

# STERLING CITY NEWS-RECORD

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## BEAVERS ARE COMING AGAIN

When I first knew the North Concho river nearly sixty years ago, it was then the most beautiful stream I ever saw.

The water was as clear as crystal and ran the year round over its pebbly bed. Deep pools of clear, cold water existed where fish sported in great numbers. Beavers in large colonies built their lodges and dams from San Angelo to up the river to the head of the living water in the U pasture 11 miles up the stream from Sterling City.

We didn't then know that this stream was kept up and maintained by the skill and industry of the beavers, but later on we knew.

A sad day came for the beaver. His pelt would bring at least \$5 each. Five dollars looked mighty big in those days to the trapper or anyone else as for that matter.

So the trapper came and destroyed him. One trapper took over 900 beavers from San Angelo up the river to the U Ranch in one season. They kept up the slaughter of these stream builders until there was only one old three-footed beaver left and "Uncle" Hank Davis got him.

As the years went by, we began to notice that the water in the North Concho began to fail. The deep pools that we once knew began to fill up. The springs that were once so bold were choked with debris and no longer ran. Willows and other growth served to choke the stream and the river stopped running ten miles below in the summer and didn't run until late in the fall.

We blamed irrigation and droughts for the failure of water. The situation looked gloomy to the old timer because he knew that in a few years the once beautiful North Concho would be a dry arroyo.

One day about three years ago at the local Lion's Club luncheon, Sheriff Vern Davis addressed the club on the subject of water conservation. He told about what his Dad and other old timers told him about the North Concho being such a fine stream of water in the early days and told how the water had been steadily failing during his time. He told about the river being choked with debris so the water couldn't run.

He mentioned the fact that the beaver was a stream builder because

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## Santa's Reclamation Center



(WNU Service)

## Sgt. W. P. Sullivan Guest of Lions Club

Hostesses Mesdames Daisy Smith, D. P. Glass, and R. T. Foster served a tasty midday meal to the Lions at their weekly feeding time in the dining hall of the Methodist Church last Wednesday.

The guests were Staff Sgt. Wm. P. Sullivan and his sister, Mrs. R. L. Boston of San Angelo. Both of these guests were old timers of Sterling City, having been born and reared here.

Mrs. Boston's son, Lt. Fred Rodway, has been missing overseas for several weeks, but she has hopes that he is alive.

Sgt. Sullivan made a splendid and informative talk before the club. He saw service for 8 months in World War I and 16 months in the present war with a motor transport group. He wears ribbons for excellent conduct in the African, European and Middle East campaigns. He has been awarded the Purple Heart and other medals for gallant service.

He sustained a cracked vertebra when he drove a jeep over a 40-foot bluff to escape German fire at Salerno. The jeep landed safely on its nose. The two other buddies with him escaped unhurt.

The Sergeant was in a hospital 31 days. He also received a wound in his hand. He wears a dental plate because a missile knocked out his front teeth.

He wears a ring made from an instrument on a German plane with the head of a dime welded on as a set. While the Sergeant is still suffering with nerves, he says he is improving every day and hopes to be well and strong soon.

## Boy Scouts Collect Over 10 Tons of Scrap Paper

It was decided to discontinue the collection of scrap paper by the Boy Scouts at a meeting of the Local Troop Committee last week.

While there remains a shortage of scrap paper and some mills are operating below capacity, because of this shortage, the mills are limited to a 200 mile radius within which they can pick up paper collections by truck. This makes it possible to sell scrap paper from Sterling City only in car-load lots which would be difficult to collect over a reasonable length of time.

The Boy Scouts sold 22,000 lbs. of scrap paper recently to the American Paper Stock Company of Dallas, and received payment of \$105.28. Five dollars of this will go as first prize to the Senior Class in the local school drive. The remainder will be used to buy equipment for the Scout Troop.

The boys wish to give special thanks to Mr. W. B. Atkinson for the use of his building for storing paper during the past year, and to Ted Brown and William Foster for the donation of their time and equipment in baling 1 1/2 tons of waste paper which otherwise would not have been salable.

The southern tip of South America is farther south than the southern tip of Africa.

The first printing press in the New World was set up by Juan Pablos in Mexico City.

## Local Red Cross Makes 1275 Surgical Dressings

Last Monday night the Red Cross workers broke the record, not in attendance but in making 1275 surgical dressings.

One lady remarked, "Sterling women can do it." Of course we can do it and we must.

Tom Green Chapter's quota has been filled and as the other materials has not arrived, the Sterling City Surgical Dressing Unit will be closed for Christmas, but will open after the first of the year. Watch for notice in your local news paper when we will resume work.

Your Surgical Dressing Instructors wish to thank all of the women who have been so faithful in helping carry on this much needed work.—Mesdames Lester Foster, Joe Emery and Sterling Foster.

Red Cross Workers Monday night were Mesdames Lester Foster, Bill Reed, Henry Malloy, Frank Cole, Sterling Foster, H. W. Hart, Lura McClellan, R. A. Garrett, John Walraven, Harold Gober, Lee Hunt, C. L. Bright, V. F. Bomer, Aaron Clark, Homer Pearce, Rufus Foster, Harvey Hennigan, Misses Flo Allen and Sue Nelson.

Red Cross Workers Tuesday afternoon were Mesdames Sterling Foster, Lester Foster, Roy Foster, Henry Malloy, R. P. Brown, Warren Garms, Homer Pearce and D. Hall.

## Soil Conservation News North Concho District

The Bade Brothers are utilizing the winter grasses and weeds in their bottom pasture to finish their lambs for spring marketing, thereby giving their pasture partial deferment.

W. B. Welch has recently put his breeding ewes in a fresh pasture which was deferred last summer and fall.

Boyd Jacoby turned his lambs on his small grain last week.

Lee R. Reed, Foster Sims Price and J. R. Mims, supervisors of the North Concho River Soil Conservation District, attended the annual State Supervisors meeting at Cisco last Tuesday and Wednesday.

## Texas 4-H Safety Champ Wins National Honors



AN exceptional record of farm safety achievements has brought high honors to James Neal Hutchins, 19, of Estelline, Texas. Named state entrant in the 1943 4-H farm safety activity, the boy added to his laurels by winning national honors. He received an all-expense trip to the recent National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago, and a \$200 War Bond, provided by the Mennen Company. . . . Five years in club work, his safety work includes destroying weeds and grass close to buildings so there would be a fire lane, made repairs to eliminate shorts in electrical circuits, picked up broken glass, nails, tacks and wire in the yard, and put matches out of reach of small children. He also fixed broken or poorly repaired farm machinery, stored gasoline in safe place, mended broken steps, and always stopped tractor motor before removing the belt.

Lee R. Reed was on the program at the State Supervisors meeting. He discussed the need and value of range conservation in order to maintain permanent profitable production from range land. His discussion was given to other supervisors from the 106 Soil Conservation District comprising about 100,000,000 acres or over 60 per cent of the total area of Texas.

## Appreciation

Warrent Officer C. J. Poulter who has been in charge of the Mobile Salvage Unit from Goodfellow Field wants to thank each and every citizen of Sterling County for the fine cooperation and assistance in gathering up iron and steel in this county.

Sterling County alone donated 437,000 lbs. of scrap metal, over 200 lbs. per person in the county. Mr. Poulter and his men express their appreciation to all of you.

## Wimodausis Club Studies the Far East

"The Far East" was the program topic when the Wimodausis Club met with Mrs. Harvey Glass, Dec. 8. The roll call was answered with names of cities involved in the war.

"China's Place in the Post War World" was discussed by Mrs. H. L. Hildebrand. "India's Desire for Freedom" was discussed by Mrs. W. N. Reed. A paper prepared by Mrs. Ray Lane on "Burma, the Connecting Link" was read by Mrs. Harvey Glass. Mrs. E. F. McEntire was appointed club scrap book chairman and Mrs. Roy Foster was appointed art scrap book chairman. An announcement was made reminding each one to bring fruit to the next meeting for the community basket.

Thirteen members and one visitor, Mrs. Herman Everitt's mother, Mrs. Mayes of Austin attended. The club adjourned to meet Dec. 22 with Mrs. Herman Everitt.

## State's 4-H Electrician Wins National Honors



THE outstanding ability of Leon Bernsen, 18, of Violet, Texas, in utilizing electric power to save time and labor on his farm, which won him state honors in the National 4-H Rural Electrification contest, has received highest rating. He has been named a national winner, for which the award is a \$200 college scholarship provided by Westinghouse. . . . In club work seven years, the boy made an electric lamp out of scrap materials, electric motor, and an electric fence charger, installed lights in barn and barnyard and demonstrated electricity and its uses at club meetings.



A sprig of green on the Mediterranean front; today it's camouflage for an American machine gun nest. To win quicker our soldiers must have munitions and materiel, more and more. To provide them all of us must buy more and more War Bonds.

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**OUR LETTER TO SANTA CLAUS**

Dear Santa Claus:  
Please see that our precious boys over yonder get every letter and package that is mailed to them. Please see that the News Record for which I work so hard to get out, reaches everyone so he can read the news from home. They will be made happy if you get it to them.  
And Santa, don't forget to put it into the hearts of those who are due the News Record to come in and pay up so I can send it to the boys.  
You may forget about the making of a Christmas egg nog, because there aint none. However, if you like, you can bring me a new pipe and some smoke makings.  
Don't go to any trouble about me Santa, but please don't forget the boys.  
Yours truly,  
Uncle Bill

**BEAVERS ARE**

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he kept the stream cleared of debris. He explained that beavers to replant the river could be had through the State Game Fish and Oyster Commission. He asserted that the river being the natural habitat of the beaver, the club couldn't go wrong in sponsoring a move to have beavers planted in the North Concho.

Mr. Davis' suggestion found lodgement in the members of the club. A committee was appointed to confer with the Commission. The committee went to work and soon was able to report that five beavers had been allocated to the North Concho.

In a few weeks the five pioneer beavers arrived and were given quarters in the river in the U pasture. George McEntire, Vern Davis and Jeff Davis and others have been keeping tab on this little crew of water engineers since the day they were released in the river three years ago, reports that the beavers have made wonderful progress.

Sheriff Vern Davis says they have been working a two-mile stretch of the river in the vicinity of the Slaton concrete dam. He says they have built two lodges, cleaned out the springs that had been choked many years, and ditched the water into the river and now are delivering a large volume of water into the stream.

He said the body of water impounded by the Slaton dam was being cleared of waterlogged sticks, lily pads and moss are being carried and tossed over the dam. He didn't know how many beavers there were, but said there must be several families.

T. Jeff Davis, who rendered valuable assistance in promoting the enterprise reports that these beavers have reconitered the river for five or six miles up and down. He says in building one of their dams, they have made his crossing on the river too deep for a car to cross. Where as it used to be so one could step

**STORE THOSE POTATOES AT HOME!**



While those Irish potatoes are easy to get—and while commercial storage facilities are crowded with war materials—it is your patriotic duty, and your opportunity, to take home a hundred pounds or so of spuds and store them for winter use. The Food Distribution Administration says, you can store potatoes in your backyard by putting straw on the ground, potatoes on top, then covering with straw protected by a layer of earth. In a basement or closet, a rack that is airy, not too damp, not too warm (but never freezing), and in a dark place, will prove a money-saver and a guarantee of potatoes on your menu all through the winter.

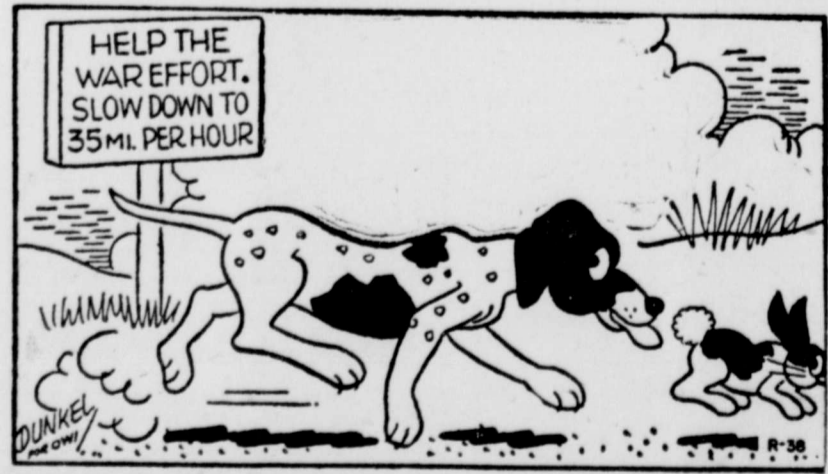
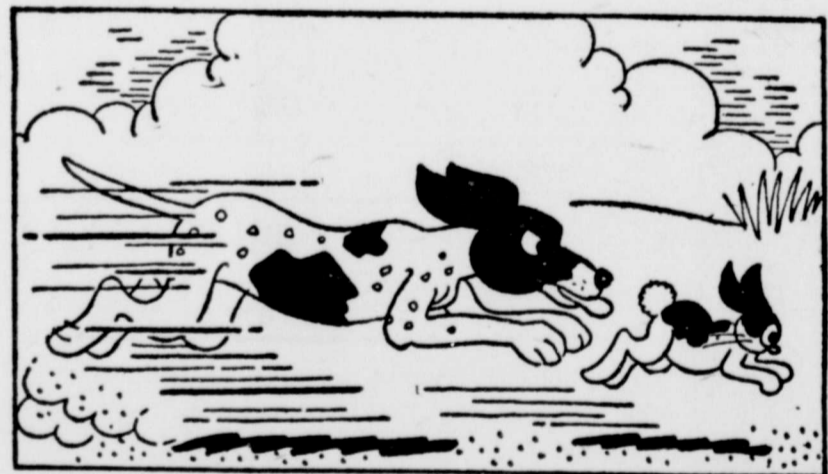
Photos—U. S. Department of Agriculture.

**Hellcats Take Zeros—30 to Nothing**



Official U. S. Navy Photograph

SOMEWHERE IN THE PACIFIC—In the recent smashing attack on Wake Island, one of the first brushes which the powerful Hellcats, shown in action at the top above, have had with Jap Zeros, the score was 30 to nothing in favor of the U. S. planes.  
The two girls in the lower picture, using tiny flashlights, are making a final inspection of a 2,000 horsepower P. & W. supercharged aircraft engine at the Kenosha, Wis., plant of Nash-Kelvinator. This motor will be wrapped and boxed and then be on its way to become the fighting heart of a Navy Hellcat like those shown above in flight "Somewhere in the Pacific". Each of these engines contains more than 12,000 pieces — and they must fit together with tolerances of practically "minus or plus nothing".  
In a Navy Day telegram to employees who build these special engines for the Hellcat and Corsair fighter planes, Rear Admiral Ramsey thanked the workers and urged them to keep the engines coming.  
At odds of 30 to nothing these engines are mighty profitable war products and make good hunting for our fliers.



across it. But he is not kicking about this.  
Jeff further says that at least four dams are in the course of construction. He says they have explored the river for miles up and down.

Jeff and Vern both predict that in a few years, if not molested, these beavers will restore the North Concho to its primitive beauty and usefulness.  
Replanting the North Concho with beaver may prove of untold value

**1923-1943  
20 Years Ago**

Adolph Hitler and Field Marshal Eric Ludendorff, Bavarian monarchist leaders, failed in a "putsch" against the German government; Hitler, wounded, escaped but was recaptured four days later in a villa belonging to Ernst Hanfstaengel, former New York art dealer, in Uffing, Bavaria; Ludendorff was also imprisoned.

Dr. Frederick A. Cook, claimant to discovery of the North Pole, was sent to the Federal penitentiary for 14 years and 9 months and fined \$12,000 for fraudulent use of mails in connection with oil stock promotion.

M. S. Hershey, chocolate manufacturer, turned over a fortune of \$60,000,000 to the Hershey Industrial School at Hershey, Pa., which he founded.

The "Tomaka," flagship of Rum Row, was captured by U. S. customs agents aboard the coast guard tug "Lexington" after a fight six miles off the New Jersey coast; one of the prisoners taken had \$60,000 in banknotes stuffed in his pockets. . . . Secretary of the Treasury Andrew W. Mellon, preparing his budget, asked \$4,000,000 for the purchase of swift patrol boats for the coast guard to stop rum running along our coasts.

Chancellor Stresemann, after a cabinet meeting, said that Germany will proclaim an autonomous Rhineland and announced to the world that French occupation of the Ruhr relieves the Reich of Versailles Treaty obligations.

The giant dirigible Shenandoah was anchored to the mast constructed for the purpose near her hangar in Lakehurst, N. J., for the first time; experts said that such a feat constitutes a great step in air navigation.

to the people living in its vicinity. If they ever increase in such numbers as to become a pest, they can be destroyed and their pelts will bring from ten to twenty dollars each.

The beaver is a learned water engineer. He can build a dam of sticks and mud that is water tight and will withstand a torrent. He builds his house over the mouth of his den which has its opening below the surface of the water and extends upward to the surface of the ground where an air hole is provided.

He lives on the bark of trees which he cuts down and cuts up in lengths so he can roll it into the water where he floats it to his lodge where he eats the bark and uses the stick for his dam or house.

During high water in the stream, a beaver will swim among the trees and mark them when the water is at its highest point.—Uncle Bill

According to law, it takes at least three to make a riot.

**BEWARE OF BURNS!**

Take care in the kitchen! In that one room in the house most burns occur, according to the National Safety Council. Do you make it a practice to turn all handles of cooking utensils away from the



edges of the range to protect yourself and members of your family from possible burns through spillage of a utensil's hot contents? And do

you keep handles turned away from other lighted top burners, too? In the emergency of small and minor burns, it is well to remember that the simplest treatment is now considered the most effective in some of the leading hospitals: be careful not to break any blisters; cover area with sterile fine mesh gauze to which petrolatum, better known as petroleum jelly, has been liberally applied, and dress with a fairly thick gauze bandage applied firmly but not too tightly. Call a doctor immediately if the burn is deep or covers a wide area.

A cat's whiskers are delicate sense organs, enabling the animal to find his way about.

Love thy neighbor—especially if he has Victory Garden tools that you don't have.

**FIRST TIME  
-IN 34 YEARS**

We have been unable to accept new subscriptions during the

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This year on account of the news print shortage we can not print as many copies as needed to supply the demand. We feel that our old subscribers must be served first.

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## Local Items

Born: On Dec. 8th., to Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Stufflebaum, a boy.

Mrs. W. A. Bynum of the Divide is ill in a San Angelo hospital.

Cars washed and shined. Bring cars to W. H. Sparkman residence. —H. Sparkman tf

Mrs. Mike Gavrilovich of Las Vegas, Nevada, is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McCabe.

A pair each of ladies and children gloves found at the picture show. Call at the ticket office for them.

Mrs. Avis Mathis is convalescing from a surgical operation which she underwent last week in a hospital at San Angelo.

The Wimodausie Club is sponsoring a bake sale on Friday afternoon, December, 24. A fruit cake will be given away the same afternoon.

BRING IT HOME. That slush bucket made of 4-inch piping and 10 feet long which I loaned you, please bring it back. —M. W. Smith

Buster Roberts who is with Phillips Petroleum Co. now operating about 20 miles west of McCamey, was a last week end visitor to friends here.

Lost: Between Sterling City and the Benge place west of town, a scout knife and a white blanket. Finder will communicate with W.L. Foster. Reward. 1tp

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Potts of Big Spring, were visitors to relatives and friends here last Sunday. Their son, James Potts, has recently been inducted into the Armed forces.

Pfc. Jerry Brown, Jr. somewhere in the South Pacific, writes that he is enjoying reading the News-Record. Jerry had the pleasure of conversing with our First Lady when she visited his base.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McCabe announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Eloise, to Mr. Fraser Allen, of Austin, Dec. 22 at 10:00 a. m. at the Sterling City Methodist Church.

Major Tom F. Collins, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Collins, after serving for a season at Love Field, Dallas, is again called to overseas service where he pioneered in establishing air ways over Africa.

Due to the glass shortage, we are compelled to ask each customer to have out their bottles when they want milk. Will you please cooperate with us so we can continue to bring you milk. Thank you. Simpson Dairy

Ewing Fowler McEntire, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fowler McEntire, is expected home at the beginning of the Christmas furlough at New Mexico Military Institute, Roswell, N. M. and will arrive about Dec. 18. Enrollment at New Mexico Military Institute is limited to 575 Cadets. Of this number, one hundred forty-three are from Texas.

**Undertaker's Supplies**  
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**DAY OR NIGHT**  
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## BONDS OVER AMERICA \* \* \*

Near Biloxi, on the Gulf of Mexico, stands the last residence of Jefferson Davis and the house where the confederate president completed his memoirs. Beauvoir now is a home for Confederate veterans.

### Confederate Home



**Keep On Backing the Attack With War Bonds**

Defeated men may live in peace and honor under the Stars and Stripes, but under the crooked cross of Nazism there is only ignominy, persecution, death for those who will not bend the knee.



"THE COMING PEACE AND THE PRINCE OF PEACE"

Painted by Howard Chandler Christy as an artistic symbol for the Crusade for a New World Order of The Methodist Church, this picture will soon be displayed as a poster in color in all the churches of the denomination. Post card reproductions will be mailed to service men all over the world.

## WAR BEAUTIES



CHICAGO, ILL.—Twice in a recent war-worker beauty contest, Cook Electric Co., a war plant here, scored with Lorraine Remington (left) and Sunnie Anderson. Miss Remington, a former model, and Miss Anderson, whose last job was "student," both have given up their former occupations to devote full time to war production.

## Palace Theatre

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Friday and Saturday  
December 17-18

### "Nobody's Darling"

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In

### "Blocked Trail"

News of the Day and selected short subjects

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday  
December 19-20-21

Frank Morgan  
Jean Rogers

In

### "A Stranger in Town"

Also News of the Day  
Selected Short Subjects

Wednesday and Thursday  
December 22-23

### "We Are the Marines"

Produced by "The March of Time" in cooperation with the U. S. Marine Corps.

News of the Day  
Short Subjects

Friday and Saturday  
December 24-25

John Carroll  
Susan Hayward  
Freddy Martin and his Orchestra

In

### "Hit Parade of 1943"

--and--

Don "Red" Barry

In

### "Sundown Kid"

Short Subjects

SUNDAY MATINEE  
3:00 P. M.

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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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## LOOK OUT!

BY GADABOUT

There is very little exciting news this week, but I'll do my best.

Take Sue, for instance; she was lucky enough to receive a picture from a cadet in West Virginia. I hear he may be coming to Texas soon. Luck to you kid.

I have seen several boys anxiously looking around Davis Drug. Could be they are wondering what the "one and only" would like to have for Christmas. Power to you!

Jodie Conger, an ex-S.H.Ser, was here last Wednesday afternoon. He is now stationed at Kingsville, Texas and rumors are that he is coming back Christmas.

Alma, when are you going to start your own news column? You seem to know more gossip than anyone. No remarks, please.

"Miss" Story from Otis Chalk, has been here visiting friends. She visited the commercial geography class and from all accounts she likes C. G.

Paula Sue had two out-of-town guests here over the week end, Jessie Lou Yancey and Vernie Dean Horner. They were seen with Neal making the rounds Saturday night.

Jerry and Jack are still carrying on. They were last seen Saturday night—at the picture show.

The Juniors have definitely set a date for their play. It will be Friday night, Dec. 17 at 8:00 o'clock.

Prices will be 10c, 25c, and 35c. Be there! "Free Advice" is gonna be a good play.

Signing off for now.

## High School Boys Lose to Army Team

The high school boys lost a basketball game to an army team last Friday afternoon, 30-12. The school boy's team was composed of Ira Dees, Jack Mitchell, Billy J. Littlefield, Billy Rusk and Tommy Augustine. Wilburn Lindsey was substitute.

The army team included soldiers who had been staying in the gym for the past several weeks.

The high school boys also played the soldiers a game of softball, the soldiers winning 20-7.

## Teachers Best High School Girls at Basket Ball

A team made up of four teachers and two high school girls overpowered the girls' high school team, 16-6 in a basketball game last Friday afternoon in the gym. The high school girls made a good showing, even if they were the losers.

The starting line up for the teachers included Mrs. Wade, Miss Little and La Vone Allen, forwards; Miss Atkinson, Mrs. Bratton and Ernestine Cole guards. Substitutes for the teachers were Beth Abernathy and Betty Jane Donaldson, forwards; and Edith Fowler, guard.

Charley Brooks, Mutt Martin and Sue Everitt were the starting forwards for the high school. The

beginning guards were Alma Lawson, Margaret Skeete, and Dixie Knight. Substitutes included Frances Hudson, forward and Anna Lou Knight guard.

This was the second game played between the teachers and students, the teachers having won the first game.

## Number of Students Sick

The coming of winter, together with bad weather, has brought on many cases of colds and flu in the high school. Among those absent the past week were Sue Everitt, Joe Sneed, Frances Hudson and Charlie Edna Brooks.

Inez Roe was confined for several days in a San Angelo hospital.

## Mock Wedding Given

A mock wedding was given in assembly Wednesday by the vocational agriculture boys and the home economics girls. The program was comical and entertaining.

The assembly program was ended with a short skit given by the Juniors from their play "Free Advice."

## Celebrates Birthday

The first grade celebrated Bobby Joe Walker's birthday Monday, Dec. 13. Bobby Joe's grandmother, Mrs. Joe Barton, served the room with Angel food cake, popcorn balls and cold drinks.

## First Grade Letters to Santa Claus

Dear Santa,  
 Please bring me a football, bat, fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend  
 Thomas Fowler

Dear Santa,  
 Please bring me a football, cowboy suit, bicycle, bat, candy, nuts and fruit.

Your friend  
 Mack Dyer

Dear Santa,  
 Please bring me a football, cowboy hat, chaps, fruit, candy and nuts.

Your friend  
 Grady Clark

Dear Santa,  
 Please bring me a doll with pig tails, silverware, fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend  
 Harlene Kautz

Dear Santa,  
 Please bring me a football, army suit, chaps, B B gun, fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend  
 Thomas Earl Martio

Dear Santa,  
 Please bring me a football, football helmet, football suit and chaps.

Your friend  
 Billie Homer Brown

Dear Santa,  
 Please bring me a football, cowboy suit, playgun, fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend  
 Billie Derrel Blair

Dear Santa,  
 Please bring me a football, B B gun, electric train and bicycle.

Your friend  
 Billie Roland Edwards

Dear Santa,  
 Please bring me a doll, doll house and buggy, fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend  
 Jamie Lee Hale

Dear Santa,  
 Please bring me a football, B B gun, cowboy hat, chaps, boots, fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend  
 Charles Bright

Dear Santa,  
 Please bring me a baby doll, doll house and furniture, fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend  
 Wanda Welch

Dear Santa,  
 Please bring me a doll, blackboard and fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend  
 Billie Nadine Green

Dear Santa,  
 Please bring me a B B gun, chaps, cowboy suit, fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend  
 Timothy Ryan

Dear Santa,  
 Please bring me a doll, blackboard, doll, buggy, set of dishes, fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend  
 Verdell Dowell

Dear Santa,  
 Please bring me a policeman suit, hat, gun and scabbard, whistle, fruit nuts and candy.

Your friend  
 Leslie Cole

Dear Santa,  
 Please bring me a football suit, bicycle, tennis shoes, fruit, nuts, and candy.

Your friend  
 Donald Clayton Carper

Dear Santa,  
 Please bring me a doll buggy, set of dishes, nurse set, blackboard, fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend  
 Ester Joyce Boshl

Dear Santa,  
 Please bring me a doll, doll buggy, dishes, blackboard, fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend  
 Patsy Martin

Dear Santa,  
 Please bring me a doll house, fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend  
 Jenny Ruth Davis

Dear Santa,  
 Please bring me a doll, nurse set, cooking utensils, fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend  
 Sandra Lee Nation

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"I suddenly hopes I'se sick," groaned Rastus. "I'd sho' hate to feel like this when I'se well."

See Sam Smith for fresh fruits and vegetables located in the Long shore building. 3tp

R. P. Davis Barber Shop Rain water shampoos

# 15 More Frozen Foods Lockers Needed This Week

In order to make proper application to the Government for approval of a Frozen Food Locker Plant, it is necessary that 15 more customers be signed up at once. The number of applications signed and paid in advance will determine the size of the plant to be installed. It is not likely that additional lockers could be secured until after the war.

The advance payment will be held in escrow at the First National Bank, and should the plant not be complete, will be returned to you. The advance payment for one year is required to secure approval of the Government.

Locker Boxes 18x18x30 inches... \$15  
 Locker Boxes 18x22x30 inches... \$18

Persons who desire a frozen foods locker are requested to call on

Jake Randolph, Roland Lowe, V. E. Davis or H. L. Hildebrand

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**Poultry** Parke Davis' Nemazine tablets for worm control, insecticides and disinfectants

**Victory Garden** Don't let the insects get it! We have the sprays and powders to kill 'em.

Syringes, Sprayers, Dust Guns

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Cottonseed--  
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Purina--  
 Range Cubes  
 Dairy Feeds

Poultry Feeds

Worm Killers and Livestock Medicines

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Grain, Hay, Salt, Feed Minerals

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