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A SANTA CLAUS OF LONG AGO

As I have said before, the pioneers of Sterling City were an honest, God-fearing people.

Of course we had our differences about religion and running the government, but we were all a unit about loving our neighbor and letting his wife alone.

We were sticklers for law and order in town and in this, most of us co-operated with the peace officers in maintaining the peace and dignity of the state and town.

In those days we had no automobiles, airplanes, telephones, or picture shows and clubs for entertainment, so the people made entertainment for themselves, and they usually made a good job of it.

During the summer season—which was from frost to frost—we conducted revivals. Each denomination took it turn about under the old bush arbor until most everybody got religion and joined the church of his choice.

When the weather got too cold to sit in the heatless meeting house and listen to long sermons, they resorted to dances, horseshoeing, shooting matches and other forms of amusement. By the time the lizards began to crawl and the mockingbirds began to hold concerts in the trees, a large per cent of youngsters had danced themselves out of the church and some of the oldsters had to be churched because of their bets on the gray horse.

Dancing, by some of the oldsters whose "joints" were too stiff to dance was considered a deadly sin, but before the frost had settled on the tomato vines next fall, most of them were safe back into the fold. But they were a fine set of youngsters as ever grew up on the range—even if they did dance.

During those days, the Sterling pioneers took the Christmas holidays seriously. No matter how poor a family was, it was sure of the makings of a Christmas dinner. No matter if a boy didn't have boots or shoes, he was always sure of money with which to buy fireworks. And he was sure to use those fireworks to suit his idea of having fun.

During one of the Yule seasons, the kids got so rough with Roman candles and cannon crackers that no one dared to cross the street without being chased with blazing Roman candles by these young roughnecks.

The sheriff and constable had been appealed to for protection, but they were told that there was no law against such conduct and that boys would be boys.

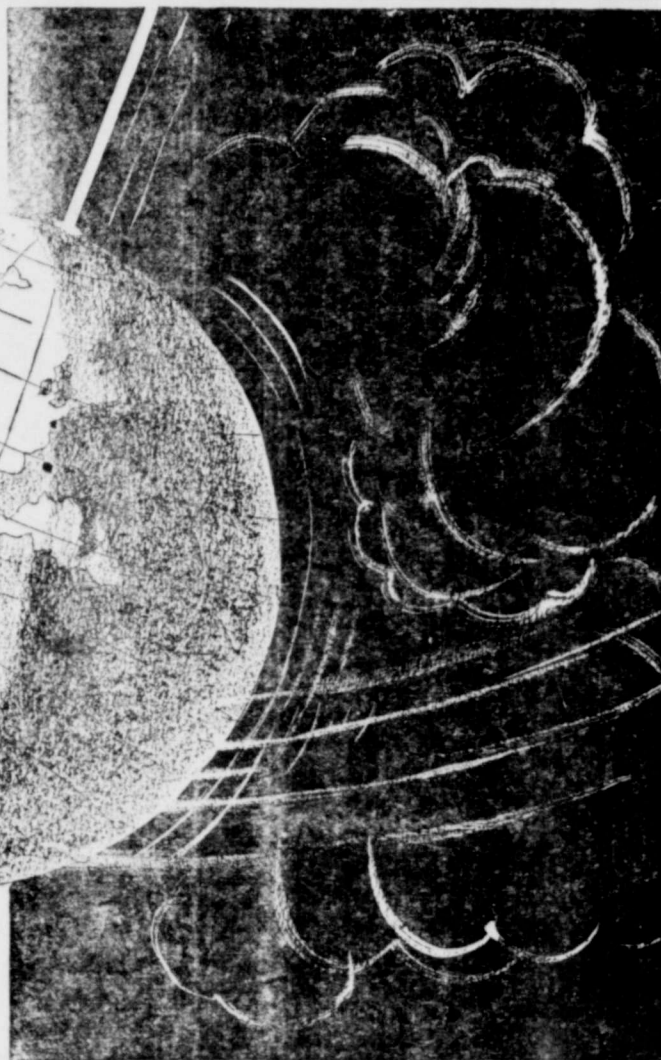
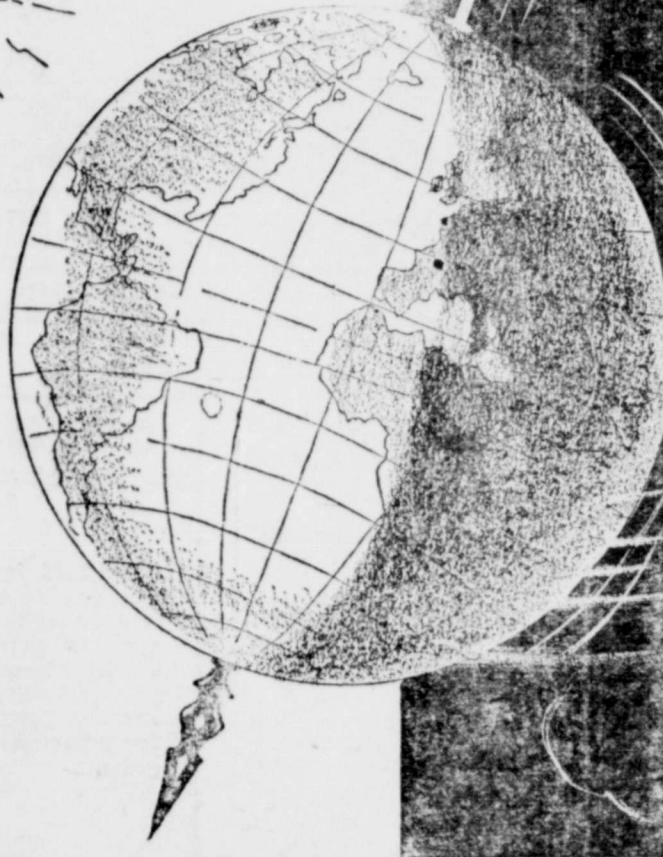
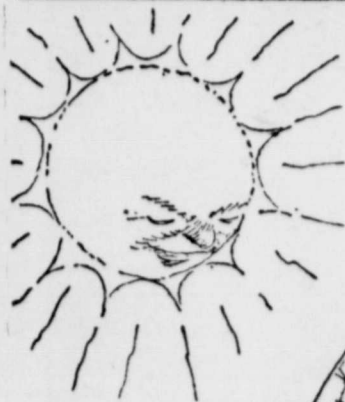
One night at the height of these orgies, an old man wearing a Santa Claus cap, a long overcoat and long whiskers, while crossing the court house plaza, was tackled by three buttons armed with Roman candles.

They lit their candles and charged the old man. At first, they kept at a safe distance, but one of them, bolder than the rest, charged up and attempted to fire in the old man's face. Then he grabbed the youngster by the nap of his neck, threw him down and drew a new cowhide, riding whip from under his coat and gave that boy the licking of his life. It was said that the kid had red marks all over his back and low down.

One of the kids ran for dear life and escaped, but the other one tarried too long and the old stranger caught him and gave him the worse whipping he ever experienced in his

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The Pendulum Swinging Back



VICTORY | GAINS | LOSES | DEFEAT

3rd Year | 2nd Year | 1st Year

Mrs. Herschel Ditmore Died Last Monday

Mrs. Herschel H. Ditmore, 41, died in a San Angelo hospital last Monday morning and was buried in the Water Valley Cemetery the following Tuesday.

Survivors include the husband, two daughters and one son, three brothers and four sisters.

Deceased was the daughter of the late S. M. King and Mrs. King who resided at their ranch home on the Divide in Sterling County, several years ago.

Dr. O. Patton Is Dead

Dr. Orlando Patton, 62, of League City, Texas, died in the John Seely Hospital in Galveston, November 21, and was buried in a cemetery in Houston on November 25.

Survivors include the widow and one daughter and one son.

The widow is a sister of Mrs. E. B. Butler of Sterling City.

Deceased was well known to many of the old timers of Sterling City, having frequently visited his brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Butler.

Red Cross Workers Urgently Needed

There are 400 women in Sterling County, yet only 6 came to help make Red Cross Surgical Dressings Monday night and 10 Tuesday afternoon.

Seizure of the Gilbert Islands cost the Americans the largest number of casualties yet known.

The first of November one of our Sterling boys gave his life fighting for you.

What are you doing to help win this war?

The harder our soldiers fight, the more surgical dressings will be needed.

Will you PLEASE come and help us to make the Red Cross Surgical Dressings next Monday night from 7 to 10 o'clock, and on Tuesday afternoon from 2 to 5 o'clock?

Texas' Champ 4-H Meat Producer

OLIVER GROTE, 17, of Mason, is Texas' champion 4-H meat



animal producer for 1943. Named by the state club office for his outstanding record of achievements in growing and fattening farm livestock according to the wartime demands, he receives from Thomas E. Wilson, Chicago, a 17-jewel gold watch—the state award in the current national 4-H meat animal contest. . . . During six years in club work, the youth handled 94 baby beeves, and 20 hogs, on which he won \$2,419.79 in cash prizes, which brought his total income from all projects to \$17,787.17.

The Lions Club

Hostesses Mesdames Daisy Smith-Rufus Foster, and R.T. Foster served an elegant midday meal to the Lions at their weekly feeding time in the dining hall of the Methodist Church last Wednesday.

The guests were Rev. B. B. Hestir, Dale M. Hall and Dr. Hall.

Dr. Hall entertained with a very interesting talk on Lionism and its timely service to the present crisis.

Soldier Dale Hall, who is home on a furlough visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Hall, gave a very interesting brief of his experience in the army.

Red Cross Workers

Red Cross Workers Monday night were: Mesdames Henry Malloy, Lester Foster, W. B. Allen, A. F. Clark, Sterling Foster and Roy Foster.

Red Cross workers Tuesday afternoon were: Mesdames Seth Bailey, Roy Foster, Sterling Foster, Henry Malloy, Lura McClellan, Lester Foster, Warren Garms, G. H. Cannon, Frank Cole, and H.W. Hart.

Conservation Plans Approved

The Supervisors of the North Concho River Soil Conservation District, at a regular monthly meeting, Nov. 29th, approved application for assistance in making Conservation Plans on the Elliott Mendenhall ranch and approved applications for assistance in making Conservation Plans on Joe Emery's and J. B. Hollis' stock farms, reported Supervisors Zach Jones, Lee R. Reed, Foster Sims Price and J. R. Mims. Others present at the meeting were H. M. Carter, Vocational Agriculture teacher, J. E. "Spud" Tatum, County Agent, E. J. Hughes, Soil Conservation Service.

Lee R. Reed was elected official delegate to represent the Board at the State Supervisors meeting at Cisco, Dec. 14th and 15th, and all the Supervisors are planning to attend.

The petition for annexation of that portion of Tom Green County drained by the Middle Concho River, to the North Concho District has been completed, stated Zach Jones.

A demonstration of stubble mulching is planned to be held at Zach Jones' farm, Friday afternoon, at 2:00 p. m. Several interested farmers from Sterling County, H. M. Carter and J. E. Tatum plan attend.

Sesame Club Meets

The Sesame Club met in regular session Tuesday night with Mrs. Homer Pearce as hostess. Miss Prebble Durham acted as president in the absence of Miss Flo Allen. A \$25 war bond has been bought by the club.

Mrs. Pearce gave a report on a Bulletin from the General Federation of Clubs. Mrs. Frank Cole read a Kiplingler Washington Letter concerning prevailing war conditions in industry. A poem, "We Thank Thee for America," was read by Mrs. J. R. Hale. Mrs. Tommy Johnson played several popular songs with group singing being led by Mrs. L. O. Ryan.

Miss Flo Allen will be the next hostess.

Damaged Packages Caused by Faulty Packing

During the Christmas mailing season numerous gift packages will be sent as insured mail. Each holiday season a number of such packages are damaged because they are not packed in such a manner as to withstand ordinary handling in the mails.

The contents of Christmas parcels as well as parcels mailed at other seasons, should be carefully packed in strong durable containers or wrapped most securely in several thicknesses of strong paper and tied with heavy twine or cord.

In order better to serve patrons and also to conserve the appropriations provided for the payment of indemnity claims, it is desired to reduce to a minimum the number of instances in which insured parcels are lost or damaged. This result can be achieved if the requirements are strictly observed with regard to:

1. Packing sufficiently adequate to withstand ordinary handling.
2. Placing sender's return card (name and address) in the upper left corner of the parcel preceded by the word "From".
3. Legible and correct addressing with complete name and address of the addressee to be shown on each parcel, preferably in the lower right portion.
4. Proper indorsement of parcels containing matter of a fragile or perishable form.
5. Care in handling in post offices and in transit to avoid damage to contents.
6. Care in delivery to avoid receipt by other than the addressee or their authorized agents.

As mail transportation facilities will be limited and overtaxed during the Christmas period, shipments of perishable matter ordinarily will require more time to reach their destinations and be delivered than heretofore. Postal employees will suggest to patrons the advisability of prepaying the fees prescribed for special handling service on parcels of the 4th class, so as to assure of their prompt distribution dispatch, and the most expeditious handling and transportation practicable. It should be borne in mind that the Department does not assume liability for the spoiling of perishable matter sent as domestic insured or G.O.D. mail when caused by delays beyond the control of the Postal Service—Anna Lee Johnson

All AAA Officers Re-elected

On November 26th, in the District Courtroom, a representative group of farmers and ranchers met and re-elected the A. A. A. Committee to serve another year. The 1944 A. A. A. program begins Dec. 1, 1943. Lee R. Reed was elected chairman; R. J. Welch, vice-chairman; L. F. Hodges, regular member; Foster S. Price, 1st. alt.; Lee Augustine, alt.

Mrs. Ina Sproul, Sec. Sterling County A. C. A. will attend a District A. A. A. meeting at Big Spring, Dec. 6th and 7th. The 1944 Program will be discussed.

T-Sgt. Carl E. Abernathy writes his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Abernathy that he is somewhere in India and is getting along all right and having a good time. Sgt. Abernathy is an air crew chief and no doubt that he and his buddies will prove headaches to the enemy.

"We Are Buying War Bonds—Are You?"



Part of Sgt. Edward Straube's left foot was shot away at Ferryville, near Bizerte, North Africa. At Halloran General Hospital, Staten Island, N. Y., they are building up his foot again. Sgt. Straube, from Perth Amboy, N. J., buys War Bonds regularly.



Sgt. Bernard Rello, 22, of New York, was wounded by snipers during the Sicilian campaign. His grandparents live in Naples, and he has a brother in the Army. Both buy War Bonds regularly. Do you do as much?



Technician 5th Grade John A. Wisniewski, 25, of Door, Mich., lost his right eye, three fingers and suffered chest wounds from shrapnel in the fight to capture Tunis. He is now recovering at Halloran and is a regular War Bond purchaser.



Pvt. Bernard Heidemann's left leg will be two inches shorter when he is discharged from Halloran. He was wounded by a German bullet during the operations in Sicily last August. His home is Chicago. He has been in traction since Sept. He's buying bonds.



The nickname of Pvt. Milton Lieberman, 27, of Brooklyn, is "Clark Gable." He was wounded in Sicily last August and has been at Halloran since October. Every payday \$12.50 is taken out for War Bonds Lieberman is buying. How many do you buy?

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LET THE ARMY HANDLE IT

General George Patton, among the ablest generals in the U. S. Army is a victim of a stormy temper. After winning the applause of the world for his brilliant campaign in North Africa and Sicily, like the cow that gave the bucket of milk and kicked it over, he struck a sick soldier in a hospital and denounced him as a shirk.

In army usage, this was a heinous offence punishable by heavy penalties. No officer in the U. S. Army can do this to an American soldier and get by with it. It is considered indefensible and despicable for an officer to abuse his men.

Commander in chief, Gen. Eisenhower took the matter up and gave him a dressing down. He compelled General Patton to apologize to the victim of his bad temper as well as the whole army, but allowed him to retain his command, because at that time Patton's services were needed for the success of the army.

Certain congressmen are demanding a congressional investigation of the matter. Cooler heads hold that while Patton's conduct is not to be condoned by any Americans, yet, the offense is a matter that concerns the army; that it is up to the army to deal with Patton and not congress.

Patton has proved himself a valuable leader. His victories has brought lustre to American Arms. We must let Eisenhower and the others in the army deal with Patton

Hitler has informed Uncle Sam and Johnny Bull that if they don't quit dropping bombs on Berlin and other German cities, that he would get mad and hit them with his new secret weapon. Adolph said he hated to do that, but if they kept on at it he might lose his head and do things to them. Well, if Adolph is thinking of using gas, he might as well understand that Sam and John are ready to administer two doses of gas to Adolph's one.

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life. Then the old man vanished like a ghost.

The next night a few of the roughnecks appeared again, but not as many as the night before. Just as they opened up their fireworks again the old stranger appeared again, only he was taller than he was the night before.

Most of the kids ran when they saw the mysterious stranger, but one of them lit a candle and charged him. But the kid made the mistake of getting too close. The old man grabbed him, gave him an unmerciful ticking. When he was released, he ran home and told his mother about a strange old man giving him a whipping.

When this mysterious stranger appeared on the streets the third night, not a single boy was to be seen. All was clear and serene.

The dads of these boys rather enjoyed the fact that their boys had been whipped by a boogey man. The mothers, while fearful, were glad that something had happened to keep their boys off the streets at night.

I never knew for certain who it was that did the Christain service to those embryo roughnecks, but an overcoat, a Santa Claus cap and some false whiskers which hung in the back room of Fisher's drugstore caused me to have my suspicions that two played boogey man to the kids.

B. Z. Cooper was of the opinion that it could have been Elbert Fisher and J. T. Davis as one was a short man and the other very lengthy. B. Z. said he was well pleased, "because it keeps them dad-burned boys of mine at home at night."

Of course I never knew who it was, but the old stranger did a good job of keeping the boys off the streets at night.—Uncle Bill

Soil Conservation News
North Concho District

Conservation plans were approved on Dr. and Mrs. Elliott Mendenhall's ranch by the District Supervisors, at the regular monthly meeting, Nov. 29th, at Sterling City.

Reports from Soil Conservation Service and Weather Bureau gauges show the following distribution of rainfall over Sterling County, Friday and Saturday of last week as: J. T. Davis, 1.42; J. I. Cope, .82; Lee R. Reed, .71; Zach Jones, .87 and Herman Garlington, .8.

Claud Collins has completed construction of waterspreading and level closed end terraces on 174 acres of cultivated land, within the past two weeks. The level terraces

will conserve approximately two inches of water annually, by holding the rain where it falls, and the water spreading terrace system will add two more inches of extra water to 54 acres, stated Harold M. Kautz, Asst. Agriculture Engineer with the Soil Conservation Service.

Herman Garlington plans to plant five acres of perennial sudan grass next year. The District Supervisors have secured a small supply of these seed, which are being planted at a few locations in the District to determine the value as a grazing crop and as a plant for reseeding cultivated areas being turned back to native pasture.

Dysentery in the Epidemic Stage

According to a morbidity report just released by Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, dysentery in the state of Texas show a current incidence of 598 cases as compared with a seven year median of 38. This places dysentery definitely in the epidemic stage and Dr. Cox urges all possible precautions to prevent the further spread of the disease since it is not only disabling but dangerous.

"Dysentery germs gain entrance to the body through the mouth in the same manner as food," Dr. Cox said. "There they find conditions favorable to their development and the resulting diarrhea pain in the abdomen, and toxemia combine to produce a serious illness in the victim."

Dysentery germs cause inflammation of the lining of the intestinal tract which produces severe pain throughout the abdomen. Toxemia results from dehydration and the absorption of the poisonous substances produced by the germs.

Dr. Cox pointed out that while dysentery is ordinarily much more prevalent among children than adults, at the present time the disease appears to be making its occurrence without respect to age groups. An unusual feature of the present epidemic is the fact that dysentery is usually regarded as a summer disease and it is seldom that it is wide-spread in the fall and winter months. This, no doubt accounts for the fact that the present incidence is so far in excess of the seven-year median.

"The dysentery germ is always expelled with the excreta of the victims," Dr. Cox said. "It is therefore urgently necessary that the strictest sanitary measures be observed in the care of dysentery patients to prevent the further spread of this disease which is always disabling and often fatal."

The Panama Canal is 50 1/2 miles long.

BONDS OVER AMERICA

Since 1865 American stockraisers have been taking their animals to the Union Stockyards at Chicago, maintaining an institution that helped to make America great.

Entrance—Union Stockyards, Chicago



In Hitler's Europe the farmers are producing too, but their product goes to Nazi Germany to feed the soldiers who are shooting thousands of prisoners who object to this form of tyranny.

Keep Our Traditions Buy More War Bonds

AFFIDAVIT OF COMMISSIONERS' COURT

To Treasurer's Quarterly Report.

In the matter of County Finances in the hands of O. M. Cole, Treasurer of Sterling County, Texas. Commissioners' Court, Sterling County, Texas, in regular monthly session, November Term, 1943.

We, the undersigned, as County Commissioners within and for said Sterling County, and the Hon. G. C. Murrell County Judge of said Sterling County, constituting the entire Commissioners' Court of said county, and each one of us, do hereby certify that on this 8th day of Nov. A. D. 1943, at a regular monthly term of our said court, we have compared and examined the quarterly report of O. M. Cole, treasurer of Sterling county, Texas, for the period beginning on the 9th day of August, A. D. 1943, and ending on the 6th day of Nov., 1943, and finding the same correct have caused an order to be entered upon the minutes of County Finances of the Commissioners' Court of Sterling county, stating the approval of said Treasurer's Report by our said court, which said order recites separately the amount received and paid out of each fund by said County Treasurer since her last report to this court, and for and during the time covered by her present report, and the balance of each fund remaining in said treasurer's hands on the said 6th day of Nov., A. D. 1943, and have ordered the proper credits to be made in the accounts of the said County Treasurer, in accordance with said order as required by Law and provided for in the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas.

And we, and each of us, further certify that we have actually and fully inspected all the actual assets and cash balances in the hands of said Treasurer belonging to Sterling County at the close of the examination of said Treasurer's Report, on this 8th day of November, A. D. 1943, and find the same as follows, to-wit:

Date	Statement of Balances	Amount
Nov 8 1943	Balance to credit of Jury Fund this day	\$ 1180.14
" "	Balance to credit of Road and bridge Fund on this day	1376.75
" "	Balance to credit of General Fund on this day	3755.79
" "	Balance to credit of Court House & Jail Fund on this day	1375.67
" "	Balance to credit Jail Sinking Fund on this day	987.16
" "	bridge Sinking Fund on this day	184.83
" "	Balance to credit of Road Bond Sinking Fund on this day	2106.00
" "	Balance to credit of Court House sinking, 1938, fund	2010.83
" "	Balance to credit Permanent Sch. Int. Acct. Fund	75.00
	Total cash on hand	13,092.17

ASSETS

The Bridge Sinking Fund owns part of J. A. I Bonds in the sum of	\$1250.00
Bonds belonging to permanent school fund	35,500.00
Permanent School Fund owes Permanent School Interest Fund	76.00
C & J Fund owes Jury Fund	0.00

BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

The bonded indebtedness of the County we find to be as follows to-wit:

Court House Bonds, 1938 issue	\$ 2,000
Court House Bonds, 1938 issue	40,000
Jail Bonds	1,250
Bridge Bonds	4,500
Sterling County Road Bond	\$140,000

The warrant indebtedness of the said County, we find to be as follows, to-wit:

Sterling County Road Machinery Warrants	3,700
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WITNESS our hands, this 8th day of November 1943.

G. C. Murrell, County Judge.
R. T. Foster, Commissioner Prec't No. 1
Herbert Cope " " " 2
L. R. Knight " " " 3
W. N. Reed " " " 4

Sworn to and subscribed before me, by G. C. Murrell, county judge and R. T. Foster and Herbert Cope and L. R. Knight and W. N. Reed county commissioners of said Sterling County, each respectively, on this 8th day of Nov. 1943.

(Seal) Prebble Durham, County Clerk, Sterling County, Texas
Filed for record 8 day of Nov. A. D. 1943, at 4 30 o'clock P. M., and recorded 8 day of November A. D. 1943
Prebble Durham, County Clerk

Local Items

Jake Martin, of the U. S. Navy, is here to spend a few days' leave with his wife and little daughter.

Billy Davis, of the U. S. Army, is here from Los Angeles, California, to spend ten days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Davis.

Miss Hallene Gibbs, chief clerk in the local OPA office attended a two day conference at Odessa, Monday and Tuesday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Cannon have just returned from the West Coast after spending 10 days with their son, Corporal Garland, who has charge of a group of men in Telephone Communication.

Garland Cannon, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Cannon, has been advanced to the rank of corporal, in the Marine Corps. He is stationed on the West Coast and has been in the Marines less than 5 months. He is 18, valedictorian of high school and has had 2 years at Texas University.

Pvt. H. W. Hart, Jr. who is now stationed in North Africa wrote his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hart, that some of the Tom Green Red Cross Chapter surgical dressings were being used in Africa and Italy. He stated that he felt sure some of these dressings were made by Sterling Red Cross Workers.

Homer Pearce and Judge B. F. Brown returned last Friday from a trip to Waco where they attended the annual session of the Grand Lodge A F & A M, of Texas. Last year, Judge Brown was ill and unable to attend, but it was the first time he failed to attend in more than 45 years.

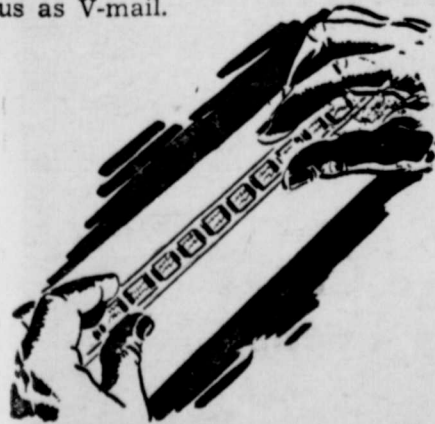
The rain that fell here the latter part of last week totaled 1.42 inches according to J. T. Davis, local Federal Volunteer Weather Observer. It will prove of great benefit to the range as well as small grain crops, but sheep men say that it will make the bitterweed grow. Bitterweeds are a sore problem to sheep raisers.

Mrs. C. N. Crawford accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Durham of San Angelo, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lane of Stiles spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. James Kenney at Marathon. The party was met there by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Barrett of Comstock, and Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Barton of Fort Stockton, and Corine and Arthur Byrd Phillips of Ozona.

★ What You Buy With ★ WAR BONDS

V Mail

When a soldier or a sailor is low in spirits there is nothing that will cheer him up as much as a letter from home, so the War and Navy Departments have devised a method for getting "the word" to its fighting men with the greatest dispatch. This is the microfilm method of transmitting letters, known to all of us as V-mail.



Any news from home is bound to please our soldiers and our sailors but the news they want to have most is the news from our production front and news that we are winning our fight against inflation by our savings and investment in War Bonds. U. S. Treasury Department

"Man's Best Friend" and His General

While we are in a mechanized war, with planes, tanks and high-powered guns speeding the day for Victory, it is also a war of men—and dogs. Traditionally "man's best friend," the dog is achieving his highest service to man on sentry duty, as messenger carriers, and in a variety of services in the thick of battle. Army dogs are a comparatively new but important part of the armed services and Major General Edmund B. Gregory, Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, has the highest praise for their service. General Gregory says:

"Owners of dogs supplied for service to the Army can feel proud of their pets. Dogs are becoming increasingly important and miracles are being achieved in training them for various duties. It goes without saying that they require the most careful training and feeding. Advances made with dehydrated dog foods conforming with wartime food restrictions make it possible to provide energy and maintenance requirements for Army dogs without relying entirely on foods where quantities are limited. The Army and industry are to be congratulated on preparing a dehydrated food used for Army dogs—also available for household pets—with the same care that is taken in preparing dehydrated foods for human consumption."



Major General Edmund B. Gregory, Quartermaster General, U. S. Army, and one of his "sentry dogs."

AMERICAN HEROES

BY LEFF



A B-25 was taking off somewhere in North Africa. It crashed and burst into flames. Private Eugene A. Ganter rushed forward with three other soldiers to aid the crew. The heat was overwhelming but Ganter and his companions, drenched from the hoses of rescue apparatus, rescued three crew members from the blazing ship. Then Ganter returned to remove loaded 50 caliber machine guns. He won the Soldier's Medal. Such are the men your War Bonds fight beside.

HELPING WAR PRODUCTION

Livestock We have a complete line medicines, including vaccines of all kinds, drenches, "Smear 62," worm killers; and the famous sulfa drugs for animals.

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In

"Riding Down the Canyon"

Also News of the Day Selected Short Subjects

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday December 5-6-7

Mickey Rooney

In

"The Human Comedy"

News of the Day Short Subjects

Wednesday and Thursday December 8-9

Rosalind Russel
Fred MacMurray

In

"Flight For Freedom"

News of the Day and selected short subjects

Friday and Saturday December 10-11

Joe E. Brown
Judy Canova

In

"Chatterbox"

--and--

Wild Bill Elliott

in

"Bordertown Gunfighter"

Short Subjects



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Sterling City, Texas

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Sunday

A.m.

10:00 Sunday School lesson

11:00 Worship Service

P.m.

7:15 Training union

8:00 Evening worship

Monday afternoon

3:00 Missionary Society

4:15 Sunbeams

Wednesday

P.m.

7:30 Weekly Teachers meeting

8:30 Mid week Devotional

Come to these services, you are welcome, and you will enjoy the fine fellowship and hospitality of all our people.

Claude Stovall, pastor

Methodist Church

Lowell O. Ryan

Pastor

Church school 10:30 a. m.

Morning worship, 11 o'clock

Evening worship, 7:30 o'clock

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The Men's Store

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LOOK OUT!

By GADABOUT

The Thanksgiving holidays were enjoyed by everyone. We didn't all journey out of town, but the show was as usual, full of kids having fun. Charley, however, was seen in Big Spring. I'd just like to know what she finds so interesting over there; and I don't mean Carmen.

The members of the Junior class are making great headway on their play. Paula Sue's hair is really getting red on account of this play, and please don't ask me why! Cause I wouldn't know.

Alma was rather surprised to see an old friend of her's Tuesday afternoon. I think his name is Bob.

It seemed Tuesday morning as though the C G girls were getting musical again. They have composed their own personal rhythm band; our theme song is "San Antonio Rose."

Dame Rumor (the old gossip) is whispering that Marjorie's senior ring is missing. Wonder what the people in California will think of a Sterling City, Texas class ring?

Jack, Tommie, Neal and all of the base ball boys are really going to town! Reminds me of our basket ball girls.

Mac, please tell me what you wanted with Neal J. last Thursday night; Frances, do you know?

O. K. I'll stop now. But I'll be back!

WE WONDER

Who made all the car tracks behind the gym Thursday night. From the way it looked, they liked to go in circles.

What four boys were feeling just as light as a "feather" Thanksgiving night.

Why Mutt very suddenly up's and goes to Angelo over the holidays.

Who Paula Sue's visitors were Thursday night.

What the attraction was for Alma over Ballinger way throu' the holidays.

Who got so excited over seeing a "man" she fell and hurt her—er—tee.

Why Billy J. has seemed kinda off the beam lately.

Why Sue was so mad Sunday and whom she was mad at.

What Junior girl and Soph boy appear to have started a new case of hand-holding Monday noon.

What three girls, a Soph, Junior and Senior enjoyed an exciting jeep ride Monday night. Hum m m!

What Billy Vern did in the Study Hall Tuesday afternoon to cause a certain Senior girl to lose her nice, calm, and collected temper. Personally, I'd like to know.

What Junior girl is too "agricultural" to practice on the play

CAN YOU IMAGINE?

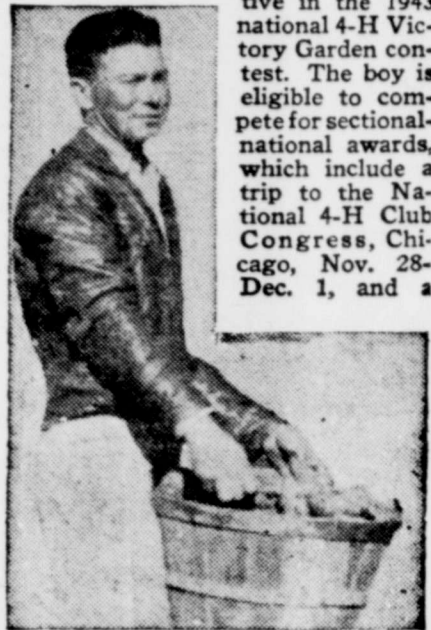
Jack without Jerrie?
 Mac without his "charming personality?"

Charley without Mutt?
 Joe without his "whistle?"

June without her stationery box?
 Neal J. without his hat?

Name 8 As State's Top 4-H Victory Gardeners

E. J. HARRISON, 19, of Cleburne, Texas, has been named state representative in the 1943 national 4-H Victory Garden contest. The boy is eligible to compete for sectional-national awards, which include a trip to the National 4-H Club Congress, Chicago, Nov. 28-Dec. 1, and a



\$100 War Bond. . . He and seven other 4-H gardeners comprising the state's blue award group were each awarded a \$25 War Bond, provided by Sears, Roebuck. . . The seven co-winners are: Jack Booth, Houston; Don L. Kinnaird, Jr., Eastland; Henry Schacht, Lockney; Jack G. Howe, Fort Worth; Gene Stiles, Moore; Raymond Powell, Jr., Hart, and Sonny Warnock, Fort Stockton.

Wesley without his chewing gum?

Who, after asking several other girls, wound up taking Mary Ann and Peggy home from the party last Wednesday night.

Why two Soph boys showed poor sportsmanship toward a certain "fish."

Freshmen Entertain High School

Last Wednesday night, the Freshman Class entertained the high school with a party in the gymnasium.

The students entertained themselves with games and dancing.

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