - now 50c
- Groupe 2 - values to 3.95 - now 1.00

CLEARANCE WOMEN'S SUITS

- Values to 24.50 - now - 16.50
- Values to 16.50 - now - 10.95

- 3 Women's Corduroy Jackets Were 4.95 Now 3.95
- 5 Womens Jackets Were 6.95 Now 4.95
- 5 doz. Baby Diapers - limited - 1.79 doz.
- Womens Corduroy Skirts Were 1.98 Now 1.49
- Womens Corduroy Skirts Were 2.98 Now 1.98
- Wash Cloths - reg. 10c - 5c each
- 7 Mirror Wall Plaques Were 1.25 Now 79c
- 2 Gossard Girdles Were 3.50 Now 1.98
- 45 Yds. Overall Denim Only 39c Yd.
- 5 Dozen Snaps Only 10c Card
- Big Selection Picture Frames 59c to 2.50 1-2 PRICE
- Womens Elastic Garters Only 10c Pair
- Big Heavy Comforts Were 4.95 Now 3.95
- 10 Mens Zelan Fabric Jackets Were 3.95 Now 2.98
- 16 Oz. Alcohol Reg 25c Now 15c
- Big Feather Pillows Were 3.95 Now 2.98 Pair



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