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# HERE IN HICO

Ever since Corporal E. H. Henry came home from overseas and graciously took over this column for a week, we have been convinced that service men, especially, and others away from Hico like to see who's who in the old home town. Henry told about commonplace things, and people in general, some of his revelations not necessarily being items of news, but interesting nevertheless.

Even here at home, though, others were perhaps impressed like the editor was. The visiting service man saw and remarked on things here at home that had escaped our notice.

The present management of the paper always has tried to keep up as well as possible with home-folks. But in these times this is an immense task, and often we feel incompetent of discharging our full responsibility in this respect.

But with the help of our loyal correspondents and others who so obligingly turn in news at the office or over the telephone, we just keep plugging — appreciative of every token of interest and all assistance given us in accomplishing our aim of printing the best paper possible under the circumstances.

Now Corporal Henry has come forth with another suggestion. He says he believes we ought to sell everyone in the community a Christmas greeting. This way, he opines, fellows away from home would know who was doing what — and why.

Naturally, we think the suggestion a good one. And our kind advisor has assured us that there would be no appearance of undue promotion or commercialism in soliciting such greetings on a paid basis. He says that, as a business man retiring from the local scene temporarily, he would appreciate such an opportunity.

But the streamlined staff of the home paper just can't get around to calling on everyone. Perhaps there are those who will be interested in this suggestion to the extent that they will call on us for copy suggestions. If so, we're at your service. And the time is short, so it isn't a bit too early to see about this right now.

May we expect a message from you in our Christmas greeting edition?

About the time we begin wondering whether people read any part of the paper or not, along comes evidence that most people read every word in it—even to the War Bond messages we run upon request from the Treasury Department. Some of these come in what is commonly known as "boiler-plate" and we do not set the type on them, but still feel a certain responsibility when they sometimes contain errors.

For instance, our eagle-eyed brother-in-law up at Dallas, Capt. A. J. Bommer, who is kept so busy with his job with Underwriters Laboratories and his extraneous duties with the Civil Air Patrol that he hasn't been able thus far this season to come down to these haunts and hunt birds, recently took us to task over a typographical error in a War Bond plate and a mistake in a pictorial nomenclature. He wrote:

"Just to prove that I do read all of your sheet, I must take this occasion to protest. Some time ago, you ran a picture of a large fish purportedly landed by a fair-haired Miss. You said the fish was a sail-fish when in reality, it was a tuna fish. Realizing that not many of piscatorial experience would take the trouble to gripe about such a mistake, I likewise passed it up.

"Now, however, it's a different story. You might print degrading script about a sullen fish, but when you make such glaring errors as the inference that our Marine Corpsmen on the Admiralty Island deliberately 'attack' the legs of carrier pigeons, those trustworthy, loyal messengers who many times fly through Hell to get a vital message through, must protest. Further, I don't believe our Marines are so cruel.

# The Hico News Review

"Your Home Newspaper" VOLUME LX HICO, TEXAS, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1944. NUMBER 20.



## Baytown Refinery Will Commemorate Huge Achievement

Houston, Texas, Dec. 5.—In a fitting ceremony at Baytown, Tex., employees of Humble Oil & Refining Company on December 14 will commemorate a feat unparalleled in the petroleum industry—the production of one billion gallons of finished 100 octane gasoline at the company's Baytown refinery.

This achievement climaxes a quarter of a century of research, planning, and development by the Humble organization, which in those 25 years has made uniform progress in every phase of its operations.

The war production record of the Humble Companies in the three years since Pearl Harbor is an amazing one, and the December 14 celebration serves to spotlight the company's leadership in all of its war operations and to pay tribute to its 14,000 employees. Here are some of Humble's war accomplishments:

Attainment of the billion gallon record in the manufacture of finished 100 octane gasoline gives Baytown refinery the distinction of being the first and only individual refinery to have produced this much.

Baytown Ordnance Works, the first plant in the nation to manufacture toluene from petroleum or chemical synthesis, has supplied the toluene for at least one out of every two bombs used by the U. S. since Pearl Harbor. For this achievement it has been awarded the Army-Navy E five times.

Humble refineries have also supplied very large quantities of other aviation and military gasolines, aviation engine and heavy duty lubricating oils, Navy special fuel oil, and other essential products. They are supplying about one-sixth of the materials being manufactured from petroleum for the critical synthetic rubber program.

Humble is producing more crude oil than any other company in the U. S. One-fourth of the additional crude oil needed for war is being produced by Humble, making its current production amount to one barrel in every 12 of the domestic supply.

Humble Pipe Line Company is transporting more oil than any other system. Its daily load of approximately 700,000 barrels amounts to one in every seven barrels of the nation's supply.

Highlight of the December 14 celebration will be the formal presentation of the one-billionth gallon of 100 octane aviation gasoline to a high ranking military official by H. C. Weiss, Humble president. In addition to visiting officials there will be in attendance also state and national government officials and leaders in industry.

To interest visitors to Baytown there will be set up a number of Army and Navy displays of war equipment, each of which will emphasize how dependent modern mobile armies and navies are on petroleum.

## Invasion Days on the Yuletide Beachhead



WITH THE COLORS

### HICO HIGH GRADUATE AMONG U. S. AIRMEN WHO BOMBED TOKIO SUNDAY

Lt. Col. W. L. McDowell Jr., a former resident of Hico whose parents now live at Ennis, and whose wife is making her home at Brady, was among the U. S. fliers who bombed Tokio last Sunday, according to accounts in daily papers. American Superfortresses, it was reported, relentlessly pounded Tokio's industries, struck against one of Japan's chief war plane plants in the Nippon capital Dec. 3.

Plying from Saipan bases, they rained bombs on the key factory for an hour and a half in what was described by a correspondent as the most successful raid yet on Tokio.

Pilots said this was the toughest Tokio raid yet, but also the most successful, since the target was clearly outlined in sunlight during the hour and a half of assault.

"The attackers flew over thick overcast until the Tokio area was reached," news dispatches continued, "and then it was clear as a bell for 100 miles around, as related by Lt. Martin Nicholson of Kingsville, Texas.

"Two interceptors hung around Nicholson's plane but did not attack. However when Lt. Col. William McDowell, formerly of Hico, Texas, flew over later he encountered forty or fifty enemy fighters, ten of which were fairly close.

The former Hico lad, who was graduated from West Point Military Academy after finishing high school here, is now even with his uncle, Edgar McElroy, also a former Hicoan. McElroy, then a lieutenant, was a member of Doolittle's raiders who bombed Tokio for the first time in the spring of 1942. Young McDowell, here on a visit the past summer, expressed a desire to follow up—and that he did, it seems.

### S/SGT LONNIE REDDEN GETS OAK LEAF CLUSTER AS ADDED DECORATION

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Brunson have received a copy of a letter on the subject of the award of an Oak Leaf Cluster to Staff Sergeant Lonnie Redden, serving with an Infantry Regiment in Italy with the 36th Division. Under the provisions of Army Regulations, it was awarded the Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Bronze Star Medal for heroic achievement in combat.

The citation, signed by and under the seal of Redden's commanding officer, Major General John E. Dahlquist, read:

"Lonnie Redden, Staff Sergeant, Company G, 142nd Infantry Regiment, for heroic achievement in combat on June 4, 1944 in Italy. Sergeant Redden and twelve companions volunteered to form an assault squad to rout the enemy from a strongly fortified castle that blocked the way of our advancing forces. Approximately 70 heavily armed enemy soldiers held the castle and fired a continual stream of bullets along the top of a six foot wall that surrounded the building. In face of this seemingly sure death, Sergeant Redden and his comrades stormed over the wall abreast, screaming, yelling, hurling hand grenades into the building and firing point blank at the enemy. Already disconcerted by a mortar preparation that had preceded the assault, the enemy was stampeded into surrendering by the fierce attackers.

"A systematic search of all rooms resulted in the capture of more prisoners so that in all 27 prisoners were taken, two officers and 10 men killed, and the remainder of the defending force driven from the building.

"Quickly organizing their defense against a possible counter-attack, Sergeant Redden and the others of the squad held the castle until the company moved in.

"Entered the service from Hamilton County, Texas."

### SGT. GRADY BROWN IS GETTING READY FOR WINTER AT AIR BASE IN FRANCE

Sgt. Grady Brown, with a bombing squadron in France, has written his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Brown Sr., that the boys around his base are getting ready for winter over there. Grady, who sent along some pictures showing him apparently in good health, said some of the boys in his outfit had floored and weatherproofed their tents, and had rustled up a couple of axes and a cross-cut saw and were laying in a supply of firewood. Grady's wife and young daughter, Eloise, are writing their home in Houston. He writes that he has seen New York and London, and is looking forward to a visit in Paris, having only buzzed through the latter city once while on duty.

Another son of the Browns, S/Sgt. Wiley H. Brown Jr., is with an Air Corps base unit at Normoyle Field, near San Antonio. His wife and young son, Robert, are making their home at Hico at present with the Browns, visiting occasionally with her parents at Pochontas, Ark.

A third brother of the Air Corps sergeants is in the Navy, Albert Brown, seaman second class, on a battleship in the Pacific. His wife and daughter, Betty, are making their home at Evant with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Latham, formerly of Hico.

### CPL. CARL K. MOSS HEARD FROM IN SOUTHERN ITALY

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Moss and their daughter, Madge, received two letters last week from their son and brother, Cpl. Carl K. Moss, the first since Oct. 2.

Corporal Moss is with a bombing squadron in Southern Italy, as waist gunner and aerial engineer on a B-24 Liberator. He wrote that he was assigned to a plane that was practically new, having been flown only 11 hours.

The service man will receive the home paper through the thoughtfulness of his family.

## Most Beautiful Girl Will Be Chosen At HHS Rhythm Review

Tonight, Friday, December 8, at 8:00 o'clock the Rhythm Review is scheduled to start. The benefit program for the 1944-45 Annual will be held in the Hico High School Auditorium. Charges for admission are nominal.

The Review features a rhythm band, a mock wedding, and a beauty parade. The rhythm band is under the direction of Mrs. Lincoln and this will be its first public appearance. The mock wedding will be a dramatized marriage of the Annual and Hico High School. The beauty parade will show twelve contestants from which the most beautiful girl will be selected.

Come and find out who deserves this title.

CONTRIBUTED.



By DON WELDON

Texans just won't quit fighting! Even the boys who have spent months overseas, been seriously wounded and returned to the States to recover their health, insist upon doing their extra bit for victory. Dozens of men in McCloskey General Hospital at Temple have volunteered to help with war bond drives, even though they have won the right to sit back and take things easy.

Two returned veterans, Capt. R. E. Erisman of Ennis and Pfc. Paul Trotter of Sherman, are touring the State now, putting on one-day "clean-up" campaigns for the National War Fund, helping local war chest workers put their counties over the top.

Captain Erisman recently returned from China, where he spent 13 months fighting the Japs with Chinese troops. He is recovering now from a serious illness contracted there.

"People at home who think the war is almost over make me sick," he told a meeting at Stephenville last week. "If they realized how many of our boys will be killed before victory finally comes they would think differently. The Japs are tough, and it will take a long time to whip them."

Trotter, a likeable, lanky Texan, was wounded seriously at Salerno Beach, captured by the Nazis, and spent almost seven months in a German prison camp. He returned on the Gripsholm a few weeks ago and is recovering from bullet wounds in his left hand, arm and side, and shrapnel wounds of the shoulder and face.

While in the prisoner-of-war camp, he received athletic equipment, books and other recreational supplies from his Texas home-folks, through War Prisoners Aid, the National War Fund agency.

"I am taking this tour to tell the people of Texas how much this help means to the men in Nazi camps," he explained. "Men would go crazy from sheer boredom if they didn't receive recreational equipment. Many very close friends of mine are still prisoners, and I want to help them get the things they need."

He is helping plenty, too. At Stephenville, where the two heroes spoke, more than \$1,800 was raised in a one-hour public rally that put the Erath County War Chest well over the top.

## Gasoline Industry Advisory Committee Formed by O. P. A.

Wholesale and retail gasoline dealers will have a friend at court in a newly created Gasoline Industry Advisory Committee to the OPA District Director in Fort Worth, Jess Brown, chairman of the Hamilton County War Price and Ration Board, said this week. Chairman Brown revealed that he had just received word from Jack Kuitgez, district director in Fort Worth, that the committee had already been appointed and that they had been in meetings with the gasoline rationing members of Kuitgez's staff.

The first job to be undertaken by the committee is the study of a new amendment to the gasoline ration laws which sets forth the procedure to be followed by gasoline dealers seeking replacement of gasoline which has been lost through no fault of their own.

J. W. Zimmer, OPA district rationing executive, indicated that the industry committee might be called on for recommendations in such cases, according to the chairman. Zimmer said the amendment had been referred to in trade circles as the "bail-out" amendment.

## Chairman Says Soldier Gifts Must Be In by Dec. 10

Mrs. B. B. Gamble, local chairman for the Hamilton County Red Cross Camp and Hospital Unit, said Thursday that all gifts for soldiers at the Camp Bowie hospital must be in by Dec. 10.

Collection of these gifts is being made here, and all that are on hand by the closing date will be carried to Brownwood and added to the collection from other places.

Mrs. Gamble is anxious for Hico to make a good showing in this war effort, and says packages may be left either at her house or at the residences of the Methodist or Baptist pastors.

## Several More From Hamilton County Answer Draft Call

The following named young men were recently inducted into the Armed Forces of the United States from Local Board No. 1, Hamilton County, Texas:

- Leeota Wesley Jones, Jonesboro.
- Robert Kooker Jones, Jonesboro.
- Earon William Blum, Jonesboro.
- Delmar Henry Nele, Hico.
- Carl Ray Sellers, Hico.
- Charlie Garfield Reich, Hico.
- Claude Waldon Thomas, Hamilton.
- Lawrence Edwin Dooley, Ireland.
- Herman Clark Rogers, Colton, California.

## Local Bond Drive Still Going Good, Chairman Says

Several thousand dollars in War Bond sales have been added to the sum reported last week, according to S. J. Cheek, local chairman of the Sixth War Loan. Hico sales exceeded the \$500,000 quota early last week, he said, but word from County Chairman H. H. Stroud was to the effect that many communities were lagging.

Cheek urged that sales continue, as the sky is the limit, he said.

SINGING AT CARLTON  
Next Sunday, December 10, the Carlton Singing Class meets for its regular singing at the Carlton Baptist Church at 2 p. m. All singers and visitors are invited to attend.  
J. W. JORDAN, Pres.

WEATHER REPORT

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

Date	Max.	Min.	Prec.
Nov. 29	58	24	0.00
Nov. 30	56	25	0.00
Dec. 1	50	28	0.00
Dec. 2	50	40	0.00
Dec. 3	52	43	0.00
Dec. 4	55	48	0.38
Total precipitation so far this year, 29.80 inches.			

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KEEP ON BUYING WAR BONDS

Early Christmas



Sgt. Joseph H. Kadlec, Evanson, Ill., approaches crossroads leading to Roetgan and Stolberg, Germany, loaded with his first batch of Christmas packages. He belongs to an infantry unit bivouaced nearby.



Carlton

By Mrs. Fred Geye

Pvt. Lanon White of Fort Riley, Kansas visited Saturday with his wife and son, and with his mother, Mrs. Maggie White.

Sgt. and Mrs. Pete Stidham and baby son, Kenneth Lee, of San Angelo spent the week end with his mother, Mrs. Rena Stidham.

Second Lieutenant E. J. Ray, a former Carlton boy, of Camp Quantico, West Virginia, was meeting his many friends in town Saturday.

Mrs. Lilla Byrd returned home Saturday from Fort Worth after a week's visit with her son, Cecil Byrd and family. She was accompanied home by her son-in-law, Beryl Cosby, for a week-end visit with his family.

Mrs. Dock Lackey and baby, Dixie Marie, spent the week end at Teague with Mr. and Mrs. Haggard Lackey and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Gerald of Sherman were week-end visitors with her mother, Mrs. J. H. Tull, and sister, Mrs. Lillie Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Horsley and son, Vern, were visitors in Hamilton Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wright and daughter, Alma Jean, of Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wright of Hico, and Harvey Collins of Stephenville spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Will Wright.

Mrs. Fred Geye visited Friday afternoon in Hamilton with Mrs. C. E. Edmiston and family, including her son's wife, Mrs. Raymond Geye and son, Jeffrey, of Bemidji, Minn., who are at the bedside of her sister, Miss Dorothy Edmiston, who is critically ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Harvey left Monday for Dallas to make their home.

Mrs. A. E. Blanchard of Stephenville was a week-end visitor with her mother, Mrs. Lillie Anderson, and grandmother, Mrs. J. H. Tull.

Mrs. J. W. Waldrop of Hico visited the past week with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pierce, and Marilyn.

Mrs. B. M. Stuckey and children, Mrs. R. F. Lee, and Otho Stuckey attended the 99th birthday celebration of her mother, Mrs. M. A. Hill, at Rosebud, Nov. 29.

The children returned home Thursday and their mother remained for a longer visit with her aged mother, Marion Upham and Miss Damon of Houston and his sister, Mrs. L. C. Vaughn and son, L. C. Jr., of Waco spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Upham.

Miss Gwen Fine visited over the week end in Stephenville with Mrs. Woodie Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Dock Morgan and children left Friday for West Texas to make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey White of Taft spent the week end with his mother, Mrs. Maggie White, and his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Vaughn.

Mrs. Daymond Weaver visited the past week in Hamilton with her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Weaver.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Osborne and son, Frankie of Dublin spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Upham.

Mrs. J. B. Lowe returned home Thursday after a visit in Waco and McGregor with relatives.

Mrs. Dow Self and sons, Connie Mack and Freddie, visited Sunday in Clairette with Mrs. H. K. Self and family.

Mrs. Jessie Finley spent the week end in Walnut Springs with her son, Leo Finley, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Burden and son, Wendel, of Hico visited Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sid Clark.

S. S. Vaughn accompanied his wife to Temple Monday for an examination and medical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Barnett and daughter, Latrelle, were visitors in Hico Friday afternoon.

Mrs. A. J. Roberson, formerly of Carlton, but now of Ruidoso, New Mexico, visited over the week end here with friends.

A Prayer

Across the world the sound of shells has ceased . . .
And quiet shrouds the battle-rubbed West . . .
The enemy has laid away his arms, and Death and Pain are done in France.
But I go on . . . for I must fight and kill . . .
And work and sweat . . . and hide and run . . .
For here the enemy is very much alive . . .

His bullets still are made of lead . . .
Their angry whispers still foretell of sudden death
For me and others crouched in slime and mud . . .
The end for us is yet to come . . .
And so we pray to God to give us strength
To fight and win . . . without the waste of Time . . .
And with His Will . . . to see our homes again.

The Sixth War Loan Drive is on. That means it's every American's job to buy at least an extra \$100 War Bond. Buy yours today.

6 more reasons for buying at least an extra \$100 War Bond in the 6th!

- 1. War Bonds are the best, the safest investment in the world!
2. War Bonds return you \$4 for every \$3 at maturity.
3. War Bonds are as convenient as cash—and increase in value to boot!



- 4. War Bonds mean education for your children, security for you, a nest egg to fall back on, come what may.
5. War Bonds help keep down the cost of living.
6. War Bonds will help win the Peace by increasing purchasing power after the war.

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Bill Barnett's Texaco Service Sta., Willard Leach Service Station, D. R. Proffitt Service Station, Hico Confectionery — Drugs
Everett Home & Auto Supply, Modern Way Grocery & Market, N. A. Leeth & Son, H. Williamson, Produce
Lone Star Gas Company, The Hico News Review

AT FIRST SIGN OF COLD USE 666 Cold Preparations as directed

### Who Wants an Army Scout Car?



Hundreds of scout cars have been declared surplus by the army and turned over to the U. S. treasury for sale. Newer models have been issued. These cars are at ordnance depot at Warren, Ohio.

### Fairy

By Mrs. J. O. Richardson  
We are having rainy weather at this writing (Monday). Quite a number of hogs killed during the cold spell this week.  
Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Noland and family moved last Thursday to the Elmer Richey farm near Blue Ridge, where they will reside the coming year. We regret to see this good family leave our community. Our best wishes go with them to their new home, and we hope they will be able to visit the Fairy section occasionally in the future.  
Mr. and Mrs. Doby Hutton and family moved to their new home Friday of last week, that they recently purchased near Cranfill's Gap. This calls to our mind that "Time changes things" as for some forty-two years the place they vacated (known as the Hutton place) had been occupied by some of the Hutton family. The place was purchased by Clyde Weatherby of Hamilton last spring, after the death of Mrs. Hutton's mother.  
Mrs. Carl Ray Sellers and her mother, Mrs. J. O. Richardson, visited last Monday afternoon in the Agee and Lanham communities. Mrs. Sellers was visiting in the home of her husband's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Sellers, while Mrs. Richardson visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Patterson. Mr. and Mrs. Patterson are caring for their two little granddaughters, Gale and Brenda Kay Patterson while their mother is visiting their father who is in the service and stationed in Kentucky. It being so cold there, it was decided best not to take the children.  
Mrs. Otto Jordan and daughter of Cleburne visited with her father, Robt. Parks, one day last week.  
Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Parks and family spent Thursday of last week in Kerrville visiting their daughters, Misses Ovie and Cleoyan Parks and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Fullbright.  
Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Brummett, Mrs. Bill Lackey, and Mrs. Alvie Moore were shoppers in Waco last Friday.  
Mrs. Edwin Seilheimer is making her home at present with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Allison Sr. while her husband is stationed at Camp Hood, near Gatesville.  
Mrs. Carl Ray Sellers received word Monday that a little son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Jones at 1 a. m. Monday at the Holt Clinic in Meridian. The father left Tuesday of last week for induction in the Navy. Mrs. Jones is a sister-in-law of Mrs. Sellers, being the former Norma Lee Sellers. The

little one has been christened John Wesley.  
Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Bridges of McGregor were here last week during the holidays visiting Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hutton and other relatives.  
We are glad to report Miss Willa Dean Mason to be improving.  
Rev. Gran Columbus carried his father, Mr. J. P. Columbus, to Gorman Hospital last week suffering from a severe chest cold, but glad to report him much improved at this writing.  
Uncle Bob Parks has also been on the sick list, but we are glad to report him improved also.  
Mrs. Doshia Leonard of Lanham was a guest of the writer a few minutes Sunday and was showing us some pictures of her son, J. T., who is overseas. At that time he was in Honolulu. He wrote that he had recently attended services of a church there and to his surprise he met up with End L. Lester Betts. These young men are former members of the Fairy Church of Christ. We are glad to know that our dear young men who have been thrown among all classes of people, are still striving to serve their Lord and Master.  
Mrs. Alvie Moore and son, Don of Texarkana visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lackey last Thursday and Friday. Mrs. Moore is a sister of Mrs. Lackey's.



### HEALTH WITH A SMILE

Acidosis-Tired, Irritable, Dizzy

By Dr. J. B. Warren

AH! WHAT'S THE MATTER?



The more "nearly" acid your blood and tissues become the more tired, irritable and full of pains you are. The foods that have a tendency to cause acidosis are whites of eggs, cheese, meat, sugar and pastry.

The foods that keep the blood more alkaline are milk, ripe fruits, egg yolk, green vegetables and whole wheat bread. When you have acidosis (biliousness) eat no food for 24 hours then eat acid and alkaline foods but more of the alkaline than the acid.

### Notice

#### To Rural Patrons

During these most unusual times it becomes necessary that I again call your attention to the fact that the Postal Laws & Regulations require that all first and third class matter deposited in rural letter boxes for collection by the carrier have stamps affixed at the proper rate of postage.

The Postoffice Department neither requires nor expects the carrier to affix the stamps to your letters, so please do not be disappointed or even surprised if he fails to pick up your unstamped letters.

All rural carriers are provided a credit of stamp supplies sufficient to meet the needs of the rural patrons.

Respectfully,  
ROBERT B. JACKSON,  
Postmaster

### The Mirror

Published Weekly by Students of Hico High School

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#### REFLECTIONS

So you're looking for somewhere to go on December the 8th? Then here's the answer to your worries, and we are going to commit a breach of newspaper etiquette by endorsing it personally. Excuse us once and we'll promise never again.

When you see the lights twinkle on up in the auditorium around 7:00, you'll know those beautiful girls are primping in expectation of showing Hico what real pulchritude is. When you see the cars beginning to gather about 7:30, you'll know you should hurry so's to get a good seat. And when the opening strains of the piano announce the first number exactly at 8:00, you'd better be there or miss the most entertaining musical program sponsored by Hico Schools in ages.

There's gonna be a rhythm band made up of Grammar School children. Who doesn't like to see the little ones perform? There's gonna be a wedding. Who doesn't enjoy a pretty marriage ceremony? There's gonna be handsome boys and lovely girls. Who doesn't like to witness such as this? The money made will go to the Tigers Lair of '45, the Annual which needs the support of the school and the community. This is your chance to help and to have a good time, too.

When someone volunteers an article, it is received with open arms and waiting typists. Thanks are due Frances Angell for an amusing piece in this edition. If there be other kind and helpful persons, just slip any donations under a near-by door.

Happy days are here again. H. H. S. has endured another stretch of "them" tests. Upon careful notice, we discover no ill effects except perhaps a few more gray hairs. What about grades? They wouldn't improve with discussion. However, Mary Nell Jones is proud of hers and nobody can blame "Nuts" either.

The poet tells us that "All farewells should be sudden." Well, she had been talking about it for some time, but H. H. S. couldn't believe Virginia Coston really meant it when she kept claiming her suit case was all packed. So many will find their farewells to her sudden and will be caught on the verge of a loss they had not contemplated.

Ginger came to us with a bright smile and a generous nature which she has retained in the original, lovable form. She's gingery all right, ready to speak her mind and don't ever doubt she won't say what she thinks. We're going to miss that fiery tongue; it made things lively, anyhow. So long to Virginia and our best wishes follow her all the way to Oklahoma.

#### HOME ECONOMICS NEWS

The morning class of the first year Homemaking girls had their unit meeting November 29, 1944. We talked about Christmas decorating. Mary Nell Battershell's subject was table decorating. Patsy Roberts discussed paper decorating. Bonnie Haley named some of the things that could be made out of red and white paper. Marlene Adams talked about doorway and table decorating. We played games and had refreshments at the end of the program.

#### JUNIOR NEWS

As we flash the "Mirror" across the Junior room we catch a

stimpse of: Jack Neel worrying for a while about that empty seat beside him... C. L. Colbert counting the Juniors' money... Carrie Tolliver gazing at Leroy with "that" look... Don Griffiths, you can imagine... Loubell wishing Saturday night would hurry... Dale concentrating on her studies... Recovering from the flu... Wendell suffering from lack of sleep... Ada Lee collecting pen stubs for future use... Margie thinking of her one and only... Stella studying Geometry... H. C. reading a library book... Max recovering from what?... Nelda Paul wondering why M. H. objects... Mary Louise looking as friendly as ever... Leroy gazing at Carrie with "that" look... Billy Keeney thinking about basketball... James Ray working and working... Donald Hefner interested in everyone else... Mrs. Angell casting her school-teacher "eye" at all that goes on.

#### SOPHOMORE NEWS

We Sophs are glad to get through with our Six Weeks Tests. But we may not be glad to get our report cards. Come on, Sophomores, let's all pass our subjects. We have one more six weeks in which to make up our conditioned subjects. Let's all work hard.  
We are planning to have a Christmas party. We will have a class meeting soon and decide about our party.

#### FRESHMAN NEWS

We are very happy to have a new pupil. Her name is Erna Lucille Talley. She is 5 feet tall, and has brown eyes and brown hair. She lives near Duffau, Texas. She is taking Homemaking I, Mathematics, Junior Training, and English I. She has been attending school at Stephenville.  
The class are thinking about having a Christmas party.  
We wonder: Why Camilla McKenzie didn't go with the boy from Duffau Saturday night... Who R. W. French was with Saturday night... Who asked Janelle Dowdy to go to the show... Why Patsy Ruth Roberts and Marlene Adams had to be cousins.

#### EIGHTH GRADE NEWS

We elected the most popular boy and girl and the most handsome boy and the prettiest girl in our room. The most popular boy and girl are: Billy Jones and La Verne Parker. The most handsome boy is Charles Gollightly, and the prettiest girl is Patsy Meador.  
Everybody will be glad when Christmas comes.  
There were some pretty solemn faces when the report cards came out.

#### MEDITATIONS OF A MOUSE

Do not be surprised at anything that appears in this article, for it is exactly what the Mouse thinks of during a handy Study Hall.  
As I look about me I notice everyone is busily studying so an opportunity to observe is at hand and, being a mouse, this is a customary procedure.  
A Biology student is getting his lesson with a grimace, and a determined air. To be like that—determined and decisive—would be heaven. Oh impossibility! I am a lowly little mouse, able to do nothing but sit and observe.

Under the eagle-eye of our teacher we sit, dutiful, hard working, and engrossed in our own particular business. What's that? One of us has talked to his neighbor without permission and the teacher does not notice it! Maybe I shall try it. Yipe! I did and the cat has pounced upon the mouse without further a do. (Any reference to the teacher as a cat is purely coincidental.—Ed.) Away I go to the gallows, unresisting and mouse-like as usual. To be a cat for one day would be heaven. Oh, impossibility! I am a lowly little mouse, able to do nothing but sit and observe.

# A story that hasn't been told

## AN AMERICAN WAR PRODUCTION RECORD THAT DESERVES TELLING...

On December 14, at 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon, the men and women of Humble Oil & Refining Company will pause in their work to commemorate, in appropriate ceremony, a feat unparalleled in the petroleum industry: The production of ONE BILLION GALLONS of finished 100-octane aviation gasoline at the Baytown refinery.

This accomplishment merits special commendation, because it climaxes 25 years of development, planning, and teamwork of a great organization. The cooperative effort of Humble employees has brought about a uniform progress in all phases of the Company's operations which has enabled them to establish remarkable records in finding, producing, transporting and refining petroleum during a critical period in the history of our nation.

Humble research and development, in progress for many years before Pearl Harbor, made possible these accomplishments and contributed greatly to the total production of toluene, and the tremendous quantities of finished 100-octane aviation gasoline required by our Armed Forces.

Baytown Ordnance Works, first synthetic toluene plant in the world, has supplied toluene for at least one out of every two bombs used by the United Nations since Pearl Harbor. For this production feat, Baytown Ordnance Works has five times been awarded the Army-Navy "E".

Baytown Refinery has made one billion gallons of finished 100-octane aviation gasoline—more than has been produced by any other plant in the world. The world's first commercial alkylation plant was built at Baytown in 1938. The alkylation process is the very backbone of 100-octane aviation gasoline production by the entire petroleum industry.

Humble Oil & Refining Company is the nation's largest producer of crude oil, and is currently supplying about one-fourth of the increased production required for war, as measured by the gain since 1941.

Through the facilities of Humble Pipe Line Company there is being transported more oil than is being carried by any other system in the country. Nearly 700,000 barrels move daily through Humble pipe lines—one-seventh of all the oil production in the United States.

United in a great singleness of purpose, 14,000 Humble men and women are devoting themselves to the task of providing vital petroleum products for war, looking to the day when their 3,000 fellow employees and all their comrades in arms will return.

### OPEN HOUSE AT BAYTOWN REFINERY—DECEMBER 14-17

So that one of America's great war plants may be seen in action, Baytown Refinery is holding open house from Thursday, December 14, through Sunday, December 17. The story of the refinery at war will be told by dramatic exhibits of petroleum war products and a great Army and Navy show of war machines and materials. Specially conducted tours will take Humble's friends and neighbors into the heart of the refinery itself.

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TIRED AND REVENGEFUL

Further evidences of the Nazi mind's Frankenstein talents, that are seemingly inexhaustible, have again been displayed to the world.

We cannot be shocked by this fantastic achievement of the Nazi scientific warfare. To those who may believe that when the Allies reach the Rhine, Germany will weaken, these V-2 bombs are another warning.

INTERNATIONAL POLICE

When we consider the pros and cons of an international police force, it is helpful to relate it to our own local community.

All of us will admit that it is important to have local policemen. Even if our town was totally free from crime, we would feel that the presence of police are needed to keep it that way.

If we project police needs a little further, we will realize the need for state police to handle problems of law and order which could not be handled practically by the police of various towns.

INTERNATIONALISM IN THE SKY

The United States has been leading the thought in many of the discussions at the Civil Aviation conference which has been convening in Chicago since November 1st.

Instead of air traffic being divided up amongst great nationalistic monopolies under the British "closed sky" theory, wherein economic rivalries could promote another world war, our delegates have won their fight for the "open sky" with equality of opportunity for all countries, large or small, to engage in international aviation.

Other features of the plan provide for the development of international aviation on the basis of the highest quality of service at the lowest possible price, and "free choice" among alternative services—that is freight and transport services in order to establish "safe, regular, efficient and economical air transport" all over the world.

Despite the fact that the conference was off to a bad start when Russia refused to send delegates if Spain's delegates were present, things look more promising now. It will probably be another year

before plans have reached a first draft form. However, a first step has been taken toward peaceful internationalism in the sky. The outlook is hopeful.

KEEPING THE IDLE MIND BUSY

Occupational Therapy is a profession about which we shall hear more and more, especially in the reconstruction period.

At present Occupational Therapy centers are located mainly in convalescent army hospitals, or for civilian use in some large city hospitals. But, as veterans return, there will soon be a need for these centers to expand their present boundaries to smaller cities and rural communities.

Under the guidance of trained occupational therapists, physically and even mentally disabled patients learn to make things with their hands. Perhaps they make only a simple belt or a soft woven rug.

The big busy soldier, who is just counting the long hours until his leg cast can be removed, at first pooh-poos the idea of weaving or designing. However, he soon is showing his neighbor how to weave more quickly, and before long is busy with his own hand work. Thus an idle mind is given useful work to do and thereby is aided in remaining mentally and emotionally well-balanced.

The government is considering setting up accelerated courses for occupational therapists in army hospitals. There is an opportunity here for those with some artistic aptitude who have not participated in the war effort so far. This profession is quite new, but it looks forward to a very busy and worthwhile future.



CANCER . . . . . ordeal

I spent last night with a close friend of mine who has been told that, within a month or two, he will probably die of cancer of the lungs.

For many years I have read about the curbing of cancer and have known several people who died from it after going through months of excruciating pain. But I never quite realized, until now, how that dreaded disease can so suddenly reach out and demand a life without the medical profession being able to offer any means of defense.

To know you are going to die within a specified short time and be able to do nothing about it is certainly one of the most frightening ordeals a human being can face. To contemplate a month or more of intense suffering and struggle, with the final verdict already having been written against you, is undoubtedly one of the worst possible forms of mental torture.

Of course there are many cases of cancer which can be cured by radium treatment, by X-ray, and by surgery—but there are others, such as this one, where even the experts admit their helplessness.

LIVES . . . . . 160,000

It seemed to me to be a little more than coincidence when immediately following my visit with a man who is doomed to die of cancer, I went to a railroad station where I was greeted with large signs reading, "Help Fight Cancer."

I suppose I have seen such signs dozens of times before. I have seen urgent advertising messages in newspapers and magazines carrying the same plea. I have half-listened to messages about cancer over the radio. And I have realized that there are many organizations in this country set up to sponsor research on cancer and to educate the people about cancer.

But somehow this nationwide campaign never got under my skin until I saw those signs last night. Having been made so personally aware of the dire need for knowledge on this mysterious disease, I realized, for the first time, how shortsighted the wealthy American people are in letting lack of funds interfere with progress toward eliminating this scourge which takes an annual toll in our country, of over 160,000 lives a year.

In spite of having engaged in two world wars within a period of 25 years, the loss of life by war doesn't compare in magnitude with the loss of life by cancer. We are willing to spend billions and billions of dollars to prevent future wars we shouldn't hesitate a moment to spend whatever amount is needed to speed the search for some method to wipe this dreaded disease from the face of the earth.

CURE . . . . . prevention

The American Society for the Control of Cancer, Inc., which has branches all over the country, and which has been working on this problem for 31 years, carries on an outstanding campaign to curb cancer in spite of the shortcomings of medical knowledge about it, by stressing this one fact: "Early Cancer Can Be Cured."

The basis of this educational campaign is to get people to have physical examinations regularly every six months and to watch out for certain cancer danger signals, such as persistent indigestion and sores that don't heal.

Regular physical examination is the chief answer to avoiding serious suffering or death not only from cancer but from tuberculosis, heart trouble, and other deadly ailments. But a regular check-up has always been something which is almost impossible to "sell" to the American

Loitering in the Wood Lot



people. Few of us can be coaxed into seeing a doctor when we are not feeling sick.

But when we realize that this is about the only insurance available against a disease which can get entirely out of the control of medical treatment unless detected in its early stages, it would seem that such check-ups should be required by law if the people continue to be too short-sighted to act voluntarily.

Watch someone dying of cancer, see that hopeless look in his or her eyes, think how it might never have happened if the disease had not been ignored in its early stages and you'll really know the full import, so far as medicine is concerned, of the saying, "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

Wee Bits of JESTURE

[Opinions expressed in this weekly feature are the writer's, and not necessarily those of the News Review.—ED.]

Well, folks, right now it looks like Germany is going to lose her "bearings" in Sweden after all. Reports have it that Sweden has ordered "German agents" to leave the country immediately. You see, the Swedes have been thinking all along that they could "smell something rotten" but in a "squeeze play" deep breathing became difficult, and so of course the Swedes just couldn't be sure. But now, with some folks saying that they can see the war's end in sight without their "specks" well, Sweden straightens up, takes a deep breath, grabs her nose, and consequently, the order for German agents to get going followed. While her delay in doing this was probably not again and our loss, she most certainly does not have that kind of attitude monopolized. As a matter of fact, it seems to me that World Peace will be much better assured when all Nations "sift away" isolationism for all time to come. It never was right. It won't work now, and in the future it would never cease being a thorn in the side of the world.

"Loving thy neighbor as thyself" under a cloak of isolationism just doesn't make sense in my way of looking at it. It may be that some "cross-eyed" fellow slipped his "specks" in my case, anyway, that's the way I see it at the present time.

BY PRINTIS A. NEWMAN.

THIS AND THAT

By JOE SMITH DYER

OBLIGATION TO OTHERS:

The person who feels independent and is unwilling to be under obligation to others is a long way behind the times. Conditions have changed and today it is necessary to conform to the present predicament or else be in a sorry plight.

Today everything is done on a large scale and an individual person has to follow the crowd. It is much better to stay on the road over which all people travel than to take a detour and wind up against a big hill of worry.

There is no one anywhere, who is not under some obligation to other people. Every person has individual obligations that belong strictly to him, caused by the kind of work he does, and the more salary he gets, the more obligation he assumes.

There is no hope of escaping what life is all about because it is responsibility to others.

DEAD WOMAN'S EYES:

A banker placed a coin on each of a dead woman's eyes recently. He said he had her written promise that if the coins—1894

quarters—still were in place 12 hours later, he would receive a substantial amount of money from her estate. Should the coins drop, he would receive nothing at all.

The banker had been the woman's business advisor for many years, and this is the only reason for her making the strange request. She was a recluse and lived in poverty but it was found, after her burial, that she had money here, there and everywhere—some of it in nondeplume names. The banker said that he was not at all interested in getting an amount of money for himself but he did want to keep the promise he made her. This makes me think that whatever position we hold in life implies a promise. We accept a position, a trust, and by accepting it we imply that we will do our best at all times and the moment we betray a trust, we break a promise.

Too many broken promises put us on the "remnant counter."

DESERIRED CHILDREN:

Unwanted, neglected and abandoned children are becoming Chicago's biggest problem. Social workers there admit they are almost at the end of their rope. Police can do but little. The courts fume but are impotent to halt the wave of derelict mothers who leave their children with neighbors, strangers, and street vendors while they go out to have a good time.

This is not particularly a new picture because hardened cops on the street corners have seen the same thing happen for years past. They have found children chained to their beds, left alone in telephone booths, neglected at home—always crying with fear, loneliness and hunger.

Evelyn Smith, director of the Children's Welfare Association in Chicago says the situation is caused by a complete breakdown in wartime family life, and that it is a growing tragedy in hundreds of homes all over the world.

The worst aspect of the situation is that many of the delinquent mothers are wives of service men who are fighting overseas, faithfully sending home their allotment checks and proudly showing pictures of their families to their buddies.

It was this fact that caused one Chicago judge to say: "Cheating by soldiers' wives is moral sabotage on the home front!"

FROM MY DIARY:

September 2nd, 1932 — Messina, Italy, 11:00 P. M.

The earthquake they had here a few years ago must have been quite a shake. There still are many signs of it. Some of the buildings have large cracks in them and some are entirely crumpled. The Italians never rebuild until they are sure they can replace, in a finer way, what was destroyed.

Despite the dilapidated buildings Messina is a beautiful city. It is especially nice about sunset. A sunset here puts a glow to everything.

Yesterday when we passed Stromboli that dark volcanic island off Naples, it was trying to erupt. A bright flame was coming from its side every few minutes. An hour or so after we passed it really did erupt. Many lives were lost and some were entirely buried in the boiling hot lava.

I have not forgotten my trip up Vesuvius earlier in the summer.

They tell me that the exhibits are interesting and very "Americanized" so I shall see. An Italian college professor lectured in the hotel lobby tonight on "The Ruins of Italy." I understand enough Italian to "get the drift" of what is being said and all the time the professor was making his speech I was looking at a heavy Italian carved chair with one leg off and a big crack down its back.

FOREVER AMBER:

This is the new novel that has been heralded far and wide, and was a sudden, unexpected best seller. Kathleen Windsor is the author and this is her first. She wrote five drafts of it and then drew straws to see which of the

five she would send in to her publisher. It is a story that will take you back into the brilliant days of restorative England and is published by the MacMillan Company New York.

We—all of us—are like watches. When we stop going, we are no good.

Buy more War Bonds now for Future security, too!

Advertisement for Hico Gulf Serv. Sta. featuring 'GRADE III PASSENGER TIRES RATION FREE!' and 'NEW GOODYEAR BATTERIES'. Lists various tire sizes and services available.

Large advertisement for Ratliff Market and Grocery. Features a cartoon character and the text: 'I Like to Trade At the Ratliff Market and Grocery'. Promotes quality food products and family service.

Small advertisement for insurance: 'INSURE your future - Save WITH WAR BONDS'.

# Personals.

Mrs. J. Frank Hobbs and children of Hillsboro spent the week end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. McCarty.

Mrs. D. D. Knight returned to her home in Coleman last Friday for a visit here with her sister, Mrs. J. A. Garth.

Miss Wynama Anderson of Stephenville spent last Thursday here with Mrs. Roy Burleson and other ends.

Paul Hendrix of McGregor spent few days here with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Killian Sr., last week.

Miss Florence Chenault, Mrs. M. Everett and Mrs. T. A. Rankin and daughter, Dale, were Christmas shoppers in Fort Worth Wednesday.

Mrs. W. L. Malone and daughter, June, came in Tuesday from Abilene to spend the holidays here in their home and to visit with her brother, John Simonton, and her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. George Christopher.

Mrs. R. W. Hancock returned Friday from Clifton Hospital, where she recently underwent an operation. She was brought to Hico by her husband and Herman Mun-lyn, in a Barrow ambulance. It is reported to be getting along nicely at her home here.

**CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL WREATHS**  
Keep the memory of your loved ones green with beautiful, long-lasting memorial wreaths. Owing to scarcity of materials, make your selection early.

### THE HICO FLORIST.

Miss Jessie Garth spent the first week in Quanah with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Leeth. She received a message from the War Department that her husband, 1st Lieutenant Herman, who is commanding officer in Patton's army, was seriously wounded on Nov. 9.

Mrs. Oscar Sorley of Cranfill's spent last week here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Leeth. Her visitors for the week end in Leeth home were Oscar Sorley and children, Morris Leeth and sonelle, and his sister, Miss Opie Sorley, all of Cranfill's Gap. Mr. and Mrs. Orville Reesing of North Camp Hood.

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Pottinger and daughter, Jane, of Dallas spent the Thanksgiving holidays here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Cullough and daughters, Mary and Frances. The men, both executives in the Safeway food store system, enjoyed some good hunting during their visit.

Mrs. A. S. Cupp returned last Wednesday to her home in Kansas City, Mo., after a visit here with her sister, Miss Thoma Rodgers, and her brother, J. P. Rodgers. Sgt. John James Cupp, who is stationed at the Amarillo Army Field, visited here during the Thanksgiving holidays with his other aunt and uncle.

Sunday visitors in the home of Mrs. Hurshel Williamson and daughter, Billy Jean, were Mrs. B. F. Strong, Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Strong and Mrs. R. J. Ermer, all of Fredell; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Farris of Camp Hood; and Mrs. H. R. Gaddy of Lamson and Johnnie Farmer of Fort Worth. Mrs. Farmer returned home with Dr. and Mrs. Gaddy for a visit with them.

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Joe Guyton was home Tuesday from Camp Hood, visiting with his mother, Mrs. J. A. Guyton, and other relatives and friends.

Grady Harrow, who underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Stephenville Hospital last Saturday, is reported to be improving nicely.

Mrs. May Bates returned Saturday from Stephenville Hospital, where she had been receiving treatment for an infection on her wrist. She was able to come to town Thursday.

Mrs. B. B. Gamble visited Wednesday in Fort Worth with her son and wife, Sgt. and Mrs. Doris Gamble. Doris accompanied her home and spent Wednesday night here.

Mrs. B. F. Sites Sr. and daughters, Lola Mae and Opal Lea, returned to their home in McGregor Monday of this week after several days' visit in the home of Mrs. Sites' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Killian Sr.

Luther Knox was in Fort Worth last Friday to be with his daughter, Bobbie Faye, who underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Beall Clinic. He reported this week that she was getting along fine.

W. F. White of Hot Springs, New Mexico, has been here several days visiting his daughter, Mrs. E. H. Persons, Mr. and Mrs. Persons have also had as guests in their home her brother, Lee O. White, and wife from Fort Stockton, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Owen had her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Whorton of Donna, Texas, as week-end guests in their home. Mr. and Mrs. Whorton had been on a business trip to Sweetwater and Abilene. They also spent a few days visiting in Dallas before coming by here on their way home.

### CUT FLOWERS & POT PLANTS FOR CHRISTMAS

There is always a place for flowers in our lives. They never go out of fashion. A gift of flowers is always a courtly gesture. Have flowers on your Christmas gift list. Early orders are advised. Out-of-town orders given special attention.

Mrs. J. T. Gregory returned home last week from a Thanksgiving visit in Dallas with her daughters, Mrs. Ethel Reynolds and Mrs. Milton Knudson and family. While there she was met by her sister, Mrs. P. W. Henderson of Yuma, Arizona, and together they enjoyed a visit in Dublin with another sister, Mrs. O. R. Davis, and family.

Mrs. D. G. Butler of West Columbia, accompanied by her husband and sons, Ronald, Donald and Richard, spent the week end here with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Harris and at Clairette with her sisters, Mrs. Roy Harvey and Mrs. Neal Williams. Mrs. Butler stated that her brother, Pvt. John White, who is stationed at Camp Hood, spent last week in West Columbia with them and with his mother, Mrs. R. C. White.

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## Navy's Need for Radio Men Is Big Opportunity Now

The Navy needs radio men. Opportunity to train in one of the war's newest and most thrilling fields—"Radar"—is offered. Radio technicians have many important duties in the Navy, such as installing, repairing and maintaining radio communication equipment, radio direction finders, submarine detection apparatus, and other extraordinary electronic devices. Upon release from the Navy after the war, the Radio Technician will find countless new opportunities open to him.

Men who have successfully passed the pre-induction physical examination, between the ages of 18 and 35, and men of 17 years of age may take the Eddy test at the Navy recruiting station, Post Office Building, Waco, Texas any day of the week.

Upon successfully passing the Eddy test, you may be enlisted as a Seaman first class, with pay to start with of \$66.00 per month.

See the Navy Recruiter for full information—without obligation.

Eugene C. Gainsou, administrative officer of the AAA, says that all farmers in Hamilton County must have their soil building practices completed by the first day of January, 1945 to be eligible for payment under the 1944 Agricultural Conservation Program.

Mr. Gainsou also says there are a good many farmers in the county that have done soil building work, but have not reported it to the AAA office.

All performance work that has been done or will be done that has not been reported to the AAA office must be reported by January 15, 1945 to be eligible for payment under the 1944 program.

## Closing Dates for Return of AAA Forms Now Approaching

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## Secretary of State



Edward Reilly Stettinius Jr., 44-year-old Virginia industrialist-diplomat and native of Chicago, has been named by President Roosevelt to become secretary of state, succeeding Cordell Hull, who resigned due to poor health. Hull may be slated to preside at peace party.

## Pacific Sea Chief



Adm. Royal E. Ingersoll, commander-in-chief, Atlantic fleet, has been appointed commander of the western sea frontier. His job will be to keep the supplies flowing for bigger and better blows at Japan.

## Gosh, I'm Thirsty



"Rhodes Tiny Joe," blue-blooded Chihuahua, seems to enjoy his soft drink through a tube. Weighing just 12 ounces, he fits into an ordinary tumbler.

## Church News

### Methodist Church

Church School at 10 a. m. T. H. King, superintendent. Preaching, 11 a. m. Subject, "Finding God In Worship." Preaching, 7:30 p. m. Subject, "A True Friend." We extend a cordial invitation to the Church and to the Non-Churched persons of this town and community for greater and for active service in His temple. J. F. ISBELL, Pastor.

### First Christian Church

Sunday school and communion at 10:00 A. M. We will conclude our services in time for you to go to other church services in town. S. J. CHEEK, SR., Supt. Sunday School.

### Baptist Church

Sunday— Sunday school, 10 a. m. Preaching, 11 a. m. Training Union, 7:30 p. m. Preaching, 8:30 p. m. Tuesday— W. M. U., 3 p. m. G. A.'s, 4 p. m. Sunbeams, 3 p. m. Wednesday— R. A.'s, 4:15 p. m. Officers' and teachers' meeting, 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting, 8 p. m. O. D. CARPENTER, Pastor.

## Influenza Begins To Be Widespread Throughout State

Austin, Texas, Dec. 5.—Reports from widely separated parts of the State to the Texas Department of Health show that influenza is widespread throughout the State. During the past month 3176 cases have been reported.

Colds, gripe, and influenza are spread from person to person through discharges from the nose and throat. Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, says that in order to protect yourself and others from such diseases here are some things to be remembered and some precautions to be observed:

Influenza is highly infectious. Practically everybody is susceptible to it. No matter how many times you may have had the disease, you may contract it again. Therefore, keep away from people who are sneezing, coughing or sniffing or who are actively ill with colds, influenza, or pneumonia. Keep away from crowded places. Have your own towel and drinking cup and always wash your hands before eating.

Keep yourself as fit as possible by eating simple, nourishing food, by drinking plenty of water, by some exercise out of doors every day, by dressing according to the weather, by having plenty of sleep in a well-ventilated room, and by keeping the bowels regulated.

If you feel an attack of gripe or influenza—or even what you may think an ordinary cold—coming on, go to bed, consult your physician, and follow his directions implicitly.

## FRIENDS AND RELATIVES PLAN TO CELEBRATE LITTLEVILLE MAN'S 80TH BIRTHDAY

Friends and neighbors are invited to participate in the celebration of the eightieth birthday of John A. Shaffer at his home in Littleville on Dec. 17. Friends and relatives who attend plan to carry a covered dish, but Mr. Shaffer expresses a wish that there be no gifts brought. His birthday occurs on Dec. 19th, but the dinner will be held on Sunday, Dec. 17th. CONTRIBUTED.



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Duffau

By Elmer Giesecke

Health is good. Farmers are almost through with their work and many are killing hogs, when it is not raining.

Those folks out on the prairie have a nice-looking crop of fall grain.

The Duffau boys and girls from school went to Selden on Thursday and played basket ball. Boys were defeated by Selden by a big score, but girls beat Selden by a small margin.

Churches were well attended last Sunday, despite the inclement weather.

There is preaching next Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. You are invited to attend these services. Elder Henry M. Stanley Giesecke will do the preaching, which will be at the Church of Christ.

John D. Magee, Staff Sergeant in Co. D, 142nd Infantry, who spent 15 months overseas and who was in several major engagements, is spending a 30-day furlough with his parents. He was injured very badly when a German bullet shattered his knee.

Mrs. William Head and mother, Mrs. Cline, of Fort Worth were down here on business last Saturday. Mrs. Cline bought a nice apartment house out in Morning-side Addition, South Fort Worth, and has moved there.

Miss Dolores Fallin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fallin, and Cox's very efficient cashier, was down from Stephenville Thanksgiving visiting homefolks.

Mr. William Power, whose husband is overseas, moved down to the home of her father, Harmon Talley, last week. Mrs. Powers has been in Stephenville for several months.

Clairette

By Mrs. H. Alexander

A good attendance gathered for Sunday school Sunday morning. Everyone is welcome each Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Wolfe made a business trip to Stephenville last Saturday.

Week-end guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McChristal were Mr. and Mrs. Erman McChristal and children of Dallas, also Mr. and Mrs. Richard McChristal of Sundown.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Durham and children of Hempstead spent several days in the home of Mrs. S. O. Durham and Mrs. Lura Hollingsworth last week.

Those enjoying a birthday dinner in honor of Leola Wolfe Friday night in the home of Mr. and

Mrs. Hub Alexander were Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Alexander, A/c Melvin R. Self of San Antonio, Miss Helon Driver, Von Scott, Charline Sherrard, and Leola Wolfe; also Elizabeth Alexander of the home.

Little Miss Mary Sherrard spent from Friday until Sunday with her cousin, Nila Marie Alexander, in Stephenville.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Harvey from Friday morning until Saturday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Butler and children of West Columbia and Mrs. Bud Harris of Black Stump Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Lesley Dowdy of Fort Worth spent the week end here visiting relatives. Mrs. Dowdy remained over to be with her mother, Mrs. Mattie Carter, who is ill.

Pvt. H. L. Self of Mineral Wells and wife of Stephenville were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Self recently.

Miss Florine Havens of Fort Worth spent the week end here with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stanford of Fort Worth visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Stanford Sunday. Mrs. Stanford remained over to be with her father, Mr. Butler, of near Dublin.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Harvey and son, Kenneth, also Mr. and Mrs. Neal Williams spent Sunday in the home of Mrs. Bud Harris at Black Stump Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Greenway and baby of Hico visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Goughly last Sunday.

Mrs. Lula Mackey of Dublin is visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mackey.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stipe and daughter were Sunday guests in the Roy Stipe home.

A/c Melvin R. Self returned to San Antonio the first of the week. He had enjoyed a ten-day furlough here with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Self, and other relatives and friends.

Millerville

By Chas. W. Giesecke

This week has been a disagreeable one, with rains and cold winds.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Beck of Hico were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Giesecke and daughter, Elvena, Sunday after church services.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Shaffer and daughter, Mrs. Leola Bullard, spent Sunday afternoon with the Cody family, near Rocky. They were old acquaintances when they all lived near Sweetwater.

W. J. Nix was a business caller in Stephenville Tuesday.

C. B. Miller attended the sale in Hamilton Tuesday. He and G. W. Lively took some cattle to the sale. James Howerton of Waco visited his grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Howerton, last week.

A Mr. and Mrs. Gill of Sweetwater are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Woodard. They are contemplating moving into this section.

Mrs. Edna Lee Shaffer and little daughter left last week for Big Spring to spend the holidays with her husband's parents at that place. Her husband is a cook in the Armed Forces, somewhere in France.

J. W. Land is spending a while with Rabbit Green and family, near Hico.

Raymond Mayhew is working for the John Ellington feed store at Hico, since he has harvested and sold his peanuts.

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haven't forgotten Pearl Harbor, Bataan and the thousands of other crimes against humanity by the Jap hordes. Your Bond is an installment on what it's going to cost us to crush the Japs in the long sea lanes of the Pacific—it's going to take more superfortresses at \$400,000 each, more P-47 Thunderbolts at \$50,000 each—more of every type of material.

And remember, when you buy Bonds you are saving for your future and the future of your country. Don't put it off—buy that extra Bond today.



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**WANTED:** Man or woman to do cooking for myself only (no family) on my ranch in La Salle County. Board and room. No family washing. Cooking and house-keeping, in full charge of house. Prefer some experience practical nursing, arthritis case; not necessary. W. E. Herring, Veterans Hospital, Room 201, Ward 1, Legion, Texas. 28-4tc

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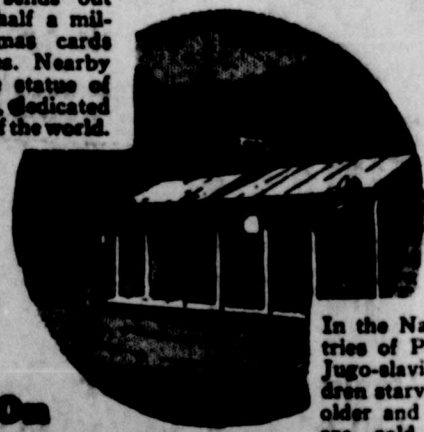
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BY LEFF



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U. S. Treasury Department

## IREDELL ITEMS

by Miss Stella Jones, Local Correspondent

Miss Faye Falls of McGregor spent the past week end at home. Paul Patterson of Dallas visited his parents Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson and son of Cisco visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kraemer, the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fuller and Mr. and Mrs. Watson visited Mrs. Watson's brother-in-law in Dublin and also visited in Stephenville on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Dawson spent Friday in Dallas.

Mrs. Arthur McElroy and her daughter, Mrs. Fletcher Cooper, spent Friday in Waco with their daughter and sister, Mrs. Ralph Echols.

Mrs. Claude White and children were in Dallas Friday.

Mrs. Herbert R. Cunningham and son, who have been with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson, in Oklahoma, are living here now.

Lieut. and Mrs. Robert Elmo Heyroth are here on a furlough to relatives and friends. Robert is in the Army Air Forces at Selman Field, La. They spent the week here.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Joe Harris and baby will move to Waco soon, where he will work.

Mrs. M. Webb is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Madden, in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Flanery of Stephenville spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Flanery. Katie R. Flanery returned home with them and spent the week end.

Miss Sue Whitley of McGregor spent the week end at home.

Mr. Sid Mize and son, Horace, and his brother, Albert Mize, of O'Donnell visited his cousin, Mr. Lee Mize, and family this week.

Bascom Mitchell Jr., student in John Tarleton College, spent the holidays at home, and also Billy Royce Newsom.

Miss Mittie Gordon returned Friday from Fort Worth. Her brother, Ed Gordon, and Apple brought her.

Mrs. D. W. Appleby was in Meridian this week.

Miss Jo Heyroth of Mexico spent the week end here.

Miss Wilma Chaffin, a student in John Tarleton College, spent the holidays at home, and also Billy Royce Newsom.

Mrs. Maxine Young and daughter, Miss Faye, of Meridian spent the past Sunday with Mrs. Young's sister, Mrs. Burson, and daughter, Mrs. Blakley.

Thanksgiving was observed here last Thursday. The school turned out Wednesday. The bank closed, and all the stores. Some remained at home while others worked. A lot of the children picked cotton.

A's Billy Echols and wife of California came in Sunday for a furlough of two weeks or more.

Mrs. B. Sims and Mrs. W. L. Newsom went to Dallas Tuesday to see their brother, who is in a hospital there. Mr. Gatewood took them.

Bobby Tidwell, who is a radio officer on a merchant vessel, and his wife of Arlington spent Sunday with his parents.

Miss Marcelle Lester of Meridian is staying with Mrs. Stacy Tidwell and taking care of the children.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Conley and daughter, Mrs. Slater, visited in Stephenville Sunday.

Mr. Hugh Harris, who works in West Texas, is home for a few days.

Misses Peggy June Tidwell and

Faye Hensley visited here Sunday. They work in the Stephenville Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Davis and daughter, Mary Lou, returned Sunday night from West Texas, where he worked.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Pylant and his sister, Miss Sybil and her boy friend, all of Dallas, spent Sunday with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Newman, Mrs. B. Sims and Mrs. W. L. Newman attended the funeral of Tom Shields at Glen Rose Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyett of Stephenville are the proud parents of a little 8-pound daughter, born on Dec. 2. Mrs. Boyett is the former Miss Frances Phillips.

Born to Pvt. and Mrs. Jerry McConnell, a son on Nov. 29, at the Holt Hospital in Meridian. Mrs. McConnell is the former Miss Sue Willingham. Mr. McConnell is overseas.

Miss Martha Glover is reported to be very ill.

Mrs. Bud Mitchell returned home Saturday from Mineral Wells, where she visited relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Pace spent the week end with one of his sons close to Fairy.

Mr. J. W. Parks was in Dallas and Fort Worth Monday.

### Altman

By Mrs. J. H. McAnelly

Mrs. Bill Nix came home from Paris, where she had been with her husband, Cpl. Bill Nix, who had been stationed at Camp Maxey and has gone overseas.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Conley and children returned home Tuesday from Grimes County, where they were called to the bedside of his mother, who passed away Saturday. They attended the funeral, held on Monday.

Donald Montgomery of Dallas visited his grandmother and uncle, Mrs. R. J. Montgomery and Earl, last week.

John Allen Moore, Seaman second class, of San Francisco, Calif., is here on furlough visiting his parents and little sister. Mr. and Mrs. John Moore, and Janice.

Cpl. and Mrs. Claude Cunningham of San Angelo spent the week end visiting her mother and sister, Mrs. B. L. Roberts, and Barbara.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Mobley of Tulsa, Okla., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Land and daughter, Trula Jean, Tuesday night and Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gromatsky of Olin were guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Clifton and Mrs. Bill Nix Sunday afternoon.

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# Starting Dec. 9

THE ADMISSION FOR THE SATURDAY AFTERNOON SHOW

WILL BE 12c & 20c

## Palace Theatre

HICO, TEXAS

# Notice!

TO THEATRE PATRONS:

● Having decided to leave Hico to be with my husband, Cpl. E. H. Henry, we wish to thank our many friends here for the kindness and consideration they have shown us.

Mr. S. J. Cheek has assumed management of the Theatre and we bespeak for him a continuance of your kind patronage.

MRS. E. H. HENRY.

### WITH THE COLORS

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doing so had... I am trying to make up my mind whether I want to go to town today or not. We're supposed to have ground school for two hours this morning, so I doubt if I go. There isn't anything in town anyway. From what I read, there are a couple or three more businesses in Hico. How is the Dodd Grocery going? ... In another letter, W. R. asked his folks to send him some comic books. He wouldn't need those if he got his Hico paper regularly, would he?

#### KEEP 'EM READING

Mrs. Nettie Meador, in changing and renewing the paper for her son, A/S John T. Meador, said that he was being transferred from Ryan Field, Hemet, Calif., to AAFBU Marana, Arizona. Another son, Ernest Vines Meador, MoMM 3/c, who receives his mail in care of the fleet post office, San Francisco, has written his mother that he finally received a few copies of the N. R.

Cpl. and Mrs. Roy Meador spent a few days here last week with relatives. They were on their way to Camp Hood, where he is being transferred from Fort Sill, Okla.

### Palace Theatre

HICO, TEXAS

#### BUY WAR STAMPS AT YOUR THEATRE

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"EVE OF ST. MARKS"  
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Beginning Dec. 9, Saturday Afternoon prices will be 12c & 20c

SAT. MIDNIGHT,  
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"WHITE CLIFFS OF DOVER"  
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"GAMBLER'S CHOICE"  
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THURS. & FRI. (NEXT WEEK)—  
"HOME IN INDIANA"  
WALTER BRENNAN  
JEANNE CRAIN  
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CHARLOTTE GREENWOOD  
In Technicolor

### THIS YEAR WILL MARK THIRD CHRISTMAS IN ARMY FOR THREE TRANTHAMS

Three sons of Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Trantham will spend their third Christmas in the Army this year, according to their mother who was in early this week to check up on their subscriptions.

Cpl. Robert Elwood Trantham, with an engineers unit with the ground forces, and who was with the invasion of Normandy, is now in a hospital in France with a stomach ailment. His wife and daughter, Bobby Sue, are making their home at Burge.

Pfc. Charlie Trantham, with an engineers' combat battalion, is now in England. He was home about four months after service in the Aleutians campaign. He writes his parents that he is doing fine, and is seeing lots of new country.

S/Sgt. Clarence Trantham, with a headquarters company, is now in the Hawaiian Islands for a rest. His wife, who lives in Montana, hopes to receive a telephone call from him Christmas. He has seen service on several islands of the Pacific.

This will be the second Christmas in the army for the Trantham's youngest son, Pvt. Cecil F. Trantham, 20. He is with an anti-aircraft artillery searchlight battalion, and has been stationed in New Guinea for the past five months, with the exception of 72 days he spent on furlough in Australia and New South Wales. From the latter place he sent his mother a lovely leather bag, trimmed in fur. Cecil writes that it has been awfully hot where he has been.

#### SGT. LAWRENCE SHIPMAN TELLS HIS PARENTS TO WRITE ABOUT SEEING PARIS

c/o PM New York  
November 13, 1944

Mr. and Mrs. Jewel Shipman  
Hico, Texas

Dear Dad and Mother:  
I am sorry that I haven't written in the last few days, but it has been impossible to do so.

Mother, I have been to Paris already. It is a very beautiful city. I went on a tour of the sights, visiting Napoleon's tomb and also Charlemagne's tomb; saw the arch of Triumph, which Napoleon built after he conquered Germany; also saw the Eiffel Tower, which has quite a history. I also saw the church of Notre Dame and the Church Medeleine. They were the largest churches I ever saw, and the most beautiful.

Paris is really a nice city, and I hope I get back there again while I am over here. Oh yes, I was in Paris for Armistice Day, and they had quite a celebration. It was the first Free Armistice in four years, and they had a large parade with several different countries represented. I also saw Churchill and General De Gaulle.

Mother, I have a bottle of perfume for you that was given to me by a beautiful French girl. She was very nice, not like the general run of French.

Mother, I hope you are not worrying too much about me, for I'm doing fine.

Your son, with love,  
LAWRENCE.  
(Sgt. L. L. Shipman)

The Shipmans also have received a letter from the commanding officer, Capt. Nelson B. Carey, of the battery of which their son, Pfc. Deward Shipman, is a member. The officer conveyed Christmas season's greetings, and called their attention to the fact that the boys in his overseas unit were thinking of loved ones back home. The purpose of the letter, he said, was to ease the minds of parents and keep away as much as possible their worry and anxiety.

"Your son, Deward, is doing a splendid job," he wrote, "and as his Battery Commander over here I can truthfully say that he is doing his share and more. I am also happy to inform you that he is in the best of health. It is the duty of all officers in this battery to see that every effort is made for the welfare and comfort of our men. In this respect we are doing and shall do all we can."

#### IF YOU BOYS WOULD STAY STILL YOU'D GET THE PAPER, BUT MAYBE LOSE THE WAR

Somewhere in Italy  
November 18, 1944

Dear Mr. Holford:  
I will drop you a few lines to let you know that I am still wondering when you are going to quit printing the paper. Lots of the time I think that you have lost your printers by the way my papers get here. I am not kicking on the print—it's the time it takes for the paper to get here that has me bothered.

But leaving all kidding aside, I know that you are doing your best to get the paper out to every boy and girl in the service. If I ever did miss a copy of the paper, even though it was months old, I would find out where it went.

Italy is just the same to me as it was before I went to Southern France. If I had my way I would still be in France. But Uncle Sam said, "Come back to Italy" and that is where I am today.

I'll try to write more after I get some other letters out.

An old friend,  
BILLY.  
(Sgt. R. O. Collier)

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Washam have received a letter, the first in six weeks, from their son, O. M. Washam, Bkr 1/c, who receives his mail in care of the postmaster at San Francisco, saying that he was O. K. He has been in the service for three years, two of which he spent in California.

### Norden Bombsight



The new improved Norden bombsight is shown above. This is the first release showing the closely guarded secret of the war department. Much of the success of the accurate American bombing is credited to this invention.

#### BAYLOR PARSONS HAS BEEN MOVING AROUND, BUT IS SETTLED NOW

USS c/o PM  
New York, N. Y.  
2 December 1944

Dear Mr. Holford:  
Hello there! I hope I'm not intruding but I think I should have my address changed. I would have given my address sooner but I don't think you would have enjoyed changing it so many times. Such as—last Friday I had three different addresses and then another the next day. How is that for getting around?

I am really satisfied with my ship, and I may say it is the type I have always wanted to do duty on. I have all the clerical work to do and it seems they rushed me aboard just in time for the monthly reports. Tain't funny, McGee? I had better knock off. I am sure this address is permanent.

As ever,  
PARSONS.  
(Baylor Parsons, PHM 2/c)

#### HICOANS GET TOGETHER SOMEWHERE IN PACIFIC

Carroll Smith, bombardier with an Air Corps unit operating in the South Pacific, has finally run across another native Hicoan, according to information reaching his grandfather, J. J. Smith.

Carroll and Lt. Jewel Ramage got together recently at some undisclosed point in the Pacific, the latter wrote home to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Ramage.

They are thought to be somewhere near if not in, the Philippines.

Mrs. E. C. Hamilton of San Antonio has ordered a subscription to the News Review to be sent to her brother, Paul L. Izell, who is a seaman first class in the Navy, and receives his mail in care of the postmaster at San Francisco.

#### MARRIED IN STEPHENVILLE

Miss Mary Alice Crist, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Crist of Hico, and R. F. Laminack, Boatswain's Mate Second Class, son of Mrs. R. V. Laminack of Temple, were united in marriage in Stephenville Monday, December 4.

Mrs. Laminack attended Hico High School and for several months has been in the nursing school at the All Saints Hospital in Fort Worth.

The groom has just recently returned to the States from the Philippines after 22 months in the Pacific where he participated in eight major battles. He will report back to his ship on the West Coast on Dec. 20.

The couple are in Hico this week visiting with her parents.

Mrs. Clarence A. Bullard and her sister, Miss Dorothy Kirkland were over from Hamilton Saturday to visit and to subscribe for the News Review to be sent to Mrs. Bullard's husband, a first-class seaman on a destroyer somewhere in the Pacific. She figures he is close to the United States, as letters come through fast, and he has been going to school a lot.

Mrs. Willard Leach accompanied her husband, Private Leach, as far as Fort Worth Monday, where he left by train for his station at Fort Lewis, Washington, after a visit here with his wife and with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Leach.

Mrs. W. B. Hughes, Route 2, Iredell, in ordering a Christmas gift subscription to be sent to her son, Sgt. W. Vernon Hughes, said she had received a letter from him saying that he had arrived safely in India.

Mrs. Vera Bullock, formerly of Iredell, is making her home here with her sister, Mrs. J. B. Woodard, and has accepted a position at Yie's Cafe. Her husband recently reported at the Naval Training Station at San Diego, Calif.

First Sgt. A. Gerald Boycan, who is with an infantry unit somewhere in the Pacific, will receive the News Review through the order placed recently by his mother, Mrs. J. M. Blacklock, Route 3, Hico.

Mrs. Watt Ross has renewed the subscription of one of her five service sons, that of James W. Ross, CM 2/c, who is with the Seabees and is stationed in England.

## XMAS GIFTS AT HOFFMAN'S



### KIDDIES' CHENILLE ROBES

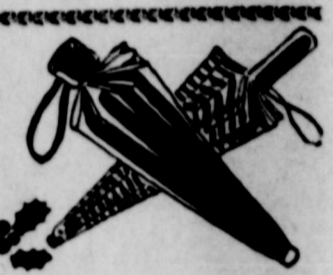
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