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Italy; Germany Declare War On U. S. A.

Italy preceeded Nazi Germany with a declaration of war against the United States early Thursday morning. Benito Mussolini made the declaration for Italy in a brief, five-minutes address whereas Hitler spoke almost an hour and a half.

The U. S. Congress, expecting such actions, is expected to retaliate with a Declaration of War against the Axis powers immediately upon opening Thursday. As yet no hostilities has begun but Hitler stated that Germany would retain her reputation of "always strike first," to deal the first blow.

U. S. DECLARES WAR ON JAPAN

War was declared on Japan Monday after that nation loosed its armed forces on American and British territories in the Pacific Sunday.

Japanese bombers attacked the Phillipine Islands, Hawaiian Islands, and others in the Pacific Sunday without any warning what-so-ever, and have continued attacking since that time. However with the recovery from the surprise of the first attack, U. S. forces began repulsing Japan's advances, and reports from officials state that the situation is well in hand.

Japan claims phenominal victories; the sinking of several ships, battleships, destroyers, smaller craft, and a submarine, and about 200 planes. These reports have not been confirmed in their entirity. Two British warships, the Prince of Wales and the Repulse, were sunk and a description of the sinking reported by Cecil Brown, CBS reporter who was aboard the Repulse. Heavy losses have been suffered by America, officials admit, but they warn civilians not to believe all unconfirmed reports since many of them are wholly untrue and spread to break morale in America.

WEST COAST BLACKED OUT

Wednesday night the state of California, from Bakersfield to San Diego, was in darkness. A Japanese aircraft carrier believed to be near the American coast and threatened bombing in California caused this first blackout, principally a trial, to be a success although not 100% complete.

FBI INVESTIGATE LIGHTS

During the blackout at Los Angeles, regular flashes of light were observed and the observer, a Los Angeles woman, took pictures of the lights and turned the film over to the F.B.I. for investigation. The light flashes are thought to possibly be code messages from a fifth columnist to the enemy planes.

F.B.I. agents also are cooperating with Mexican officials in investigation of reports of armed bands of Japanese in Mexico's Lower California.

WALES; REPULSE SINKINGS

Following are parts of the report of the sinkings of the Prince of Wales and of the Repulse, British battleships, as witnessed by Cecil Brown, Columbia Broadcasting System news reporter:

Brown, only American witness to the catastrophe, said "I was aboard the Repulse when fire broke out. Jap bombers came over in waves, dropping bombs. I saw six Japanese bombing planes go down in flames." Brown reports that there was no panic on the Repulse; sailors exclaimed "The Japs are crosseyed" after misses, and "Here they come—let's get 'em."

The ship was crippled and afire; the order was given, "Prepare to abandon ship. God be with you." Those able then dived or slid into the oily waters. When Brown hit the water the chrystral of his watch broke and the watch stopped at 12:35. Sailors had thrown all objects that would float overboard to

hang to while swimming to larger floats and rescue ships.

"While swimming away from the ship, I looked back and saw several heads near the stern." When the ship rose into the air and went down, those men went with it, unable to fight the 'draw'.

Over 2000 of the some 3000 aboard the two ships are reported to have been saved.

BOMBER PRODUCTION DOUBLE

OPM director William S. Knudsen announced that production of long range bombers would be increased from 500 to 1000 per month, working 24 hours a day—7 days a week.

NO NEW TIRES

An order was issued Wednesday to prohibit sale of new tires, except defense orders, from Dec. 11 to 22, during which time regulations for restricted sales will be drafted.

DRAFT RE-CLASSIFICATIONS

Announcements have been made that Selective Service Draft Boards will make drastic changes in present classifications. These changes are expected to mostly affect 3-A classifications and men over 28.

Home Guard To Have Field Maneuvers Near Matador Sunday

The Spur and Dickens companies of the Texas Defense Guard will join companies from Childress, Matador, and Turkey in field maneuvers near Matador Sunday afternoon.

The four companies will be divided into red and blue divisions and receive training in scouting, attack, and defense. The objectives will be: red army to hold a strip of highway under its control; blue army to attack and gain control of designated highway.

The T. D. G. company will gather on the Spur Security Bank corner at 11:00 a. m. to leave for Matador.

GEORGE GABRIEL; SONS ILL

George Gabriel and two sons, Franklin and Max, are quite ill with the flu and confined to their home in McAdoo.

Young Franklin, who has been seriously ill and for a time thought to be developing pneumonia, is much improved, and Mr. Gabriel and Max are showing some improvement.

Rep. George Mahon Supports Bill To Prevent Strikes

In a report from Washington Representative George Mahon states that he voted for the bill designed to prevent defense strikes which passed the House last week. Mahon for months had advocated action by the President and Congress against strikes and delays in defense production.

He said that a handful of racketeers should not be permitted to wreck the program of the overwhelming majority of the American people; that the legislature was also designed to be helpful to the great mass of patriotic workers.

The American people are aroused, he asserted, and action is necessary in order to make the defense program effective and in order to promote unity among our people.

The bill passed the House by a vote of 252 to 136 and was referred to the Senate. A majority of those opposing the bill were from industrial areas.

W. C. GRUBEN ILL

W. C. Gruben, of the Gruben Drug and Jewelry Company, has been ill and confined to his home here since Monday. We are glad to report however that his condition is not considered serious at this time.

Farmers To Vote On Referendum Sat. December 13th

On December 13, cotton farmers of Dickens County and all over the cotton growing South will answer the question: "Do you favor cotton marketing quotas?" The importance of this vote cannot be over-emphasized. Every eligible voter should participate in this year's referendum.

In the first place higher cotton prices in effect this year may give producers the impression that quotas are not necessary. However, this increased price of cotton, is largely due to controlled acreage and loans set on a basis of 14.60 per pound on cotton.

Secondly, during periods of emergency such as we are going through today has a tendency to cause producers to overlook the importance of voting. If quotas are approved, two-thirds of the farmers voting must favor quotas.

Thirdly, although we have great need for increased production, of certain food and feed crops, we already have an overwhelming surplus of cotton. Rejection of quotas and piling up additional surpluses would seriously damage the Farm Defense Program.

Dickens County farmers may vote at any of the following places: Dickens—Court House Afton—Patton Springs School House Croton—Community House Spur—Directors Room of Bank McAdoo—McAdoo Mercantile Glenn—Dobkins Gin.

Mrs. C. R. Gollihar Seriously Burned

Mrs. C. R. Gollihar, of McAdoo, is in West Texas Hospital at Lubbock, recovering from serious burns received Sunday night at her home in McAdoo.

Mrs. Gollihar is reported to have been preparing for bed, and while standing too near the fire, her clothes ignited and burned her badly.

SPURITES ATTEND FIFTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY OF MR. AND MRS. CHAS. BIRD

Persons from Spur attending the Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary celebration of Mr. and Mrs. Chas Bird at their ranch home near Matador Monday were: Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Bird, Mrs. Nell Davis, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Love, W. D. Starcher, Mrs. W. L. Hyatt, and Miss Ella Garner.

Spur High School Basketball Schedule

basketball team's 1941-42 schedule: Following is the Spur High School

December 12—Paducah*

December 16—Rails

January 2—Matador*

January 6—Lockney*

January 13—Floydada*

January 16—Crosbyton

January 20—Paducah

January 21—Rails*

January 23—Matador

January 27—Lockney*

February 3—Floydada

February 6—Crosbyton*

*—Home Games

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Mrs. Hughes, who went by plane to Alabama last week to attend her father, Mr. Pryor, who at that time was critically ill, returned Tuesday to her home in Spur. Mrs. Hughes reports her father's condition is not considered serious at this time.

Hairgrove Feed And Hatchery Damaged By Fire Tuesday Night

A fire in the Mill department of Hairgrove Feed & Hatchery caused damage estimated to be between \$1500 and \$2000 Tuesday night about nine o'clock. Cause of the fire has not been determined.

Dee R. Hairgrove, owner, stated that the damage to the building and machinery had not been checked close enough Wednesday to give an accurate estimate, but that seeds and feed valued over \$500 was ruined and that the primary check on machinery and store indicated over a thousand dollar damage. The loss is only partially covered by insurance.

Red Cross Asks For \$1,400 War Fund From Dickens Co.

A telegram was received at 10:10 a. m., Tuesday by Reverend John C. Ramsay, Chairman, Dickens County Chapter, American Red Cross, from Mr. Norman H. Davis, National Chairman, in Washington, D. C., asking this County for Fourteen Hundred Dollars. This is in addition to the \$1,000 raised recently under the leadership of Clyde Walhall, who raised this amount as the annual roll call memberships. The former is the Emergency War objective.

The Telegram is as follows:
"The Reverend John C. Ramsay, Chairman Dickens County Chapter, American Red Cross, Spur, Texas:
"Again the American Red Cross is called upon to serve our nation in war. Both nationally and locally we face vast and definite responsibilities for service to our armed forces and for relief to distressed civilians. To provide essential funds Red Cross today is launching a campaign for War Fund of minimum of Fifty Million Dollars. The President will issue on Friday a proclamation supporting this appeal. Your chapter quota is \$1,400. Chapters may retain 15% their collections for local war relief expenditures. Chapter should at once devote full efforts to raising their quotas in shortest possible time. Please report action taken. We must not and shall not fail in this crisis."

Norman H. Davis, National Acting Chairman American Red Cross, Washington, D. C.
Lieutenant Jack Christian is the Chairman of the War Fund Campaign. Mr. Christian is commanding officer of the local Texas Defense Guard for the county. Definite plans will be announced later. But it goes without saying that Dickens County will reach her quota and will not flinch at the additional task assigned her. Under the efficient leadership of Mr. Christian success will be assured. Let us all do our share to help him, reaching down into our pockets to do our utmost, even if it hurts.

And perhaps the expression, "the good old days," was right at that. At least as far as the cowhands and their fair ladies were concerned. About all they had to do was to bed down the calves and cows, don their best fashions of the 80's and go to Anson for a very pleasant evening of entertainment at the Cowboys Christmas Ball on December 18, 19 and 20 when the cowhands and their ladies from all around gather in and dance to such tunes as "Sallie Good'n", "Waggoner," "Old Joe Clark" and other tunes so popular with those who like the old time dances.

Today, just as in by-gone days, the music is the same, the dances are the same, and the good old times are had, too; but the crowd is far different. However, they still come "toggied out gorgeous" in the fashions of the eighties—even now attics are being ransacked, old trunks opened and the ample skirts and tight-legged trousers are being taken out of the moth balls so that they will be in readiness for the Cowboys' Christmas Ball on December 18, 19, and 20 at Anson.

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VISITORS AT CAMP BOWIE

Mrs. R. L. Alexander and son, Rex, returned Sunday night from Brownwood where they spent the day with First Lt. Bob Alexander, another son, and brother, at Camp Bowie, and also visited with Col. Bob Alexander Hale, a nephew of Dr. R. L. Alexander.

Mrs. Alexander reported a most enjoyable visit with her sons with one exception, the broadcast of Guam, Honolulu and Pearl Harbor being bombed by the Japs.

11 Selectees To Go To Dallas Dec. 17 For Examinations

Following is a list of eleven Selectees who will go to Dallas, Texas, December 17 for Army examination.

These boys will not be inducted until January 26th, 1942 unless further instructions from headquarters are received by the local board.

807—Woodrow Wilson Swaringen
875—Charlie Roy Bachman
898—Howard Olan Butler
906—Travis Bernard Hoover
944—Levin Lawson Pullen
S-971—J. D. Owens
991—Curtis Raymond Cooper
966—James Richard McArthur
27—Fred Dennis Springer
96—Joseph Eldred Cornett
109—Willard Henry Williams

Dickens To Have Modern Tourist Camp Soon

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Mayberry, of Wallace, Idaho, last week purchased of Dr. and Mrs. T. H. Blackwell, the "Y" on the Spur - Lubbock highway, one mile west of Dickens.

Mr. and Mrs. Mayberry plan to improve their acreage of 22½ acres as a tourist park, put in a grocery store and filling station, and tourist cabins with modern conveniences.

Joe Allison, foster father of Mrs. Mayberry, negotiated the transaction while here from his home in Lubbock Friday.

Cowboys' Xmas Ball At Anson To Be Held Dec. 18-19-20

The romance of the wide-open range will be relived in Anson again during the Cowboys' Christmas Ball on December 18, 19 and 20 when the cowhands and their ladies from all around gather in and dance to such tunes as "Sallie Good'n", "Waggoner," "Old Joe Clark" and other tunes so popular with those who like the old time dances.

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MRS. M. W. CHAPMAN ABLE TO BE UP FOLLOWING ILLNESS

Mrs. M. W. Chapman, who has been quite ill and confined to bed the past several weeks, is now much improved and able to be up some.

23 YEARS AGO

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Remarkable remarks:
P. T. Barnum—The American
people like to be humbugged.

Mark Twain—Everybody talks
about the weather but nobody does
anything about it.

Bob Fitzsimmons, the smallest
man who was ever world's heavy-
weight champion prizefighter—The
bigger they are, the harder they
fall.

Vice President Tom Marshall—
What this country needs is a good
5-cent cigar.

Herbert Hoover—A chicken in
every pot and two cars in every
garage.

The Governor of North Carolina
to the Governor of South Carolina—
It's a h--- of a long time between
drunks.

If you aren't wearied by personal
reminiscences (which any seasoned
news-gatherer can match or surpass
from his store of experiences), here's
one more. The postmaster came into
the Ranger Times office one day
years ago when I was editor, and
remarked, just incidentally, that
there had been a bomb scare at the
postoffice. One of the clerks had
reported, "We've got an infernal
machine." Sure enough you could
hear the ticking, like clock-work.
The postmaster soaked the parcel
in water (as he had read was the
police procedure) and then removed
the cord and paper, revealing a
tin bucket with a lid of the kind
that takes a knife-blade to pry off.
The ticking was plainer now.

The other members of the force
stood back—after all, he was post-
master and was drawing the most
money; besides, his wife was not as
valuable as a good Democrat's, any-
how—(this was in the Herbert
Hoover Days).

He pried the lid off—and the
mystery was solved: the pail was
almost full of Mexican jumping
beans, which were bouncing against

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Survey Gives Soldier's "Rules" For Good Morale In Army Camps

HERE are the American soldier's own specifications for good army "morale":

1. Fair treatment.
2. Complete "freedom and variety" when on leave.
3. Decent, hospitable attitudes among local townspersons near camps, making him feel he's "as good as anyone else."
4. First class training and straight talk from his superiors on what the war is about, so he can feel he's getting something tangible out of his experience in the army.

These "rules" are based on findings made in a dozen training camps and all sorts of places outside by Aiden Stevens, widely experienced sociologist and writer. His report appeared in Survey Graphic.

"The building of army camp morale calls for positive action now," Stevens declares. "You have to provide the conditions that make for good morale—then you will get it. No mere words cooked up in Washington are going to be effective unless the fundamental requirements for good morale are present."

the sides and top of the bucket!

That story went all over the country—and the postmaster got a bunch of orders from the East for jumping beans.

About people you know: Governor Coke Stevenson, recently "vetoing" the suggestion he make a long trip by plane, said he'd rather drive so he could stop along the way and visit at the filling stations.

R. T. Craig, veteran editor of the Athens Review, has retired, temporarily, it is to be hoped—in order to obtain a needed rest. Judge Ralph Yarborough of Austin earned his first dollar by turning a big press by hand for Craig.

And modest, capable Garland A. Smith, Caldwell editor and president of the South Texas Press Association, has been appointed chief clerk of the Texas Treasury.

"Beneath this stone, a lump of clay
Lies Uncle Peter Daniels,
Who too early in the month of May
Took off his winter flannels."

There are two sets of factors bearing on morale, Stevens finds:

- 1—camp and training; 2—recreational.
- A number of things enter into the latter "and one of them is simply the relative sizes of the camp and the nearest town."

"Most men want to get away from any planned recreation," Stevens says, "and anything with a welfare or social tint is unpopular. The only group of people who have furnished the army with something else to do are the private operators of tent-shows, carnivals, roller-skating rinks and, most of all, the juke joints.

"There is no more thoroughly American institution than the juke joint, with its freedom, complete informality, and democratic camaraderie.

"Some of the juke joints need control. The United Brewers Industrial Foundation . . . the beer manufacturers' conscience . . . which is running a nationwide campaign for moderation, especially near camps, is serving to keep many of the proprietors within proper bounds, and to improve local regulation where it has been slack."

Different epochs in world history have been known as the stone age, the bronze age, the steel age and so on. This era may be known as the canned juice age. Just a few years ago, tomato juice was about the only kind that was canned. Now you can get pineapple juice, orange juice, grapefruit juice, kraut juice, and carrot juice (heavens!).

By what process of reasoning does a man become an authority on world affairs and rate a nationwide radio hookup just because, years ago, he flew across the Atlantic?

Or, for that matter, does the fact that a man has made a lot of automobiles and a lot of money make his views of any special importance on any subject except automobiles and money?

And though you can write me down as one—who, like Abou Ben Adam—loves his fellow man, I have difficulty in stretching that affection to include men who never served a day of their lives on a newspaper yet blossom forth as national-syn-

Civilian Defense To Be Rushed To War-Time Basis

San Antonio, Dec. 10—Governors of states in the Eighth Corps Area were urged today by R. E. Smith, Area Director of the United States Office of Civilian Defense, to recruit all civilian defense services to full war strength.

In telephone calls from his San Antonio headquarters, Director Smith suggested to Governors that state defense councils be convened immediately to perfect civilian defense recruiting and to take inventory of civilian defense organization progress in their respective states.

Governors called by Mr. Smith indicated columnists.

There was an old lady of Wooster Who was often annoyed by a rooster. She cut off his head. Until he was dead, And now he don't crow like he used to.

I've always liked the paradox, "All generalizations are false— including this one."

And there was the fellow who exclaimed, "I'm a perfect fool" but a friend said, "Oh, no—nobody is perfect."

are Coke Stevenson of Texas, Leon Phillips of Oklahoma, Ralph Carr of Colorado, John E. Miles of New Mexico, and Sidney Osborne of Arizona.

"I have asked the Governors and the state civilian defense councils to do everything possible to have such efficiency that operations under their direction cannot be questioned," Mr. Smith said. "I am suggesting that all state councils take an inventory of the progress of organization in their states, and to proceed with instructions as they see fit where local organizations and training facilities have not been perfected."

"To each state in this area, the Regional Office of Civilian Defense at San Antonio is available to supply such assistance as might be necessary in perfecting organizations and in the institution of civilian defense protection training. State councils needing such assistance have been advised to inform us immediately and steps will be taken to provide organizational help and instruction."

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Virginia Johnson
Dorothy Kelley
Ouida Lisenby
Jean Morgan
Mildred Neaves
Winona Pace
Bonnie Doyle Turpen
Bob Weaver
Harland Weaver
Elmer White
Betty Woodrum

Seniors, B Average:

James Victor Allen
Stephen Barclay
Billy Ray Barrett
Nadyne Brewer
Genet Byrd
Jessye Choate
Louise Clower
Lillie Fern Delisle
Iwannah Drennen
Donald Elliott
Charles Ensey
Francis Latham
Margaret Lusk
Johnny McClain
Charlene McClellan
Mable Massey
Betty Jo Miller
Yuba Lee Parks
Maxine Sandlin
T. C. Sandlin
Eldon Smith
Homer Ray Smith
Lewis Ray Smith
Pete Swaringen
Bobbie Lou Watters
Duwayne Willard

Juniors, A Average:

Allie Beth Arthur
Marvin Blair
Pat Christal
Melba Lewis
Elizabeth Ramsay
Alfred Walker
Marie Whitwell

Juniors, B Average:

Billy Addy
Grace Boothe
Alva Nell Bilberry
Wilburn Brashear
A. B. Carlisle
Collette Davis
Paul Draper
Dale Fry
Keith Garner
Jewel Garrett
Mellie Gilmore
Carl Grantham
Robbie Hoover
Evelyn Lewis
Winford Morrow
Rose Eileen Petty

Sophomores, A Average:

Virgil Rogers
Johnny Rucker
Billy Scott
Billy S. Smith
Melvo Jo Swaringen
Peggy Sweeney
Robert Ward
Leonard Wilson

Sophomores, B Average:

Mildred Burger
Pete Dobbins
Pike Dobbins
Ruby Duboise
Dollie Hagins
Doris Taylor
Patsy Turpen
George Walker
Geraldine Wright
William P. Yarbrough

Eunice Denson
Jimmie Draper
Gillene Elkins
Lane Ericson
Cecilia Fox
Frank Franklin
Sammie Graves
Henry Grubben
Jack Hogan
Thurmond Moore
Wilma Dee Nix
Shirley Powell
Lou Emma Shugart
Jimmie Vernon
Bettye Weaver

Freshmen, A Average:

Alvis Adcock
Doyle Akin
Zane Freeman
Billy Joe McCombs
Frank McNeill
Jackie Rector
Norma Thurston

Freshmen, B Average:

J. E. Bachman
Aline Ball
Joy Christensen
Virginia Crockett
Billie Louise Conway
Jerrie Condron
Genetta Dement
Billy Glenn
Emma Pearl Grubben
Marjorie Hagins
Nelda Jo Hindman
Eurena Hoover
Gwendolyn McAlpine
Billy Joe McMahan
Vera Doris Pickens
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Presbyterian Church
John C. Ramsay, Minister

10 a. m. Morning Worship and the Word. Sermon: "Security of Him Who Puts His Trust in Jehovah." This is a message to those who feel keenly the shock of World War Number Two, and who wish to find God's help in this tragic hour.

3 p. m. Outpost Mission

6:30 p. m. Kingdom Highways League, Mrs. Pete Robinson, Adult Advisor

7:30 p. m. Evening Worship and the Word. Sermon: "What meaneth then this bleating of the sheep and the lowing of the oxen?"

Mid-Week Prayer Meeting Wednesdays at 7:15 p. m.

Woman's Auxiliary at 4 p. m., Mondays.

Surely with the first dispatches of the approach of an awful War and all that that means no man who really desires the truest relief can afford to remain absent from his accustomed place of worship and prayer at the Throne of Grace.

Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Wooten of Amarillo, were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ned Hogan, of Spur, and Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Wooten, of McAdoo.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Higginbotham, of Post, were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ned Hogan.

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Spur, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Martin, former Spur citizens of Spur, and who for the past few years have been making their home in Houston, arrived Thursday of last week to spend a week or ten days visiting relatives and friends in Spur and surrounding territory.

Gener L. Byrd is here on a furlough visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Byrd. He is a mechanic in the Army Corps and is stationed at Fort MacArthur, San Pedro, California.

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December 10th*

Kiddies, be sure to see Santa Claus in Spur next Wednesday and tell him what you want for Christmas. He will have lots of candy for you and also presents for the grown folks.



Appreciation Days

The Merchants of Spur wish to show their appreciation to the people in this trade territory this year, and

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Spur Civic Club



Grandma Gilmore Honored With Shower Sunday

Grandma Gilmore was joyfully surprised Sunday morning, December 7th when Mrs. Westerman presented her with a Grab Bag, just after Mrs. Rickles had read an article on "Friendship." And we are sure that those who sent gifts were made just as happy in knowing they had a part in gladdening the heart of this dearly beloved pioneer mother. It would have been impossible for all her friends to have participated in this shower, for her friends are known by her acquaintance, and Grandma is known "far and near." We hope that none of her cowboy and other friends will be offended because it was impossible to contact all of you.

We have not known Grandma nearly so long as some of you, but have learned to love and appreciate her both as a friend and neighbor.

She is ninety years old, and a shut-in, as most of us know, and can't enjoy the out of doors. But those who sent gifts brought sunshine into her heart and home.

Old friends! What a multitude of deep and varied emotions are called up from the soul by the utterance of these two words! What happy memories of other days, crowd the brain when they are spoken. How they carry us to other scenes and other places.

Friendships which are born in adversity are more firm and lasting than those in happiness, hence, true friendship can only be molded by the experience of time.

Those sending gifts were: Mrs. Emma Shields, McAdoo; Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Jones, Morton; Rev. and Mrs. O. Pierce Clark, Lubbock; Miss Ella Garner, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hyatt, Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Hale, Mrs. Fred Horsbrugh, Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Costolow, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McDaniel, Mrs. Susan Cross, Dr. and Mrs. T. H. Blackwell, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Ericson and sons, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Snider, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Shepherd and mother Mrs. G. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Sam McGaughy, Mr. and Mrs. T. N. Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Bingham, Mrs. M. A. Meador, Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Meador, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Albin, Mrs. W. W. Ellis, Mrs. S. J. Shockley, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. S. Link and son, Geo. S., Jr., Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Collier, Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Atkeison, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Morrison, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. J. L. King, Mr. L. N. Riter, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Patton, Mrs. J. Smith, Mrs. Mary Johnson, Mrs. Eliza Self, Mrs. Lottie Dobson, Mr. Ned Bowers, Mrs. Pat Pentecost, Tucumcari, N. M.; Mrs. Kate Buchanan, Mrs. C. Fite, Mrs. F. N. Oliver, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Clay, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Caraway, Mrs. Minnie Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Starcher, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Garrett, Mrs. Ann McClure, Mrs. Potts, Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Henson, Avoca; Mrs. J. H. Grace, Helen and son, Ray Williams, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Wetherman, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Rickels, —Reported.

Wooten Family Have Family Reunion Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Wooten entertained Sunday with a reunion of the Wooten family.

Dinner was served at noon to members of the family including Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Wooten, of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Noble Hunsucker and two small sons of McAdoo, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Hurst, of Abilene, and Mr. W. C. Hunsucker, of McAdoo, and Mrs. Era Foster, of Spur.

J. D. Powell, of Fort Worth spent several days in Spur the latter part of last week looking after business interests and visiting his sons, Luther, and Charley Powell and family.

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FOUR FREEDOMS

Our Heritage and Our Goal

THE Bill of Rights is a hundred and fifty years old, which is a natural occasion for retrospect. But it is a minor reason compared with the peril which must be surmounted if these rights are to be preserved.

Rights that have been safe for a hundred and fifty years are not for that reason safe for two hundred years.

It took sacrifice and heroism to establish them. Through the recurring crises of a century and a half, they have been kept intact in the letter, and most of the time in the spirit.

Today these rights are the essence of a world struggle, which will decide whether the current of the future turns sharply against individual rights. A review of the hundred and fifty years of cherished freedoms should spur the inheritors to as great endeavor to maintain them.

President Roosevelt's four freedoms are more than a summary of the Bill of Rights. Freedom of worship and expression are there explicitly. Freedom from fear is there as regards domestic tyranny, with security against the suspension of legal safeguards. Fear of a foreign tyrant, or a foreign doctrine of tyranny, could hardly be guaranteed in such a document. Neither could the freedom from want. These are the goals which a long-free America is now dedicated to attain.

It is clear, the Bill of Rights would be lost in a world subject to tyranny. It also is clear that without the freedom from want, men will be tempted to forego other freedoms in the pursuit of economic security. So the sesqui-centennial of the Bill of Rights calls for more than reverent gratitude toward the past. It must be the reassertion of its bold spirit. It must carry forward the achievement of pioneers.

FREEDOM OF RELIGION

FREEDOM OF SPEECH

Top photos by Strosahl, Scherzer, U. S. Camera, Milwaukee Journal.

By Raymond Gram Swing

Chairman of the Council For Democracy



FREEDOM FROM WANT

Red Cross Votes To Raise \$1400 War Fund

Following is a copy of a telegram sent to Norman H. Davis, National Acting Chairman of the American Red Cross, by Rev. John C. Ramsay, Dickens County Red Cross Chairman:

"The Dickens County Chapter Executive Committee this morning voted unanimously to raise the war fund quota for the National Red Cross."

"We are 100% behind you and the President, and pray God's blessings be upon you in this our great crisis."

Signed
JOHN C. RAMSAY
Dickens County Chairman

CARD OF THANKS

Dear friends and relatives please accept my sincere thanks and appreciation for the lovely gifts I found in the Grab Bag you gave me Sunday morning, November 30th. It was such a joy to receive them, and I want you to know I love every one of you.

Grandma Meador

Mrs. Susan Loe returned last week to her home, two miles north of Spur, after a visit of several days with relatives and friends in Fort Worth.

Mesdames Lee Snodgrass and Horace Hodges spent Wednesday shopping in Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Hagens of Gilpin were business visitors to Spur Monday.

Mrs. D. I. Loe and daughter, Sue, of Afton, were shopping with Spur merchants and visiting with relatives and friends while here Friday.

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Mesdames Hill Perry and Roy Harkey spent Tuesday in Lubbock and Littlefield shopping; Mrs. Eldon Cook accompanied them to Lubbock to spend the day visiting her parents.

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RURAL TRENDS

ROGER M. KYES

AFTER THE WAR

Nobody knows how long the present war is going to last. There is no realistic basis upon which to make a prediction.

But one thing is certain—there is going to be an end to the struggle some time, and when that end does come, the world will go on living and working and trading.

Kyes

War always represents loss. The munitions of war are made for destruction. They destroy life and property, and are themselves destroyed in the process. They have no peace time value or use.

When the end does come, the whole world will have the job of reconstruction—of replacing what has been destroyed—and that will be a greater task after this war than we have ever before known.

Even though the United States is unlikely to be invaded, we shall have problems of reconstruction at home almost as serious as those of Europe, for we are expanding a very large proportion of our productive capacity making armaments and supporting armies. And we are likely to be called upon to contribute much out of our national wealth to the rehabilitation of less fortunate peoples.

Our government is even now planning for post-war activity, for a continuation of regular employment, for improvement in our American standard of living.

And many businesses, through far-sighted executive thinking, have gone far beyond the government itself in trying to gain a clear picture of post-war problems, and in planning to meet them.

It is not too difficult to foresee now what agricultural conditions will be. Our people are learning, even during these war years, to see how much better diet and better housing and better clothes contribute to national welfare and prosperity. We are seeing the beginnings of a vast plastics industry, using for much of its raw material the products of the farm. And we are already sending great supplies of agricultural products to warring nations, with the prospect of continuing to do so for many years to come.

There is almost no limit in sight to the demands that will be made upon American agriculture. Its future is bright. Its present position is strong, and becoming stronger.

This column believes that now, in these days of comparative prosperity, agriculture, too, should plan for the future.

That planning should certainly include a modernization of all America's farms. The farm is entitled to the same efficiency of machines and methods that we have in our factories. Now more than ever is the time for out-dated methods and antiquated machines to go— to be replaced by the greatly improved tools that are today available.

In this way we can insure agricultural production at lower costs, thus making possible, without any sacrifice of the farmer's income, a supply of farm products that will mean continuing health and efficiency—that supply to be within financial reach of all.

Darwin Sprauls, employee of the First National Bank of Lubbock and formerly with the Spur Security Bank was here Monday visiting his sister, Mrs. C. O. Fox and Mr. Fox, and friends here.

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CHILDREN'S MUSTEROLE MILD

Behind The Scenes In American Business

By JOHN CRADDOCK

NEW YORK, Dec. 8—VOLUME

It looks as though retail business—for the country as a whole—is getting close to the point where the gains it chalks up, week by week, will be accounted for only by the increased prices, and will not mean increased buying of actual goods. In areas not directly stimulated by defense-production employment and payrolls this point has been reached already. Overall, the weekly gains in store sales—which are measured in dollar volume—have been just about matching the average retail price increases. After Christmas, many executives fear, the actual net movement of goods across the counters may be less than in the same weeks a year before. Reasons: Sharp dent rising prices have put in purchasing power of fixed-income, white-collar folks; apprehension about taxes, payment on the large amount of installment buying undertaken earlier this year are now absorbing the surplus income of many families; summer's "beat the tax" shopping splurge got many persons unusually well stocked up on clothing, furnishings, staples.

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WASHINGTON—The strike-curbing bill of Rep. Howard Smith of Virginia, that passed the House by 252 to 136, was considered the most stringent of several Congress had to consider. The fact that it was sent to the labor committee of the Senate, rather than the judicial, lent weight to the opinion it would be considerably tamed down before reaching a Senate vote. Cheered to the echo by the National Association of Manufacturers convention when he appeared there after the House action, Smith quickly warned against assuming the bill was on behalf of manufacturers, said it was "on behalf of all Americans who believe in good and fair government." Bill Knudsen, director-general of OPM, had previously told the group: "... I can't for the life of me understand how in a period of national emergency such foolishness as this can go on... We are in a very good position regarding wages and working conditions. We have all kinds of work to do, and then we have to stop and argue about jurisdictional disputes and organizational disputes, and Heavens knows what..."

INDEPENDENT — American women are going to be much more independent, economically, after the war. So said experts at the Stephens College forum at Columbia, Mo., citing these factors: So much of today's work is machine-done, with accent on dexterity rather than muscle; vocational training of women is expanding rapidly, to fit them for jobs they'll obtain during the war, and retain afterwards; and industrial progress and invention are making ordinary household work for women relatively obsolete, so that more and more of this work will be done by "experts" working outside the home—while the "woman of the house" may be gainfully employed elsewhere. But in spite of this economic freedom, the conferees agreed that woman's "larger responsibilities" of guidance and moral strength—in family, civic and national matters—are being similarly increased by the war, and that these, too, will remain after the war. New techniques in training will be needed.

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REG'LAR FELLERS



ed to meet this situation, the Forum agreed.

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BITS O' BUSINESS—For the first five months of the present fiscal year (starting with July) the Treasury has taken in only about \$1 for every \$3 it has spent—defense expenditures account for about six and a third billion of the approximately nine billion put out. Dow Chemical company of Midland, Mich., gets "Chem and Met's" (trade magazine) Award for Chemical Engineering Achievement, because of its successful process for getting magnesium out of ocean water—more than 300,000,000 gallons a day are "sifted" at the Freeport, Tex., plant. U.S. soldiers in overseas bases from Iceland to Dutch Guiana will get free-playing juke boxes for Christmas—the Rudolph Wurlitzer company has presented 66 automatic

phonographs, requiring no nickles, to the Army Morale division for the outposts. Commerce Department says lenient interpretation of priorities restrictions provide ray of hope for non-defense building projects in 1942—the year may even come close to equaling 1941's record total of \$10,500,000,000 worth. Donald Nelson of SPAB calls on manufacturers to eliminate the "gadgets an gingerbread without substituting phony imitation frills" to make products look the same—said "the simplified, de-frilled product should

be made to stand up by itself, proud that it has been streamlined for defense."

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A Penny For His Thoughts

By Gene Byrnes



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Father Of Henry Alexander Died At Haskell

Haskell, (Spi) — F. G. Alexander, 86, pioneer resident and business man closely identified with the development of this section of West Texas since the early 80's, died at Haskell Friday afternoon at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ethel Irby.

He had been in ill health several years and had been confined to his bed for the past three months suffering with a serious heart ailment.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the First Methodist church, which was organized more than 50 years ago in a meeting held in his pioneer home near the present town of Haskell before the county was organized. The Rev. Kenneth Copeland, minister of the local church officiated, assisted by former pastors. Burial was in Willow cemetery with Jones Cox Funeral home in charge of arrangements.

Born Dec. 24, 1854, in Terrell county, Texas, Alexander, as a young man saw the opportunities offered in the sparsely settled West Texas country and came to Haskell county in 1884 to engage in the cattle business. He established the old Fluor D ranch near the Flat Top mountains of the Brazos and continued in the ranching business until 1898 when he opened a general merchandise store in Haskell. Extending his business ventures; Alexander established branch stores in a number of West Texas towns until his retirement in 1932.

During his long career as a business man and resident of Haskell, Alexander was in the forefront of every community enterprise, giving liberally of his time and means for their promotion. He is credited with securing the Wichita Valley railway line through Haskell and was a stockholder and director in the railroad at the time of his death.

MAYOR TWO TERMS

Alexander was likewise identified with early day community development enterprises, and was president of the Haskell Light and Ice co., first public utility concern operated in Haskell. In 1936 he was elected mayor of Haskell, a post which he held for two terms.

Immediate survivors of the Haskell county pioneer are: Henry Alexander of Spur, Mrs. Ethel Irby of Haskell, Postmaster W. B. Alexander of Seymour, Mathew C. Alexander of Fort Worth; Fred Alexander of El Paso; Mrs. W. C. Bickley of Abilene; Mrs. S. E. Hults of Newkirk, Okla.; Marvin Alexander of Odessa; 21 grandchildren and two great grandchildren also survive. —Abilene Reporter.

Another Cotton Christmas Idea

Munday, Dec. 9 — Peter Loran, who has traveled over many counties of the Texas Panhandle in the interest of using cotton bagging as a means of consuming more Texas-produced cotton, advances another idea for "Cotton Christmas."

"Of course we all want to back our governor in making this an "all-out cotton Christmas" and consuming as much of Texas own product as possible. Giving cotton gifts is a good move in this direction, but here's a suggestion by which Texas farmers can do more than that. . .

"Why not designate a Cotton Bagging Week—say the week of Christmas, December 21 to January 1—and every farmer be 100 per cent during this period?"

Mr. Loran has advocated cotton bagging for several seasons as a means of Mr. Farmer helping to consume his own products.

Xmas Plans Made For Underprivileged Children Here

The Ministers' Alliance of Spur met in the study of the First Baptist Church Monday, December 8th at 10 o'clock. Miss Cana Stephens, Secretary of the County Welfare Bureau and William McCombs, Scoutmaster of Troop 35, spoke to those present on the necessity for again helping at this Christmas the underprivileged children. It was believed that there are far fewer this year than in other years on account of the excellent cotton crop. Only about ten families are known.

It was agreed to ask all churches to announce on next Sunday, Dec. 14th to request that gifts for the poor be brought on the succeeding Sunday morning, December 21st, in the form of candies, fruits, nuts, and food and that these donations be given through the churches. Scouts will call at the churches and pack these into Christmas cartons, and they will be distributed early Christmas morning.

Any congregation or pastor who know of additional families who have not already been listed are asked to phone 257W immediately. Everybody who desires to help is asked to bring all candies, fruits, nuts and food to the church of your choice, so that as many extremely needy will enjoy Christmas. Please remember as the Scriptures have said "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Please remember also that toys will not be given this year. All help will clear through the Alliance, who maintains Scout Troop 35 Headquarters as its collecting center.

All pastors and leaders of all churches of Dickens County who wish to aid in this effort are hereby asked to make the above announcement on the Sunday indicated and to stress its importance and to communicate at once if their congregations will cooperate. Phone 257W.

Farm Debt Adjustment Committee Meets Today

An eleventh-hour chance for farmers to avoid having to move to another farm will be provided Thursday, December 11, when the Dickens County Farm Debt Adjustment and Tenure Improvement Committee holds its meeting, according to Mr. W. J. Collier, chairman.

Mr. Collier invited to the meeting any tenant farmer who is having trouble finding another farm and any landlord who desires help in arriving at a lease agreement with his tenants.

"In most cases the year-end move is costly both to the farmer who moves and the landlord he leaves," Mr. Collier said. "There's no reason for a farmer to leave one farm for another that is no better or even not as good, nor for a landlord to swap one tenant for another."

The Farm Debt Adjustment Committee, sponsored by the Farm Security Administration, offers tenant and landlords the benefit of their judgment in working out lease arrangements that work to the advantage of both parties. Another function is to help debt-burdened farmers and their creditors to arrive at equitable agreements to remain on the land and make a living.

The meeting will be held Thursday, Dec. 11, at 9:30 a.m. at Farm Security Administration office, Spur, Texas.

Uncle Eb Shaw, of Croton, was looking after business matters and greeting friends while in Spur Monday.

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Cotton Referendum December 13



A million or more cotton growers in 19 States will go to the polls on Saturday, December 13, to cast votes determining whether cotton marketing quotas will remain in effect. The outcome will be vitally important to every cotton-growing family in the nation. The national cotton program—of which marketing quotas have been a basic part for four years—this year enabled U. S. growers to get the best prices since 1929, despite temporary loss of most of our foreign markets due to the war. Quotas and loans are closely linked in the national cotton program, in that there can be no loans if farmers reject quotas in a referendum. Cotton loans in the past have been very effective in supporting prices, this year establishing a floor of 14 cents a pound. Any cotton producer can vote on December 13, whether owner, tenant, or sharecropper.

Former McAdoo Resident Killed In N. M. Auto Crash

Mrs. R. C. Moon, 28, of 802 West 8th Street, was fatally injured in an automobile crash at 8th and Lea at 8:42 a.m. today.

She died of a skull fracture a few minutes after being taken to St. Mary's hospital.

The car driven by Mrs. Moon, a 1938 Chevrolet coupe, collided with a 1931 Ford coach driven by Ray Curlee, 18, who escaped injury.

Mrs. Moon's 4-year old son and her sister, Miss Jessie Rich, were riding with her. The boy was not hurt. Miss Rich had a broken tooth and is suffering from shock. She is at St. Mary's hospital.

Mrs. Moon was driving east on 8th and Curlee was going south on Lea. Curlee's car hit Mrs. Moon's car on the left side at the rear, knocking it to the southeast corner of the intersection where the left front wheel struck the curb. Mrs. Moon was thrown from the car on to the parking. Neither car turned over.

Investigation made by police showed that apparently neither driver had applied brakes, and that apparently neither car was traveling at an excessive speed.

Ray Curlee, of 1803 North Garden Ave., is senior at Roswell high school, and was an outstanding player on the Coyote football team.

Authorities have not announced whether an inquest will be held.

Mrs. Moon had lived in Roswell for seven years. She was married six years ago to R. C. Moon, a city employee. Besides her husband and 4-year old son, Ruel Clarence Moon, she is survived by her mother, Mrs. Zora Rich of Roswell, six brothers and four sisters. Her brothers are J. B. Rich, Spur, Texas; A. E. Rich, Glenn, Texas; Leslie Rich, Muleshoe, Texas; and Robert, Hubert and Aubrey Rich, all of Roswell.

Her sisters are Mrs. Keatha Carothers, Mrs. Jewell Garman, Mrs. Willie Bellard and Miss Jessie Rich, all of Roswell.

Before her marriage, Mrs. Moon was Miss Ima Dell Rich.—Roswell Daily Record.

**SERVICES AT 2 P. M.
FOR MRS. R. C. MOON**

Funeral services for Mrs. Ima Dell Moon, wife of R. C. Moon, who was accidentally killed in an automobile early Wednesday morning on the corner of Eighth and Lea, will be held this afternoon at 2:00 o'clock from the Ballard Chapel with Dr. Roland T. Schaefer, pastor of the Trinity Methodist Church conduct-

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23 YEARS AGO—

(Continued From Page One)

Jim Foster, prominent ranchman of twelve miles northwest of Spur, was attending to business and greeting friends in Spur Monday.

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Sam Blair and family moved this week to Corpus Christi where they plan to make their home in the future.

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W. K. Harvey, of Camp Levier, Greenville, S. C. arrived home this week on furlough and will visit relatives and friends for a few days.

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B. A. Crego, of Dickens and Grundy Crego, of Croton, were visitors in Spur Tuesday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Dan Pritchett are in Wichita Falls, both ill of influenza.

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Excerpts from a letter of a Dickens County soldier boy enroute to France:

Dear Mother and Loved Ones at Home:

I am now 26 hours on the ocean. I started Sunday, October 27th.

The last things I saw in dear old U. S. A. was some tall buildings in New York City.

This will be a great trip for me if I am lucky to get back, which I believe I will. I have always believed I would be one of the lucky bunch.

Sunday Nov. 4th and I am still sailing but our officer said that we would land today.

I am a long ways from home but hope I can cross back over soon.

HARVEY S. HOLLY

P. S. I can see land one more time.

Navy Seeks 100 Mechanics For Aviation

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Abilene Reporter To Print Monday Paper

The Abilene Reporter-News will begin printing a Monday morning edition December 15, and will advance the mail subscription rates from \$4.95 to \$5.95 per year.

Great savings may be made this week; The Texas Spur, your local authorized agent offers The Abilene Reporter-News seven days a week by mail for the old price of \$4.95. This offer will not be good after Saturday, December 13. Also combination rates with The Texas Spur give you an additional savings up to \$3.00. Subscribe today.

Tom Black, wife and children spent the week end in Spur visiting his mother, Mrs. Drury and Mr. Drury, and her father and brothers, Mr. Barclay and sons. Mr. Black and family left Tuesday for El Paso where he hopes to find employment throughout the winter. From El Paso he plans to go to the West Coast and join his twin brother, Charlie Black.

Ferl Thomas, trainee at Fort Bliss who is on a furlough visiting his mother, Mrs. Ela Thomas, of Aspermont, was greeting friends in Spur Monday. Accompanying Ferl to Spur was his sister, Miss Jeffie Thomas, also of Aspermont.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McAtee were here Friday from their ranch home near Guthrie, spending several hours here buying supplies of the merchants and visiting relatives and friends.

ing the services. The choir from that church will furnish the music.

The casket bearers will be Alex DDunahoo, Aubrey Koonce, Leonard Clayton, Ted Shuman, Clyde Fulton, and Austin Freeman. Interment will be made in South Park Cemetery.

Mrs. Moon is survived by her husband and one child, Ruel Clarence, age four, by her mother, Mrs. Zora Rich, and by six brothers and four sisters, all of whom are here at this time to attend the services.

Mrs. Moon has been a resident of Roswell for the past seven years, coming here from McAdoo, Texas.

Six years ago she was united in marriage to R. C. Moon. They had just completed a new home at 802 West 8th Street and were living there at the time of her death.—Roswell Daily Record.

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Excerpts from a letter of a Dickens County soldier boy enroute to France:

Dear Mother and Loved Ones at Home:

I am now 26 hours on the ocean. I started Sunday, October 27th.

The last things I saw in dear old U. S. A. was some tall buildings in New York City.

This will be a great trip for me if I am lucky to get back, which I believe I will. I have always believed I would be one of the lucky bunch.

Sunday Nov. 4th and I am still sailing but our officer said that we would land today.

I am a long ways from home but hope I can cross back over soon.

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LOST—Ear Clip, gold with blue sets, between Spur Inn and Hill St. Reward for return to Texas Spur office.

1tp

FOR SALE—7-tube, battery set, Philco Radio.—See C. W. BRASHER.

1tp

FOR SALE or TRADE—40 acres, all in cultivation, some good alfalfa land, city water, high-line electricity; cistern; 6-room stucco house; 1 mile of city limits. Down payment, terms—See LEO PETTY, Ford House Spur, Texas, Po Box 583.

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FOR SALE—1935 Chevrolet Sedan, in storage at Sunshine Service Station. Barain for cash.

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LOST on streets of Spur, pair of black kid gloves with white jersey gores in fingers. Suitable reward for return to Texas Spur Office.

WILL SELL or TRADE—1 small kerosene heater; 1 upright heater, wood or coal; also fine Rhode Island rooster.—MRS. S. WILLIAMSON, Box 172, Glenn, Texas.

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STRAYED—7 pigs, 3 white and 4 black and white spotted, from ½ mile west of Dry Lake school house. If found notify HOLLIS BALLARD.

FOR SALE or TRADE—1932 Tudor Ford, 4-cylinder. Clean job throughout. Reasonable. — J. W. PICKENS.

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Mrs. E. D. Chambers was here Friday from her home near Afton. Mrs. Chambers reported good crops on her farms in the Afton country.

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