

Today and Tomorrow
by DON ROBINSON

PRISONERS . . . Geneva

Because our government insists upon adhering to the rules of warfare, as agreed upon at the Geneva convention, German prisoners in our country are being stuffed full of the best food our country has to offer.

When we read about the starvation and ill-treatment of Allied prisoners in Germany—and then hear about the "roast beef with all the trimmings" being served in our prison camps—we can't help but become angry. But the issue is one toward which we mustn't jump to hasty conclusions.

Article 11 of the Geneva convention says that prisoners of war should be given a food ration equal in quantity and quality to that given to troops in base camps. Germany, it is obvious, has made no attempt to conform to that rule. Therefore, our first reaction might be to retaliate by treating German prisoners in the way that they treat prisoners of the Allies.

But our war leaders are sternly opposed to such retaliatory action—not just because we are in the habit of living up to our commitments, but also because our good treatment of German prisoners might possibly influence the Nazis to be less cruel to our boys in German prisons.

We certainly do not want, by retaliatory action, to launch any contest in cruelty between the United States and Germany, for we could never go to the extremes that they do. Revenge can wait. While the Germans still have American soldiers in their prisons we must consider every action in the light of encouraging the best treatment for those men.

RULES . . . murder

Rules for warfare, such as those worked out at Geneva, may not seem to make much sense—since the act of war itself is a violation of the basic laws of mankind.

It would prove just about as much if, in addition to having laws against murder in our country, we added a supplement to the murder law saying: "murder is forbidden, but if you insist upon killing somebody you musn't use gas, poison or shotguns."

To nations like Germany and Japan an agreement on how to fight a war means nothing. Their sole object is to kill and punish as many of the enemy as possible—and the only possible value they attach to the Geneva rules is that those regulations may influence soft-hearted nations like America to give better treatment to their soldiers.

There are a lot of us who, right now, would like to show the Germans that we are not so soft-hearted after all. Given the opportunity, there are plenty of normal Americans who are enraged to the point where they might enjoy starving and punishing fanatical Nazi prisoners who are over here living on the fat of the land.

It is a big temptation to stop being civilized for a while. But for the sake of our boys in foreign prisons, and for the sake of our own spiritual peace later on, we would do well to give in to that temptation.

REVENGE . . . guilty

Our revenge will come when the war is over. It will come, not in the spirit of revenge but in an honest effort to purify the world. We must clean up the element of Germans who have perpetrated the crimes which are so revolting to us. If we have to execute thousands or even millions of Germans in order to rid the earth of a new order of dangerous beast, we shouldn't hesitate to do so any more than we would hesitate to exterminate an invasion of wildcats.

Probably we will find, when we start searching out the Nazi criminals, that there are many Germans who can be educated back to civilized living. But there is no question that a lot of them are so steeped in barbarism that they are hopeless cases and will be a menace to the world as long as they continue to live.

The Germans set the pattern for wholesale execution when they murdered millions of innocent Jews in what they called a program to "purify" the Aryan race. We may find it necessary to follow a similar pattern in order to purify the bloodstream of mankind by eliminating Germans who are proven to be a danger to humanity.

It may pay to be soft-hearted toward Nazi prisoners at the present time, but when all Nazis are our prisoners as they soon will be, we should let none go free until they have been proven guiltless.

HICO SENIOR GIRL WINS PRIZE IN WRITING CONTEST

Austin, Tex., May 8.—Patsy Pinson, a senior student at Hico High School, is the winner of the Sixth Prize of \$15 in the recent Junior Historian Writing Contest sponsored by the Texas State Historical Association. Her paper, entitled "Nimitz of Texas," is now being considered by the publications committee for possible publication in a forthcoming issue of "The Junior Historian," the magazine of the Association.

Other winners in the writing contest include: First prize, Edward Blount, Nacogdoches; second prize, Betty Jane Sauer, Albany; third prize, Kathleen Garrett, Galveston; fourth prize, Daisy Lou Miller, Brownsville; fifth prize, Joyce Turner, Pampa. Special prizes were awarded to Joseph Young of Dallas, for his essay on the Gulf Coast history; and to Estelle von Minden for her essay on La Grange.

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START SAVING
NOW FOR
THE MIGHTY 7th
WAR LOAN

STARTING MAY 14

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NAZIS OUT!

Quota Is \$340,000 In 7th War Loan for Hamilton County

Hamilton County's quota in the Seventh War Loan drive has been set at \$340,000. Clarence M. Rush, county chairman, notified the News-Review this week. Of this amount \$250,000 has been earmarked for "E" bond sales. This indicates an increase of about 60 per cent over the "E" bond quota for the last drive when \$155,000 was the quota and \$325,000 the over-all amount.

Chairman Rush announces the volunteer community chairmen and the quotas for each community this week. He points out that none of these have been "padded" and that the quotas for the communities exactly total the quota for the county. Another thing stressed by Mr. Rush is that the quotas mean the actual purchase price of the bonds and not the maturity value. He points out that by subscribing the quotas based on the maturity value of the bonds, the county will be shy of its quota by 25 per cent.

The Seventh War Loan campaign is scheduled to open Monday, May 14 although "E" bonds purchased since April 9 will count on the quota.

J. N. Russell has been named to head the local campaign to raise the City of Hico's quota of \$60,000, according to information received Thursday from the county chairman. Other chairmen and quotas in this end of the county are named by Rush as follows:

Carlton, Mrs. Hubert Stuckey, \$9,310.
Cranfill's Gap, Herbert Viertel, \$3,685.

Fairy, W. E. Goyno, \$11,830.
Lanham, Garion Streater, \$6,005.

Olin, Mrs. E. E. Basham, \$7,370.

Chairman Rush calls attention to Camp Hood's big army show, "Tactics for Tokio," to be staged June 5 which is open to purchasers of "E" bonds only. Thirty-five Central Texas towns will be eligible to attend the show which will feature everything represented in the Army's largest camp. Each buyer of an "E" bond will be given a free ticket.

Clothing Collection Here Nets 1600 Lbs., Shipped This Week

With an estimated 1,605 pounds of good used clothes, woollens, shoes and household linens on hand from the city's recent War Refugee Clothing Campaign, Geo. W. Stringer, local salvage chairman, assisted by ladies of the community this week are donating their time to nailing and labeling shipping boxes.

So states Geo. Stringer, city chairman, who expresses keen appreciation for the whole-hearted cooperation shown in readying the contributions for shipment to the regional warehouse in Fort Worth.

After donations for war refugees receive clearance from the Fort Worth warehouse, shipment will be made to national headquarters in New York City.

Stringer also wants to express appreciation to the following ladies: Mrs. W. H. Greenslit, Mrs. Paul Neel, Mrs. D. C. Beck, Mrs. L. L. Hudson, Mrs. Lee Aulrey, Mrs. H. N. Wolfe, Mrs. W. G. Phillips, Mrs. C. L. Lynch, Mrs. Roy French, Mrs. W. E. Ford, Mrs. J. F. Isbell, and all women or co-workers of Hico who sorted and packed the clothes, woollens and linens for shipment.

FAIRY SUPERINTENDENT ANNOUNCES SCHEDULE FOR SCHOOL CLOSING

The closing exercises of Fairy School have been announced by Oran Columbus, superintendent, both to be held in the Fairy Gymnasium.

The baccalaureate services will be held Sunday evening, May 13, at 8:45 with Rev. J. F. Isbell, pastor of the Hico Methodist Church, as the speaker.

Graduation exercises are scheduled for Friday evening, May 13. The commencement address will be delivered by Senator Buster Brown of Austin.

'---And Set the Stars of Glory There'



WITH THE COLORS

ANY TIME YOU'RE READY, MATE, WE'LL RUSTLE SMOKES FOR SUCH A WILLING HAND

San Francisco, Calif., May 5, 1945

Dear Mr. Holford: Please hold my paper until you hear from me again. I am going overseas and will probably be on the move for several weeks.

I do not know just how I stand regarding my subscription, but I'm on the wrong side of your ledger or my subscription expires any time soon, just send the bill to Mrs. Travis A. Alton, 713 Clairmont, Fort Worth 3, Texas, and she will take care of it (I think).

I enjoy the paper very much, not only because it brings news of old friends in and out of service, but also because of my interest in country newspapers in general and the News-Review in particular. Some time I'm going to drop in on you on publication day and help get out just one more issue. For free, too!

Sincerely,
TRAVIS ALTON, MoM 3/c.
P. S.: I'm hard up for smokes, too.

MYRLE ASH RETURNED TO HOSPITAL LAST WEEK

Myrtle Ash, who returned home recently after being discharged from a government hospital following wounds received in Germany, was returned to the Veterans' Hospital in Dallas last Saturday when his condition became worse. His mother, Mrs. Eva Mae Ash, said this week that she had been advised by doctors not to worry too much about her son's condition, and is hoping for the best.

A recent letter she received from a nephew, Pfc. Johnnie M. Chapman, inquired about Myrtle's condition, adding: "Tell Myrtle I'd sure like to be back with him. This place (Saipan) is not so bad as it was when I left it."

LANDING IN RYUKYU ISLANDS MARKS THIRD D-DAY FOR THIS BE-MEDAL SOLDIER

Special to The News-Review:

WITH THE 27TH INFANTRY DIVISION ABOARD AN ASSAULT SHIP (Delayed) — Private First Class James S. Blakley of 204 Neff Street, Sweetwater, landed with the Appleknocker regiment of the famed 27th Infantry Division in its initial assault on an island of the Ryukyu Group, three hundred and sixty-five miles from the Japanese mainland.

The smash at the Ryukyus, a key point in the vital communication center of the enemy's direction of his forces in the western Pacific, marks the third D-Day for Pfc. Blakley.

Prior to this operation, Pfc. Blakley participated with his organization in the establishing of a beachhead at Makin in the Gilbert Islands and in the conquest of Saipan in the Marianas Islands. At H-Hour, Blakley's unit swarmed ashore behind the pounding of Navy battleships and cruisers.

A Cannoneer, Pfc. Blakley entered the Army in August of 1941 and has served 36 months overseas. He is entitled to wear the prized Combat Infantryman's Badge, the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon with three campaign stars, the American Defense ribbon, and the War Department's newest award, an Arrowhead, given to troops making an assault landing.

The serviceman is the son of Mrs. J. B. Blakley, now residing at 307 Harrie St., Sweetwater, Tex.

Private Charlie Meador was visited last Monday at Fort Sam Houston by his wife and two children, and sister-in-law, Mrs. Ernie Jacobs. Bethel didn't tell us, so we're still wondering who drove the school bus that day.

MATTIE'S BEEN A WAC FOR A LONG TIME, BUT SHE'S ACTING SUSPICIOUS NOW

Don't tell Sgt. Mattie Lee Greer of the Woman's Army Corps that we said so, but she's kinda nervous and unsettled this time during her twelve-day furlough from Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia. Nothing so serious that an ordinary individual would notice it, perhaps, but the editor would bet a package of cigarettes against a piece of Jap currency that the pretty young sergeant would meet a captain or something like that to take her mind away from army duties before another war.

Seriously, the winsome local lass who joined up before the Army took over the WAACs, is trying her best to make Uncle Sam a good soldier. She had a chance to get out when the Army took over, but chose to stay, and says she has enjoyed every minute of it—even the hard work she claims to have been doing lately. But she's strong and healthy, and doesn't seem to mind serving time in the armed forces while we old folks stay at home—up to a certain point.

Be sure you are right, Sergeant, then go ahead.

IT'S MAJOR BLAIR NOW

Major Solomon Elbert Blair Jr. might still be a second lieutenant, for all he tells us. But the editor has a sly way of nosing around in other people's business, and heard last week that Junior recently got the oak leaves pinned on him. He and his wife are making their home at Newburgh, New York, while he is instructor at Stewart Field, part of West Point Military Academy's set-up. But he travels around a lot on official business. A few weeks ago he came to Pampa, Tex., for a 12-minute stop. But last

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Texans Urged to Continue War Efforts Until Final Victory

Austin, May 8.—While expressing "joy and a feeling of thanksgiving" at the end of war in Germany, Judge Ben H. Powell, president of the United War Chest of Texas, today called on all Texans to continue their home-front war work until the final and conclusive defeat of Japan.

"While the surrender of Germany fills us all with joy and the feeling of thanksgiving, and while the defeat of this aggressor nation means a great deal to the world in many ways, it can have no immediate effect on the need for support of the agencies of the National War Fund, which are represented by the United War Chest of Texas," Judge Powell declared.

"I certainly hope there will be no decrease in the interest which the people of Texas have always felt in the United War Chest of Texas, even though the war with Germany has ended.

"In the first place, the need of the downtrodden people of Europe for food and clothing is more pressing than ever. I think it is generally conceded that the people of this country are the only ones who are able to bring them the relief they need and must have.

"Furthermore, we must never forget that the United States is still engaged in a terrible and vicious war with another powerful aggressor nation—Japan. No one can foretell when this war will end.

"As long as our war with the Japanese is in progress, and as long as our troops remain on foreign soil, we must continue to serve them, through USO, War Prisoners Aid and other National War Fund agencies.

"The war in the Pacific will continue to be a very difficult undertaking, even though we have experienced most unexpected progress in recent months. I definitely urge the people of Texas, who have been so tremendously loyal to our efforts in the past, to continue to support our work until the need for this relief is actually at an end.

"Let us remember, always, that it is more blessed to give than to receive. It is inconceivable to me that we might make any mistake in continuing our work on behalf of our fighting men and our allies. But, even if it could be said that it would be a mistake to continue with unabated zeal as we have in the past, let us remember that if we are to err, we certainly should do so on the side of mercy and charity."

Canning Project For Community To Open Monday

The Community Canning Project will open Monday, May 14, at 8:00 a. m., it has been announced by E. C. Bramlett, agriculture teacher, who is sponsoring the project. Mrs. Lucille Slaughter is the local project instructor.

This canning plant is set up to be used by anyone who wishes to preserve any processing foods. No one is obligated in any way for its use. This project is for your convenience. Make arrangements to use it whenever you want to do so.

All that anyone needs to do to use the Community Canning Plant is to bring their vegetables, fruits, or meats prepared for canning, the containers in which to can the foods, and be prepared to do the work, or bring some one to do it for them. All the supervision, use of the canning facilities, and the utilities for canning are free of charge.

The cannery will be open six days per week, Monday through Saturday from 8:00 a. m. until 6:00 p. m., all summer. The Government is urging each and every family to can and preserve all the available foods possible.

On the basis of traffic deaths in relation to the population, Dallas took first place in Texas for its safety record and fourth place in the Nation.

GERMAN ARMY, BEATEN TO ITS KNEES, GIVES UP

By ROLAND HOLFORD

The European phase of the war has ended.

The final act of military surrender of all Germany's armed forces to the Allied and Red Army high commands took place in the Berlin suburb of Karlshorst Wednesday at 12:16 a. m., Central European Time (6:16 p. m. CWT Tuesday).

With this act of solemn surrender, the recognized heads of the German army, the German navy and the Luftwaffe acknowledged themselves as militarily beaten to their knees, and it will be difficult for postwar Germany to recreate a legend of the so-called "invincible army" being stabbed in the back.

That's what you've read in the daily press—that's what you've heard over the radio. So what?

The simple fact is that we've whipped hell out of the Germans—not only the German army, but the German navy, the Luftwaffe, and the civilians—if they only had sense enough in their square heads to realize it.

The headline above has been set up so long it had to have three coats of dust wiped off it. Last fall Churchill, Eisenhower, and most of our military leaders foresaw that we had topped the hill and that "unconditional surrender" of the Germans was momentary. That had us fooled. They failed to realize the stubborn, bull-dog, never-say-die spirit of Prussians, Boche, or Huns—call them what you will.

When they could go no longer, when their bellies were shrinking, their bodies and minds cringing, and their spirit which had been fortified by a madman, were all beaten to a pulp, the Krauts gave up.

That's what happened last week end.

No one in America wanted this war. The News-Review editor has seen farm hands, soda-jerkers, mechanics, postoffice employees, grocery clerks, and an unending line of sturdy, satisfied, loyal, well-meaning lads snatched off to war until he has decided that anyone who doesn't do something in the defense of his country is a heel. He's seen that in the looks of office visitors, numbering mothers, wives, children, friends, and a variety of other interested people who hated to see the cream of the nation go to war.

America was not a warlike nation. Hitler said that we wouldn't fight. That's where he was fooled. Hitler's fate is now the talk of the street. Wherever he is, dead or alive, he must have realized that tragic mistake he made.

But back to the facts. Two weeks ago a politician said he had it on good authority that the war was nearly over.

Last Monday, May 7, we heard that peace was imminent, but that we would have to wait for somebody or other to make it official.

Tuesday morning, May 8, at 8 o'clock Hico time, the President of the United States, Harry S. Truman (God give him strength to carry out the plans of the greatest leader the world has ever known, Franklin D. Roosevelt) proclaimed that the war in Europe was at an end. If it suited Joe Stalin, the German military leaders made it plain that they had given up by signing papers, and then arrogantly stalking from the scene of the peace parley. So mote it be.

Now it seems that all we have to do is to whip the Japanese nation, soldiers and civilians, whom the smart boys have said were a pushover.

Don't let anybody mislead you. The Japanese are the hardest row we have to hoe. This does not discount any of the valiant deeds of our mighty soldiers, sailors and marines. But we might as well look facts in the face. The fight is not won.

There was a time, not too long ago, when we all feared the worst. Let's not forget our apprehensions now that things are clicking.

Things might change. Our boys (and girls) are giving up a big slice of their lives to see that they don't. Are you worthy of their sacrifice? Think. Do something.

At Nacogdoches, Texas, the will of a Civil War veteran is chiseled on his tombstone.

"I believe in facing facts!"



"Sure, I could use a new car as soon as the war is over."



"But let's face facts: I may not get a new car for 2 or 3 years after victory! It's tough, but..."



"After all, my Gulf man's on my side! And he says if I treat my car regularly with Gulf-Prize* and Gulflex**, it can last well beyond V-Day!"



"What's more, I believe him, because I know he gives the finest lubrication I can get anywhere! Yes, sir, I'm betting my car will last!"

*GULFPRIDE FOR YOUR MOTOR

An oil that's TOUGH in capital letters... protects against carbon and sludge!

**GULFLEX FOR YOUR CHASSIS

Knocks out friction at up to 39 vital chassis points! Protection plus!



For the life of your car - go Gulf!

IREDELL ITEMS

by Miss Stella Jones, Local Correspondent

Mrs. Herbert R. Cunningham and son have returned from Lubbock.

Mrs. Tom Cook of Dallas visited her sister, Mrs. Burson, and her daughter, Mrs. Blakley, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Davis have leased the cafe where Mr. and Mrs. Allen were, and took charge Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Prater and children and his mother from Hico were here Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Oldham were in Waco Wednesday.

Mrs. Delbert Thompson of Dallas visited here this week.

Pvt. W. B. Smith, who is in camp at San Antonio, spent a few days this week with his parents.

Pvt. Arthur Guinn of Camp Hood in Killen spent the past week end at home.

Mrs. Weeks of Duffau was here Saturday.

Mrs. R. S. Graves has bought the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Cunningham, which is occupied by Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Newsom.

Mrs. Myrtle Duncan was in Clifton this week.

Mrs. B. J. Fouts and son and Mrs. Horace Whitley and son spent the week end in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Newsom are having a new house built on a lot close to Mr. and Mrs. Arch Parks.

Robert Heyroth came in Thursday. He is in the Air Corps. He is at Nebraska.

Mr. Harve Henderson of West Texas, who visited here, has returned home.

Mrs. Hollon spent Saturday night with her son, Harrison and wife. Sunday they visited her sister, who lives close to Stephenville.

Mrs. Bill Stroud and Mr. and Mrs. Laughlin were in Stephenville Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Varnell and Mrs. Margie Wylie and children, Wendell Lewy and Shirley Ann, of Hico and Mr. and Mrs. Odell Graham and daughter, Clodell, of Glen Rose spent the past Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Tuggle and family.

Mrs. Frank Cunningham and daughter have returned from De Leon, where she visited her sister, Mrs. Leon Neighbors.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Goodman and daughter spent a few days this week at home in Dallas. Her mother, Mrs. Pike, accompanied them. J. L. is able to walk around, and is getting along nicely.

Mr. W. W. Locker and daughters, Mrs. Lee Chaffin and Miss Ila Locker, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George Locker.

Pvt. Obie, who is stationed at San Antonio, spent the week end at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Locker and young daughter, Maxine, spent the week end visiting their son and family at Sandown. Mr. Harlen Linch accompanied them as far as Lubbock.

Mrs. Bobbie Tidwell and Miss Dorothy Clepper of Fort Worth spent the week end with their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Tidwell.

B. L. Mitchell Jr. spent Sunday at home. He is in John Tarleton.

Little Miss Linda Bowman of Meridian spent the week end with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Cas Bowman.

Mrs. Williams returned to her home in San Antonio after a long visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Wellborn.

Miss Stewart, a teacher in the grammar school, spent the week end in Tolar with Miss Pauline Tidwell.

Mrs. J. D. Gregory and her sister, Miss Joe Herroth of Mexico, spent the week end here with their brother Robert, and friends.

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Mr. J. K. Jackson and his brother, Mr. J. W. Jackson and wife, and Mr. and Mrs. James Jackson and children and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Simmons and son, all of Lubbock, were guests of Mrs. Herbert Cunningham this week end.

Mr. J. K. Jackson is her father, Mr. J. W. Jackson is her uncle, Mr. James Jackson and Mr. Simmons are her cousins.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Phillips and Mr. and Mrs. Howell McAden and daughter, all of Dallas, spent the week end with relatives.

Mrs. Lee McDonel of Fort Worth spent Sunday here.

Bobby Joe Tidwell, who is in school at Kerrville, spent the week end with his parents. They took him to Kerrville.

Mrs. Joe Owens of Cartersville, Ga., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. W. A. Long, and her cousin, Mrs. Bradley.

Mrs. W. A. Long and Betty Bradley spent the week end at Bluff Dale and attended a cemetery working there.

When next Mother's Day came, Mrs. Smith very quietly passed away to a better world. Her daughter shed tears over her cold body after it was too late. She had not forgotten the treatment she gave her, and her conscience hurt.

All the readers remember their mothers, dead or alive, on this very special day. I love the memory of my mother who died in 1925. All love your mothers and honor and obey them.

THE END.

Carlton

By Mrs. Fred Geyer

Stampley Baird, SF 2/c, of San Francisco; his wife and baby daughter are visiting his parents and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Baird and Mrs. E. I. Bacon and son.

Mrs. Pink Bingham of Vernon visited over the week end with her brothers, Claud Smith and Ben Smith, and other relatives.

Mrs. Will McCarty returned Sunday to her home in Dalhart after a visit with her brother, Sid Clark, and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Beryl Cozby and two children of Fort Worth spent the week end with her mother and brother, Mrs. Lilla Byrd and Billy.

Miss Ramona Ellenburg spent the week end at Lankin with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Ellenburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Barnett and daughter, Latrelle, visited Sunday afternoon with relatives in Hamilton.

Mrs. Doyle Partain, Mrs. Dow Self, and Mrs. Fred Geyer attended the cemetery working at Clairette Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Morgan of Orange, Texas, spent Monday night with his niece, Mrs. Doyle Partain. On Tuesday they visited in Glen Rose with his sister, Mrs. S. C. Rallsback.

Mrs. F. P. Kennedy returned home Tuesday from Waco, after a

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JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET

On the evening of Friday, May 4, the annual occasion of the Junior-Senior Banquet was observed. At 8:30, the Juniors and their guests met in the Hico School Gymnasium where the Seniors discovered as lovely a banquet awaiting them as has ever been prepared.

The Dutch Garden had miraculously grown in the place of the usually barren gym. A windmill erected at the door provided a passage way. Trees in the background, vines on the side balustrades, and rows of brightly-colored tulips in the center lent an atmosphere of a garden in Holland. Two long tables were also attractively decorated with amaryllis, Dutch shoes and little Netherland "houses" for nut-cups. The theme was carried out in the Dutch costumes of the Home Economics girls who served and in the charming favors which contained program and menu.

When everyone had arrived and was seated, when the "ohs" and "ahs" had subsided, Don Griffiths, president of the Junior Class, welcomed the Seniors as guests of honor. Mary Jane Barrow, president of the Senior Class, gave the response. Shortly afterward a toast was proposed to the Seniors. The Class History, Class Prophecy, and Class Will were then given by Mildred Rellihan, Nelda Paul Fallin, and Elvena Giesecke respectively. Musical selections were rendered by Frances Angell. A Dutch dance was performed by Joyce Ray Lowe, accompanied by Anita Brooks, Georgia Holladay, and Mrs. J. E. Lincoln at the piano. The Juniors joined in a song for the Seniors, sung to the tune of "Goodnight, Ladies" as the final number on the program.

A delicious meal consisted of vecht sup, pretzels, kalfsleesch, volkels-fread, aardappel patersalle, rombles, Hollandsche salade, broozesjaache, oranje tjs-empijhappel koe-kies and te. After leaving the gymnasium most of the Juniors and Seniors journeyed to the Fireman's Hall which had been equipped with a nickelodeon. Here an enjoyable dance was chaperoned by Mrs. T. A. Randsall, Mr. and Mrs. George Griffiths, and the two class sponsors. Cold drinks were available in a corner of the hall. At twelve o'clock, in keeping with the curfew hour, the Juniors and Seniors gathered in a large circle to sing "Auld Lang Syne." Then they dispersed, happily recalling the events of a wonderful evening.

SENIOR NEWS

The Senior Class wish to express our appreciation for the wonderful Junior-Senior Banquet of 1945. "An Evening in Dutch" was beautiful and exciting, and the dance after the banquet was enjoyed immensely. We will treasure happy memories of this evening.

Last Tuesday morning at five o'clock three cars filled with sleepy Seniors and began their trip to San Antonio. We arrived at the Alamo at nine-thirty and spent the remainder of the morning there and in the museum nearby. In the afternoon we visited historic San Fernando Church, Mission Concepcion, and San Jose, and the old Spanish governors' residence. After dinner at the Milan we separated into groups, each group spending the evening as its members desired. After a morning in Brackenridge Park we went to Austin where we visited the Legislature in session. We arrived home about nine o'clock that night.

Glenn Hutton's father was very ill recently. We join others in wishing him a speedy and complete recovery.

FRESHMAN NEWS

Since we don't have any news, we will have some "wonders."

Who wonder: Who was the boy who sat by Janelle Dowdy Saturday? — Where Mattie Lou Pace was Saturday and Sunday nights? — What Pansy Roberts' dream was and if they're getting better all the time? — Why so many were absent Friday? — Who came to see Mary Nell Battershell one night not so long ago?

Don't forget, Sunday is Mother's Day.

CLASS HISTORY

Six of the present fifteen members of the Senior Class of 1945 started in the first grade and have been classmates since the beginning. These six were: James Ray Bobo, better known as "Big Bo"; Mary Nell Jones, better known as "Nuts"; Bobby McLarty, better known as "Malt"; Marguerite Lewis, better known as "Delphie"; Mary Jane Barrow, better known as "Susie"; and Mildred Rellihan, better known as "Red". These six did their best to educate these following teachers: Miss Oleta Hatches, Mrs. Frank Mings, Miss Mabry Spivey, Miss Katherine Milhollin, Mrs. John Higgins, and Miss Ona Dell Ashton. Then they were joined by Harold Lynn Norrod, better known as "Norrod"; Lorene Hyles; and Elvena Giesecke, better known as "Elvira". Miss Opal Harris was our teacher in the

sixth grade. Mr. Robert Jackson was our teacher, friend and enemy in the seventh grade. We were joined in this grade by Clovis Grant, better known as "Toady"; Garland Latham, better known as "Joe"; and Patsy Pinson, better known as "Pat the Rat". Happy and full were those days spent in Grammar School and especially those in the seventh grade. It was in the seventh grade that we learned the use of the encyclopedia; however, when we reached H. H. S. we were told that encyclopedias were used to look up information concerning lessons and not as secret hiding-places for notes. With much sadness we left H. H. S. and Vernon Brewer who always took the punishment for the class and came to H. H. S. in 1941. As Freshmen we were joined by Glenn Hutton, better known as "Fruity". When "Fish" we won a contest which ruined our friendship with the Seniors. In our Senior year we were joined by two students, Lloyd Angell, better known as "Elmore", and Paul Wolfe, better known as "P. K."

To our memories of Grammar School have been added those of high school. Such events as War Loan Drives, Red Cross Drives; "Junior Play," "The Campbells Are Coming," the Senior Play "Foot-Loose"; the Junior-Senior Banquet of 42-44; the Rhythm Review; the Tigers' Lair 44-45; Senior Trip to San Antonio including the Anachacha Room; and the wonderful Junior-Senior Banquet of 44-45. From a Grade School graduation class of 55 members to a High School graduation class of 15 members we have come. To these members of our class who have come and gone we extend our very best wishes for a successful future of happiness. There were four boys with us in our Junior year who left Hico High School to join the Armed Service of our country. They were: J. W. Burden, J. D. Jones, Wayne Houston, and Tommie Ables. All four are in the United States Navy. To them especially do we direct our wishes for good luck and smooth sailing. They, along with all the others that vanished from our class, have gone; but those memories which they left shall forever remain in our hearts.

CLASS PROPHECY

Bobby McLarty, with highly-developed agricultural instincts, has already been able to make two pumpkins grow on the same vine. In future years we look for him to produce green peas that don't need shelling, sweet gooseberries, and cherries without pits. Mary Nell Jones, the prim and proper model of the class in polite behavior, we are sure will give the world one of the finest and most nationally-standard Books of Etiquette that has ever been published. Some of the emphatically stressed rules will be "Never giggle in the presence of the opposite sex", and "Never, never, chew gum in public."

Garland Latham will probably benefit the world by discovering a sleeping potion that can be administered by telepathy, which will put wife to sleep and prevent her from waking when her husband comes in at two in the morning. Mary Jane Barrow, a widely-known doctor, has already made several major operations, but the only catch is cutting the patient open. She found that she had not learned how to put them back together again—a minor detail.

Patsy Pinson, after attending State University and obtaining her master's degree in Journalism, then attended the University of Missouri for two years. After traveling abroad for two more years she completed her education and returned to Hico to be editor of the Hico News Review.

Paul Kenneth Wolfe, after five years of studying music under Henriot Levy at the Chicago Conservatory, gave two concerts at Carnegie Hall and then returned to Hico to sell Magnolia products. Lorene Hyles is now secretary of a big business firm in Washington. It is just a coincidence, perhaps, but her employer is young and very attractive. Of course Lorene's only interest lies in her work.

James Ray Bobo has become famous as a test pilot in the Air Corps. For some strange reason after he has tested a plane and it has passed the test, he is awarded the Purple Heart. There have been many Purple Hearts awarded posthumously. Clovis Grant is president of a well-known freight line running from Alaska to the Panama Canal. He is a confirmed bachelor and we are sure it is for business purposes only that he employs fifty blond secretaries.

Mildred Rellihan, after a brilliant career on the stage and screen, returned to Hico to teach drama to those participating in the Junior and Senior plays.

Harold Lynn Norrod is a very successful farmer and in his spare time he teaches classes in practical farming. He also spends some of his time working on old cars.

Marguerite Lewis might be known as the model housewife. She is famous for her good cooking and tidy home. Closer investigation does not reveal her husband's name.

Lloyd Angell has obtained his M. D. He has established a hospital in Hico and is finding success easily. So far all of his patients have survived, we think.

Elvena Giesecke is still attending college. She is majoring in education and plans to teach as soon as she gets her master's degree. Glenn Hutton is an electrical

engineer and a very good one, we hear. He has invented a light that does not give off any light, and is therefore inexpensive to use.

— Nelda Fallin and Dale Randsall. — H H S —

CLASS WILL

The Seniors of 1945 hereby make their last will and testament on the fourth day of May of the aforementioned year. Each member of the Class has bequeathed something of his or her personal possessions to a member of the Junior Class.

I, Lloyd Angell, bequeath my artistic talents to Charlene Sherrard.

I, Mary Jane Barrow, bequeath my solid geometry book to Jerry Dowdy.

I, James Ray Bobo, bequeath my ability to chew paper to Dale Randsall and Peggy McEver.

I, Elvena Giesecke, bequeath my ability to study and make good grades to Ada Lee Grimes and James Lindy Rainwater.

I, Clovis Grant, bequeath my ability to sleep in class to Nelda Paul Fallin.

I, Glenn Hutton, bequeath Lizzie, my long-cherished and much-loved limousine, to Jack Neel and Jackie Ganoe as a honeymoon touring car.

I, Lorene Hyles, bequeath my ability to attract the Bobo brothers to Mary Louise Nachtigal.

I, Mary Nell Jones, bequeath my habit of giggling to Max Hill.

I, Garland Latham, bequeath my ability to make touchdowns to Donald Hefner.

I, Marguerite Lewis, bequeath my ability to remain quiet and composed to Don Griffiths.

I, Bobby McLarty, bequeath my ability to drink malts to Carrie Tolliver and Leroy Bobo.

I, Harold Lynn Norrod, bequeath my ability to drive a car to H. C. Connally.

I, Patsy Pinson, bequeath my habit of making every Monday news-day to Stella Barnett.

I, Mildred Rellihan, bequeath my talents as a dancer to Wanda Ball.

I, Paul Wolfe, bequeath my ability to run from the Annual Office to the Typing Room in three seconds to Marie Nix.

To the Freshman Class of Hico High School, we leave good chances of winning all "Football Queen" contests.

To the Sophomore Class we leave the stage remodeled and painted pink for their first class play.

To the Junior Class, next year's Seniors, we leave the sound record used in our last class play; full use of the mimeograph, hectograph, and Annual Office; the privilege of coming to class twice as late as anyone else and receiving twice as bad a calling-down as anyone else; and the opportunity of being dignified Seniors to the best of their ability.

To the Teachers of Hico High School we leave the possibility, small though it may be, of finally graduating every student now in school.

And to all Senior Classes yet to come, we leave the fun and companionship we have experienced, the joy attained by sharing the Spirit of the School with friends and classmates, and the sudden and indescribable sadness which comes when we consider that these happy days are fast drawing to a close.

REFLECTIONS

We've got a lot to tell this week for those who care to listen, because a lot's been occurring on the Hill of Knowledge. It is that time again: May, with all her bouquets of end-of-the-year happenings. "Gather 'round me everybody" — let's go.

First, whataya say we investigate the bandaged head of "Little Bo." He steadily declared that neither a teacher nor Carrie struck him; finally the whole story came out. H. C. and Leroy were skidding along in their new convertible rattletrap when — bang! Only H. C. was skidding along. Leroy had made a quick exit, the worse for the right side of his face and a big hunk of asphalt pavement. Careful, boy, those highways cost money.

Mrs. Angell has been staying at home a few days to catch up on her rest and incidentally because of some ole neuritis and laryngitis. 'Tis hard luck when illness comes in double doses; that means two different kinds of medicine at once. We're hoping she's better soon and well enough to meet school duties, even though her returning will mean poetry day and fire prevention themes, both.

Some students recently unearthed a valuable treasure, historically speaking. During the scrap-paper drive, the first edition of the Mirror ever published was discovered. The date was October 18, 1922. It was a monthly publication then, with four pages of ads and the best in the line of news. When our own issues suffer by comparison, the members of the present staff can always point out that was a long time ago and how changed is both the community and school since '22.

Many interesting and amusing items are contained in this original publication. For instance, an advertisement of the Ford Coupe states that it is furnished "with an electric self-starting and lighting system", and that it is definitely "an open car with plenty of shade." Another remarkable feature of this automobile was "24-inch tires all around." All around, mind you, all around! Oh, for the days of the Ford Coupe.

Business houses which were prospering and lending aid to the Mirror of '22 have long since vanished from our town. Petty Bros., Carl's Bakery, Porter-Wells Drug Co., and New & Hukel tailors are several of these. Familiar ads are Randsall Brothers, Corner Drug Co., and C. L. Lynch Hardware.

On the front page is a record of the Baptist pastor speaking before chapel, a choral singing club being organized, a literary club making its appearance, and the P-T-A. carrying on active work. On an inside page are found accounts of the teachers entertaining the board of trustees and the Senior Class being entertained in the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Vickrey. Yes, it has been a long time since '22; but the hopes and dreams of the people struggling to present a good Mirror have not been altered. In the words of our predecessors and founders of the Mirror:

"We ask for the support of all the students, the teachers of this

school, and the citizens of the town — Moral support is what we want and need. — Just give us the assurance that you are backing us and you will be doing your share. That's all anyone could ask."

Spending two days and one night in languid, lazy San Antonio has not increased the Seniors' energy. In fact, the Spanish "Do it manana" motto of the Alamo City seems to have agreed with most of them. Such would be gathered from snatches of conversation which can be easily overheard on every corner. From the babbling talk one receives the rather vague but none-the-less realistic impression that the Seniors found their trip delightful.

Tonight (Friday, May 11) Mrs. A. G. Macy is presenting her students in revue. The place is the high school auditorium, the time is eight-thirty, and the admission is free. Mrs. Macy teaches lessons in dancing, speech, and song. Won't you come out on Friday night and see her students appear in a variety of numbers?

Flourishes for the Juniors and the banquet which they gave. It was all grand, and the Seniors know just how much work it required. Were it possible we would try to explain how pretty the girls looked in their new and becoming dresses and how handsome the boys were in new spring suits. However, we'll settle for a mention of the charming little Lowe girl in her dance of Dutch-land. She had rehearsed it with a partner, but he got tired waiting for the time to arrive, or scared thinking about it, and went rushing out before the dance began. Now, isn't that just like a man?

Can it be that there are only three weeks left in this school year? The banquet is another milestone along the path to graduation. We're finding out that graduating is not as easy done as said. Outside of getting that credit in typing, we thought it was like anything else. But the Editor found herself "choking up" the other night on "Auld Lang Syne" which until that time had never presented any problem except carving the tune. The next turn in the road will bring us face to face, Seniors, with the fact that our high school days are gone. We thought the moment would never come, and it's here much too quickly.

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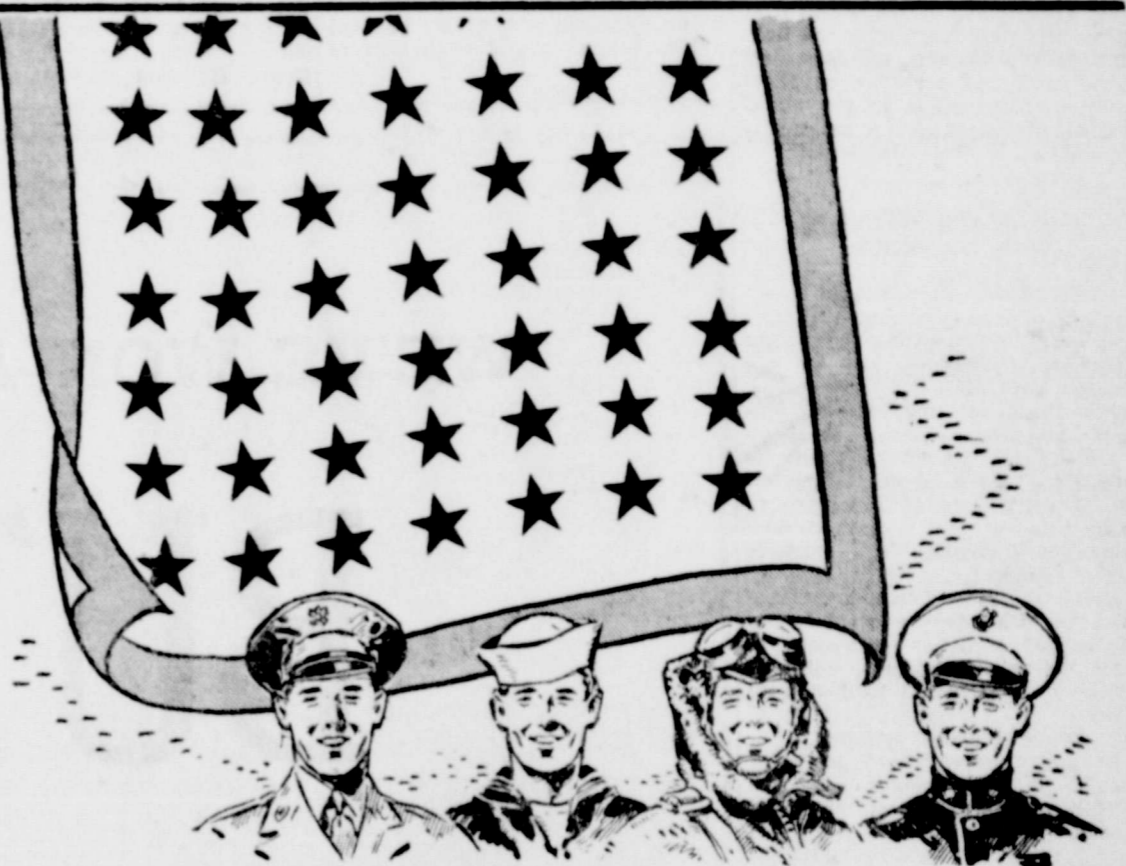
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Their absence has left a gap in our ranks that has been impossible to fill because there simply aren't enough men with the necessary experience and electrical know-how available. Those who remain behind, however, are doing their best to maintain service at a high standard, in spite of the fact that in many cases one man must now handle the work formerly done by two.

Until we can welcome our fighting men back, our manpower shortage will probably remain acute. So, if occasionally, it takes a little more time than in the past to answer service calls, build new lines or repair storm damage, we know you will understand and make allowances. It's because the men we need to help speed the work are away helping to speed final victory.

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Our European victory does not complete the picture. We must still follow through to total victory over all our enemies . . . and win the peace that follows.

But now we must work for total victory even while preparing for the peace we hope will come soon. We can do both if we keep in mind that victory still comes first.

Therefore, telephone service is still a war industry. And it must remain so until considerable time after our total victory. We know you share our purpose and will continue to show us your fine spirit of cooperation.



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Ten million mothers in our coun-
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 today have sons or daughters in
 uniform, most of whom are far
 away from home and many of
 whom are in danger. The moth-
 ers at home, who can do nothing
 but hope and pray for the protec-
 tion of their children, are certainly
 going through a period of silent
 fear and tension which must be
 even harder to bear than the strain
 of being at the battlefield.

The men and women gathered
 together in San Francisco to set
 up the framework for an organi-
 zation which can keep peace in the
 world, would do well to center
 their attention on the viewpoints
 of mothers for at least one day.
 Although these representatives
 from all corners of the world may
 speak different languages and hold
 different philosophies, they all
 know that the mothers of their
 countries are united in the belief
 that no dispute between nations is
 big enough to go to war over.

**ARE BLACK MARKETS
 INCURABLE?**

We hope the congressional inves-
 tigation of black market activities
 will help to erase this blight on
 American patriotism, but we are
 not too hopeful.

For the black market—particu-
 larly in meat—seems to have
 reached the stage where it may be
 incurable. Only by employing an
 enforcement army of thousands of
 trained investigators does it now
 seem possible that black markets
 might be cured.

So far the investigations indicate
 that the only other answer is the
 elimination of price ceilings or at
 least the raising of price ceilings.
 Of course that would help—but in
 many cases it would also help to
 bring on dangerous inflation.

In many cases there probably
 should be adjustments of price
 ceilings so that all those who han-
 dle the sale of a product get a fair
 return from it. In other cases it
 has been proven necessary to have
 faster working OPA machinery for
 making quick seasonal adjust-
 ments to avoid losses of large ac-
 cumulations of perishable foods.



**HEALTH
 WITH A SMILE**

Heart Rate in Health
 And Illness

By Dr. J. B. Warren



When you are well the rate at
 which your heart beats is about
 72 to 76 a minute at rest. After a
 hard exercise for two or three
 minutes, it may go up to 150 or
 more, but in one minute it
 comes back to 100 beats and in two
 minutes back to 72 to 76

When you are not well and
 take the same exercise
 you might not get back to
 100 beats for two or three
 days. So be sure to rest
 after an illness.

**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, this is V. E. Day to-
 day as I write. I know this is the
 "real McCoy" this time for I have
 a lump in my throat. You know,
 the kind of lump that forms in
 one's throat when one wants to
 hoo-hoo and scream with joy all
 at the same time. When the good
 news was received by me I just
 jumped right up and started shak-
 ing hands with the first fellow I
 could find. It was not until after
 the excitement had somewhat sub-
 sided that I discovered that I had
 been shaking hands with no other
 person than my own self, and "we"
 never did get along worth a hoot.

Well, anyway, it's a great day for
 everybody and even though here in
 my quiet country home I cannot
 hear the joyful cheers that are be-
 ing sounded out in so many parts
 of the world, I am by my own im-
 agination a participant among you
 wherever you are, and your joyful
 shouts rebound upon my walls to
 inspire me to carry on here wrack-
 ing my brain for some words that
 might bring you additional cheer.

And I believe that even in the
 years to come the slightest mention
 of V. E. Day will bring happiness
 to many throughout the world.

But we must not in our joy, forget
 for even the slightest moment that
 we still have some "unfinished
 business" with Japan that is yet
 to be settled. Our slogan must be,
 "Two down and one to go." Re-
 member Pearl Harbor.

By PRINTIS A. NEWMAN.

NEW TINNER AND PLUMBER

W. C. Watkins has been engaged as
 tinner and plumber at Blair's
 shop, according to announcement
 last week by Mr. Blair.

Mr. and Mrs. Watkins and three
 children have moved to Hico, hav-
 ing bought the two-story residence
 near Grubbs Branch recently occu-
 pied by V. L. Spaulding and family.

Moving here from Hamilton, Mr.
 Watkins is recommended as a first-
 class artisan in his line, and in a
 display advertisement in this issue
 of the paper Mr. Blair invites the
 public to try his handiwork.

SINGING AT CARLTON

Next Sunday, May 13, at 2 o'clock
 the Carlton Singing Class meets
 for its regular singing at the Car-
 lton Baptist Church.

Many good singers are expected,
 according to J. W. Jordan, and it
 is hoped that a good crowd will
 be on hand, he added. The general
 public has a cordial invitation to
 attend.

Legless Ace Freed



Wing Comdr. Douglas Bader, leg-
 less hero of the Royal Air Force,
 who was shot down over France in
 1941, gives the "thumbs up"
 salute after being liberated from
 a Nazi prison camp by U. S. 1st
 army forces. Germans took away
 his artificial limbs.

**Telephone Needs
 In Hico Territory
 To Be Surveyed**

A rural survey which was
 planned before Pearl Harbor will
 be started in the Hico trade terri-
 tory in the near future to deter-
 mine the wishes of farmers and
 ranchmen for a new and modern-
 ized telephone service when ma-
 terials and manpower again become
 available for rebuilding and ex-
 tending new lines. This is a con-
 tinuation of a policy established by
 the Gulf States Telephone Co. when
 it was founded to provide tele-
 phone service in all areas where
 density of population and a demand
 for the service has existed.

Plans of the telephone company
 call for building the best grade of
 metallic circuits and to offer farm-
 ers the best grade of service at a
 reasonable rate. The cost of this
 construction and the responsibility
 of maintenance will be borne by
 the company and offers an out-
 standing project toward a more
 progressive county, and will also
 furnish a splendid postwar employ-
 ment projects for this section.

Many factors have entered into
 the decline in number of rural
 homes receiving telephone service.
 Over a period of years, many lines
 connected to the Hico Exchange
 were owned and maintained by the
 subscribers. Better roads, auto-
 mobiles, and radios gradually
 brought about a certain lack of in-
 terest in maintaining these lines,
 with the result that many of them
 deteriorated out of existence. Then
 followed the depression and added
 its toll to the remaining installa-
 tions. However, immediately prior

to the war many of these homes
 had reinstalled the service.

The new system, according to
 Miss Fannie Wood, local manager
 for the company, will provide a
 grade of service never before avail-
 able to the rural homes of this
 area. "The telephone company
 realizes its responsibility to Hico
 and its trade territory in providing
 reliable telephone service to rural
 areas. We believe this can best
 be attained by the company build-
 ing and maintaining thereafter the
 lines and telephones, thus reliev-
 ing the customer of all responsi-
 bility for the upkeep of the sys-
 tem," Miss Wood said. She further
 stated that the company has many
 applications now on file from rural
 residents who want to obtain ser-
 vice at the earliest possible time.

INFANT BURIED SATURDAY

Trudie Jean Herrin, born May 2,
 1945, passed away May 4, at the
 age of two days. Besides the par-
 ents, Mr. and Mrs. Noah Herrin,
 the infant is survived by sisters,
 Mrs. Ruby Lee Powell of Fort
 Worth; Rosa Lee, Joice Alice, and
 Patsy Ruth Herrin; a little niece,
 Linda Jane Powell, and grandpar-
 ents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Jaggars
 and Mr. W. J. Herrin of Iredell.
 Funeral services and burial took
 place last Saturday afternoon at
 the Duffau Cemetery, conducted by
 Rev. O. D. Carpenter of Hico.

CARD OF THANKS

I am grateful to all who helped
 in any way in the collection of
 clothing for shipment overseas.
 GEO. W. STRINGER.

One Year Old...



MAY 11, 1945 marks the First
 Year of our business life as Elder
 Cleaners. We wish to take this
 occasion to thank our Friends and
 Customers for the splendid pat-
 ronage we have enjoyed during
 the year.

While Elder Cleaners is only
 One Year Old, experience of Man-
 agement and Employees amounts
 to more than fifteen years each.

We have tried to make our business a place of Courtesy
 and Hospitality and to render you the very best service
 of which we are capable.

If you have not visited our Cleaning Plant, we invite
 you to do so. You will find a ready welcome and our
 earnest desire to render a most satisfying and first-class
 service.

Elder Cleaners

Mr. and Mrs. Sam O. Elder
 Phone 49 HICO

WE'VE WON A WAR

BUT

We've STILL a War
 to Win!

Now it's two down — and one to go!

It was a grand job, but we've work to be done.

There can be no resting on our laurels

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Hico, Tex.

Personals.

Max Hoffman was a business visitor in Dallas Wednesday.

See us for Glidden's Paint and Polac Enamel. Blair's.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wren were business visitors in Dallas Wednesday.

See Mr. Watkins at Blair's for anything in sheet metal work. At Blair's Tin & Plumbing Shop.

Mrs. Isla Boettcher of Dallas is guest this week in the home of Mrs. May Bates.

See us for windmills and windmill supplies, steel and wood ricker rods. Blair's.

Mr. and Mrs. Earle Harrison of Fort Worth are spending the week here with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Richbourg.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Waldrop, who recently moved to the Plains country, visited here last week.

Chas. Gross of Fort Worth and wife, who came in last Friday for an visit of indefinite duration.

Mrs. B. D. Cole of Quanah is visiting this week with her mother, Mrs. J. A. Garth, and with her sister, Miss Jessie Garth.

Mrs. W. J. White visited Wednesday in Fort Worth with her mother, J. T. Ross, who has been ill several months.

Mrs. Ida Tunnell and daughter, Rose Mary, of Fort Worth were Sunday visitors in the home of her sisters, Mrs. Geo. Anderson and Miss Nettie Wieser.

Mrs. Tom Loden spent the week in Lampasas visiting her daughter-in-law and grandson, Mrs. Della Mae Loden and Geary.

Mrs. Roberta Forgy, employed at Consolidated aircraft plant at Fort Worth, spent last week at home with relatives and friends. Her husband, Cpl. Roline Forgy, is now stationed at Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Mr. and Mrs. John Higgins and daughter, Coleen, of Camp Hood village spent the week end here at their home. John, who is recuperating from a recent operation, remained for a week's visit here with her sister, Mrs. A. A. Vick.

Jewell Faulk, in renewing his subscription from Fontana, Calif., writes that they "just can't get long out in 'Californey' without news of all the folks back home, especially the boys who are serving in the four corners of the world. They are wishing all of them a safe and speedy return home."

Rev. and Mrs. Bob Jenkins and three children, of Bangs, accompanied by Rev. Clyde Pittman of the same place, visited here last week end. En route to Hico the young 3-year-old son of Rev. Jenkins, James Melton, fell from a door of the car which accidentally came open and received severe bruises and abrasions which necessitated treatment at the Stephenville Hospital. At last reports the lad was getting along all right. They all returned to Bangs Friday.

Binding Twine, Pure Sisal, as low as \$11.95 per hundred. Blair's. ROSS SHOP, Jeweler. 45-tc.

J. W. Richbourg, Geo. Christopher, and Miss Jessie Garth spent Monday in Dallas on business.

We are receiving lots of hard-to-get merchandise. Try Blair's.

Mrs. Guy Eakins Jr. and children, Guylene, Lary and James Lee, and her mother, Mrs. Fred Schfroth of San Juan, Tex., came by last Tuesday and spent until Friday with Mrs. Guy Eakins Sr. They were on their way to their home in Clovis, New Mexico, Mrs. Eakins having gone down to await the arrival of their new son in a hospital where her mother could be with her.

B. & P. W. Club Members Meet and Elect New Officers

The Hico Business and Professional Women's Club met Tuesday night, May 8, at the Firemen's Hall for their regular monthly meeting, with Mrs. J. W. Fairley, Mrs. Ralph Horton, and Mrs. E. F. Porter as hostesses. Each member brought a covered dish which furnished a delicious dinner for the evening.

This being time for the election of officers, the following were named to serve for the coming year: Mrs. L. N. Lane, president; Miss Thoma Rodgers, vice-president; Miss Hester Jordan, recording secretary; Miss Florence Chenu, corresponding secretary; Miss Jessie Garth, treasurer; Mrs. J. E. Lincoln and Mrs. R. B. Jackson, directors.

Mrs. B. B. Gamble, as a guest of the club, told of the need of several small items for the army hospitals near us and the club voted to help her get these by each member donating some.

The following were guests for the evening: Mrs. B. B. Gamble, Mrs. Kate Roberts, Mrs. Bonnie Jones, and Mrs. Camp of Hamilton.

REPORTER.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Have you made application for your Home Canning Sugar? If not, give this matter your attention now.

The public may obtain blanks for canning sugar at Grimes Service Station. They must be filled out and returned to the station for the O. K. of H. N. Wolfe and E. C. Bramlett, local panel board members.

BONNIE'S BEAUTY SHOP MOVED TO NEW LOCATION IN WISEMAN BUILDING

Mrs. Jim Jameson, who has been operating Bonnie's Beauty Shop in the McAnelly-Fiedler Building across the street south of the post office, moved this week to her new location in the Wiseman Building recently vacated by Everett Home & Auto Supply.

The building has been partitioned for convenience and privacy and the interior has been redecorated and fitted out in the best accepted manner for institutions of this type. All available equipment will be found at the new location, Mrs. Jameson says, and she will be glad to have the public call and inspect her new quarters.

DAIRY PRODUCTION PAYMENT ANNOUNCED

Eugene C. Gainous, administrative officer for the AAA, said today that the War Food Administration has announced new Dairy Production payment rates for the next three payment period months: April production will be 17c per pound for butterfat, and 79c per hundred pounds for whole milk.

May and June production will be 19c per pound for butterfat, and 85c per hundred pounds for whole milk. Gainous said that receipts for production sold during the months of April, May and June should be turned in to the AAA office as soon as possible after the first day of July.

NEW LOCATION!

I have moved to the Wiseman Building recently vacated by Everett Home & Auto Supply, and extend an invitation to my patrons and other friends to visit me there when they need beauty work.

Give A

PERMANENT for Mother's Day



Though Mother may think she can't find time for a permanent, if you surprise her with one as a gift on Mother's Day, she'll make the time within a week!

You'll be prouder of the way she looks . . . she'll be prouder of her thoughtful son or daughter.

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BONNIE'S Beauty Shop



They started it--

Now, let's finish the job!

ON TO TOKIO!

V-E Day

Buy BIGGER WAR BONDS Now— In the MIGHTY SEVENTH WAR LOAN!

Let us give thanks to our Armed Forces and those of our Allies who have made possible this glorious Victory in Europe.

Let our jubilation be tempered, however, by the sobering thought that the job is but half done; by the remembrance of those who gave their lives in the accomplishment, and the feelings of their relatives and friends; by the whimsy of fate that the man most responsible for the victory, our beloved Franklin D. Roosevelt, is not alive to see it.

J. W. RICHBOURG

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Mother's Day

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Oh the joy of giving Mother a gift she will really appreciate! And because we know how much you want to please her, we have hand picked a gift selection that actually covers the field. Don't wait for the last minute. Come in now and choose from our worthy collection of sparkling and practical presents.



Charming organdy dicker with ruffle trimmed jabot. Full cut back.



Handsome leather belts in varying widths with smart jewel trim and buckle.



Enamel compact with sifter powder arrangement. Can be monogrammed.



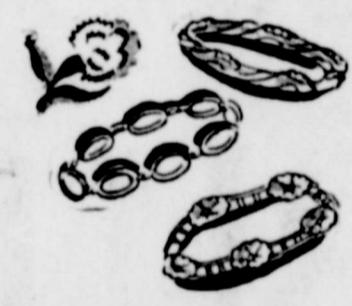
Sparkling summer jewelry. Pins, earrings in gold or silver, with colored stones.



Fine cotton handkerchiefs beautifully embroidered, applied. White, colors.



Jewelry sets in enchanting pink gold. Blacelets and earrings in floral designs.



Light-hearted jewelry in beautiful plastics. Gay colors, charming designs.



Cool cotton housecoat — ruffled trim. Comes in soft pastels. Sizes 12 to 20.



Wonderful print blouse in spun rayon. Short sleeves, underchin bow. Color selection.



Round flat gold compact with powder sifter and crystal clear mirror.



Hand-stitched washable fabric gloves, wrist length. Black, navy, white, beige.



Toilet water in her favorite scents. Light and refreshing for summer wear.



Beautiful print handkerchiefs in smart designs. All fast color and washable.



Fabric pouch bag with over arm handle and lucite clasp. Rayon lined, completely equipped.



Lovely rayon slip with lace trim top and bottom. white and tea rose.

J. W. RICHBOURG DRY GOODS

Church News

Church of Christ

Bible School, 10 a. m.
 Preaching service, 11 a. m.
 Communion, 11:45 a. m.
 Young People's Class, 8:30 p. m.
 Preaching, 9:00 p. m.
 STANLEY GIESECKE, Minister.

Methodist Church

Church School, 10:00 a. m.
 Preaching, 11:00 a. m. Subject, "Mother's Day A National Day for Prayer and Thanksgiving."
 Harry S. Truman, President of the United States, has issued the following proclamation:
 "Now, therefore, I, Harry S. Truman, President of the United States of America, do hereby appoint Sunday, May 13, 1945, to be a day of prayer.
 "I call upon the people of the United States, whatever their faith, to unite in offering joyful thanks to God for the victory we have won and to pray that He will support us to the end of our present struggle and guide us into the way of peace.
 "I also call upon my countrymen to dedicate this day to prayer to the memory of those who have given their lives to make possible our victory.
 "In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States of America to be affixed.
 "Done at the City of Washington this 8th day of May, in the year of our Lord 1945, and of the independence of the United States of America the 169th."
 All persons who do not have a Church Home are invited to join with us in this service.
 Our evening service will be held jointly with other Christians at the Baptist Church.
 J. F. ISBELL, Pastor.

Baptist Church

Sunday school, 10:00 a. m.
 Preaching, 11:00 a. m.
 Training Union, 7:30 p. m.
 Preaching, 8:30 p. m.
 Tuesday—W. M. U., 2:00 p. m.
 Sunbeams, 3:00 p. m. G. A.'s, 4:15 p. m.
 Wednesday—R. A.'s, 4:15 p. m.; prayer services, 8 p. m.
 Special announcements:
Sunday Prayer Day!

The President has proclaimed Sunday, May 13 as a Day of Prayer. Thus, we are urging each member of the Baptist church to be present in the services Sunday and make this a day of prayer to Almighty God. God has blessed our land and provided us with so many good things, may we assemble ourselves into the house of God on this Day and thank him for the many blessings.

Mother's Day
 Our Sunday school plans a Mother's Day Program Sunday morning at the close of its services. This is also Southwide Cradle Roll Day, and we trust that each Mother will be present with her little baby. Brother Carpenter is looking forward to seeing the mothers and their babies in the preaching services Sunday morning.

Special Evening Services
 Brother Isbell and Brother Carpenter desire that each of the members of each of the two churches (Methodist and Baptist) attend the night services which are to be held at the Baptist Church next Sunday night. We would be glad that anyone else would come not only from these two churches, but the public is invited to come to this service. This is to be a special time of Thanksgiving and Prayer to Almighty God. Time, 8:30 p. m.

Workers' Conference
 The Hamilton County Workers' Conference will meet with Azeo Baptist Church, May 14, 1945. The following program will be carried out:
 10:00 a. m., Song and Praise Service.
 10:20, "The Need of a Pentecost," Rev. Royal Cotton.
 10:40, Vacation Bible School, Rev. T. Lynn Stewart.
 11:05, Song and Announcements.
 11:15, Sermon, Rev. J. R. Hickerson.
 12:00, Noon.
 1:15 p. m., W. M. S. and Board Meeting.
 2:00, Song and Adjournment.
 O. D. CARPENTER, Pastor.

First Christian Church

Preaching service each first and third Sunday mornings of each month at 11:00 o'clock.
 Sunday School every Sunday morning at 10:00 o'clock.
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By Mrs. J. O. Richardson

We have had continued fair weather, and farming is getting under way again. Some are harvesting grain, others finished up their spring planting. However, gardens are needing light rains.

Funeral services were held at the school gymnasium last Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock for Miss Wilma Dean Mason, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Mason of near Fairy, who passed away Tuesday morning, May 1st, at 6:10 after an extended illness. Wilma Dean was an only child and will be greatly missed by her grief-stricken parents. Rev. Hays of Fort Worth, a former pastor of the Baptist Church here, assisted by Wilma Dean's pastor at Brownwood (during the time she resided there) and also another minister assisted with the services. We are very sorry we did not get the name of the latter two visiting ministers. Wilma Dean was born at Evans on Sept. 15, 1924, being 20 years, 7 months and 15 days of age at the time of her death. She united with the Baptist church at the age of 12 years and continued faithful the remaining years of her life. She was a member of the graduating class here in the spring of 1942. Her classmates are scattered here and there, with all the boys now in the service of their country. She was a member of the basketball team for several years and because of her quick action in playing, she derived her nickname of "Speedy." After finishing school she decided to go to Brownwood, where she made her home with relatives while she was employed there. Later when she became ill she was conveyed to her home here, where she resided until death. She was patient and cheerful during her illness, and when hope of life was gone, she stated she was ready to go. She will be greatly missed by her friends and loved ones, but we would say to those bereaved, to "weep not as those who have no hope, but look to God who will give you comfort in these dark hours of sorrow." Those surviving Wilma Dean besides her parents are both her paternal and maternal grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. Head and Mr. and Mrs. Mason, and many aunts, uncles, and cousins. The floral offering was large and beautiful. Interment was in the barrow cemetery. Burrow Funeral Directors of Hico had charge of funeral arrangements. May God bless and comfort all in your time of sorrow.

Next Sunday, May 13th, at 8:45 P. M. Rev. J. F. Isbell, pastor of the Methodist Church at Hico will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at the gymnasium to the graduating class, consisting of the following members: Misses Mary Alice Jackson, Neida Joe Cunningham, Mary Frances Russell, Ruby May Massegnill, Willie Frances Smith, and Alta May Arrant. Boys in the class are Richard Thompson, Jack Halle, Harold Dean Walker, and Neal Garner.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Hoover have purchased property in Dublin, where they will make their home after about July 1st.

Rev. and Mrs. Orrin Columbus and little daughter were in Carlton last Sunday, where he filled an appointment at the Church of Christ. They came back by way

of Hico, where they attended singing in the afternoon at the Hico Church of Christ.

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By Mrs. H. Alexander

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Mr. R. M. Alexander, Mrs. I. B. Havens and daughter, Florine, left Wednesday for a few days' visit with Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Alexander at Alice, Texas.

Mrs. S. O. Durham and Miss Baylor Durham spent the week end with Mrs. Laura Hollingsworth, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hollingsworth and children at Tyler.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Wolfe spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Phillips and children at Longview.

Miss Lila Sherrard of Mineral Wells spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Sherrard.

Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Isbell of Hico were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Mayfield Sunday.

Mrs. R. W. Sherrard and daughters, Charlene, Mary and Lila, and Mrs. Conda Salmon made a business trip to Fort Worth Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Partain and daughter of Fort Worth spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Willie Alexander.

Mr. Austin Harvey of Fort Worth visited relatives here this week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Johnson of Ranger and Mrs. Pearl Harris of Cisco visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnson last week.

Mrs. Ray Stipe, who has been ill, is improving nicely.

"Uncle Dock" Goughly spent Sunday and Sunday night with his daughter, Mrs. A. E. Denman.

A Sentimental GIFT for Mother

On HER Day

Sunday, May 13th



To MOTHER With LOVE...

Don't you feel somehow this year you want more than ever to give your Mother something sentimental — something better than ever? It is easy then to choose her gift — for we feel the same way about Mother's Day — and you who love things that are really worthwhile, really beautiful and lasting will find here rare and unusual gifts selected not for price alone but for quality and style.

THESE ARE TRULY GIFTS MOTHER WILL TREASURE FOREVER

Corner Drug Co.

Prescription Headquarters

VICTORY

... In Europe!

Each of us, in our own humble way, gives thanks to God for a glorious victory which again, we pray, will "light the lamps of Europe."

Only by working, producing, and buying bonds can we speed the day of FINAL World Victory... and the return of the men and women of the Armed Forces.

Let's keep our shoulders to the wheel — and finish the job.

A better world will never forget those gallant Americans who have been serving their country, so many of whom have made the Supreme Sacrifice.

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THE RISING SUN SET?



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Cash Buyers of POULTRY ★ EGGS ★ CREAM

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Many mothers in this vicinity are the **POULTRY RAISERS** of the community... and we know they'll go far to respond swiftly and effectively to the call for **MORE** chickens. Produce more and better chickens. By contributing to ultimate victory you will be realizing a greater profit for yourselves. Make the **McEVER & SANDERS HATCHERY** your poultry headquarters.

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COMEDY & SHORT

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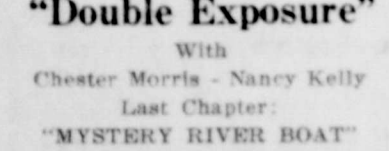
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Sun. & Mon., May 13 & 14—



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MYSTERY RIVER BOAT

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Screen Snapshot & Sportlight

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week he made a longer visit to Brady, where his sister, Louise, is employed at Curtis Field. Louise managed to ground him long enough for Jake and Mrs. Blair to visit him several hours. Don't ask how Louise did it—she couldn't hold her job without using her head. But it must have been in bad shape during that recent case of mumps we heard she had.

PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICE TELLS US A LOT ABOUT RAY'S WORK HE FORGOT TO SPILL

Naval Air Transport Service Seattle, Wash.—Ray Coleman Arrant, age 19, AMMI 3/c, USNR, of Route 3, Hico, Texas, has reported for duty with Naval Air Transport Squadron Five, following a 10 months' tour of duty with Naval Air Transport Squadron Ten at Honolulu.

Arrant, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie J. Arrant live at Route 3, Hico, has been in the Navy 14 months. Before joining the Navy he was a truck driver employed by Jim Drew's Hatchery, Dallas, Texas. Arrant is a graduate of Navy High School, near Hico.

Naval Air Transport Squadron Five, designated as VR-5, is part of the Navy's far-flung "NATS" airline which now girdles the globe to furnish the fleet and shore establishments with air transportation service. From Seattle, VR-5's multi-engine planes fly day and night between San Diego, Calif., in the South, Aitutia Island in the West, and Point Barrow, Alaska, on the tip of the North American continent. Connections are made in California with transcontinental and trans-Pacific flights. The squadron flies everything from airplane engines and Caterpillars to penicillin, and often operates in temperatures as low as 50 degrees below zero. VR-5 has pioneered instrument flying in Alaska and helped to link the Aleutian Islands with the continent. Naval Air Station, Seattle, where VR-5 has its headquarters, is located on the shore of Lake Washington, ten miles from the heart of the Seattle business district.

WHAT DO YOU DO ALL DURING THE WINTER, MATE?

ABOARD THE USS CASCADE—Everything you've heard about the life in the western Pacific may be true but E. O. Bramblett, machinist's mate, first class, from Hico, Texas, doesn't notice it too much. Bramblett is one of the crew aboard this destroyer tender that keeps the vital ice and refrigeration machinery in working order. His efforts help keep the ship's compartments as comfortable as possible in the sweltering heat by means of a complex air-conditioning system. In addition he helps produce daily more than 1,200 pounds of ice—a Pacific produce almost as valuable as gold itself. The sailor's father, O. E. Bramblett, lives near Hico.

Mrs. Noel Spaulding came in this week to change the address on her husband's papers. Private, First Class Spaulding. She said that she had heard from her husband recently and that he had two ribbons—one for good conduct and one Service Medal, and that he had been awarded one battle star.

DON'T BE BASHFUL, BILLY. SOME OF US DON'T LOOK SO HOT AND WE AIN'T HURT

Fleet Hospital No. 444
San Francisco, Calif.
April 29, 1945

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Ellis
Hico, Texas

Dear Mom and Dad:

Hi, there. How are you today? I'm just fine. Hope you are all O. K.

Well, today we got our medals. I got the Purple Heart. Some admiral pinned it on me while I was in bed. He looked at me and said, "Ellis, we're proud of you for what you and the boys are doing. Three or four weeks and you'll be able to go back into action. Good luck, son." I didn't like that. Ha!

They would have taken my picture to send to the home paper, but my face is still kinda fouled up. It will be okay in a couple of weeks.

Got the P. H. on Ralph's birthday. Will send it home later on.

Well, I guess I will close for this time. Let me hear from you soon. All my love,

BILL.

(B. E. Ellis, S 1/c)

HAMILTON OFFICER GETS PURPLE HEART

Hamilton, May 9.—Mr. and Mrs. Owen L. Doggett have been informed that their son, 2nd Lt. Vernon Gene Doggett, has been awarded the Purple Heart. He was wounded in the right arm in Germany April 21, while serving with an infantry unit.—Fl. Worth Star-Telegram.

Lieutenant Doggett is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Pirtle of Hico.

LUCKIE IS LUCKY

Private First Class Cecil W. Luckie, infantryman returning from seven months duty overseas in the European Theater of Operations, was due to arrive approximately May 8, at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, prior to visiting his home in Iredell, Texas. This information is contained in a furlough report on rotation from the public relations office of Headquarters, 8th Service Command, Dallas, Tex.

The serviceman's mother is Mrs. Essie M. Luckie at Iredell. Later information received by the News Review was to the effect that the serviceman had arrived at Iredell.

Those Waves down at the Coast Guard Base at Key West, Florida, are certainly getting careless. Here we come to find that a home-town boy, Gerald C. Griffiths, has been promoted from second class to first class Mail Specialist some time ago, and nary a word from them.

The Coast Guardsman is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Griffiths, head of the brain factory at Duffan. They are hoping their son will get leave and come home again some time about June. We do too.

LT. Irvin Poff, who has been stationed at Pecos Army Air Field since he returned from overseas in the Atlantic as a pilot on B-17's, has been transferred to the Air Transport Command, with orders to report at Love Field, Dallas, the first of this week. He and his wife, the former Miss Zella Williams, visited here last week end with relatives and friends. They left Sunday to visit in Springfield, Mo. with his relatives.



By DON WELDON

Texans of the famed 36th Division set new records in Naziland last week when they spearheaded the final allied drive against the fanatical Germans caught in last-stand pockets. They added many hundreds more to the list of prisoners taken by the division, and topped their many battle accomplishments by capturing German General von Runstedt, the former commander of Hitler's western forces.

The high-ranking Nazi, who planned the surprise attack of the bulge last December, told his captors that he was retired, and his story was borne out by the fact that he was in civilian clothes when taken.

If all the Germans forced into "retirement" by the 36th Division were laid end to end, it would probably be good for the world, and the line would be long enough to reach around Hitler's once-powerful but now beaten homeland.

A Texan also helped capture the infamous Dachau prison, where the Nazis held more than 32,000 men, women and children in conditions too horrible to describe. When men of the 42nd and 45th Divisions rolled up to the concentration camp on tanks, long-tom rifles and every other sort of vehicle that would carry troops, Lt. Col. Walter Fellenz of San Antonio was in the front of the line. Fellenz and his fellow Americans quickly took over the horror camp and freed its horde of pitiful captives.

And back home in Texas, a warning was issued against any let-down at the end of the European war. Judge Ben H. Powell, president of the United War Chest of Texas, reminded Texans that the big part of the war... that against Japan... still must be won before our men can come home to rest on their laurels.

"Our boys will be transferred to the Pacific as soon as possible," he said, "and must keep on fighting until the Japs are conquered. They will strike hard and fast, for a hard and fast attack means a quicker end to the war—and fewer American casualties."

"It is our job here at home to strike hard, too, in our campaigns to support our fighting men. The war chest is now laying plans for its annual drive for funds with which to support the USO, War Prisoners Aid, and the 19 other agencies of the National War Fund which serve our fighting men, our allies, and war victims throughout the world."

"As the fighting men do their job abroad, so must we do ours on the home front!"

Texas air fighters in Italy took time off recently to celebrate Texas Independence Day with a dinner staged at Naples. Before a Lone Star flag made for them by Red Cross girls, Sgt. Eddie Cope, Capt. L. S. Wilkerson, Bill McGill, and Maj. James H. Parks sliced a big cake imprinted with the words, "The Eyes of Texas." Then they ended the celebration by singing Texas songs.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Scott and Von received word that their son and brother, Wendol W. Scott, had been promoted to Fireman First Class. He has been in the Navy just six months. He is 18 years old, and finished high school at Alexander, and business college at Brantley-Draughon in Fort Worth. He never missed a day of school, nor was he ever tardy in all his school days. He is in the Marshall Islands, at Kwajalein.

Mrs. K. P. Thomas and daughter, Sandra Ann, left Monday for McAllen, Texas, where she will meet her husband, Capt. K. P. Thomas, who is coming home on leave. Captain Thomas has been overseas for 33 months, and has never seen his baby daughter. Mrs. Thomas has been here in the home of her mother, Mrs. Guy Eakins, since January, and also worked in Dot's Beauty Parlor.

Pvt. Perry E. Raby, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Lambert of Hico, and son of Mrs. Bertha Lambert of Waco, was liberated from a German prisoner camp on April 14. In a note to his mother he said: "I am at the present hospitalized, but three of my buddies were liberated at the same time by the Yanks. We were shouting and crying with joy and were so happy that we knew not what to do."

Mrs. D. E. Bullock of San Bernardino, California, is here to visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Williams. Her husband, who entered the Navy last December, has been ill most of the time and is still in the hospital at Arrowhead Springs, Calif., and he says: "It is a beautiful place, but it is not very pretty looking from the inside of a hospital out."

Navy Still Needs Large Number of Men for Training

The Navy still needs a large number of young men to train for special duties. Commander Dan Henry, officer in charge, emphasized in correspondence this week to recruiters of the Dallas recruiting district.

"Although the opportunity to enlist in the Navy for general service is more limited than ever before, the need for radio technicians and radar men is even greater, and this enlistment quota is unlimited," Comdr. Henry said. "Men who have the aptitude and perseverance to study to qualify for the Eddy test are not stymied by a restricted quota or by the rules that bar assignment to the Navy of inductees 18 to 20 years of age."

Parents and friends of men eligible for the services could do their loved ones a good turn by encouraging them to visit Navy recruiting stations for information and then to prepare themselves for the Eddy test by studying the suggested subjects. In several localities, parents and teachers have been instrumental in causing high schools and colleges to set up special refresher classes for young men interested in radio and radar as war-time and post-war professions. From these classes have come most of the successful applicants for the Navy training program," the commander pointed out.

For further information call or contact the Navy recruiting station in the Post Office Building, Waco, Texas.

Mad Italian Dictator Dead



The body of Benito Mussolini, one time dictator of Italy, and that of his mistress, Clara Petacci, lie on the sidewalk in Milan square, where they were dumped by partisans who executed them. Partisan soldiers fight to keep back crowd trying to spit upon and kick their former dictator.

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