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## Scouts Reorganize And Set Goals For Year Of 1944

### Piloting

The Pilot this week is suffering from the bite of a flu bug, along with twenty-five or thirty others in Aransas County. That accounts for the lack of news in the paper this week. The remainder of the Pilot staff tried to carry on, but due to lack of training, this issue falls short of our usual standard. We wish to thank those people who have helped us with the editorial end of this paper. Their help was genuinely appreciated.

A little-publicized committee of the American Red Cross, the Home Service Committee, is one of the most valuable divisions of the organization, especially in war time. It is a great help to the morale of both the serviceman and his family. We are listing below some of the services of this committee.

The committee links the serviceman with his family. Action may be initiated by the servicemen's field director in this country or abroad, or by the family's Red Cross chapter at home.

The committee is the means by which military and naval authorities, in this country or overseas, may obtain information they need in deciding questions of furlough or discharge, or—if the serviceman is hospitalized—of medical diagnosis and treatment.

The committee offers claims service. Home Service is kept fully informed on regulations and claims procedure, and—working through Red Cross field directors in the Veteran's Administration—on all developments in a particular claimant's case.

The committee gives practical help where it is most needed. For needs not yet met by public funds, Red Cross can give financial aid. The purpose of family service is to provide for a serviceman's family the help and encouragement he would give if he were home.

In general, this is how the committee helps the serviceman and his family. If his family needs to get in touch with him in case of death or serious illness. If they need help at home in time of trouble—the kind of help he would give if he were there. If they need advice about allowances, allotments, and government benefits for dependents of servicemen. If they need help in preparing claims for government benefits. If they are worried about him and want reports on his welfare.

The committee in Rockport is under the direction of the chairman, Miss Iris Sorenson. She stresses the fact that if families of servicemen have any problem whatsoever, they may consult her. In many instances the committee has been able to give aid to people who come to it for help as a last resort. For men going into the service Miss Sorenson recommends that they get a copy of a booklet named, "When You Go . . .". One may be obtained from her. The Pilot office also has a limited supply.

### Rep. Kleberg to Make National Broadcast

Washington, D. C. — Congressman Richard M. Kleberg now spending several days in his district will make a national broadcast over 130 stations of the Columbia Broadcasting System next Tuesday according to announcement by his secretary, William P. Elliott. The broadcast will originate over Radio Station KEYS, Corpus Christi, at 9:30 p. m. Tuesday, January 4. The congressman will discuss important national issues.

### Influenza Is Widespread In Rockport this Week

#### Official States Disease Has Not Reached Epidemic Proportions

During the past week many Rockport business houses have been inconvenienced by lack of help due to the widespread incidence of influenza. Although many persons have contracted the illness, it has not reached epidemic proportions.

Among the business most seriously affected was the Rio Theatre which was forced to remain closed for two scheduled performances, one matinee and one evening show. The illness of the two regular operators at the same time caused the cancellations. However the theatre is back on its regular schedule again.

Dr. Chas. F. Cron, City Health officer, reported that the disease was widespread, but was not to the epidemic stage. He recommended the following practices as a preventive. Use a good gargle, stay away from public gatherings when possible, stay in the fresh air as much as possible, and eat nourishing meals.

Cron added, however, if a person does contract the disease he should go to bed immediately and drink hot, stimulating drinks such as coffee or tea—it is best to avoid alcoholic drinks. If the illness becomes acute, a physician should be called at once.

### Advertising of 3rd War Loan Reaches Huge Proportion

129,549, 964 Agate Lines Sold During War Finance Drive

The following is an excerpt from a letter received from the Treasury Department by the Pilot. "The final figures covering Third War Loan advertising in newspapers were stupendous:

Daily and Sunday:—Number of advertisements, 88,947; agate lines, 61,573,588; dollar value, \$6,697,358.45.  
 Other than Dailies:—Number of advertisements, 63,846; agate lines, 67,976,376; dollar value, \$1,942,181.60.

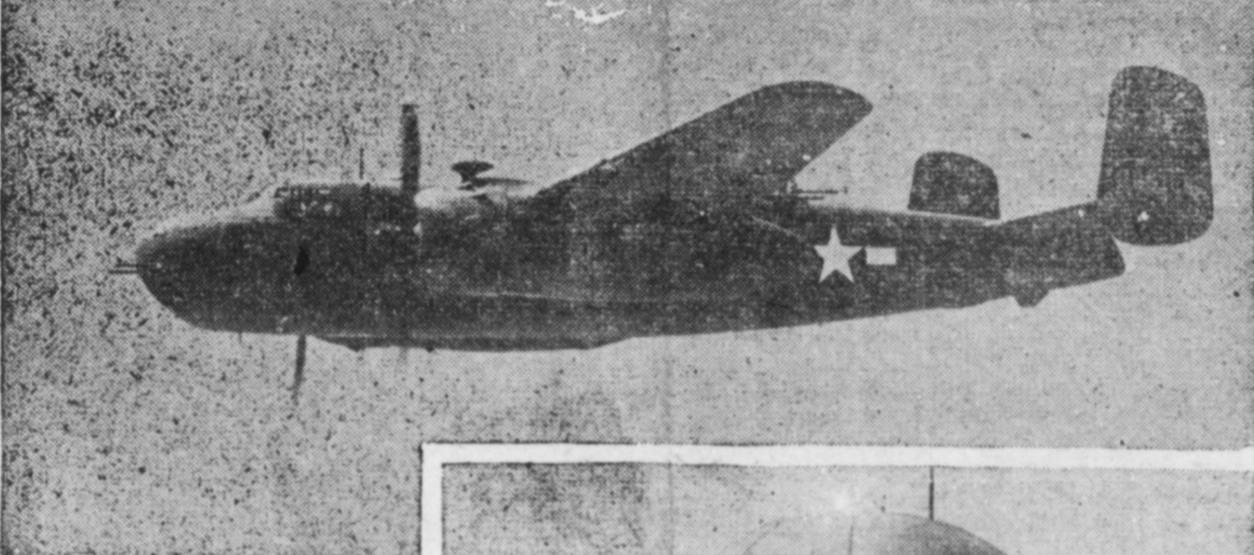
Total:—Number of advertisements, 152,793; agate lines, 129,549,964; dollar value, \$8,639,540.05.  
 It is unnecessary to indicate to you the effect of this tremendous volume of advertising in the successful sale of the Third War Loan. The thanks of the Allied Newspaper Council, as well as the Treasury Department, go to the army of approximately 500,000 sponsors of this advertising and to you and every newspaper man for your cooperation in selling the advertisements."

"There are many worthy war activities, but the financing of the war is basic."

### Ross Sterling Ill With Influenza

HOUSTON.—Former Governor Ross Sterling, suffering from influenza, was reported "resting well" in a hospital here Wed. He was brought from his La Porte home Tuesday afternoon when it was feared that he was stricken with pneumonia. Sterling's physician, however, has diagnosed the ailment as influenza, hospital attendants said.

### B-25 Mitchells Carry 75mm Cannon



INGLEWOOD, Calif.—The artillery has taken to the air.

The largest weapons ever mounted in an airplane, 75 millimeter cannons have been installed in North American B-25 Mitchell bombers, and have been used in action against the enemy for the past several months.

This announcement was made recently by North American Aviation Inc., coincident with an announcement by the War Department in Washington giving official details of the actions in which the new type B-25's participated.

Details of the new armament development, which was worked out by the company's armament engineers in cooperation with United States Ordnance Department officers, were made public by North American with the permission of the War Department.

Principal use of the cannon-carrying bombers will be against shipping, gun emplacements, landing barges, tanks, and enemy planes it was revealed.

Already used in the South Pacific and probably other war zones, the B-25's 75 millimeter cannons have been credited with aiding in sinking a Japanese destroyer, pulverizing Nazi vessels, and destroying important military targets.

In installing the cannon in the B-25 the United States Army Air Forces has virtually lifted the artillery into the air. The 75 millimeter cannon can best be compared with the famous French '75', the field gun used with such devastating effect by the Allied artillery in World War I.

While it might seem that a B-25 would literally "hang" in midair from the effect of the shell being fired from its nose, actually the recoil felt in the airplane is almost negligible. The recoil for the discharge is taken up by a secret type (hydro-spring) recoil device. In fact, pilots who have flown this particular type B-25 describe the sensation of putting an AA gun firing as similar to the vibration of an automobile 'coupling' on a cold morning.

The shells fired from the cannon are 26 inches in length and weigh 20 pounds each. The projectile proper weighs 15 pounds.

North American armament engineers said that one of the projectiles will penetrate both sides of a medium tank. One high explosive HE shell—sharpnel is not used—is capable of putting an AA battery out of action, they said.

In tests, three shells were fired in ten seconds.

In making changes in the bomber to accommodate the cannon installation, a new and shorter nose structure was designed for the new B-25 to replace the glass-enclosed bombardier's compartment. In addition it was necessary to relocate the controls from the forward compartment to the pilot's compartment, revise the navigator's compartment and add armor.

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Striking power unparalleled in the history of air war has been attained by the installation of a 75 millimeter cannon in a North American B-25 Mitchell bomber. The largest gun ever mounted in an airplane, the cannon has been used successfully in the Southwest Pacific and probably other theaters, according to the War Department. Upper photo shows the B-25 in flight; lower, a close-up of the cannon and two .50 calibre guns in the bomber's nose.

### Aransas County Marriages Fall Off In 1943

Dan Cupid Falls Down On Job In 1943; Stork On His Toes

According to information from County Clerk J. M. Sparks, Dan Cupid fell down on the job in Aransas County this year. At least compared to 1942, he did.

In 1942 the winged archer led 151 couples up the aisle to matrimonial bliss (?). However, in 1943, that is so far, only 110 couples have had their hearts pierced that deeply by his arrows.

The stork was on his toes this year. In Aransas County he delivered 54 celestial bundles in 1943.

Deaths were kept down to a fairly low rate in 1943, with only 14. This in spite of the added strain of another year of war.

### Rio Theatre Expresses Thanks

Due to sickness of the operators the Rio Theatre was unable to operate on Monday night. Due to the assistance P. A. Plummer and A. C. Glass, who together operated the projection machines, movie lovers were able to enjoy some outstanding pictures.

The program for the coming week features such well-known artists as Red Skelton, Edw. G. Robinson and promises good entertainment every night.

### More Fathers Going to Armed Forces

#### One Single Man Reported For Duty At Fort Sam On December 28

On December 28th, five fathers and one single man reported to Fort Sam Houston to be assigned to duty. They were: Lynn Jackson father of two; Harold Barker, single; Dee Staggs, 2 children; Charlie Garrett, 3 children; Wm. Clifton, 5 children and Floyd Smith with 2 children.

Four more fathers are due to report for examination and induction at Fort Sam Houston on January 4, 1944. They are as follows: Oscar D. Bradshaw, Arthur E. Clinton, Herbert Mills and Titus L. Williams.

George Keller, father of three children reports to Fort Sam Houston on Jan 3 for duty.

Bennie L. Bonney, colored, with 3 children, who was transferred here from Sinton, reports to Ft. Sam Houston for duty on December 31.

Altogether, 11 fathers and one single man are included in these groups.

### Season of Prayer To Be Observed January 1st

Christian people of Rockport will unite for a season of prayer, Jan. 1. The Rev. T. H. Pollard will preside over the meeting, but there will be no message, as it will be purely a devotional meeting. Theme of the meeting will be prayers for the success and safety of our armed forces throughout the world. The gathering will be at the Methodist church at 10:00 a. m. Everyone is invited to attend. This meeting is in reply to the request of President Roosevelt that the Christians of the nation observe a season of prayer on the first day of the New Year.

### Anchorage Officer For Coast Guard Gets New Post

CORPUS CHRISTI, Dec. 30.—The detachment and transfer of Lt. (jg) E. R. Sneeringer, executive and anchorage officer of the Coast Guard Captain of the port office, was announced yesterday. Lieutenant Sneeringer will leave today for his post at another Gulf Coast port.

Lieutenant Sneeringer has held positions as captain and executive officer of the Corpus Christi port since coming here 19 months ago. He has served in the Coast Guard 16 years and has seen more than 12 years of sea duty. His wife and two children will move with him to his new station.

### Wise Father Knows His Own Kids

NEW YORK.—Fred Kirschbaum Jr., 34, father of nine children, today sought deferment of his induction scheduled for Jan. 6. Now earning \$65 a week as a truck driver, Kirschbaum would draw \$268 monthly in Army dependency allotments and military pay. "But no one else can manage those kids," he told the draft board.

### Scouts Set Goals To Attain In 1944

#### Main Goal to Make Aransas County "Scout Concius"

The Theme of the 1944 program of the Boy Scouts of Troop 49, Rockport, Texas, is to make the public of this city Boy Scout conscious.

In order to carry out this theme several goals have been set, they are as follows:  
 Exhibits and displays open to the public to acquaint them with what Scouting provides for their sons and how it benefits the community.

These will be held from time to time during National Boy Scout week, February 8 to 14.

Establishing an official Boy Scout Trail to points of interest in and around the community.

Clean and patrol the bathing beach. Erect a watch tower over the beach so watch can be kept on children and people swimming.

Erect shelters for protection from sun for people watching their children swim as well as for swimmers themselves.

Hold a parents night hike, which means that the parents are invited to spend the evening with the boys and have an evening meal that the boys provide.

Beautify park areas by setting out shrubbery.

Give several rescue and first aid demonstrations on the beach showing how to rescue a drowning person and give artificial respiration.

In addition to the above the program for the boys includes at least one over-night hike a month. The meeting time has been increased to 2 1-2 hours instead of 2 hours. The extra 1-2 hour is for a handcraft period in which the boys will be taught how to make some useful articles for their home or themselves.

The troop has been reorganized into two patrols, one being headed by patrol leader David Herring, and the other by Patrol Leader Roy Lassiter. Jim Herring has been promoted to the rank of Junior Asst. Scoutmaster, and will supervise individual patrol hikes and projects.

The Goals of the Troop are:  
 100 percent uniformed attendance.

Regular advancement, consisting of one rank advancement each quarter by each boy.

Fifty per cent increase in enrollment in 1944.

Troop club house for meetings and recreation of scouts.

Establish a summer camping area.

Troop attendance in an official scout sponsored summer camp.

### Eat Black-Eyed Peas for Luck Says Soldier

COUPLAND.—Capt. Elmore R. Torn, former agricultural manager of the East Texas Chamber of Commerce now in the army, hasn't let his new surroundings blackout his faith in blackeyed peas. "Although now in the armed forces," Torn wired the United Press, "I nevertheless wish to urge the eating of blackeyed peas on New Year's Day as I always did . . . to do it is a good old Southern custom, and blackeyed peas are good eating anytime. "To eat them on the first day of 1944 would be to associate the good luck custom with what promises to be the most eventful year in history."





**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Sunday School 10:00 a. m.  
Mrs. Leonard Casterline, Supt.  
Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.  
Vesper Services 6:00 p. m.  
Preaching 8:30 p. m.  
Young Peoples Worship on Thursday, 7:30 p. m., Mrs. T. H. Pollard, Sponsor.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**

"A Home-Like Church for a Home-Like People"—E. J. Meyers, pastor  
Sunday Services  
Bible School 10 a. m.  
G. E. Sansing, Supt.

Morning Worship 11 a. m.  
All Training Unions 7 p. m.  
Evangelistic Singing and Preaching 8 p. m.  
**Mondays**  
Women's Missionary Society 3:30 p. m.  
Mrs. Dora Shuffield, Pres.

**Tuesdays**

Sunbeam Band 3 p. m.  
Mrs. L. W. Hunt, Leader  
Girls Auxiliary and Royal Ambassadors 4:15 p. m.

**Wednesdays**

Choir Practice 7:30 p. m.  
Prayer Meeting 8:00 p. m.  
**Everyone Is Welcome**

**SACRED HEART CHURCH**

REV. J. H. KELLY, Pastor  
REV. HERBERT BOCKHOLT, Assistant Pastor  
Week Day Masses, 7 and 8:30 a. m.  
Sunday Masses 7 and 9 a. m.

**THE METHODIST CHURCH**

R. R. Ghormley, Pastor  
Church School 9:45 a. m.  
Preaching 11:00 a. m.  
League 7:00 p. m.  
Prayer Meetings 8:00 p. m.  
(Wednesday)

Choir Practice 7:30 p. m.  
(Tuesday and Friday)

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE**

Aransas Pass, Texas  
God: is the subject of the Lesson Sermon to be read in all Christian Science Churches January 2, 1944.  
Golden Text: Revelation 21:3.  
Responsive Reading: 1 Chronicles 16:8, 10-12, 14-15, 27-29.  
Service at 11 a. m. Sunday School 9:45 a. m.  
All are invited to attend.

**ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

There will be a celebration of the Holy Communion in St. Peter's Church on New Years Day, Jan. 1, 1944 at 10:00 A. M. A cordial welcome awaits everyone at St. Peter's Church.

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**

TO: G. W. Fulton, deceased, and heirs of G. W. Fulton, W. S. Hall, if living, and if deceased, the unknown heirs of W. S. Hall, Paula Reuss if living, if dead, the unknown heirs of Paula Reuss, Emily Nummacher, if living, if dead, the unknown heirs of Emily Nummacher, Henry Schoellkopf if living, and his unknown heirs if deceased, Elsie Von Rumohr, and the unknown heirs of Elsie Von Rumohr, Katherine Schoellkopf, if living, and if deceased, the unknown heirs of Katherine Schoellkopf, J. M. Hoopes deceased, and the unknown heirs of J. M. Hoopes, Carrie Hoopes, deceased, and the unknown heirs of Carrie Hoopes, all of whose residences are unknown, GREETING: You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 25 day of January, A. D., 1944, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable District Court of Aransas County, at the Court House in Rockport, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 8 day of December, 1943, The file number of said suit being No. 2271 The names of the parties in said suit are: John H. Bursleson as plaintiff, G. W. Fulton, W. S. Hall, et al as Defendants. The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to-wit: An action in Trespass to Try Title as well as for damages to the following described tract of land lying in Aransas County, Texas, to-wit:

1. The South twenty-five (25) feet of Waterfront East of Lot Four (4), Block Twenty-six (26) Town of Fulton, Aransas County, Texas.  
2. The North twenty-five (25) feet of Waterfront East of Lot Five (5), Block Twenty-six (26), Town of Fulton, Aransas County, Texas. Issued this the 8th day of December, 1943.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Rockport, Texas, this the 8th day of December, A. D., 1943.  
J. M. SPARKS,  
Clerk, District Court, Aransas County, Texas  
4t12-9.

**NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS MEETING**

The Regular Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of The First National Bank of Rockport, Texas will be held at the Banks Office at Rockport, Texas, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 4 P. M. on Tuesday, January 11th, 1944 for the purpose of electing Directors for the ensuing year and for any other business that may lawfully be brought before said meeting.  
A. C. GLASS.

**Social Security Provision Explained By Official**

CORPUS CHRISTI, Tex., Dec. 28—The old-age and survivors insurance provisions of the Social Security Act do not provide for payments in case of sickness or disability, according to Glenn T. Dunn, manager of the Corpus Christi office of the Social Security Board.

"Recently a number of persons have contacted this office, seeking information as to whether or not they could receive social security benefits during periods of illness or disability," Dunn said.

Monthly benefits are paid to eligible workers who have reached the age of 65 and retired; benefits are also provided for eligible survivors of "insured" workers who die. But under the present law there is no provision for payments on account of sickness or disability, Dunn said, adding that the confusion had probably come about as a result of the Social Security Board's recommendation in its seventh annual report that provision be made for disability insurance by amending the law.

**LIFE RAFTS CARRY OIL TO PREVENT SUNBURN**

LOS ANGELES — Sun bathers on American beaches have nothing on Castaways at sea in the matter of equipment for a perfect sun-tan. One gallon cans holding oil for protection against sunburn, windburn and salt water spray are now standard equipment for the life-rafts of each U. S. Maritime Commission vessel launched from a California shipyard, according to E. H. Bell, vice-president of the American Can Co., who said that recently his company has furnished cans to be used for this purpose.

Many castaways rescued in the Pacific have told of extreme suffering from sunburn as a result of exposure to intense tropical suns.

GREAT LAKES, Ill. — Seaman Robert Crandall, 19, from his two years sea duty experience wrote a recruit here that "It will be tough at first, but keep a clean record: I wish I could see you and give you some advice." The rookie is his recently inducted father.

**How About Rye And Blonde With Big Brown Eyes?**

Police Chief P. J. Dugan received a telegram which read: "Please meet the California Limited with quart bourbon, car 502. Thanks a million." It was signed, "Lt. Edgar G. Malchow." Dugan didn't meet the train explaining: "They'll be wanting a blond with blue eyes next."

**New Anthem Is Proposed for Reds**

LONDON — Russia broke further with the cause of world revolution last night with an announcement that the "The Internationale" would be abandoned as the Soviet national anthem March 15 because it "does not correspond with the Socialistic principles of the Soviet State."

Radio Moscow revealed that a new anthem, proclaiming that the "great banner of the people's hammer leads the way to victory and freedom," had been adopted with words by Sergei Mikhailov and music by V. V. Aleksandrov.

**Texas Blasts Kills Worker**

PORT ARTHUR.—One worker was killed and at least 20 others injured, three seriously, when a series of three explosions shook the Port Arthur refinery of the Texas Company.

First reports said the blasts occurred in the new alkylation unit at the refinery, but company officials had made no announcement. The dead workman was not immediately identified.

**Rhode Island Boundaries Took 260 Years to Settle**

PROVIDENCE, R. I. — The boundaries of the nation's smallest state—Rhode Island—weren't settled until 260 years after its founding.

The long delay was due to the vaguely-worded deeds which the early settlers received from the Indians when they acquired land. One early resident once remarked that in his day the boundaries might as well have been marked by "a bramble bush on the north, a bluejay on the south, a hive of bees on the west and five hundred foxes with firebrands to their tails on the east."

**Major Historical Events Celebrated By Texans**

AUSTIN.—Texas celebrated two historic events Wednesday, the anniversary of statehood and of the Battle of Brushy Creek in the "War of the Archives."

On Dec. 20, 1845, the president of the United States signed the annexation papers making Texas 38th state in the union. Though Texas continued its separate government until Feb. 19, 1846, the earlier date has been recognized by courts in holdings that Federal taxes become effective then. The battle deciding the dispute over state records took place 101 years ago near Austin, when an attempt to remove the records to Houston and make it the permanent capital was defeated.

**TANK CREW IS TOUGH WITH SECOND ARMY ON MANEUVERS**

Somewhere in Tennessee — A "Blue" tank crew had a chilling experience during the recent maneuver problem. Their tank overturned in an icy stream and for four hours they were forced to stand in freezing water up to their necks. No ill effects were suffered by the tough tankers, however, following their rescue.

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**ANOTHER... NEW YEAR!**

**NEW YEAR 1944!** While we find it impossible to call it happy, it does find us with the brightest outlook of any New Year since 1939. Victory at long last seems to be in sight. Victory for which Americans have died — Victory for which Americans have forgotten the forty-hour week — Victory for which Americans have denied themselves what they considered the necessary things of life... Victory which has cost American families untold anguish and tears... Victory for which we have struggled for two years.

Yes, we have sacrificed much, and the fulfillment of that for which we have sacrificed is in sight. However to achieve Victory, we must continue to work hard for it. The casualty lists, so our leaders tell us, will mount higher than ever before. What that means, none of us need be told.

Let this be the motto of the people of Aransas County and of Americans everywhere...

**Work for Victory In 1944!**

**The Rockport PILOT**

**Victorious NEW YEAR, folks!**

"GUESS that's the best kind of New Year to wish everybody this year because that's what we are all working for and want more than anything else."  
"So my resolution for 1944 is to work even harder in supplying electric power to the many military establishments and war industries of South and Southwest Texas. And, to the best of my ability, I'm going to keep right on giving good, dependable service to the residences, farms and businesses on the home front."  
"Speaking of the home front, my company and all my fellow CPL'ers thank you for the business you have given us this past year and for the way you have cooperated with us in meeting wartime problems."

Let's SOCK the Axis more, in 1944,  
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MAGNOLIA PEANUT OIL 5 POINTS Pint Bottle 28c

NO. 1 RECLEANED PINTO BEANS 19-Oz. Cello Bag (3 Points) 15c  
28-Oz. Cello Bag (4 Points)  
STARKIST TOOTH PASTE 50c Size Tube 27c  
FITCH'S BRUSH OR NO BRUSH Shaving Cream 25c Size 19c  
LYSOL 3-Ounce Bottle 21c  
RED & WHITE LYE 3 Tall Cans 25c

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GREEN OR YELLOW SPLIT PEAS 12-Ounce Cello Pkg. 15c  
RED & WHITE DRIP OR STEEL CUT COFFEE Lb. Pkg. 29c  
RED & WHITE PURE EGG NOODLES 8-Oz. Pkg. 8c 10-Oz. Pkg. 15c  
CITRUS MARMALADE Big 32-Oz. Jar 29c  
WHITE OR COLORED VINEGAR Gallon Glass Jug 32c  
TOMMY TINKER PEANUT BUTTER Pint Jar 24c Quart Jar 43c  
EVANGELINE OKRA DINNER 16-Ounce Glass 14c  
GEBHARDT'S CHILI POWDER Small Bottle 10c Large Bottle 25c  
VAN CAMP'S TENDERONI Cooks in 7 Minutes A new treat for macaroni and spaghetti lovers Dissolves Grease—Kind to Hands Super Sparkle 3 Cans 25c The Modern Gritless Cleanser  
PANTRY IMITATION VANILLA 8-Oz. Bottle 9c  
LOUISIANA Hot Sauce 6-Oz. Bottle 8c  
PUREX BLEACH Quart Bottle 14c  
CALIFORNIA ICEBERG LETTUCE Large, Crisp Head 10c  
PINK RIPE TOMATOES Lb. 15c  
CALIFORNIA FINEST CALAVOS Large Rib Each 12c  
NO. 1 IDAHO RUSSET POTATOES 6 Lb. 27c  
SELECTED EAST TEXAS YAMS 3 Lb. 25c  
LARGE SOFT SHELL STUART PECANS Lb. 49c  
RED & WHITE CORN FLAKES 81-Oz. Pkg. 8c  
SKINNER'S RAISIN BRAN Pkg. 10c  
RED & WHITE WHEAT FLAKES 8-Oz. Pkg. 9c  
BRIMFULL OATMEAL 16-Oz. Pkg. 10c  
RALSTON CEREAL Pkg. 23c  
RED & WHITE OR AUNT JEMIMA CORN MEAL WHITE OR YELLOW Pkg. 9c  
RED & WHITE PANCAKE FLOUR 20-Ounce Package 9c  
RED & WHITE BUCKWHEAT FLOUR 20-Ounce Pkg. 11c  
COLORADO NO. 1 YELLOW ONIONS 4 Lb. 25c  
HOMEGROWN CABBAGE Hard, Green Heads Lb. 3c  
SWEET TEXAS SEEDLESS ORANGES Medium Size Dozen 27c  
CALIFORNIA RED BALL LEMONS Medium Size Dozen 23c

Friends Entertained At A. R. Curry Home

Maurice Curry entertained a few friends at the home of his parents late Sunday afternoon. The holiday motif keyed the decorations. Among those present were: Lt. and Mrs. Dave Romsey, Capt. James Sorenson, Mrs. DeWilton Jeffries, Mrs. Clinton Schmelling, Mrs. Helen Jane Sloan, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fox, Mr. and Mrs. Arley Shivers, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard LaBlanc, Mrs. Edward Barnarr and Mr. and Mrs. Jerald Norton from Port Arthur.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENT

The Presbyterian Church will observe the quarterly Communion Service next Sunday, January 2nd. The congregation is urged to attend.

Personals

Wilbern Berry, stationed at Corpus Christi is spending a four day leave visiting his parents in Rockport.

"Buddy" McElveen is spending a few days leave in Rockport visiting his parents.

Miss Rosie Falcon of Corpus Christi spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Laurians Falcon.

Miss Barbara Rodriguez of Corpus Christi was the week-end guest of Miss Perta Falcon.

Miss Inez Dominguez of Brownsville, has been a visitor in the home of her cousin, Gilbert Dominguez.

Pvt. Daniel Solis, stationed at Byran Field, Texas, spent the Christmas holidays with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Georgia Solis.

Mrs. Clara Seaton spent Christmas Day in Corpus Christi at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Grant. She also visited her son, L. E. Jones and family.

Mrs. James Banahan is visiting in Pierce. After a visit with her sister, she will go on to New Orleans with her husbands' parents for New Years.

J. M. Noble of Tahoka, Texas visited a few minutes in the Pilot office Wednesday morning. Noble, who is from Tahoka, is a land owner in Rockport. He stated that although he had owned a strip of waterfront for some time, circumstances had prevented him from building on it.

Mrs. Mary Alice Gray is visiting with relatives in Houston.

B - 25 Mitchells Carry

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plate for protection against frontal fire.

In making their tests, engineers took an entire section of a B-25 forward of the wings and installed the cannon. This section was then moved to a firing range located at the foot of a hill and the firing tests made. The experiments were completed successfully in approximately two months time.

Production on the cannon-equipped B-25's started at the California division of North American approximately three months later. It required 13,551 engineering man-hours and 380 new drawings to complete the job of redesigning the airplane.

A total of 2000 pounds has been added to the airplane's gross or loaded weight by its tremendous armament installation and the ammunition it must carry.

The cannon, built on a mount assembly, is installed in what was formerly a passageway beneath the left side of the pilot's compartment. The muzzle projects forward through a blast tube in the lower nose section and the breech extends aft to the left forward side of the navigator's compartment.

Two fixed .50 calibre machine guns also have been placed in the nose of the bomber.

Crew of the B-25 consists of pilot, co-pilot, cannoneer, radio operator and upper turret operator. The guns—both the machine guns and cannon—are charged and fired by the pilot.

Although a number of American aircraft manufacturers were invited by the War Department to adapt twin engine airplanes to carry the 75 millimeter gun installation, the B-25 is the first such airplane to be manufactured and to see action. The largest weapon installed in an airplane prior to this time is believed to be the 40 millimeter cannon used by the British to arm the Mustang, Spitfire, and Hurricane.

Despite the addition of the cannon, the B-25's still retain their effectiveness in dropping bombs, troop straffing, carrying torpedoes, acting as reconnaissance planes, serving as transports, and as fighters.

The new installation has not affected the B-25's bomb bay capacity or its speed.



SALAD OIL, Crustene or Jewel, Gal. \$1.75  
COFFEE, Duncan's Panama, 3 lbs. 95c  
COFFEE, Bright & Early, 3 lbs. 85c  
COFFEE, Folger's, 3 lbs. \$1.00  
SEED POTATOES, Red River Valley Triumphs or Cobblers, 100 lb. bag \$5.00  
LYE, Lewis American, 3 cans 25c  
WASHING POWDER, Swift Pride, 43 oz. 25c  
RICE, Fcy, Blue Rose, 2 lbs 25c  
BEANS, Fcy. R. C. Pintos, 40 oz. pkg. 25c  
HAM HOCKS, S. C. (1 point), lb. 20c  
HAMS, Swift or Armour's Tend. lb. 35c  
WIENERS or Frankfurters, Swift's, 1 1/2 lb. 50c  
Full Line Fresh Garden Seed, Valley Fruit and Home Grown Vegetables

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HE'S CONVINCED—Among the many male Marines who have expressed their complete approval of the Marine Corp Women's Reserve is Second Lieut. Tyrone Power, shown with Sergeant Mattie Ozment. The former movie star described joining the Marines as "the finest way a young woman can serve her country, to free a trained Marine to fight."

NOTICE!

Beginning Jan. 10, 1944 haircuts will be 65c, shaves 35c.

All children's haircuts will continue to be 50c except on Saturday. All haircuts on Saturday will be 65c.

Mundine Barber Shop

These Aircraft Spotters Know Their Business

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla.—The way it turned out there wasn't any cause for alarm, but West Palm Beach has three aircraft spotters who proved they know their business.

The trio—Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Smith and Mrs. Herbert Weiss—were doing their weekly tour of duty last Oct. 13 when a strange plane flew in from the sea. Excitedly they tagged it as a German Ju-88 bomber, and so notified Army authorities.

Their identification was correct, but they did not learn until later that it was a captured plane, flown by an American crew.

The army explained that the bomber, which was destined for Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, for examination, came into Allied hands on the island of Cyprus. An American flag and AAF insignia were painted on the fuselage and tail surfaces and the craft was flown finally to Morrison Field here.

Classified

FOR SALE—My Home on West Market Street, four rooms, modern bath, newly painted and refinished, located on block of acreage. C. F. McKinley. tf 9-16

FOR RENT—New three room modern house. Phone 3513. tf 10-24

FOR SALE: Very choice Holstein, Guernsey and Ayrshire heifers \$25 each and up. Shipped C. O. D. if desired. Bull free with five heifers, Homestead Farms, McGraw, N. Y.

WANTED TO BUY—An Auxiliary sail boat, ketch, yawl or schooner; must be over 35 feet long. Apply Pilot office.

FOR RENT—Cottage and trailer space north-west of Courthouse on route 35. Mc Kinley (and tags). 4t-12-23n

FOR LEASE—21 acres all fenced. Inquire of Alex Stewart, Rockport. Mrs. G. Sweeney 12-23-tf

All the World's A Stage and

BOSTON — Fifty years on the American stage without a single bow or curtain speech is a distinction earned by William (Shakespeare) Gallagher.

A stagehand, whose familiarity with the works of the Bard of Avon earned him most of his half-century backstage in the shadows of the Boston theatre. Here he met and hobnobbed with some of the greatest names on the American stage.



Specials For Friday & Saturday, Dec. 31, Jan. 1  
COFFEE, Delmonte, lb. 34c  
MILK, IGA, 3 lge. cans 27c  
B A B O, Can 10c  
MARMALADE, Citrus, Quart 34c  
KE POWDER, Calumet. lb. 17c  
SOY BEANS, No. 2 Can 10c  
Toilet Soap, sweetheart, 3 ckes 21c  
SOUP, Veg. Beef No. 1 Can 15c  
ONIONS, Yellow, Lb. 6c  
YAMS, 3 Lbs. 25c

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PROGRAM  
SUNDAY and MONDAY  
JANUARY 2-3  
Red Skelton & Lucille Ball -In-  
Du Barry Was A Lady  
TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY  
JANUARY 4-5  
Richard Carlton and—  
Martha O'Driscoll  
My Heart Belongs To Faddy  
THURSDAY and FRIDAY  
JANUARY 6-7  
Edw. G. Robinson,  
Margaret Chapman  
The Destroyer  
SATURDAY  
JANUARY 8  
THE GHOST RIDER  
Selective Comedies  
Shorts and News

KEEP ON  
Backing the Attack!  
WITH WAR BONDS

Beware 'Morning After' New Year War Workers Told

Washington, D. C.—The government wants to keep the Mahoney boys out of the war plants on New Year's Day.

The Mahoney boys, it is written, are little elves who make their homes in the flowing bowls and toasting cups. Upon unlimited consumption of holiday cheer, they spring out and with hammers play a pounding tune on the brows of remorseful imbibers.

Man Power Commissioner McNut issued such a plea Tuesday although not in so many words.

Urging that workers appear on New Year Day, and also forego the traditional celebration of the night before, he said.

"I suggest that the workers of America get a full night's sleep on New Year's eve."

New York—American housewives have salvaged more than 2,000,000 pounds of waste cooking fat since the fat salvage drive started in July, 1942, the Bureau of Advertising of the American Newspaper Publishers Association reported Wednesday.

Tracing the role of newspaper advertising in telling the story of America's need for saving waste fats, the bureau quoted a survey showing that 52 per cent had turned in fat since the campaign began.

In 1944 housewives will be asked to double their present contributions to meet the 230,000,000 pound quota just announced by the fat salvage committee, the bureau said.

Beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. —II Peter