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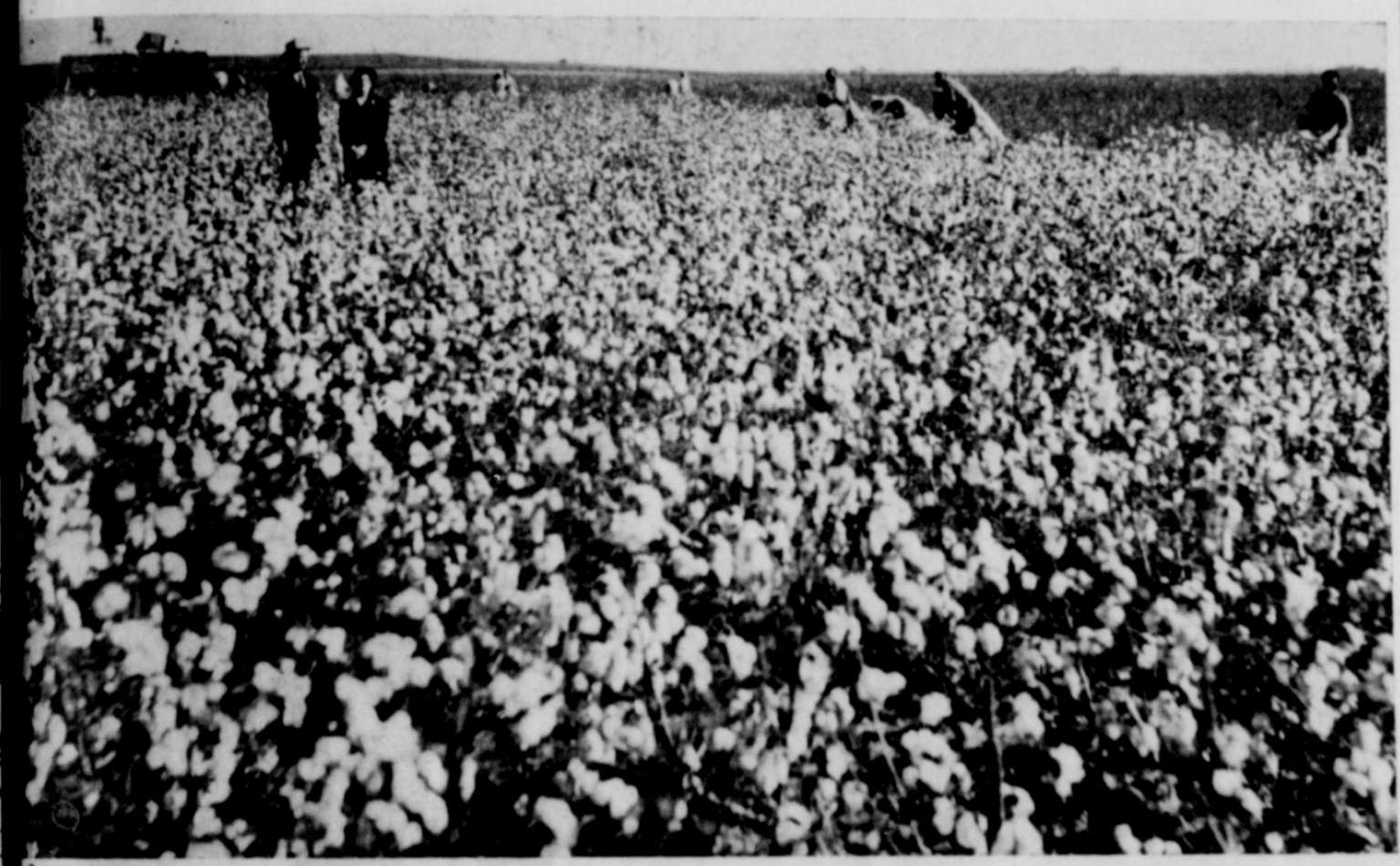
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King Cotton, in Role of Santa, Good to Farmers of Hall County



By T. E. JOHNSON
County farmers are wind-up one of their most profitable years. The county may not have produced the most cotton in 1942 but it was a better yield. And, that goes for Texas but for the South.
The evidence it presents is shown above on the Henderson farm in the Plasko county. Indicative of the yield many farms in this area, this field showed the remarkable yield of 2 1-2 bales to the acre.
This was the first "going over"; there is still considerable cotton to be pulled. But the yield of 2 1-2 bales to the acre was authenticated by careful weights and measurements. When pickers entered the field for the first time they gathered one pound per yard per row, or 1,230 pounds of lint per acre.
Comparable yields from many neighboring farms have been reported. Not all of Hall County produced cotton on such a record scale, but farmers, ginners and bankers all agree that the 1942 crop was one of the "best" in the county's history, all things considered.
In the first place there was a good yield in all sections of the county. There were no poor spots. There were no hailed out districts. Throughout the county all farmers made a "good cotton crop."
Also, it was what is known as an easy crop.
There was little trouble with replanting in the Spring. The growing season was ideal. The 1942 crop was produced with a minimum of labor.
Adding to the stability of the farmers—and their neighbors in town as well—was the balance crop produced this past year. Sorghums and all kinds of feed crops were comparable to cotton in yields.
The net result has been that farmers of Hall County are in better shape than in many years. Their cotton has brought them cash with which to pay debts, buy war bonds and has given them (Continued on page 5)

LOUISE BREWER IS FOOTBALL QUEEN OF 1942

Senior Candidate Is Crowned Tuesday at End of Campaign

Louise Brewer, senior class candidate, was elected Football Queen for 1942 as the result of a two-week campaign conducted by students, which culminated with a pie supper and cake auction in the high school auditorium Monday night.
After the votes were tallied, the senior candidate was found to have a plurality of 22160. Marjorie Hardwick, sophomore aspirant, was second with 19,594 votes; the junior candidate, Mary Beth Thornton, had 8,394; Yvonne Lou McDaniel, pre-freshman polled 2,165, and Edith Jo Beckham, freshman, 854.
Miss Brewer was formally crowned Football Queen in a ceremony Tuesday afternoon in the auditorium, which marked the suspension of school activities for the Christmas holidays.
A fair attendance was reported for the pie supper Monday night and bidding on the pies was spirited, few of them going for less than a dollar. The cake auction brought more than \$100. L. F. Gresham, athletic coach, acted as auctioneer.
The campaign was primarily for the purpose of raising funds with which to purchase sweaters for the 1942 lettermen of the Cyclone football squad. Proceeds of the campaign amounted to approximately \$235, it was announced today.
All Out for Victory

Red Cross Workers Look Back on Year Of Big Achievement



Since the opening of the work rooms of the Hall County Red Cross chapter in June 1941, the organization of volunteer women workers has sent off five shipments containing a grand total of 4,592 garments of various kinds, it is reported by Mrs. B. Webster, production chairman. Of this total 298 items were donated outright.
The first of these shipments was completed and sent away on February 25, 1942, and included 2,167 garments, most of which were made under the chairmanship of Mrs. C. L. Hamrick. The last shipment was gotten off last Friday and contained 944 articles.
Much of this material was for the relief of civilian victims of war in allied countries, and comprised many different articles of clothing, quilts and other useful items. Hospital garments for wounded soldiers, sailors and marines also were included.
The humanitarian work of the American Red Cross is many-sided and the Hall County chapter has lent its effort to various phases. In a campaign recently conducted, with Mrs. Inez Baker as chairman, funds were collected for 400 kits to be given to soldiers and marines as they embarked for overseas services. These kits are now complete with the exception of razor blades and needles, which have been ordered but have not arrived. The kits contain a large number of items for utilitarian and amusement purposes.
With the unprecedented expansion of the United States armed forces, it became evident that (Continued on page 4)

Estelline Pilot Is Credited With Hit On Jap Destroyer

Lieut. H. E. Hood One of Marine Group Breaking Up Formation of Enemy Ships
Second Lieut. Harlan E. Hood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Zack Hood of Estelline, was one of a squadron of Marine torpedo dive bombers, which struck a smashing blow against a Japanese destroyer force attempting to crash a blockade and land supplies and reinforcements to hard pressed enemy troops in Northwest Guadalcanal, according to a delayed news dispatch from the Pacific war sector.
Striking at dusk December 3 the Marine airmen scored hits on four of the ships steaming along in three columns 100 miles from Guadalcanal. At the same time Grumman Wildcat and Bell Airacobra fighters shot down ten of a group of twelve enemy float biplanes escorting the destroyer force.
The Japanese ships were spotted on the afternoon of December 3 about 260 miles northwest of the island, traveling at a speed of 20 knots. They were carrying reinforcements for beleaguered forces at Guadalcanal and were believed planning to shell the Americans at Henderson field.
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Aaron Dewlen Dies Saturday Night at His Home in City

Obsequies for Resident of Memphis for 23 Years Held Today at Methodist Church

Tribute to the memory of Aaron Dewlen, 58 years old, was paid this afternoon by scores of relatives and friends in funeral rites conducted at three o'clock at the First Methodist Church, officiating. Burial was in the Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Womack Funeral Home.
Pall bearers were G. M. Duren, Charles Webster, E. E. Roberts, Dean Mogensen, Roy Fultz, Clyde Morris, W. T. Hightower and W. Z. Hawkins. Misses Laura M. Hightower, Mary Wanda Hawkins, Dorothy Nell Evans, Marjorie Morris, Marion B. Duren, Nadi Webster, Elwanda Jones, Jessie Mae Burk and Sandra Lee Brackshaw were in charge of floral offerings.
Mr. Dewlen succumbed Saturday night at 9:15 o'clock, at his home here after suffering illness for several days.
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Christmas Play Is Given at Rotary Luncheon Tuesday

Mrs. Joe DeBerry and Mrs. Roy R. Fultz gave a one-act Christmas play at Rotary luncheon Tuesday. The play was highly enjoyed, Rotarians say, and was one of the high-light programs of the year.
Mrs. B. S. Greene is the author of the play, which has been presented at other club meetings also.
Next Tuesday, December 29, is college student day at Rotary luncheon. This is an annual affair, and every college student of the county, home for the holidays is invited to attend. Telephone C. C. Hodges or Rev. E. L. Yeats as soon as possible, if you plan to attend, so that proper arrangements may be made for the luncheon.
All Out for Victory

Large Group Leaves For Service Exams

The largest group to leave this county for military service in some time were sent Tuesday by the Hall County Selective Service Board to the induction center at Lubbock for physical examination. Those in this group were:
Lewis Wallace Townsend, Wyman Elmo Davis, Joseph Raeburn Nelson, Major Welch Morrow, Robert Leroy Stephens, William Lawrence Curtis, Frank Odum Dodson, Bennie Truman Floyd, Ralph Lee Hill, Ector Henry Crisler, Lovd Wayne Nivens, Grover D. Lollis, Ernest Othal Hoggatt, Paul Edward Hulen, Elmer Leon D. McKay, Doyle Loftin Miller, Everett Weldon Conner, Donathan Dean Bevers, A. C. Hodnett, Tommie Richard Joneg, T. J. Wright, Grady Hilton Phillips, Chester Earl Couch.
Transferred to other boards for induction were Lemuel P. McGee, Russellviie, Ark.; Alvin Artis Burkhardt, San Diego, Calif.; R. L. Stanley, Wilmington, Calif.; Barney Tracy Romines, Los Angeles, Calif.; Jim Burtis Phillips and Ennis Earl Brooks, credited to this quota, had already enlisted.
Sent for other boards were Jerral Cecil Prock, Covina, Calif.; Uail Campbell, Lamar County Benjamin Wiley Ward, Frederick Okla.

Inspections Trucks Are Due Next 30 Days

War Necessity Certificates to be Endorsed by Approved Inspectors by January 15
Inspection of commercial vehicles reminded that their first tire inspections under Certificate of Necessity must be made within the next thirty days. Richard Wood, Lubbock district manager, ODT's division of motor transport, urged that operators get until the last minute for approved inspectors, but now to get the inspections. Commercial motor vehicle may be lawfully operated after January 15 without a Certificate of Necessity and an endorsement on an approved tire inspection certificate. Wood said the first inspection, vehicles be presented for inspection 60 days or every 5,000 miles, whichever occurs first.
Purpose of the periodic tire inspection is to insure proper tire condition. Inspectors have been authorized by the OPA War Price Control Administration and sworn Federal Government agents to inspect tires.
Inspector finds that a tire is worn to the place of the tread, the owner must replace it.
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Business People Extend Greetings

More than one hundred Memphis merchants, service organizations and professional men extend holiday greetings and best wishes to their customers and friends in this annual Christmas edition of The Democrat.

So this paper might be considered a composite Christmas Greeting to all readers throughout this area. The Democrat crew joins heartily in these good wishes.

Farm Leaders Map Plans for Sign-Up For Goals in 1943

Survey for War Production To Be Conducted Throughout Texas in Month of January
Agricultural leaders from all over Texas gathered in College Station Tuesday to study plans for the 1943 farm production goal sign-up.
Following the state meeting sub-committee meetings will be held at various points in the state to acquaint county USDA war board members with details of the 1943 production program. County war boards and county and community AAA committees will conduct the sign-up campaign in January, contacting every farmer in the state.
The farm plan work sheet which will be filled out for every farm (Continued on page 5)

Robert E. L. Davis Dies at Home in City December 17

Funeral Services Are Held From First Baptist Church 11 o'clock Saturday Morning
Robert E. Lee Davis, 78 years old, died at his home, 816 West Bruce street, Thursday night at 11:20 o'clock after several days of illness.
Funeral services were conducted from the First Baptist Church at 11 o'clock Saturday morning by Rev. Sid F. Martin, pastor, assisted by Rev. E. L. Yeats, Methodist pastor. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Womack Funeral Home.
Pall bearers were Sam Brown, Jess Carlton, W. A. Simmons, W. C. Anderson, Hill Wells, F. M. Clifton and Jessie Beach. Honor (Continued on page 8)

Funeral Rites For Mrs. Ellen Abram Spoken at Newlin

Hall County Resident For 37 Years Dies in Hospital Here After Brief Illness
Funeral services for Mrs. Ellen Abram, 38 years old, were held Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock from the Baptist Church at Newlin by Rev. Scott Crawford, pastor, and Rev. Robert Knight, interment was in the Newlin Cemetery, with arrangements in charge of Womack Funeral Home of Memphis.
Pall bearers were C. B. Alexander, Ivan Gresham, Odell Rawls, Vernon Phillips, Curtis Phillips, and Frank Skinner, all brothers-in-law of the deceased.
Mrs. Abram, a resident of the Newlin community for 37 years was born January 23, 1904, in Alabama. She died Wednesday afternoon, December 16, at 3 o'clock in a hospital in Memphis (Continued on page 8)

Memorable Event—Memphis Sailor Sees White Woman

Captain Harrell, The Democrat's moving correspondent, comes through with another report on conditions in the South Pacific. Events assume their proper perspective in that far-off area. Curtis talked with a white girl, the first he had seen in four months, and that was an event on a par with the Navy winning a battle. Our correspondent expresses deepest sympathy with civilians at home who are undergoing the rigors of rationing and kindred ills.
Southwest Pacific, Dec. 11, 1942
Dear Democrat Gang:
I have just finished reading the October issue of The Democrat which arrived this morning, along with an early Christmas package. The paper is very welcome down here in this part of the world. Many thanks!
We have been getting plenty of packages lately and some letters. The candy, peanuts, gum, etc., are the most important part of the presents, as they are very scarce otherwise. The fellows in my tent pool all eats and place them in the center of the table for everyone to enjoy. Since yesterday there sits on the table 5-pound can chewing gum, lemon drops, mints, etc., 5-pound can soft candy, jar of cookies, and two 3-pound fruit cakes. Also a very special present one fellow got—a pint of homemade jam. Boy, is it delicious! You can close your eyes and see (Continued on page 8)

Sugar and Coffee

War Ration Book No. 1 serves for purchases of sugar and coffee.
Sugar Stamp No. 10 permits purchase of three pounds sugar, and must be used before December 16 and January 31.
The first stamp for coffee is 27, which is good for the purchase of one pound of coffee all book-holders over 15 years of age. This is the coffee for five weeks, or until January 2.

CLAUDE'S Comments

I wonder how many readers of The Democrat heard or read Captain Eddie Rickenbacker's story last Sunday upon his return from the Pacific? He gave a stirring report of the 22 days he and his companions were lost at sea. It was a story of hunger and thirst and death, and a story above all of faith in God and the dramatic answer to a prayer. Rickenbacker made a plea that should find a ready response in the hearts of each American. It was a plea for more production and more sacrifice on the home front for the boys in the "hell holes of fire" on Guadalcanal and in New Guinea. Mindful of what he saw in the South Pacific jungles, Rickenbacker had little patience with those at home who complain about rationing of rubber and gasoline. He said, "those cries seem so insignificant and ridiculous when you consider what the boys down there haven't got. I have come to the conclusion that if they brought the combat troops back here and put them in factories and had (Continued on page 5)

HALL COUNTY'S CLUB REPORTS—WEDDINGS

Society News

PARTIES, DINNER PERSONAL MENTIONS—CALL 15

Blue Bonnet Club Enjoys Christmas Party Friday Eve

The Blue Bonnet Needle Club met Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Jim Vallance for a Christmas party.

Holiday Recital Given by Pupils Of Mrs. McNeely

Mrs. Marion McNeely presented her pupils in a music and expression twilight Christmas recital at her home on Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

Call 15 For QUALITY JOB PRINTING

Speech Pupils of Mrs. Harrison in Recital Sunday

Mrs. T. M. Harrison presented her speech art pupils in a Christmas recital Sunday afternoon at the high school auditorium.

Louise and C. A. Williams Honored At Dinner Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Williams honored their daughter Louise who is assistant Home Demonstration agent of Kaufman County and their son C. A., who left Monday for the Navy, with a dinner Sunday.

Women Work—

CIVILIAN DEFENSE AUXILIARY NOTES

Yuletide Party Held by Members Of Harmony Club

The home of Mrs. D. L. C. Kinard was the scene of the Harmony Club Christmas party on Thursday evening at 7 o'clock last week.

A Christmas dinner was served to the following members: Mesdames Tom Draper, Clyde Milam, Joe DeBerry, Charles Lacy, L. B. Madden, Matthew Allen, Conley Ward, O. N. Hamilton, R. S. Greene, M. McNeely, Robert Devlin, D. L. C. Kinard and Misses Mary Helen Lindsey, Pauline Travis and Eddie Mae Scott, and one visitor, Mrs. W. L. O'Rear.

Holiday Luncheon Honors Lakeview 7th Grade Pupils

The room mothers of the seventh grade pupils of the Lakeview Ward school honored class members and their teacher, Mrs. W. J. Bragg, with a Christmas luncheon on Friday, December 18.

The class president, Miss Jeanine Adams, was master of ceremonies and introduced the honored guests who were: Mrs. Bragg, Superintendent and Mrs. H. A. Wallace, Principal R. M. Holt, and Rev. Folk, who gave the invocation.

The luncheon was served by Mrs. Paul McCanne, Mrs. T. E. Lenoir, Mrs. W. D. Dickie, Mrs. L. T. Hoggett, Mrs. Kay F. Smith, Mrs. J. B. Byars and Mrs. T. E. Adams.

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By INEZ BAKER MEMORIES

My son, was it but yesterday We trimmed the little tree With silver bells and tinsel gay And you smiled up at me?

Have any of you said "I do not have the Christmas spirit?" What is the Christmas spirit? Selfish pleasure, the giving of gifts to those who already have plenty?

The Hall County chapter of the Red Cross has sent this month almost one thousand articles of warm clothing, bed covers, hospital items and surgical dressings, as a Christmas gift to people of other countries who are hungry and cold and sick because of war.

We would not bruise your heart at this time by wishing you a Merry Christmas, but rather in the words of Tiny Tim we say: "God bless us. Everyone."

Sodolitan S. S. Class Has Party At Grundy Home

The Sodolitan Sunday school class of the First Baptist Church met Thursday night at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. D. A. Grundy for a Christmas party.

Members present were Mrs. O. F. Jones, Mrs. George Cullin, Mrs. R. E. Clark, Mrs. J. S. McMurry, Mrs. W. C. Davis, Mrs. Stevens, Mrs. L. O. Dennis, Mrs. Roy Patton, Mrs. Bud Godfrey, Mrs. Joe Webster, Mrs. J. C. Lamb, Mrs. H. B. Gilmore.

Mrs. A. W. Howard, Mrs. Ben Wilson, Mrs. H. H. Lindsey, Mrs. Henry Scott, Mrs. B. B. Scott, Mrs. Olson Sweet, Mrs. C. L. Mixon, Mrs. Frank Smith, Mrs. C. C. Dodson, Mrs. D. A. Grundy, Mrs. W. J. Bragg, and two guests, Mrs. Emma Baskerville and Miss Jeannette Lenoir.

'Christmas Story' Theme of Program For Little Theatre

The Memphis Little Theatre met at 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Charles Gilpin with Betty Foxhall, Nonali Thompson and Emma Deaver as co-hostesses.


Refreshments of plum pudding, Christmas mints, salted nuts and coffee were served to Mesdames L. W. Stanford, J. R. Gallimore, H. D. Stringer, Ted Dudley, Katherine Milam, Verna DeBerry, Gene Barnett, Allen Dunbar, J. D. McKinzie, Horace Tarver, John Deaver, Leo Fields, Gayle Greene, R. S. Greene, Hank Hankins, T. M. Harrison, R. C. Lemons, Frank Foxhall, Murray Dodson, D. L. C. Kinard, Sadie Fields, George Thompson Jr., Leslie Foxhall and Mrs. Charlie Gilpin and Misses Mary Foreman and Jean Clapp.

Deeplake Pupils Entertained at W. J. Bragg Home

Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. J. Bragg, Miss Milam and Mrs. Bragg entertained the Deeplake School Christmas tree.

Following the serving of refreshments and presents, gifts from the Christmas group attended an afternoon tea.

Dr. J. D. McKinnon—Chiropractor—Office—First State Bank Building—Memphis, Tex.



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Thank God for the Spirit of Christmas! Shining spirit which raises the highest human hope of peace on earth, goodwill toward man. Eternal spirit which transcends the chaos of savagery unleashed upon an unwilling world.

For Christmas and all it stands for will yet prevail through the rivers of earth run red . . . will forever live and breathe and fill the air.

It is in the eyes, round with wonder, of small children beholding the bounty of Santa Claus set in a fabulous fairytale of lighted trees. It is in the voice that knows no stranger, ringing loud and clear with a Merry Christmas to everyone. It is in the stirring tongues of tolling bells where every heart is very close to God.

It is in the sum of every good word, every kind deed, every generous act and noble impulse which exalts man all the days of his years. It is the spirit which, in these dark times, must sustain also a bright avenging sword.

And this Christmas, 1942, while Silent Night and Anchors Aweigh mingle in the December air . . . while Caissons Go Rolling Along through distant deserts near the little town of Bethlehem; while many a lonely service man will miss the spirit of Christmas; yet the greatest happiness of any Christmas is to know that others have been blessed with the spirit of Christmas. In this busy, uncertain world, let us pause for just a few minutes and wish each other the good cheer of Christmas time.

To my many friends and loved ones, please allow me to wish you a Merry Christmas and best wishes for a 1943 before raising anchor for a far away shore.


From the bottom of my heart, A Very Merry Christmas, God bless you and thanks a million for your goodwill.

Harry G. Womack, Ph. M 3 c
U.S.N.R., Naval Hospital,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

To our faithful old friends and our cherished new friends, we say

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

May the New Year be a happy and thriving one for you, and may it be our privilege to add to its success.



GEO. R. CULLIN
Agent



Business and world affairs are forgotten, and the good people of a free America pause to observe a season of cheer and good fellowship.

In other parts of the world the Yuletide Season is also being observed, but we do not believe that it is possible for others to realize the full significance of Christmas that is in evidence in our own America.

We have had our reverses, too. We have experienced disappointments that have been difficult to bear. Yet we do not forget that we have much for which to be thankful.

We thank all of you for your past business and trust, in spite of shortages and restrictions, to be of service to you in the future.

JOHN W. VALLANCE
and Employees

WE STILL HAVE PLENTY OF CHRISTMAS FRUITS
Oranges, Grapefruit, Tangerines, Apples, all kinds of Nuts, etc. For your last minute holiday needs, call us.

'M' SYSTEM

PERSONAL

Agnes Nelson, who is at a college at Murfreesboro, arrived Monday with her relatives at Nashville for the holidays.

Helen Madden, who is at Geneseo, Ill., arrived for a visit with her relatives at Nashville for the holidays.

Drake, student in Tech, Lubbock, came Tuesday with his relatives at Nashville for the holidays.

Marion Ruth Duren, West Texas State College student, came Saturday night for the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Al Burks, visitors in Dallas.

Dorris Vallance, student in Tech, Lubbock, came Saturday night to spend the Christmas holidays here with her relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Vallance.

HOW MERRY CHRISTMAS

THE THOUGHTS OF CHRISTMAS

Are enhanced by thoughts of the spirit of Christmas which has been ours in the past, reminds us of the joy of our hosts of friends in the area. We wish you Merry Christmas.

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HOW MERRY CHRISTMAS

THE THOUGHTS OF CHRISTMAS

far away as Christmas packages are fighting fronts of our mighty army.

And while we dream of another year, perhaps even the year that—when war is ours. Then the and we can all old American Christmas again.

How merry Christmas be then!

UNI-CORN GOOD GAS SERVICE

PERSONALS

Miss Mary Isabelle Hanvey, student in West Texas State College, Canyon, returned to her home here Saturday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hanvey.

Miss Vada Webster, student in West Texas State College, Canyon, came Saturday night to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Webster.

Mrs. Dick Shelton left Friday for a visit with her husband who is stationed at Camp Rosecrans, St. Joseph, Mo.

Lloyd Hicks, student in Central College, Fayette, Mo., came Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. L. M. Hicks.

Mrs. Guy Wright and daughters of Clarendon and Mrs. Claud Johnson left Tuesday for Stephenville where they will spend Christmas with their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Howell.

Wesley Hammond of Corpus Christi will spend the Christmas holidays here with his mother, Mrs. G. L. Hammond. He will leave in January for the U. S. Army. B. T. Hammond, and the son of Mrs. Hammond, of Fort Worth, was not accepted in the army, due to physical disabilities.

Miss Jean Clapp left Tuesday afternoon for Lubbock where she will spend the Christmas holidays with her father.

Mrs. Louie Goffinet went Friday to Canyon after her daughter, Mrs. Harlie Gordon, student in West Texas State College, who will spend Christmas holidays here with her parents.

Mrs. E. Singleton, who is teaching in Amarillo public schools, came Saturday to spend Christmas holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Oren. She is the former Miss Lula Faye Oren.

J. H. Maxwell, student in Greeley State College, Greeley, Colo., came Saturday to spend the holidays here with John Bishop.

Mrs. Charles Lamb visited here Sunday with friends. Mrs. Lamb, the former Miss Nina Ruth Nelson, was en route to her home in Roswell, N. M., after a visit in Fort Knox, Ky., with her husband.

Miss Peggy Walker, student in West Texas State College, Canyon, came Tuesday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Walker.

Truck drivers, get your gas certificate protective jackets at The Democrat office.

to America—presenting with the opportunity of expressing our thanks for all past



HOW MERRY Christmas WILL BE!

THE THOUGHTS of many of us are far away as Christmas nears this year. The mails have long been crowded with Christmas packages marked for the boys on the fighting fronts and in the training camps of our mighty armed forces.

And while we observe this Christmas, we dream of another Christmas ahead—perhaps even the next one or the one after that—when war is ended and victory is ours. Then the boys will have come back and we can all have a good old American Christmas season again.

How merry Christmas will be then!



UNITED GAS CORPORATION
GOOD GAS SERVICE More Than Just Gas

TELEGRAM
OFFICIAL BUSINESS—GOVERNMENT RATE

TO THE EDITOR:

THE GOVERNMENT IS ASKING THE AMERICAN FARMER TO INDICATE THE IMMEDIATE NEEDS OF 1943 BY AN INTERPRETED SCRAP SHEET. THIS SHEET WILL BE USED TO HELP THE FARMER AND THE FARMERS ARE ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT OF THIS TYPE OF METALS. WE NEED YOUR POSITION.

ON THIS FARM DRIVE, AND IN ADDING OUR SALVAGE COMMITTEE TO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THROUGHOUT THE YEAR FOR NEARLY 100,000,000 POUNDS OF MATERIAL TO HELP THE FARMER PREPARED AND WILL BE MAILED SHOW ALL SALVAGE COMMITTEES ARE BEING INSTRUCTED TO CONTINUE TO MAKE AVAILABLE TO THE FARMER ALL THEIR TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES AND SERVICES, AND TO COOPERATE WITH YOU IN EVERY POSSIBLE WAY. THE BUREAU IS LOOKING TO THE AMERICAN FARMER. I AM SURE, WITH YOUR HELP, WE WILL COME THROUGH.

FOR INFORMATION OF THE FARMER, THE NATIONAL WAR PRODUCTION BOARD, DONALD W. REIDEN, CHAIRMAN, WAR PRODUCTION BOARD.

NEWLIN
By MRS. FRED HEMPHILL

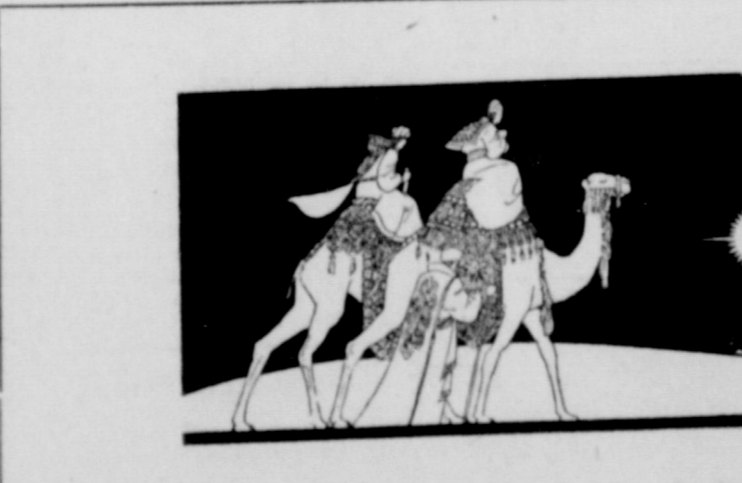
Season's Greeting to You All
As the Christmas season approaches, and we are preparing to honor one whose birthday is a symbol of "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men," let me wish for each of you the true spirit of Christmas, and may there be peace in each of your hearts and goodwill to all men. Many families will be separated this year, and many of our dear boys, husbands and sweethearts will spend lonely hours at Christmas in camps, on ships at sea, and on the battlefronts, "dreaming of a White Christmas," and of happier times at home, and it will be hard for those left behind to be as cheerful as they might, so let us be extra thoughtful of those we greet during the holidays, whose hearts we know are heavy, and may we wish for them a special gift of Peace and Goodwill.

PTA Has Christmas Program
At the regular meeting of the Newlin P. T. A. which was held Friday night it was voted to omit the January meeting of the organization and meet second Friday night in February. At the opening of the meeting Pres. Mrs. Sam L. Smith held a business session and secretary, Mrs. Felix Jarrell, read the minutes of previous meetings and made a financial report. Program chairman, Mrs. Wesley Nivens, presented a Christmas program of carols and readings by the entire student body. A large crowd of patrons and visitors were present.

Methodists Have First Quarterly Conference
The first quarterly conference of the year was held Sunday afternoon at Hulver by Dist. Supt. W. S. Pearce of Vernon. Several from this church attended the meeting.

Baptist Congregation Shower Pastor
Members of the Newlin Baptist Church surprised their pastor, Rev. Scott C. Crawford and family Thursday night with a generous pounding and shower at their home here. A large crowd was present for the occasion and a number of lovely and useful gifts were presented the family.

Schools to Dismiss for Holidays
Newlin and Estelle school will be dismissed Tuesday afternoon for the holidays, allowing



"PEACE ON EARTH"

* In these troubled times of world unrest and strife, Christmas brings home to us the realization that "Peace on earth, goodwill toward men" is more than just an empty phrase. It is the foundation of all the teachings of Him whose birthday we celebrate. May that spirit go with you throughout the days of the coming year.

Farmers Union Supply Co.
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ANTELOPE FLAT
By MRS. DAN DEAN

Rev. Cordell Bales held services here Sunday.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Salmon has been seriously ill in a Memphis hospital. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Edens.

Mrs. Bertie Sanderson has purchased a farm near Memphis where she is planning to move after the first of the year.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Edens of Glen Rose has moved to this community to make their home.

The Lakeview school has turned out for Christmas holidays. The parents and children like the new time of taking up school, it is reported. School opens at 10 o'clock.

Henry Edens is ill with the mumps.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Salmon of Midland spent last week in the Dan Dean home.

Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Waldrop, Mr. and Mrs. Claus Zrown and Dan Dean and sons were business visitors in Memphis Saturday.

Mrs. Elmer Woods was taken to a hospital in Memphis Saturday. It is reported that she has pneumonia.

Miss Naydene Waldrop of Abilene is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Waldrop during the Christmas holidays.

Dan Neise Dean visited Miller Dial of Lakeview Thursday night.

Neoma Turner visited Jo Vets Ingram of Lesley Thursday night.

Commercial flying activity began in Texas, Nov. 12, 1926, with first airmail service between Dallas, Fort Worth and Chicago.

More than \$8,000,000 is spent annually by the Texas government in the maintenance of correctional and eleemosynary institutions.

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SYRUP, Maple flavored, 1/2-gallon .45c
CAKE FLOUR, Swans Down 28c
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18-POUND SACK

CATSUP, 14-ounce bottle 15c
MUSTARD, quart jar 12c

CRACKERS 33c
1/2-POUND BOX, BEST GRADE

RAISINS, 2-pound package 29c
FRUIT COCKTAIL, No. 2 1/2 glass jar 33c
CRANBERRY SAUCE, can 19c

GIFTS for Service Men \$1.00-\$1.95
PEPPERED BLANKETS, 5% wool \$4.25
LADIES' SILK GOWNS \$2.25
HOUSE SHOES, for children 98c

SWINE SUPPLEMENT, Red Anchor, 100 pounds \$3.50
POULTRY SUPPLEMENT, Red Anchore, 100 pounds \$3.50
BARLEY, ground, 100 lbs. \$2.25
OATS, ground, 100 pounds \$2.45

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TREET, Armour's, can 38c
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Electric Co-Op to Be Represented at National Meeting

Rural Electrification Is Increasingly Important in Wartime Food Production

The Hall County Electric Co-op Inc., which operates rural electric lines in Hall, Childress and Donley Counties plans to be represented at a national meeting to focus attention on the increasingly important role of electrification as an aid to wartime food production, it has been announced by Fred C. Porter, superintendent.

Featuring nationally prominent speakers, many of them leaders in the public power field, the meeting has been called by the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, with sessions to be held January 19 and 20 in St. Louis.

It will be the first meeting of the national organization which was formed several months ago in the interest of the rural electrification movement. There are 800 REA-financed rural electric systems in the country, all of which have been invited to send representatives to the national meeting.

The theme of the meeting—"power for food"—was explained in a letter received by the local co-op from Congressman Clyde T. Ellis of Arkansas, general manager of the national association.

"A rare opportunity exists for service to our nation at a time when through increased use of electric power in food production processes," he wrote. "We must recognize and harness the boundless energy of electricity."

Problems to be taken up at the St. Louis meeting, according to Mr. Porter, all of which would

Former Hall County Resident Succumbs

James Marion Freel, 86 years old, an old time resident of Hall County but lately of Clyde, died at the home of his granddaughter, Mrs. V. T. Byers, Thursday, December 17, at 5:45 p. m.

Funeral services were held from the First Methodist Church of Lakeview Friday morning at 11 o'clock by the pastor, Rev. C. C. Hardaway and Rev. J. O. Folks, pastor of the Baptist Church. Burial was in the Lakeview Cemetery, with Odd Fellows lodge in charge of graveside services.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Stella Badgett of Fort Worth, and Mrs. T. A. Ford of Clyde; two sons, R. E. Freel of San Fernando, Calif., and P. H. Creel of Richmond, Calif.; nine grandchildren and 1 great grandchild.

—Buy War Bonds—

Brice Cadet Gets Promotion in Rank

William Merrill of Brice, student in John Tarleton Agricultural College, has been promoted to the rank of sergeant in the cadet corps, according to advice reaching here this week.

Cadet officers and non-commissioned officers exercise the same authority and perform the same functions as regular army officers of corresponding rank.

CLASS—

have a bearing on expanded service by the Hall County co-op including securing material for extensions and additional house wiring, poultry houses and dairy barns, pressure water systems and pig brooders.

NEWS about boys in the Service



Oscar T. Gerlach of Memphis, who recently entered military service, has arrived at the Engineer Replacement Center at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., for an intensive program in preparation for combat engineer duty. His training will include basic subjects such as close order and extended drill, manual of arms, rifle marksmanship and combat principles as well as the functions of military engineering—use of tools and equipment, building of fixed and floating bridges, demolition and construction of roads and obstacles. Soldiers go from the school to service with tactical units or officer candidate schools.

Pfc. Clarence Maddox of Camp Berkeley, Abilene, came Friday for a visit here with his mother, Mrs. J. L. Maddox.

Sgt. Cecil McCollum of Fort Lewis, Wash., visited Thursday and Friday here with friends. He is in the medical corps.

J. H. Powell of the Coast Guard service, stationed at Louisville, Ky., left Monday night after a visit here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Powell.

—Buy War Bonds—

Homer Tribble, machinist mat second class, left Friday morning for San Diego, Calif., after a visit here with his mother, Mrs. Ollie Tribble. He is a petty officer.

Pvt. J. W. McCulloch of Shepard Field, Wichita Falls, visited here last week-end with his wife and daughter, James Ann.

—Answer Bonds with Bonds—

CHURCHES

METHODIST NEWS NOTES

E. L. YEATS, Pastor

The change in the hour of Sunday school and worship service last Sunday proved to be a wise move. We will continue to have Sunday school at 10:30 a. m. and the worship service at 11:30 until further notice.

The Christmas tree at our church will be at 8:00 o'clock Wednesday night. All decorations and arrangements have been made. Santa Claus in person will have charge.

Sunday at 7:30 p. m. the second message on "The Five Marys of the Bible" will be given. We invite your presence.

Sunday school 10:30 to 11:30 a. m.

Morning worship 11:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m.

Methodist Youth Fellowship 6:30 p. m.

Evening worship 7:30 p. m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

RICHARD ROBBINS, Evangelist

SUNDAY—

Bible study, 10:30 a. m.

Worship, 11:20 a. m. and 7:15 p. m.

TUESDAY—

Ladies' Bible study, 4 p. m.

WEDNESDAY—

Bible classes 7:30 p. m.

Letters to Santa

Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa: I am a little girl eight years old. I have been a good little girl and I want you to bring me a real wrist watch, a story book, a house coat and house shoes. Also some candy, apples and oranges. Please don't forget mothe and daddy.

Peggy Ivon Smith
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy three years old and I think that I've been pretty nice this year. So please bring me a gun, and a little gardening set. And I would like to have a pair of gloves to wear with my snow suit and a red wagon if you have one to spare. Don't forget other boys and girls. Love to all.

Oran Keith Adcock
P. S.—Don't forget my mother and daddy and sister.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy five years old. If you have enough toys for all the boys and girls, I want you to bring me a gun and scabbard, a little truck, and an airplane. Lots of candy, fruit and nuts. Now Santa don't forget my older brother who is in the army somewhere in the Hawaiian Islands.

Your little friend,
Jimmie Ralph Jenkins
All Out for Victory

Tech Has Program Designed to Help Teacher Shortage

Lubbock College Seeks to Get Former Instructors To Return to Classrooms

A program partially to relieve the teacher shortage has been inaugurated by the Department of Education and Psychology at Texas Technological College at Lubbock.

School superintendents of the state are being asked for lists and last known addresses of former teachers, and students who might secure degrees in the accelerated education program in time to aid next fall are being interviewed. Former teachers who may have retired to keep house or for other reasons will be urged to return to the classroom for the duration.

Emphasis on qualifying men and women for teaching will be placed on courses at Texas Tech during the spring and summer semesters in the hope schools may have adequate instructors next fall, Dr. R. E. Garlin, head of the department, has announced. A bulletin showing how persons may qualify has been issued by the college.

"Not since the World War has such an acute shortage existed," it states. "Society cannot afford to permit its schools to stand idle during the war emergency."

BARTLEY INFANT BURIED

J. E. Bartley, eight-months-old infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Bartley of Memphis, died Friday at the home of his parents. Brief funeral services were held at the Fairview Cemetery by Richard Robbins, minister of the Church of Christ.

Red Cross—

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commercial manufacturers and the larger chapters would not be able to meet the need for surgical dressings, so the Red Cross began calling upon smaller chapters to assist in the work.

The first quota for surgical dressings to be assigned to the chapter was 25,200 and this task was completed by December 23. Another large quota has been assigned. Mrs. Lloyd Phillips, chairman and Mrs. W. C. Davis, vice chairman of this work.

Looking back on a busy year of work, Mrs. Webster commented that as chairman for production, she had been fortunate in having the loyal support of a large group of women and that without their cooperation very little could have been accomplished.

"These loyal workers have let nothing interfere with this tremendous task," she said. "After many of them have worked when they didn't feel like it, or when they would have preferred to be doing something else. Frequent by their efforts have represented a real sacrifice, and this cannot be too highly appreciated."

—Get Your Scrap in the Scrap—

Aaron Dewlen—

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health for several months. He had made his home in Memphis for the past 23 years and at the time of death was an employee of the Community Public Service Company. A native of Indiana, he was born July 7, 1884. He was a member of the Methodist Church. He was a fine citizen, friend and neighbor, and held the respect and esteem of all who knew him.

Surviving are two daughters, Miss Dorothy Dewlen and Mrs. Edna Justice, both of Memphis; three sons, Robert Dewlen of Denver City, Harold Dewlen of Hobbs, N. M., and Alton Dewlen, who is in the army. Also surviving are four sisters, Mrs. Jennie D. Hannah of Pekin, Ill., Mrs. Florence Switzer of Memphis, Miss Clara Dewlen of Goshen, Ind., Mrs. Clay Barker, Covington, Ind.; two brothers, John and Noah Dewlen of Covington, Ind., and one half-sister, Mrs. Margaret McFarland of Columbus, Ohio.

—All Out for Victory—

Faster Service to Be Afforded on War Necessity Appeals

Procedure for handling appeals on Certificates of War Necessity has been streamlined for faster service to the commercial motor vehicle operator, Richard E. Wood, ODT Lubbock district manager for motor transport, said this week. The 30-day waiting period originally required before an appeal might be filed has been suspended.

Operators may now send in their certificates with a letter of explanation and are promptly furnished with the appeal form or which they supply information to show their needs justify increased operations allowances. Farmers should appeal through the farm transportation committees of the USDA County War Boards. All other operators should write the

district office at 613 Lubbock National building, Lubbock, Texas.

A large number of appeals could be handled each day if all were received by mail, Wood said. Personal interviews require more time for the staff as well as for the operator. If appeal forms are filled out completely and mailed promptly, they can save time and also the tire mileage required to drive in to the office. The greatest single cause for delay continues to be incomplete information from the applicant.

Applications are still reaching the office and on new applications a certificate is mailed out immediately. Any operator who has not

yet received his certificate be assured his application has yet reached the district office will be handled immediately it arrives.

—To Help with Winter—

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation to all who assisted in any way during the illness after the passing on of our band and father. May God bless each of you, in our prayer.

Mrs. R. E. Davis

Tom Davis and Family

Woodrow Davis and Family

C. R. Kennedy and Family

J. D. Davis and Family



HOLIDAY GREETINGS

There have been restrictions, rationing and priorities which have kept us from giving the kind of service and doing business as we would have liked, but we can still think of our friends and customers and wish for them and theirs a very MERRY CHRISTMAS and that 1943 will bring all those things that are nearest and dearest to them.

CITY GROCERY and MARKET and EMPLOYEES



WEEK-END

SPECIALS

- COFFEE, Folger's or White Swan, 1-pound 34c; 2 pounds 67c
- FLOUR, Amarylly, 12-lbs. 61c; 24 lbs. \$1.07
- CRISCO or SPRY, 3 pounds 79c; 6 pounds \$1.57
- SOAP, P & G or Crystal White, 6 large bars 28c
- SOAP, Camay or Palmolive, 3 bars 23c
- SOAP, Ivory, 2 medium bars 15c; 2 large bars 23c
- WASHING POWDER, Magic or Duz, per box 25c
- OLD DUTCH CLEANSER, 2 cans 17c
- HYPRO, quart bottle 18c
- CRACKERS, 2-pound box, Saltines 32c
- BUTTER COOKIES, 46 cookies 17c
- MIRACLE WHIP, pints 26c; quarts 41c
- CAKE FLOUR, Swans Down or SnoSheen, box 26c
- BAKING POWDER, 1-pound, Calumet 18c
- EGGS, fresh country, per dozen 38c
- SHELLED PECAN HALVES 1/2-lb. 45c; 1-lb. 85c
- POP CORN, Popit, 2 boxes 17c
- POST'S BRAN or GRAPE-NUTS FLAKES, box 10c
- WHEATIES, 2 boxes 23c
- TOILET PAPER, ScotTissue, 3 rolls 23c
- PAPER TOWELS, Genuine Scot, 2 rolls 23c
- SPINACH, Heart's Delight, No. 2 cans, 2 for 29c
- ENGLISH PEAS, White Swan, 2 small cans 25c
- large cans, each 17c
- ENGLISH PEAS, medium cans, Kuner's, 2 for 29c
- GREEN or WAX BEANS, No. 2 cans, Wapco 14c
- TOMATOES, No. 2 cans, 2 for 23c
- SALMON, Best Pink, can 25c
- PUMPKIN, No. 2 cans 10c; large cans 17c
- CHERRIES, No. 2 cans, Red Pitted 33c
- FRUIT COCKTAIL, 2 cans 49c
- SPUDS, Colorado Reds, 5 pounds 18c; peck 38c
- SPUDS, Russets, 10-pound bag 6c
- SWEET POTATOES, East Texas, pound 18c
- GRAPEFRUIT, Texas Seedless, 6 for 19c
- TANGERINES, they are good, dozen 23c
- LEMONS, nice size, dozen 25c to 60c
- ORANGES, per dozen 25c to 60c
- APPLES, Winesap or Roman, peck 23c
- CRANBERRIES, new shipment, quart 23c
- CELERY, large stalks 10c
- LETTUCE, nice heads 15c
- CARROTS, nice bunches, 2 for 30c
- ENGLISH WALNUTS, large size, pound 35c
- PECANS, large, thin shell, pound 20c
- PEANUTS, parched, pound 20c

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- CELERY, nice large stalks 24c
- LETTUCE, extra large heads 15c

—PLENTY OF NUTS—

- BANANAS, per pound 9c
- LEMONS, nice size, dozen 23c
- PEAS, Concho, 2 No. 2 cans 29c
- CORN, Del Monte, 2 No. 2 cans 29c
- TOMATOES, 2 No. 2 cans 25c
- FLOUR, Sunny Boy, 48 lbs. \$1.85
- MEAL, Aunt Jemima, 5-lb. bag 25c
- PUMPKIN, No. 2 can 10c

- CHRISTMAS HAMS, sugar-cured, tenderized, pound 37c
- PORK STEAK, Boston Butts, lb. 33c
- BEEF ROAST, oven cuts, pound 29c
- SAUSAGE, pure pork, pound 29c
- BACON, fresh side, pound 29c
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FOR SALE—One 1941 model M & M 5-ft. combine, used very little reasonable. Ray Burton, Claude Texas. 28-2p

FOR SALE—Gilts heavy with pigs. E. W. Solomon, Route 2 Memphis. 28-3p

FOR SALE—A 6 room house east of railroad, \$700.00. \$346.00 cash, balance \$6.10 monthly. A real bargain. A dandy good stock farm 3 miles of Memphis. Good 6 room house. Soft notes. See me for price, terms. Only one good dwelling left that I can sell with \$250.00 cash payment. 509 16th street. 160 acre farm west of Parnell, small set implements, only \$21.25 per acre, \$1200.00 cash, balance long time 5 per cent interest. There never was a better time to buy city dwellings and farms. See us, Delaney Agency Phone 151. 1c

FOR SALE or Trade—Improved 649 acres; 480 acres fine grass balance cultivated. 6 miles north west Mobeetie. Trew Brothers Route 2, Wellington, Texas. 27-3j

FOR SALE—Near Ashtola, Texas, good farm 181.6 acres, 5-room house fair condition, well good water, windmill, near good school postoffice and church. For particulars see R. Y. King, Clarendon, or better, see Mrs. Johnnie Long, 1026 West 6th St., Amarillo, or phone 8095, Amarillo. 27-2c

FOR SALE—Two bred gilts, one half, one 10-inch feed mill and belt. See Eugene McElreath, Rt. 1, Memphis, Texas. 27-2p

FOR SALE or Trade—Improved 649 acres—500 acres cultivated Well and lots. 10 miles southwest Wellington. Trew Brothers, Route 2, Wellington, Texas. 27-3j

SWEET MILK delivered every night. Wade Hill, 1218 West Noel, phone 298. 27-3c

FOR SALE—2-room house, 2 lots well and barn at 1811 Montgomery. See J. C. Ledford. 26-3p

FOR SALE—Five room residence For price write T. T. Harrison, P. O. Box 695, Littlefield, Texas. 21-1fc

FOR SALE—240 acres of good farm land located 5 miles north-west of Lakeview; two sets of improvements, good water. See W. L. Durham, Lakeview, Tex. 24-7p

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FOUND—Purse and money. Owner describe and get same. Democrat office. c

TAKEN UP—Dark bay filly, no marks or brands, at my place 15 miles west of Memphis. Claude Scoggins. 1p

Wanted

WANTED—Good beauty operator, good salary. Powder Puff Beauty Salon, Childress, Texas. 26-4p

Help Wanted

MAN, 40, sober, reliable, wants farm job. Reference furnished. Capable of farm management. Fred Bradley, Memphis, Route 1, c-o W. C. Hignight. 28-3p

WANTED—Woman to live in nice home, care for school-age child light work, generous pay. Inquire at Democrat office. 28-1c

WANTED—Young women with high school education to enter the training school for nurses, Write Plainview Sanitarium & Clinic Plainview, Texas. 27-2c

Special Notice

IF YOU want to sell, buy or swap real estate, see Henry Newman. 27-3p

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Future Readers of The Democrat


Comments—
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factory workers replace them in the field, we could double production in thirty days." That last statement should make American people ashamed — humble and ready to do something other than gripe because of conditions not just exactly suiting a desire to continue business and play as usual.
Notices have been sent to all whose subscriptions expire this month. Most of these have already renewed, and some have not. During the closing week of December, please take time to renew for another year.
Hundreds of new subscriptions have been added this fall. In fact, The Democrat has the largest number of subscribers since 1928. The publishers appreciate this very much. It indicates that readers believe The Democrat is worth reading.
No paper will be mailed beginning January 1 to any person whose subscription has expired and has not been renewed.
I hope the readers will like this Christmas edition. Practically every business and professional man has a greeting therein, and these greetings all carry something about the Christmas spirit tied up with the idea that, were it not for the war, everyone would be happy and carefree, yet expressing the faith that it will all come right for liberty-loving people. These expressions convey heart-felt longings and wishes of those people who are trying to carry on and at the same time are conforming to the wishes and orders of their government.
Contained in the news columns are letters from the kiddies to Santa, news about boys in the service, and a few letters from boys who are seeing action on the far-fronts. Read them closely. You will find they express the idea that civilians have much to be thankful for, and should not gripe at having to do without a few of the things of life that are not necessities, but luxuries. They make me ashamed that I cannot do just a little bit of sacrificing without grumbling in order to aid them in their struggle to forever put an end to the forces of evil that would destroy all freedom of individual thought and action. The most we can do is too little.
I wish each and everyone of you a Very Merry Christmas.
Bill Phleuger of West Main Street says he is having a hard time buying the amount of sugar being rationed to him by the government. Now comes the gas, coffee and meat rationing, and Bill thinks it is going to work a greater hardship on him to buy and use up the amount allotted to him. "Already," he says, "such things are piling up in the house and getting in the way, and I feel that I must go regularly to the store for an additional ration in order to use up the quota allotted to me."
Bill has the same misconception of the rationing plan as hosts of other people. The person who uses less sugar, coffee, meat or gasoline than the allowance is contributing more to wartime conservation than the Government asks, which means just a little more patriotism than those who try to use up instead of conserve. The rationing plan places a ceiling but not a floor upon consumption of scarce articles. No one is expected to "hit the ceiling" when he can do on less.
I apologize to Mrs. C. W. and Mrs. W. D. McCool. Last week we said Happy Birthday to Mrs. W. D. when it should have been Mrs. C. W. whose birthday was December 14.
HAPPY BIRTHDAY—
Murray Dial, Dec. 21.
W. J. Bragg, Dec. 21.
Mrs. R. H. Wherry, Dec. 2.
G. H. Hattenbach, December 22.
A. O. Phillips, Dec. 24.
I. V. Crow, Newlin, Dec. 24.
Herbert O. Williams, Newlin Dec. 26.
Roy L. Guthrie, Dec. 27.
CONGRATULATIONS—
Mr. and Mrs. A. Gidden, 32nd anniversary December 19.
Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Morris, 14th anniversary December 19.
Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Lindsey 25th anniversary December 19.
Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Richards, married Dec. 21, 1913.
Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Offield, who celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary Monday, December 21.
Ensign and Mrs. Foster Watkins, second anniversary December 22.
Mr. and Mrs. Grover Roden, married 13 years Dec. 22.
Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Cope, married Dec. 24, 1903.
Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Grisham wedding anniversary Dec. 24.
Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Fowler, 23rd wedding anniversary Dec. 24.
Mr. and Mrs. Everett Bell, 15th wedding anniversary Dec. 24.
Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Hattenbach, anniversary December 26.
Locals and Personals
Mrs. Jack Jarrell and Miss Helen Boswell were Amarillo visitors, Saturday.
Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Saunders and son Floyd visited in Hollis Okla., Saturday.
—Step the step—
Advertise in The Democrat.


King Cotton—
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balances in the bank. The gradual trend toward diversification in recent years has resulted in most Hall County farms being stocked with hogs, cattle and poultry. With ample feed supplies now on hand these will fare well.
But, getting back to the county's big cotton crop the yield this year is generally estimated at between 50,000 and 55,000 bales. Up to December 1, ginnings totaled 43,000 bales.
A survey of the county shows that the crop is 90 per cent gath-ered—and the next ginning figures are expected to reach the 50,000-bale mark.
The banner crop in the county's history was in 1928 when 82,000 bales were ginned. Hall County that year led the state, but ginner report that several thousand bale- of that record figure came from adjoining counties.
But, this year's yield, being consistent as it was throughout the county, and with feed and livestock on most every farm means more to the economic stability of the farmers of Hall County than did the record crop of 1928, it is generally agreed.
In dollars and cents this year's cotton crop in Hall County approximates the staggering total of almost \$5,000,000.
At an average price of 16 cents, and with seed bringing a high figure, cotton has brought an average of between \$90 and \$100 a bale.
Thousands of pickers came into the county when the season opened—and much of this sum of course went to these families, who in turn patronized the business firms of Memphis and other trading centers in the county.
Memphis merchants have reported one of their most profitable seasons, with a scarcity of goods being their only complaint.
Mr. Smith, who raised the 2 1-2-bale-per-acre cotton near Lodge is a strong believer in good seed. For this record crop he planted Delta Pine No. 12. His field was given only normal cultivation.
But, when the worms started to move into his field in August he sprayed his fields with calcium arsenate. He repeated the poisonings in September, the two applications costing him 64 cents per acre.
"I would not be presumptuous enough," he said, "to give a farmer advice, but I do believe that good seed is one of the essentials to a good crop. And, if the worms threaten the crop I think that

poison is a mighty cheap investment."
Many others feel the same way; about it, for in most cases where heavy yields have been reported—some variety of fine seed was used—and numerous other farmers also used poison to kill out the worms in the early fall.
All in all, the farmers of Hall County have enjoyed one of their best years in history, they have more money in the banks than in a long time, they are buying war bonds—and they are getting ready for another big crop.
There is a good under-ground season at the beginning of this new year, just as there was 12 months ago—so look out for Hall County's cotton crop in 1943!
—Work or Fight—
Farm Leaders Map—
(Continued from page 1)
will show the number of war units of farm production each is producing. It also will show prospective or immediate needs for fencing, machinery, fertilizer and credit for the farm.
At the same time, the interviewers will take a farm manpower inventory of each farm. This inventory will disclose labor needs on the farm or any excess of labor supply. Information obtained on manpower will be used by the war board in helping solve labor shortages and in informing Selective Service boards concerning deferment of essential farm workers.
The work sheet sign-up and the farm plan sign-up must be completed by February 1. B. F. Vance, Texas USDA War Board chairman, stated.
—Assess Bonds with Bonds—
Locals and Personals
Mrs. B. Webster left Saturday morning for Houston to spend the Christmas holidays with her son, Scott and family.
Miss Oradell Nuhn of Amarillo came Saturday to spend the holidays with her aunt, Mrs. Ora Oglesby.
Jack Miller, student in North Texas Agriculture college, Arlington, came today to spend Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Art Miller.
Mrs. Allen Dunbar left today for Wichita Falls and Chillicothe where she will spend the holidays.
Miss Ruth Randall of Mexico City came Monday to spend the Christmas holidays here with her sister, Mrs. J. H. Read.


Estelline Pilot Is—
(Continued from page 1)
The growing darkness made it impossible to determine whether any of the destroyers had been sunk, but the next morning a portion of the crippled Jap force was observed fleeing northwest to the enemy base at Buin.
The fact that the Japanese were using destroyers to carry supplies and troops indicated either a shortage of transports as a result of heavy American air attacks or unwillingness to risk their transports in this area in view of the previous fate of such vessels.
The Marine flyers told how they dived through a terrific ack-ack fire from the Jap ships. Lieut. L. N. Pool, Salina, Kans., who led the wave of dive bombers, said the destroyers broke formation on the attack and threw up a heavy screen of anti-aircraft fire.
"It was evident," he said, "that Japs didn't expect an attack because it was getting dark. We dropped our bombs from less than 1,500 feet."
Lieutenant Pool said his plane scored three hits on two destroyers which "burst into flames, burning badly." Second Lieut. Jack Brushert, 24, of Eau Claire, Wis., and R. F. Conley, 23, Lansing, Mich., teamed up to score two hits on the first ship—one on the bow and the other amidship. The third hit was credited to Second Lieutenant Hood, 22, who planted a bomb on the starboard beam of the other ship.
The trio of dive bombers were followed by a wave of torpedo planes, which scored a hit on a large Jap destroyer leading the center column.
"The weather was so heavy that it was a great feat navigating back, eluding ack-ack fire and the blasting destroyers. The last we saw, the ships had disappeared and were limping back north ward," a pilot said.
The destroyer unit was the second Japanese force risking a run within the range of American ships and planes within four days, and provided further evidence that enemy ground troops at Guadalcanal were in dire need of supplies and reinforcements.
—Give to the USO—
PATRIOTIC PRODUCTION
A Jersey cow belonging to R. L. Madden of Memphis gave birth two twins calves, Tuesday night. One was a heifer and the other a male.
—Buy War Bonds—
Texas' first cattle and sheep were the flocks introduced by the Spanish founders of early mis-sions.

Card of Thanks
We wish to take this method of expressing to our friends our heartfelt thanks for their kind expressions of sympathy and for the lovely floral offering. Your presence and your sympathy has helped to comfort us during the illness and death of our dear mother, daughter and sister, and may God bless and keep each of you in such sad hours.
Alton, Milton and Trilton Abram
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Mr. and Mrs. Thad Fowler
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Merry Christmas to Each of You
The charm of the Yuletide Season is in the thought that we live in the memory of our friends.

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A MERRY CHRISTMAS
this radiant season of Good will when we strive to forget the things which we want to get, and when good fellowship and kind thoughts are in the minds of all, we sincerely wish you and your dear ones old-fashion Yuletide, and New Year abounding with peace, good luck, and much happiness.
Sincere Good Wishes
CLARK HOSPITAL
R. ERNEST CLARK, M. D.
We Are MOVING
The east half of the building formerly occupied by Rosenwasser's, and will be for business in that location
JANUARY 1, 1943
We are adding a complete line of Men's CLOTHING to our stock and save you money.
White Auto Store
T. J. PYLE, owner
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Lights Are Burning Here So that Christmas Can Happen There!



"I'll be on the job Christmas Day to make sure you have plenty of light!"

Christmas greetings this year are mingled with deep sorrow for peoples in all parts of the world where the light of Freedom has been snuffed out. ★ Here at home we know the joys of bright, cheerful light... and the joy of Freedom. ★ West Texas... and all American... children may get fewer bikes, skates and trains. ★ But the children of Europe's "new order," cowering in darkened doorways, will get nothing. ★ It is appropriate that on the birthday of the Prince of Peace we rededicate the Nation to the purpose of maintaining Freedom both here and abroad. ★ OUR job is to help turn out an ever-increasing torrent of electric power with which to serve your home as well as to build the weapons of war by which Freedom can be won. ★ This, we are doing!
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CHRISTMAS IS FOR CHILDREN FIRST

WAR clouds shadow Christmas this year, but that fact should serve to make the occasion only the more precious to us. Before that black Sunday of December 7, 1941, Christmas was a joyous carefree and happy season for the vast majority of us. We enjoyed peace and a reasonable plenty, believed that war was remote and that in any event, America was secure.

We have been rudely shaken from our pre-Pearl Harbor complacency and many of our fondest illusions have faded like mist in the sun. There still remains, however, our faith in the basic rightness of the American form of government and conception of living. Christmas is firmly imbedded in that foundation.

Christmas means a lot of things, such as remembering friends and gathering the family together for the feast but first and foremost it means happiness for our children. It is primarily a day for the children. Christ said: "Suffer little children to come unto me and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of Heaven."

In America, children must not lose their faith in Christmas and Santa Claus, whatever else betides. Childhood is a fleeting and precious thing and God grant that its memories be happy ones. Whatever heartaches are ours, whatever our fears of the future, whatever sacrifices we must make, let's shove them into the background for a day and enter into the joy of the children around the Christmas tree.

And we grown-ups—let's have our Christmas, too. For when we outgrow our toys, this day was set aside to reunite our families and strengthen the bonds of friendship.

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THEY ALSO SERVE

"**THEY** also serve who only stand and wait," a great poet once remarked.

The women of Memphis and Hall County who have been working in the Red Cross rooms believe in serving their country in wartime, but not by any stretch of imagination by simply "standing and waiting."

The accomplishments of the Hall County Red Cross chapter—and that means every woman who has given of her time and energy to the cause—when viewed as a total are staggering to the imagination. Since the work rooms were opened in June, 1941, the chapter has made five shipments containing a grand total of 4,592 garments. But that isn't all. Funds have been raised and 400 gift kits have been prepared for fighting men departing for overseas. And that isn't yet all. In the surgical dressings department, a comparatively recent undertaking, women and girls have prepared 25,200 of them.

This is work that means additional small comforts for American soldiers, assuaging their wounds, possibly saving their lives; it means relief for families bombed out of their homes in allied countries. Hats off, then, to the women of the Hall County Red Cross Chapter. They also serve, but do not "stand and wait."

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Let's head off shelling in the future by selling out now—for War Bonds!

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When your sins find you out, it's almost as bad as when the collector finds you in.

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Leon Henderson's post as head of the Office of Price Administration called for firm attitude, but many Americans feel he was too blatantly hard-boiled. We've heard little objection to his resignation.

FARM SCRAP VITAL AS WAR ENTERS SECOND YEAR

WASHINGTON — The need for metal scrap remains unabated as the Nation's mighty steel industry, with production figures climbing to record proportions, enters the second year of the war.

The importance of iron and steel scrap in the war effort becomes increasingly apparent as the tempo of the United Nations' offensive against the Axis powers shifts into high gear. Ships, tanks, armored cars, planes, guns and all kinds of mechanized equipment are the backbone of our army's striking power. Farm scrap is making it possible for us to supply these weapons to our fighting forces in adequate quantities.

The demand for steel in this war far exceeds that of any previous war. In World War I, it required 90 pounds of steel for every American soldier. In this war every man in Uncle Sam's armed forces must be backed by 4,900 pounds of steel. To equip an army of ten million men, therefore, requires steel in quantities that are almost too great for the human mind to envision.

At the beginning of 1942, the annual capacity of our steel industry was approximately 88 1/2 million tons. But by the middle of 1943, the yearly productive capacity will have been expanded by another ten million tons. This calls for an ever increasing supply of scrap, if we are to keep the steel mills operating at their stepped-up capacity.

Steel is normally made up by melting together pig iron and scrap, on approximately a fifty-fifty basis. So steel is practically half scrap, and that explains why so much scrap is needed. Recent scrap drives, it is said, have brought forth an abundance of light household scrap, but not enough heavy scrap. Light scrap in its original state cannot be used economically in an open-hearth steel furnace, and

must be mixed with a certain amount of heavy scrap. American Industry and American Farms are the Nation's most prolific sources of heavy scrap, War Production Board officials say. Industry, of course, produces most of the heavy scrap, but not enough. So the farms of the country become an increasingly important source of this necessary war material.

The huge piles of scrap metal seen in various parts of the country have created an impression of over-abundance. But this is not the case, according to Lesling J. Rosenwald, Director of the Conservation Division in Washington.

"This scrap is where the Government wants it," said Mr. Rosenwald, "and we must add more to it. Large reserves of scrap must be built up and stored in accessible places, where we can get our hands on it during the winter and spring months ahead. It would be physically impossible to store all of this scrap at the steel mills, or in scrap dealers' yards," Mr. Rosenwald said. "Instead, it must be stored in many small piles, from which it can flow as needed, in an orderly manner, through the scrap dealers' yards to the steel mills."

Another Washington salvage official likened the scrap piles over the Nation to the corn in farmers' cribs and to baled cotton stored in warehouses against the day when they are needed. "It is a normal process, with which every farmer is familiar, and local scrap piles exist for the same reason," this official said.

War Production Board Chairman Donald Nelson and Secretary of Agriculture Claude Wickard have joined hands in an appeal to American farmers to dedicate the remaining weeks of 1942 to an intensified scrap hunt, as a result of which it is hoped additional scrap piles will be created, and that the old ones will be made larger.

Press Paragraphs

SELECTED FROM THE DEMOCRAT'S EXCHANGES

What Butter—What Eggs?

The Ladies Home Journal, so renowned for all its piety and wit, not to mention its leadership in righteous causes, will be taking a good ribbing from friend and foe alike this month. Its December Line-a-Day is all out of line.

A housewife calls attention to it. And it really is crammed with suggestions to use cream, sour cream, whipped cream, scrambled eggs, omelets and unlimited cheese. Butter melts and spreads bountifully in and over everything in the bountiful fairland of the Line-a-Day. Cheese bubbles and browns as in the days gone by. Coffee is served with the baked bean supper and eggs go into the fishcakes.

But with eggs at more than a nickel apiece, it looks as if the lobster with mushrooms would have to get along without an omelet on the side. And oh, lady, the rest may have been due to some queer crimp in the usual fare—eggs, rapidly disappearing into the holds of ships bound overseas—eggs high, sugar scarce and tomatoes functioning only in the stratosphere, how can you bear to suggest Welsh rarebit with broiled tomatoes, sprinkled with salt, pepper and brown sugar? The mere mention is downright cruelty.—The Amarillo Times.

Hard to Get Used To

It is hard to convince Americans that there is real danger of a food shortage. Remembering that only a few years ago we were destroying food, and that wheat storage was not available this year, Americans wonder why this change. The fact that we are going to have to feed the world when the war is over is the real reason why we are cutting down on our eating for the present in order to store up for that day. As a matter of fact, we eat more than is good for us, and a stricter diet will be good for most Americans.—The Canyon News.

Hell for Hitler

A new idea on what to do with Hitler after the war is over has been expressed by John Olson, who thinks that Herr Schickelgruber should be put in a padded cell and made to paste gasoline coupons on gummed sheets for the rest of his natural existence. Just to add variety to Hitler's fate, the cell should be provided with some Panhandle breezes, and the gummed sheets should be only partially gummed.—The Hereford Brand.

Guadalcanal Skeet Shoot

Skeet shooting is the popular pastime on Guadalcanal, if we are to believe reports coming from American Marines. The targets are not clay, but live Jap snipers, the story goes. When a sniper is discovered in a coconut palm, the marines bump a tank against the tree, making the top sway violently, thus hurling the Jap through the air in much the same manner as clay pigeons. Shooting the Japs on the fly is the resulting sport.—The Saint Jo Tribune.

There's A Difference

The statesman in Congress in a critical situation such as the present time presents, does what the facts dictate should be done. A demagogue and a politician does what he thinks will please the voters back home.—Ford County News.



From the Hudson Dispatch, Union City, N. J.

VICTORY

Excerpts from the Official OEM Bulletin

Field Men to Aid Commercial Vehicle Operators

Field representatives of the Office of Defense Transportation will set up temporary headquarters in 35 towns and cities of the four-state Southwest ODT region during the next few weeks to aid commercial motor vehicle operators seeking adjustments in their mileage and fuel allotments. The field men will be quartered in local chamber of commerce and will interview operators who do not live near any of the regular ODT district offices, John L. Misenburg, ODT regional manager at Dallas, announced. He emphasized that requests for adjustments should be made promptly, as temporary transport rations may be issued by local war price and rationing boards only until January 31.

Railroads Cooperate to Discourage Travel

Major Southwestern railroad lines are cooperating with ODT's request to discourage civilian travel during the holiday season, although restriction of such travel is still on the voluntary basis of patriotic refusal to travel unless the trip is absolutely necessary. ODT officials reported.

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Film Production Cut

By order L-223, the WPB cut production of film for camera fans 50 per cent below the 1941 output, and reduced production of film for professional snapshot and moving picture film users to 24 per cent. Output of film for the armed forces and specified war agencies is not affected by the order.

Carriers Allowed One Extra Trip

Permission was granted by ODT for local carriers to make one additional delivery on December 24 without violating ODT regulations. Merchants who take advantage of the permit may not deliver on Christmas Day.

Meat Extender Favorite



It is every homemaker's patriotic duty to find new ways and means of extending the amount of meat available for her family. No undue hardships will be felt if, in addition to extending the restricted meats, non-restricted meats are included in the menus.

Liver, heart, tongue, sweetbreads, and kidneys are just a few of the "variety meats" on the unrestricted list. Taste-tempting main dishes using these nutritious meats will help to vary the monotony of wartime menus.

Liver sausage, one of the more popular, ready-to-serve "variety meats," is delicious prepared with biscuits in the following manner:

LIVER AND OLIVE PINWHEELS
2 cups all-purpose flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
4 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 cup butter
1/2 cup milk

1 pound liver sausage, mashed
1/2 cup chopped stuffed olives
Sift flour measure, sift with salt and baking powder. Cut in butter until mixture has texture of coarse meal. Add milk and stir until dough stiffens. Knead lightly on a

floured board. Roll dough into rectangular sheet, 1/4 inch thick; spread with liver sausage mixed with chopped olives. Roll up like a jelly roll. Cut roll into slices 1 inch thick, place slices in a buttered 9-inch cake pan. Bake in a hot oven 425° F. for 20-25 minutes. Serve with:

TOMATO-ONION SAUCE

1/2 cup sliced onions
1/2 cup butter
1 1/2 teaspoons salt
1 No. 2 1/2 can tomatoes (3 1/2 cups)
2 teaspoons sugar
2 tablespoons flour
1 teaspoon chopped parsley

Saute onions in butter until tender. Add salt, tomatoes and sugar, heat thoroughly. Add flour mixed with a little cold water. Stir until sauce is thickened. Add parsley and serve hot over the pinwheels. Serves 6.

The high-quality proteins in milk and cheese should not be overlooked when planning meals. Just a few of the savory ways of including these nourishing dairy products are in creamed dishes, cheese souffles, omelets, and au gratin dishes.

The Peace
of
Christmas



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Mrs. Eugene Lindsey

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Gene Robertson

Letters to Sam

Dear Santa:
I am a little girl six years old. Please bring me a doll, a robe, and water colors. Don't forget my big sister Hobbie. Nancy Lee

Dear Santa Claus:
I would like for you to bring a gun and scabbard, bow and arrow, and a new shirt, candy, fruit and nuts. Santa, forget the other little boys girls. Your little friend, Alton Wayne

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a football, some fruit and candy. David

Dear Santa:
Please bring me some gloves, oranges, apples and to my house. Your friend, Broadus

A 62-Year Record of 2-Way Help FOR WOMEN suggests you

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By VALDA SMITH
were twenty-one no for Sunday school morning. The party at the Tuesday afternoon by their teachers, Mr. and Miss Marie I were distributed from trees and school for the holidays. label Cybert and son, Mrs. Don Steve R. Cybert of Fort stied their daughter Mrs. Walter Offholt Tuesday night o

CARD

This Season, more than ever before, we realize the true significance of Christmas. As years past, we have looked forward to the opportunity of expressing Season's Greetings to our friends and customers, and this year is no exception.

Much has happened within the past year to alter habits and customs. Such changes have been necessary, and we have gladly tried to do our part. Because of these changes the true meaning of Christmas is brought home to us more forcibly.

Christmas is a tangible thing that means so much in a chaotic world. It is a season of good fellowship which American people look forward to with enthusiasm. It is the one time of the year when cares can be forgotten and an occasion which you can treasure through the months to come.

We are sure that you have your problems and your cares. You have had your share of disappointments. It is because we are so conscious of your problems that we want to attempt to bring a note of cheer to you at this Christmas. With sincere feelings of friendship and appreciation, we wish for you a very happy Christmas.

LEASAN VALLEY

MRS. E. W. PAT

Carrie Dell Lenoir, Tech, Lubbock, is Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. T.

Bandel Spencer and daughter, Okla., visited Mr. and Mrs. J. S. S.

Freda Grant returned last Thursday for a visit here with her daughters, Mrs. Friday night.

Horace Reed of Okla., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Rise

J. B. Lowe and daughter, Okla., are visiting this week.

Mamie Benton and family are visiting Saturday night.

W. Pate, and family are visiting Saturday night.

Glen Verduin and family are visiting Saturday night.

Mary Ellen Nelson is visiting her parents, J. T. Nelson during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hall and Mrs. J. J. Hall at Plainview Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Smith and Mrs. Edd Smith and Mrs. Joe Miller.

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ters to San... Memphis... a little girl six years... bringing me a doll, a... water colors, Don... sister Bobbie, I... Nancy Lee... Santa Claus... little boy eight years... like for you to be... and scabbard, bow... a new shirt, and... fruit and nuts, Santa... the other little boy... your little friend, Alton Wayne... bring me some oranges, apples and... house. Your friend, Broadus

PLEASANT VALLEY

MRS. E. W. PATE

Carrie Dell Lenoir, student at Tech, Lubbock, is spending Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. T. E. Lenoir, and Mrs. J. S. Spencer. Freda Grant returned to Pleasant Valley Thursday after a visit here with her parents. Horace Reed of Memphis has returned to his home in Pleasant Valley after a visit here with his mother, Mrs. Willis Reed, and family. Mrs. Otho Fox and family, Otho, Orla, and Mrs. Risenhoover, are visiting here with their mother, Mrs. J. S. Spencer. J. B. Lowe and daughters, Della and Mary, are visiting here with their mother, Mrs. W. Pate. Mamie Benton and Olga are here with their mother, Mrs. W. Pate. Pate and family and Mrs. Benson and children visited Pleasant Valley Sunday. A large crowd attended the program at Pleasant Valley last Friday night. Benson and family moved to Glen Verdun farm last Friday night.

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By VALDA SMITH

There were twenty-one members for Sunday school services this morning. The annual Christmas party at the school Tuesday afternoon sponsored by the teachers, Mrs. Off and Miss Marie Barlow, were distributed from the tree and school was dismissed for the holidays. Isabel Cypert and daughter, Mrs. Don Stevens and R. Cypert of Fort Knox, visited their daughter and Mrs. Walter Offholter and family Tuesday night of last week.

PLASKA

By MRS. E. E. FOSTER

Mr. and Mrs. Worth Hood, who have been employed by Doyle Hall, left for their home at Paris Monday. Mrs. Herbert Hodges visited Mrs. G. P. Owen Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. O. T. Lindsey spent Tuesday night with her brother Harold Hodges and family. Those visiting Mrs. Lucille Foster Monday afternoon were Mrs. Clarence Ragan and daughter Nelda of Lesley, Mrs. S. A. Ellis, Mrs. D. V. Sasser and Mrs. E. E. Foster. The Plaska Needle Club met in the home of Mrs. W. L. Crawford Tuesday afternoon for its Christmas social. After a short business session, each member received a Christmas gift. Refreshments of apples, oranges, candy and nuts were served to Mrs. Harold Hodge, Mrs. Doyle Hall, Mrs. Hubert Hall, Mrs. Ed Murdock, Mrs. J. E. Murdock, Mrs. John Smith, Mrs. C. W. Jones, Mrs. W. L. Nabers, Mrs. T. I. McWhorter, Mrs. T. J. Spry, Mrs. E. E. Foster and Mrs. W. L. Crawford. C. C. Cunningham has bought the cafe that was formerly owned by Jim May. H. W. Kaufman of Paradise visited J. M. Provence and Bud Clark Wednesday. Doyle Hall made a trip to Friona Wednesday night. Mr. and Mrs. Jake Lamb visited their daughter, Mrs. Ralph Smith, and family of Friona from Monday till Wednesday. Troy Dundi made a trip to Friona Wednesday. Mrs. J. W. Smith visited Mrs. Edd Murdock Friday afternoon. Mrs. W. L. Nabers and Mrs. T. J. Borck visited Friday night with Mrs. E. E. Foster. Mr. and Mrs. Pete Williams and family of Lakeview spent Thursday night in the E. E. Foster home. Mr. and Mrs. Edd Murdock and daughter Jo Kathryn and Billie Joe Murdock were Amarillo visitors Saturday. Miss Annie and Ray Nase visited in the J. M. Provence home Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Erwin of

our "Gums" look "Repulsive" for gums itch, burn or cause discomfort, druggists will refer you to the first bottle of "DOAN'S" fails to satisfy. DOAN'S PHARMACY

Christmas Greetings

If we could take by the hand every one of our friends on this recurrence of the Christmas Season, and express our wishes for a day of real joy and a year of beautiful returns, our Greeting could not be more sincere than to say to you "A Right Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous New Year."

AMMO CAFE Oscar Gerlach Proprietor

WOMEN AT WORK

Irene

When Irene got home from the airplane factory she was good and tired. This was the hour, after work and before dinner, that she always looked forward to. Her private name for it was "My sissy hour." Into it, these days, she packed all the lazy, luxurious little things she loved—things that used to take up a lot more than an hour of her peace-time days. She sat down at the little desk in her room. You could tell quite a lot about Irene from that desk. The water-glass filled with the small bouquet of flowers she sometimes bought on the way home. The paper-wracked pink marble. The thin, crackly blue air-mail stationery. And the big, framed photograph of a young man in a corporal's uniform—as good-looking a man as Irene was pretty. On the blotter pad lay the telegram that had come that morning just as she was leaving for work. With those long, well-shaped fingers she reached for a sheet of paper. She nibbled the end of her pen for a bit, and then she wrinkled up her nose at the picture of the soldier and began to write, "Dear Mr. Morgenthau," but the corporal's name was Jackson and she called him Pete. Her round handwriting spread across the page. "My boy friend is with the A.E.F. in Ireland. He has cabled me fifty dollars with which to buy a diamond ring. I've been thinking it over and decided to buy a War Bond to help Uncle Sam instead. This may help to bring my boy friend home sooner, and then he can help me select my ring." Slowly she began to sign her name, "Irene"



(Letter from an actual communication in the files of the Treasury Department.) Let's all sacrifice as Irene has done. Bring final victory closer with the money you put into War Bonds. Make certain your family budget tops 10 percent by New Year's. U. S. Treasury Department

Locals and Personals

New Orleans, La., are visiting Mrs. Erwin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Jones and Mr. Erwin's mother, Mrs. Mary Lou Erwin. Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Bray spent Sunday visiting Mrs. Bray's mother, Mrs. J. T. Martin. Bob McDaniel of Amarillo spent the week-end with his brother, I. E. McDaniel and family. Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Morris visited in the H. S. Foster home Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McDaniel and family of Memphis spent Sunday visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Stone. Adrian McDaniel, who is attending A. & M. College, came Sunday to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. E. McDaniel. Glenn Verden and Homer Hulsey of Deep Lake were Plaska visitors Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. A. Gidden visited Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Morris Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Shorty Davis and family spent Sunday visiting Mrs. Davis' mother, Mrs. Lottie Upton. Jim May, who has been running a cafe here, has moved to Pampa. Mrs. Lucille Foster and family moved Wednesday to Friona. Mrs. E. J. Galloway and son Jerry Edd visited in the E. E. Foster home Sunday. Kathleen McMaster, who is attending a business college at Plainview, came Thursday to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McMaster. Wesley Waites of Eli, Ed Shirley and Johnny Campbell were supper guests of Billie Frances Murdock Sunday night. Mr. and Mrs. Ira McDaniel and daughter Beverly of Memphis visited Mr. McDaniel's parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. E. McDaniel Sunday night. Kathleen McMaster spent Sunday with Thelma Grace Wheeler. Mildred and Mary Alley of Denison visited Thelma Grace Wheeler Sunday afternoon. Members of the Plaska Methodist Church gave a Christmas program and tree Sunday night at the Methodist church. Mrs. J. W. Oliver visited Mrs. A. J. Pannell Saturday.

J. A. McIntire of Lubbock visited here and at Estelline Tuesday. Miss Ruth Barnes, student in West Texas College, Canyon, came Friday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Barnes. Miss Ann Compton, student in Hardin Junior College, Wichita Falls, arrived Friday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Compton. Miss Cassandra Morris, student in Queens College, Charlotte, N. C., came Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Morris. L. F. Gresham left Tuesday for Carey where he will spend the holidays with his father. Miss Gloria Scott, student in Hardin Junior College, Wichita Falls, came Friday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Scott. Billy Kinslow, student in Texas University, Austin, came Friday to spend the Christmas holidays here with his mother, Mrs. C. W. Kinslow.

L. F. Jones, who is employed at Pantex in Amarillo, visited here last week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ottie Jones. Bill Boren visited Tuesday in Amarillo. Work or Fight PAY TAXES NOW AND DEDUCT FROM INCOME. Many tax payers may have thought of paying their taxes during 1942 and deduct same from their income tax payment. Some may not have thought of it, and for that reason attention is called to the fact. Income taxes will be heavy for 1942; may be heavier for 1943, but it is something to think about. All property taxes are allowed to be deducted from gross income. More than \$50,000,000 is spent annually by the Texas government for the support of free school and vocational training.

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Miss Jimmie Gilreath of Lubbock visited here last week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Gilreath. Roy Gilreath, student in A. & M. College, College Station, came Sunday to spend the Christmas holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Gilreath. Mrs. Ray Childress of Shreveport, La., will arrive tonight to spend the Christmas holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Read. Miss Frances Kinard, student in College of Mines, El Paso, came Monday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Kinard.

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GREETINGS WITH GRATEFUL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF YOUR COURTESIES AND THE EVIDENCES OF YOUR GOODWILL THAT HAVE MADE THE PAST YEAR A PLEASURE TO US. WE WISH YOU A SEASON OF GREAT JOY. DR. L. M. HICKS

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Purchasing the stock from A. R. Northcutt and leasing his equipment, E. H. and Gus Rasco are now the owners of the Memphis Frozen Lockers and Meat Company. The new owners plan to expand their market business and hope to have ample meat supplies for both the wholesale and retail trade. They also are prepared to butcher and cure meats for farmers of the territory. All Out for Victory—Advertise in The Democrat!

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Society

Piano Pupils of Mrs. Madden in Holiday Recital

The piano pupils of Mrs. L. B. Madden entertained their parents on Tuesday evening with a Christmas recital at the home of Mrs. Madden.

The house was decorated in keeping with the holiday season. Pupils appearing on the program were Lois Wines, Camille Stringer, Mary Ruth Johnson, Diane Meacham, Ann Norman, Sue Ann Roberts, Donna Webb, Martha Lynn Godfrey, Gena Mac Devin, Robert Clark, Rayburn Jones, Jeanine Adams and Louise Rogers.

Members of Sunday School Class Enjoy Christmas Social

The Baptist Sunday School class of Mrs. J. W. Goodell met Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the home of Miss Margaret Bourland for a Christmas social.

Refreshments were served to LaVerne Archer, Geneva Gilreath, Nellis Clark, Letrice Saunders, Maxine Woodell, Margaret Bourland and Mrs. J. W. Goodell.

CARD OF THANKS

We are glad to report at this time to the many friends, that Mrs. F. M. Hensley is slowly recovering from a three months serious illness and thank the friends and neighbors for their kindness during her illness.

Mrs. Paul Moore

Palace

Thursday Midnite Show and Friday—

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Saturday Nite Prevue, Sunday and Monday—

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Charles Starrett
"Riding Through Nevada"

Saturday Nite Prevue, Sunday and Monday—

Don Ameche Joan Bennett
"Girl Trouble"

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday—

John Howard—
Marguerite Chapman
"Submarine Raider"

Texas

Thursday and Friday—

Florence Rice—John Beal
"Stand By, All Networks"

SATURDAY

Tim Holt
"Fighting Frontier"

T.E.L. Class Has Christmas Party On Friday Night

The T. E. L. Sunday school class of the Baptist Church met at the home of Mrs. W. Wilson on Friday night for its annual Christmas party.

Mrs. A. Baldwin and Mrs. S. T. Harrison were co-hostesses. The subject of the program was "The Christ Child." The opening song was "White Christmas," sung by the candy girls, composed of Mrs. W. Wilson, Mrs. A. Baldwin, and Mrs. S. T. Harrison. Mrs. R. C. Walker gave the devotional reading from Luke 2. Mrs. Sam Foxhall gave a Christmas story, "When Father Comes Home," by Helen Welsheimer.

The class sang Christmas carols and "Santa Claus" distributed the gifts. Mrs. J. W. Fitzjarrald, teacher, presented all members present with white bowls filled with white candy.

Refreshments of plum pudding, hard sauce, candy, and postum were served to Mrs. L. M. Thornton, Mrs. C. W. Crawford, Mrs. E. T. Prater, Mrs. Isabel Cypert, Mrs. E. W. Evans, Mrs. Emma Baskerville, Mrs. T. T. Loard, Mrs. E. J. Paul, Mrs. J. R. Harrell, Mrs. Chas. Oren, Mrs. George Hattenbach, Mrs. T. A. Bales, Mrs. W. H. Moreman, Mrs. Chas. Drake, Mrs. J. H. Smith, Mrs. R. C. Walker, Mrs. Sam Foxhall, Mrs. John Barber, Mrs. J. F. Wells, Mrs. J. W. Fitzjarrald, Mrs. D. A. Grundy, Mrs. W. Wilson, Mrs. S. T. Harrison, Mrs. A. Baldwin, Mrs. R. H. Wherry, Mrs. J. C. Wells, Mrs. Dick Watson, Mrs. Blythe Scott and Mrs. A. M. Wyatt, and one visitor, Mrs. John Stroehle of Central City, Colo.

Wesleyan Guild Enjoys Christmas Party Monday Eve

The Wesleyan Service Guild of the First Methodist church met at the home of Miss Ira Hammond on Monday evening. Co-hostesses for the Christmas party were Mrs. W. R. Taylor, F. L. Hall and Miss Ruby Hoffman.

The devotional was given by Mrs. Norma Hunt, followed with a Christmas play "Christmas for the World." Those taking part in the play were: Mrs. M. G. Tarver, soloist; Mrs. Norma Hunt, The World; Mrs. Clifford Lemons, Christmas Bells; Grace Gowdy, Christmas Star; Mrs. Clifford Compton, Christmas Candles; Mary Beckum, Christmas Gifts; Mrs. H. B. Bennett, Christmas Evergreens, and Ruby Hoffman The Great Commission.

Following the program gifts were exchanged from the decorated Christmas tree.

Refreshments were served to the following members and visitors: Mrs. Clifford Lemons, Mrs. M. G. Tarver, Mrs. Hester Bownds, Mrs. Clifford Compton, Mrs. Mabel Lavender, Mrs. E. L. Yeats, Mrs. H. H. Newman, Mrs. J. M. Hammond, Mrs. F. L. Hall, Mrs. H. B. Bennett, Mrs. W. R. Taylor, Mrs. Ruby Hardwick, Mrs. Norma Hunt and Mrs. Clois McGuire of Corpus Christi.

—All Out for Victory—

Funeral Rites for—

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after three days of serious illness. Her husband, Hubert Abram, died two years ago in an automobile accident.

She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Harper of Memphis; three sons, William Alton, Roy Milton and Tommie Tril-ton Abram; seven sisters, Mrs. Maud Alexander of Madan, Mrs. Ivan Gresham of Munday, Mrs. Odell Rawls of Pampa, Mrs. Curtis Phillips and Mrs. Frank Skinner of Newlin, Mrs. Vernon Phillips of Memphis, and Mrs. Thad Fowler of Los Angeles, Calif.; two brothers, Felton Harper of Sudan and Lewis Harper of Newlin. All were present for the rites except Mrs. Fowler.

Other out-of-town relatives at tending the funeral included Mr. and Mrs. Woodson Dodson and daughter Athalee of Clarendon Mrs. Edith Williams and son of Sudan, Charlie Alexander of Sudan, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Downey and daughter of Memphis, Mrs. Granny Glover of Memphis, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Collins and children of Memphis, and a host of relatives and friends from the Harrell Chapel community.

—Give to the USO—

Christmas Social Held by Members Epworth League

Members of the Methodist Epworth League attended a Christmas party at the home of Robert Frank Cummings on Friday evening of last week.

Games were played and gifts exchanged. Refreshments were served to attending.

Present were Sue Lynn Guthrie, Mamie Morris, Betty Jean Solomon, Noia Mae McMurry, Laura Mai Hightower, Mary F. Burk Elwanda Jones, Billy Joyce McMurray, Minnie Lou Rhudy, Joyce Goodpasture, Marjorie Morris, Jessie Lee Burk, Murray Cross, Henry Lee Solomon, Luke Orrell, Robert Frank Cummings, Luther Pittman, Floyd Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cummings and Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Yeats.

—All Out for Victory—

Two Deliveries on Christmas Eve Are Permitted by ODT

Merchants Will Be Enabled To Handle Last Minute Rush Of Yuletide Holiday Business

Santa Claus will be allowed two deliveries on Christmas eve in stead of the customary one under ODT regulations, said Richard E. Wood, district ODT motor transport manager, at Lubbock this week.

To enable merchants to handle their last minute Christmas delivery rush, a general permit has been issued by ODT allowing carriers engaged in local delivery service to make one additional delivery on December 24, 1942.

However, carriers who make this extra delivery are forbidden by the permit to make a delivery on December 25. Thus, the permit enables a carrier to consolidate his one-day deliveries for December 24 and 25 into two deliveries on Christmas eve and none on Christmas day without increasing the number of deliveries previously allowed for two days, Mr. Wood said.

A similar provision for holidays which fall on a Saturday or Monday is contained in General Order ODT 17 which forbids more than one delivery to the same address during the same day. This also applies to call-backs, pick-ups and similar trips which require delivery trucks to retrace their routes during a day's time, Mr. Wood said.

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Memphis Sailor—

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HOME when you have a mouth full of that.

The weather here stays like summer the year around, and everything is getting wet and sloppy as the rainy season is setting in.

I noticed that some fellow in Africa said he paid 2 cents each for coconuts, and 3 cents a dozen for bananas. That sounds kind of funny to me, as I can step ten yards from my tent and pick up a three-bushel basket of coconuts. In fact when the wind blows they fall from the trees like it was raining. When we first arrived here we ate a lot of them; now when we see anybody eating one we know he is a "newcomer." The trees are spaced about 10 steps apart and I can walk several miles and still be in a coconut grove.

Billy Fred Rasco must be some "puddle-jumper" to knock two seconds off the record for the obstacle course. Here is hoping he can knock the Japs from the air with the same ease and quite a bit more speed. I hope that he doesn't get sick when he makes his first landing aboard a carrier.

It makes me feel sorry for the poor civilian every time I read a newspaper and see something else added to the ration list. It must

be pretty tough to go around without cuffs on pants, and not being able to put sugar in coffee (if you had the coffee). No gas to go running around the country with and no tires even if you had the gas). When a tire goes out on the truck I drive, all I have to do is go over to the transportation office and have another put on. What is better, I don't even have to pay for it—(income tax will do that after I get discharged).

It seems to me that everyone at home is trying to get married or has already. It must be the soldiers who are staying in the States for so long. We call them the "U. S. O. Boys" down here.

I can mark down December 9 as my red letter day. I was walking along night before last when all of a sudden I thought I had been struck by lightning. Not three feet from me a nurse was sitting in the chaplain's jeep. She said "Hello and talked to me about five minutes. Boy, that was something! The first white girl in four months! By the way, she was good-looking too (or was it just poor judgment due to unexercised eyesight?)

Yours just as ever,

Charles C. Harrell, MM2-c
7th Const. Bat.,
c-o Postmaster,
San Francisco, Calif.
—Get Year Scrap in the Scrap—
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Robert E. L. Davis—

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ary pall bearers were W. D. Russell, S. J. Allison, Flowers, W. E. Johnsey, Odell and Martindale. In charge of flowers were Mrs. Sam Brown, Mrs. Bill Ragsdale, Martha Ragsdale, Imogene Morrison, Katie Bell Wells and Mae McElrath.

Mr. Davis had lived in for about three years. He was a native Texan, having been born in Wise County, Texas, February 17, 1864.

He is survived by his two daughters, Mrs. Susie King and Mrs. C. R. Davis, three sons, O. D., T. L. and Davis.

—To Hell with Hitler—
There are limitless quantities of salt underneath the Texas.



With a full sense of gratitude having been able to serve with full realization of the value of tried and proven friends and the advantage of life among such splendid people

send our Greetings to our friends.

May the best of everything be yours this Christmas. May the Yuletide occasion make all of us more appreciative of our way of life. May it be an American Christmas

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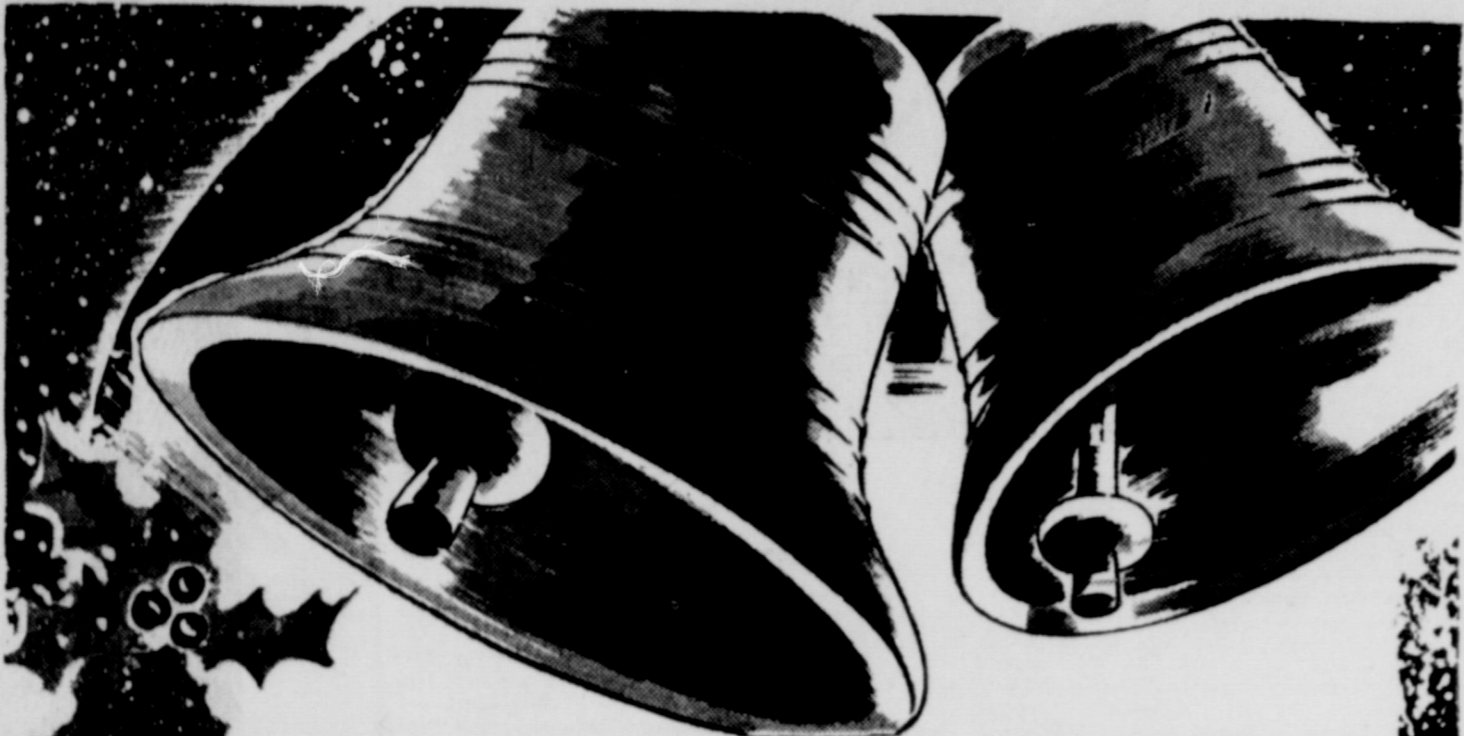
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Merry Christmas

MEMPHIS, HALL COUNTY, TEXAS, THURSDAY AFTERNOON, DECEMBER 24, 1942 FIVE CENTS NUMBER 29



We Still Say Merry Christmas

Every year at this time we have said "Merry Christmas" to the readers of The Democrat, and, though we are many miles from Memphis and the surroundings we have been accustomed to we still want to greet you. We are now members of a great organization—the United States Armed Forces—and Christmas has taken on a clearer meaning to us. We have always taken it for granted that we would be able to wish our friends the season's greetings, but now we realize that we must fight for that right.

We are doing our part on the fighting front and we know that the people at home are doing their part to give us the weapons, food and other materials we need in the battle to keep the American way of living intact. We are fighting that Christmas may always be a part of the American Tradition.

As members of The Democrat staff in the service of our country, we wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous 1943.

Tech. Sgt. H. H. Montgomery, Co-publisher
U. S. ARMY

Coxswain Lester H. Campbell
U. S. NAVY

Hiram E. Wood, Seaman 1st Class
U. S. NAVY

Charles Curtis Harrell, Seaman 2nd Class
U. S. NAVY CONSTRUCTION BATTALION



Anderson County, Texas, was named for Kenneth R. Anderson the last vice-president of the Texas Republic.
—Answer Bombs with Bonds—
Texas spends more than \$2,000,000 annually for the development and conservation of natural resources.

Letters to Santa

Amarillo, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl six years old. I go to school and sure do like it. I have moved from Memphis to Amarillo, so please bring my things to 813 Russell street. I would like to have a large doll and a large wicker chair. I saw you the Saturday you came to Amarillo the fifth of December, but never got to talk to you, as there were so many children and I know you could not talk to all. You can also bring me some nuts, candy, fruit and don't forget all the other little boys and girls. Remember my grandma and grandpa Mixon at Memphis and bring them something good. A little friend,
Irene Butcher

Amarillo, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl two and one-half years old and try to be good. Please bring me a wicker rocking chair, doll and some fruit, nuts and candy. Please remember my uncle over on an island close to the coast of Australia. His name is Leon Mixon. Also all the other soldier boys who are fighting to keep our flag flying. My birthday is the fourth of July, so please remember the army, navy and marine boys. Love,
Bettie Sue Butcher

Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a little girl 6 years old and I go to school. I have been a very good little girl and I want you to bring me a doll with hair and one that will go to sleep and say "ma-ma," some dishes, a little iron and ironing board. Also bring candy, fruit and nuts, and don't forget my little playmates and sisters and big brother and mother and daddy. Your little friend,
Kartina Faye Nabers
P. S.—Please bring me a broom too.

Giles, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy four and a half years old. I have been a good little boy. I want a red car and some BB shot. Please bring me nuts, fruits and candy and bring me some fireworks if you can. If you can't bring all I ask for, anything will be appreciated. Thank you,
Richard Stotts
Memphis, Texas

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a doll, a set of dishes, some candy and fruit. Thank you,
Dora Fay Gilchrist

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I want an army truck and trailer. I will hang up my stocking.
Tommy Cope

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a little boy that will be nine years old soon after Christmas. I am in the fourth grade at school and study very hard. I would like for you to bring me a pair of skates, a wood burning set, some builder blocks and nuts, fruit and candy. And Santa, if you can, will you please bring me a football suit. Your pal,
Jerry Gimore

WISHING YOU
A ★ MERRY
CHRISTMAS



D. L. C. KINARD
Memphis, Texas

It is a trite way of expressing the season's greetings to you, our friends, but we know of no other words with which to convey our sincere feeling toward the people whom we have had the opportunity to serve.
It has been our pleasure, and it is with these thoughts in mind that we fall back on the old familiar "Merry Christmas" as a sentiment not surpassed, and for which there can be no substitute.

It's Christmas

May yours be a merry one and the New Year be filled with joy and happiness in return for your thoughtfulness to this organization.

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AND A
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CHRISTMAS



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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:
I'm a little girl just three and one-half years old. I hope I've been good enough for you to remember me again this year. Santa please bring me a doll that says "mamma and papa," a doll buggy, a table, and chairs, and some dishes. Remember all the other little boys and girls with nice things. Be sure to go see my little friend, Dwain Ellerd, and take him something he'll enjoy. He'll almost be eleven months old Christmas. Thank you so much and lots of love,
Carole Ann Yarbrough

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a ball, a car, and some candy and fruit. Thank you,
Charles Otis Kutt

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I hope you come to see me again this year. I would like to have a little wagon, some cars and trucks, and an airplane to play with. Also a machine gun. Don't forget my big brother Sim and my little sister Bettye Ann. Sim wants an electric train and Bettye Ann wants a baby doll and a house coat and red house shoes. If you have a little sink, stove and refrigerator to spare, she will understand I guess. Don't forget the other little boys and girls. We will try to be good next year. Your little friend,
Robert Goodall

Borger, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am nine years old and live at Borger. I will tell you what I would like best for Xmas. I would like a doll, and nurse set, a table and chairs, and a baton with lots of fruit and candy. Your friend
Jackie Lee Eastland

Borger, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please come to see me and bring me a doll, nurse set, a desk a little cabinet, a dresser and Baton, and don't forget fruit nuts and candy. Lots of love,
Nan Eastland

Estelline, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a little girl 5 years old. I have tried to be a good girl by helping mother. I know it will be hard to give everything all the little boys and girls ask for so if you will just bring me a doll that says "mamma" and goes to sleep too, I will be satisfied, and bring anything else you want to. Love,
Carol Ann Edwards

Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa:
I have tried to be a good girl and help my mother. I want you to bring me a skating doll with real hair and lots of clothes. My brother, Don, is a nice boy, so bring him a Zipper notebook. Remember all the other little boys and girls. I love you,
Katherine Wright

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I have been a very nice boy. I have saved all my nickles and pennys to buy bonds to whip all the Japs, so please Santa, will you bring me a tool chest, tinker toys, a gun, some story books, and a drum. The money you have left, send to Uncle Sam to send to the poor children in China.
Bobby Curry

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
Since you are sending most of the toys to all the children in the war, I wont ask for much. I only want a small cedar chest, tinker toys, some story books, a doll with hair and a drum. So please Santa, be as nice to the other boys and girls as you are to me.
Retha Louise Ranson

Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa:
Please bring me a big pack of toys and goodies for all my friends and little cousins, especially tiny John Eldon Woods of Memphis and little Don Douglas Davis of Pampa. Then you might bring me a set of blocks, and listen, Santa I already have your gift ready for you. I am two years old, and I love you too. Thanks,
Martha Joy Reed

Plaska, Texas
Dear Santa:
I'm a little brown eyed boy and I am six years old and am going to school. My teacher's name is Mrs. Morris, and she is awfully nice. I've been a pretty good boy and I wish you would bring me a red hand car, drum, gun set, service car, superman picture show gun, and telephone. Also fruit nuts, candy and please, don't forget all the other little boys and girls and their mothers and dads. Yours forever,
Cloyce Ray Orr

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a doll, a pair of skates and some candy. Thank you,
Wanda Rasco

Bigger Harvests of Feed Are Produced Through Practicing Soil Conservation



Bigger harvests of feed to produce such wartime foods as milk and meat can be expected by the farmers who establish soil and moisture conservation practices recommended by the Board of Supervisors of the Hall County Soil Conservation district. In this section of the State soil conservation and the proper use all of the moisture that falls on the land, may mean the difference between a good crop and a poor one, or no crop at all in the dry years. Soil and moisture conservation practices such as contour cultivation, terracing, strip cropping and crop rotation, will hold most of the moisture that falls on the land, thus making it available for growing crops, instead of running off down th canyon. Help in planning and establishing soil and moisture conservation practices is given by the U. S. department of agriculture Soil Conservation service technicians, who are assigned to the Hall County district. Experiment stations and hundreds of farmers have already proven that soil and moisture conservation is practical as well as profitable. During a 13 year period research experts at the Experiment station at Spur, Texas found that cotton which was planted in rows that run up and down the slope averaged 102 pounds of lint cotton per acre while cotton planted in rows listed on the contour, produced an average of 123 pounds of lint cotton per acre, also that cotton grown in a field with level closed terraces averaged 150 pounds of lint cotton to the acre. From experience we learn that the best results can be obtained when the various conservation practices are combined as needed in the same field. Increased yields, resulting from the use of soil and moisture control have been reported by Wm. Heckathorn, Bob Motherhead, Clarence Powell, Alfred Hutcherson, Tom Wilson and many others, since they became conservation minded.

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
Guess you are a very busy fellow, but hope you have time to read this before Christmas. Please remember all little boys and girls especially those over the sea. Also all our soldier boys. We are two little sisters, age 6 and 7. We want a doll, a doll suitcase, 2 jumping ropes and a set of glass dishes. Our little brother wants a drum, a big truck and some building blocks. Don't forget mother and daddy. And remember fill our stockings. Santa we will have a warm fire and a snack to eat waiting for you. Lots of love,
Sue Beth, Joan and Dwayne Cummins

Lakeview, Texas
Dear Santa:
I want you to bring me an army truck ad a gun and holster for Christmas. Bring me some candy, nuts and other things. I am eight years old and I don't want you to forget me. Please don't forget all the boys in the service and other boys and girls. I have been good Santa, and I hope you will remember me. Yours truly,
Ronnie Gowdy

Parnell, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a little girl 11 years old. I have tried to be a good little girl. Santa, will you please bring me a sweetheart, bracelet and piano. And lots of candy, nuts and fruit. Love,
Jewel Eloise Stephen

GREETINGS

OF THE YULETIDE SEASON



We can think of no better way to express our appreciation for the many favors you have afforded us in the past. Since we cannot see each of you personally, this message is sent with a sincere feeling of friendliness to all. We wish you the Season's best.

ALEXANDER & ROSS
Memphis, Texas

God Bless America



Greetings



CHURCH BELLS
CHRISTMAS BELLS
SLEIGH BELLS

Blend together at Christmastime to sound a glorious symphony of glad tidings that present a note of cheer in a world oftentimes torn asunder... to peoples burdened with cares. The atmosphere of good fellowship dominates the minds of free nations everywhere. It is our sincere wish that the bells of universal peace will peal forth to bring happiness and contentment to the whole world. May they echo our own sincere good wishes to all those again we have the privilege of calling friends.

J. C. Wooldridge
Company



We hope it is brimmed full of the things you so richly deserve. We hope Old Santa has remembered you well and fills your stocking, not only with the material things for which you have wished, but that he will throw in for good measure an abundance of good cheer, good hope, and good fellowship.

PIGGLY WIGGLY

Lesley Gin

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MERRY AMERICAN CHRISTMAS

and may our flag forever be the symbol of



JUSTICE
FREEDOM
and UNITY



Lesley Gin

KIRBY HAGINS, Manager

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Christmas Greetings

TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

IN times like these, friendliness and neighborliness take on a new and deeper meaning. We are all drawn closer together and we realize anew that cordial and mutually helpful relations with our fellow men have a value far above material things.

It is with this thought in mind that we extend our thanks to you, not only for your patronage, but for the friendship and courtesy you have shown us. We have enjoyed the privilege of serving you and we hope we have done it well.

Our warmest best wishes go out to you and yours this Christmas season and in our hearts is the hope we know finds an echo in yours—that 1943 will be the year of final victory and that "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men" will again be restored to the world.

COMMUNITY
PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY

"For unto us a Child is born,
Unto us a Son is given."
Isaiah 9:6



May the Light of Happiness
Shine for You on Christmas Day
And Throughout the New Year

Your Florists—
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Courtesy Cleveland News

SYLVESTER MUNN TELLS OF NAVY'S
PART IN ASSAULT ON CASABLANCA

The following story was
clipped from the Amarillo
News, and concerns a former
Memphis youth. For that reason
The Democrat is reproducing
the article in full.

"All we did was keep the German
submarines from torpedoing the
airplane carriers" is Sylvester
Munn's story of his ship's part in
the American invasion at Casablanca.

Serving on a ship credited with
sinking three German subs, Munn
gave a comprehensive account of
the part of the navy in the African
invasion in a letter to his
mother, Mrs. Lillian Munn.

"On Nov. 28, we joined a giant
armada of other ships. Everywhere
you looked, all you could see was
ships. They looked like buildings
on the horizon. From Oct. 25 to
Nov. 26 we were moving all the
time.

"On the airplane carriers with
us were navy fighters, dive bombers
and torpedo planes, and on the
other carriers were army land
planes.

"We arrived at Casablanca,
French Morocco about 50 miles out
Saturday night, Nov. 7, and made
our attack starting at 4 o'clock
Sunday morning. Just before day-
light the planes took off the carriers
and bombed the cities all
along the coast.

"My ship is attached to a large
airplane carrier, so we stayed
from 15 to 40 or 50 miles out and
come back to the carriers for more
fuel and bombs and go back again.

"While the battleships and
cruisers and other ships went right
into the main part of the battle,
all we did was keep the German
submarines from torpedoing the
carriers. We dropped plenty of
depth charges on them, too. My

ship is supposed to have sunk
three German submarines, so you
can see I have really been seeing
and doing things.

"That went on all day until 6:30
o'clock that night. We had to stay
at our stations all the time, and
they brought sandwiches and coffee
to us. This went on Sunday,
Monday, Tuesday and then Wednesday
morning at 7:30 o'clock,
Casablanca surrendered and most
of the fighting was over.

"Soldiers started landing Sunday,
and setting up camps and making
arrangements for landing all the
supplies of the huge army. They
were landed by Wednesday and
started inland.

"We went on patrolling the coast
and protecting the carriers. We
went into Casablanca for fuel
Wednesday and came right out

again, but we got a pretty good
look at the place through our
glasses. Sunday afternoon we left
for the dear old U. S.

"I really wish I could tell you
instead of writing it. I saw four
planes crash in the ocean the first
two days, but the pilots were re-
cued. Wednesday afternoon a sea-
plane crashed and we picked up
the pilot and radioman. We
thought we might see some Ger-
man planes, but we didn't."

Sylvester writes that one reason
he likes the navy is that he always
knows where he is going to sleep
and eat, while the soldiers who
landed will have to make out the
best they can.

He wrote his letter from Boston
where his ship is now in dry dock.
He had hoped for a long enough
furlough to fly to Amarillo, but
received only three days, which he
planned to spend in New York
City.

By War Bonds

The first constitutional govern-
ment in Texas was under the Mex-
ican constitution of 1824.

A JOYOUS SEASON
AGAIN WE EXTEND CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO OUR FRIENDS WHOM WE HAVE HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF SERVING

THE FIRST HATCH
for this season came off Monday and Baby Chicks are now ready. Place orders early for choice selections.
**GATE CITY CREAMERY
LAWRENCE HATCHERY**

CORDIAL GREETINGS

AND A NOTE TO SANTA—
We know you are busy—so's everybody else. We just want to remind you that here in this community are the finest folks in the world, and we are hoping that you will remember them well in your Christmas Eve travels. Our friends here are deserving of all good things. Please don't forget them!

MILLER AND MILLER MOTOR FREIGHT LINES
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A Joyous Noel

We sincerely hope your Christmas will be filled to overflowing with happiness and good cheer and may the New Year be one of Health, and Prosperity



MEMPHIS HOSPITAL
Dr. and Mrs. W. Wilson



WHO SAYS,
"Merry
Christmas?"

WE DO!

And we mean it—every word of it. Why? Because we firmly believe that we have the most enviable bunch of friends any firm ever was privileged to have, and we want to wish every one of you the season's best.

JOE C. WEBSTER
Pioneer Auto Supply

DEMOCRAT WANT-ADS GET QUICK RESULTS!



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

and
BEST WISHES

for your Happiness
in the New Year

Your patronage through the years past is evidence of the confidence you have in our organization, and we trust it may continue in the same amicable way for many years to come.

E. E. CUDD

OUR CHRISTMAS WISH



*Health
Happiness
Prosperity*

It is a big order, we know, but we are sincere in the knowledge that our friends deserve all three.

It is good to think back over the events of the past year, and to pick out those things which are bright and cheerful. These occasions overshadow the dark spots and simplify the task of forgetting dreams unrealized. Your thoughtfulness to this organization is deeply appreciated, and because of this we deem it a privilege to express Season's Greetings. Our sincere good wishes to every one.

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Arthur Gidden, mgr. Plaska, Texas

The Elm Creek Soil Conservativ Project, Bell County, Texas, is the oldest project of its kind in the United States.

Since 1935, Texas has been the leading mineral-producing state of the nation.

Texas produces more than 6,000,000 pounds of honey annually.

In 1940, Texas had 85 per cent of the Angora goats in the United States and produced 86 per cent of the nation's mohair.

WITH THE
BEST OF GOOD WISHES

FOR CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR
FROM EACH OF THE MEMBERS OF THIS
FIRM TO EACH OF YOU.

DELANEY AGENCY

T. C. Delaney H. D. Delaney



It's Christmas, and with its coming we welcome the fine spirit of friendliness that goes with it, and are desirous of sending this Greeting to all those we serve and those whom we hope to serve.



MEMPHIS MEAT COMPANY
AND FROZEN LOCKERS
E. H. and Gus Rasco

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

Above all other things in our memory at this glad Yuletide is the thought of the splendid relations with friends of this organization who have made it possible for us to enjoy a very satisfactory year.

The warm spirit of the Holiday occasion reminds us that in our friends, not in our ledgers, do we find our real assets. There are many things that make us thankful this is our home, and for that reason we desire to extend Season's Greetings.



Please accept the kind wishes and sincere thanks of all of us. Best wishes for a Joyous Christmas and a New Year of much happiness. Good Health and Success for you and yours.

First State Bank

F. E. LEARY, Pres.
G. M. DUREN, Cashier

J. H. SMITH, Vice Pres.
F. A. FINCH, Vice Pres.

Christmas



AS AMERICANS, WE SHOULD BE PROUD OF THE TRADITION BEHIND THE OCCASION OF CHRISTMAS. AND THANKFUL FOR WHAT CHRISTMAS STANDS FOR. GRATEFUL THAT WE ARE AMERICANS

Grundy Abstract and Title Co.
Webster Ins. Ag'y
Memphis, Texas

Soldiers in Steaming Jungle Dream of Christmas at Home

EDITOR'S NOTE—What do American soldiers think about in the fetid, insect-ridden jungles of New Guinea, with Jap snipers potting at them and Jap snipers hanging away? Well, it seems they dream of Christmas at home, with flaky white snow, a big family dinner and all the other trimmings, as the following battlefield story by a war correspondent proves.

"Well," said Pvt. Paul Ullrich, "there I am almost buried in swamp mud, with tall kunai grass all around me, and that damp stuff can cut like a knife, and a hazy-looking moon makes everything sorta ghostly."

"There's a little stream over on the left and in the thick jungle brush on the other side there's a Jap sniper. I know the blankety-blank is there, because any time I move he takes a shot in my direction."

"Back behind me I can hear our mortars banging away and somewhere off to the right there's machine-gun fire going to beach hell. Come daylight our fellows are going to bust ahead on the right, so all we have to do is sit tight. Well, sir, it's sure funny what runs through your head, danger or no danger."

"There I am dog-tired, wet and hungry and I get to thinking about my wife Eleanor back in Detroit and about mom and dad and my brothers and sisters back in Armeta, Minn. And then I remember its only a few days to Christmas and I get blue as hell Merry Christmas—and I wonder how merry this one's going to be—and peace on earth, good will to men and here we are and those Jap so-and-sos and there ain't much peace or good will either."

Gets To Thinking
"Then I get to thinking we gotta knock hell outa these so-and-sos to make sure everybody can have merry Christmases for all time and live the way they want to without a bunch of crazy men telling how we can live."

"Just about then I move around some, trying to find a dry spot, but there ain't any and that damn sniper fires a few more rounds over my head and I catch a flash and fire back and after that I am not bothered so I am feeling pretty good but I wish those mortars would lay off for awhile but you get used to noise and I

PLAINVIEW 4-HER IS STATE STOCK CHAMP



L. D. BALLARD, 17, Plainview, Hale county, Texas, is the 1942 State winner in the annual Thomas E. Wilson meat animal livestock contest, conducted in cooperation with the Extension Service. He receives a 17-jewel gold watch award. Chosen by State Boys' Club Agent L. L. Johnson, the boy's five-year record, shows he handled 10 baby heaves, 30 hogs, and 130 sheep. He won \$53 in cash prizes and his sales of meat animals were \$2,606.79, making a total of \$2,984.49. He showed grand champion Hereford calf at both the 1940 and 1941 Plainview Fat Stock Show. The boy has served as club leader for the last two years. He holds a gold star 4-H award.

go dreaming about home and snow on the ground—nice, white flaky snow—and no mosquitos, no houses all lit up and little Christmas trees in the front parlor all filled with little blue and red and white and green electric bulbs or maybe little colored candles and sticks o candy hung on the branches and bells and presents and everybody laughing and happy and having a swell time and the neighbors coming and going.

Christmas Dinner
"And just about now mom would be planning the Christmas dinner and getting presents ready for the iceman, the milkman and the letterman and gosh how I wish I was home. And that Christmas dinner! Turkey and stuffing, cranberries and pumpkin pie!"

"Plum pudding," said Pvt. Ear Tucker of Lock Springs, Mo., very firmly. "We always had plum pudding."

"Pumpkin pie for me," continued Ullrich, "and lotsa coffee but us kids always had milk. Then we'd hang up our stockings on the mantel-piece and mom would hustle us of to bed so she and dad could fix up the presents and Christmas morning we'd all be up early, shouting and yelling and everybody laughing, and maybe I'd have a sled or skates or a baseball bat. Those were the days."

"Then we'd all go to the Evangelical Church and back home for turkey."

Midnight Mass
"Midnight mass for me," said Tucker, "and I can remember how beautiful the singing was and the church all lit up and candles burning and the incense and we'd all get up early too, just like you said."

"And boy," continued Ullrich "how we'd go for that turkey! The older kids would want all the white meat, but mom always saw that I got my share. Gosh, I bet

I got the finest little mother on earth."

"Well," said Tucker, "maybe second best, because I know there couldn't be one finer than mine."

"Okay, buddy," agreed Ullrich "we both got the best mothers in the world. So, as I was saying, I am laying up there wet and hungry and thinking my Christmas dinner probably will have to come out of a tin can and it won't have wings when all hell breaks loose up ahead."

"That's the Japs shelling us and I ain't got much time from then on to think about Christmas. But I am convinced more than ever now that the only way we can all ever have a merry Christmas again is to knock hell out of them and teach them a lesson, because you can't reason with a rattle-snake. You gotta kill them or cage them. Ain't that right?"

Letters to Santa

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I have tried to be good this year. I am 8 years old and I would like a doll. Quida Pearl, my sister, wants a doll, a book and a tricycle. Charles Walter, my brother, 7 months old, would like a red rag doll. Roy Alvin, my older brother, would like a chemistry set. Please bring us fruit, candy and nuts. We all love you,
Margaret Ann, Roy Alvin, Quida Pearl and Charles Walter Massey P. S.—We would like a monopoly set. Please bring mother and daddy something.

Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa:
I am a little boy 7 years old. I want a fire truck and a gun and football for Christmas. My little sister Joyce Ann wants a doll and a tricycle. She is 17 months old. So bye,bye. Your little friends,
Freddie Ray and Joyce Ann

Warnecke
P. S.—Don't forget our fruits, nuts and candy and our brother that is in the Army in Boston, Mass.
Memphis, Texas
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little girl 10 years old

and have a little sister, Carolyn Kay, who is 1 1/2 years old. I have tried to be good and study hard; so, I would like for you to bring me a doll, jumping rope, a box of handkerchiefs, some socks and some pajamas. Please bring Carolyn Kay a doll, a tricycle, and

a little red wagon. Thank Santa for last year's gift. Love Bobbie Wanell P. S.—I want an army truck and er. I will hang up my stockings Richard C.

TO YOU

whose friendly support has contributed so greatly during the past year, may we extend a cordial and appreciative thanks. May your Christmas be happy and the New Year prosperous.

E. N. HUDGINS
—with—
KANSAS CITY LIFE

TIMES CHANGE . . .
. . . AND WE WITH TIME
BUT NOT THE WAYS OF FRIENDSHIPS

SEASON'S GREETINGS



May the New Year bring you a full measure of prosperity

CHAS. OREN
Jeweler and Optometrist
619 Main Street

Merry Christmas

TO YOU, . . . YOU . . . and YOU!

We sincerely believe we have a host of friends in this community, none of whom do we wish to overlook in saying "Merry Christmas". We would like to see each of you personally to express our Christmas sentiment, but this we cannot do.

As you read this, please keep in mind that it is written with sincere appreciation of the good fellowship we have enjoyed. Whatever has happened within the past year—come what may in the future—at Christmastime we like to forget the tribulations caused by conditions and pause for a few minutes of peaceful meditation with our friends.
We wish you a season of joy and a new year which will see peace and good will for all.

Dear Santa—I'm going to tell you what I want for Christmas. A toy gun and a bicycle, a football, a pair of boxing gloves, a pair of boots and a book.
Dear Santa—I want a doll and a raggy and doll clothes and story a clock and dishes and a Thank you

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J. C. PENNEY CO., INC.



Everyone is happy to have Christmas spirit has a way of bringing to the mind expression, the cordial feeling of friends and loved ones happy day of the year.

Regardless of what the coming year and yours, whatever the disaster, we trust you will remember the love of our friends and we are sure of things that may result in contentment for all.

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truly impressive is a spirit that which comes to us in this modern each year heralds many changes and adversities; but through FREEDOM for all. Would that all of us could carry sixty-five days of the year. We promise to keep it ever for each of you, and w Merry Christmas now, next year Yuletide continue to thrive thro

BISHOP GR. CITY

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Poliomyelitis Is Reported In Some Sections of State

What to Do About Suspected Cases Infantile Paralysis Outlined by Health Official

The appearance of scattered cases of poliomyelitis commonly called infantile paralysis, in one or two Texas communities has resulted in considerable apprehension and a request for the closing of certain schools.

According to the State Health department, closing schools has very little effect on the control of this disease. In a community recently studied, there were 22 cases reported, only nine of which were of school age, and these nine represented several different schools.

To inform the public on the best procedure to follow when poliomyelitis is suspected, Dr. Geo. W. Cox, state health officer, has issued the following statement:

"All suspected cases should be reported immediately to the county health officer and isolated for a minimum of 14 days. Concurrent and terminal disinfection should be employed as in typhoid. It might be well to hospitalize the patient and good medical care imperative.

"Except for the attendant, members of the family should stay away from the patient. The wage-earner, unless employed with food handling, should be free to continue his work. Preschool children in the family should be greatly restricted if not entirely excluded from community activity.

"School children should be observed daily for upper respiratory infection or fever. Upon the appearance of such symptoms, they should be excluded from school until a definite diagnosis is made. Children as well as adults should avoid overactivity to the point of fatigue. Maintain nutrition at the best possible level and be sure to get plenty of fresh air and sunshine."

Work or Fight

Uncle Needs Civil Service Workers

Uncle Sam will pay \$88 an hour for laborers at Mare Island Vallejo and Oakland, Calif. and Hawthorne, Nevada; \$120 a month for stenographers and typists in Washington, D. C.; \$9.12 a day for sheet metal workers, radio mechanics, electroplaters and inside machinists at Corpus Christi, Texas; \$90 a month for mechanic learners while they go to school; and wages from \$1.28 to \$1.73 an hour for skilled tradesmen of all kinds to go to Hawaii or Panama.

Information about any of these positions may be obtained from the civil service secretary at any first or second class postoffice where application forms may be secured. They should be filled out and sent immediately to the director, Tenth Civil Service Region Customhouse, New Orleans, La.

Persons engaged in war work of equal skill need not apply.

Aerial Photographs Combined to Make Scene Resembling United States Flag



"Soil and moisture conservation place a protective arm around the land we Americans defend at home and abroad," said F. E. Leary, chairman of the Board of Supervisors of the Hall County Soil Conservation district. "We folks at home must defend the soil for which our men and boys are fighting on the many battlefronts of the world."

"By using soil and moisture conservation measures we can lay the groundwork for victory on the home front," he continued. "Conservation practices not only save and improve the soil, but also increase crop yields at once. That means more 'food and fibre' with which to win the war and write the peace."

The accompanying photograph is a combination of two aerial photographs in order to show on the land the symbol of American freedom, the United States flag. The strip crop pattern that forms the stripes was taken from a Southwestern aerial photograph

the shocked corn resembling the stars from another.

"Today our flag is a symbol of freedom and liberty for all the people enslaved by the Axis and all the people fighting against enslavement by the Axis powers," said Leary. "The contour lines, the contour strip crops, and the terraces in our conservation treated fields are symbols of the protection the soil conservation program gives the land on which we must depend for the 'food and fibre' necessary for victory."

Farmers and ranchers may obtain help in planning and carrying out soil conservation programs by applying in groups or watershed to the district for this assistance. Applications should be made to F. E. Leary at Memphis, John Sharp at Turkey, Charles H. Fletcher at Childress, W. P. Close at Kirkland, or Wilbur Williams at Childress. Technical assistance is provided by employees of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation service.

PEOPLE WARNED TO GUARD AGAINST PNEUMONIA AT THIS TIME OF YEAR

Doctors have ventured to say that pneumonia, once one of civilization's most serious infections need no longer be dreaded as before.

They say this in spite of the fact that there are an estimated 400,000 cases of pneumonia in the United States every year.

Pneumonia is, in fact, not a single disease at all. It may take one of many different forms, depending upon which one of three dozen or more kinds of pneumococci, or bacteria and viruses happens to be the cause, or upon what part of the lungs are affected.

But the pneumonias are fevers resulting from lung infections in which blood, fluid, cells, or bacteria may seep into the lungs and fill the small air spaces.

Breathing becomes difficult. The body begins to fail because the oxygen of the air can no longer reach the tissues.

Several years ago an outstanding advance was made in the discovery of serums which arrested certain types of pneumonia.

Only recently the powerful drug family called the sulfonamides has been drafted for duty in the defense against pneumonia.

Pneumonia, together with influenza, has long been one of the most disabling diseases among industrial workers, as well as among the population as a whole.

This year more than 120 million man-days may be lost from war work because of absenteeism. Some 90 per cent of this time lost will be due to sickness like cold, influenza and pneumonia.

Industry has expanded its peacetime medical services to take care of the eight and one-half million men and five million women now working on war production.

At this time of the year we should all be on guard against a chilling or wetting that may develop into pneumonia.

But, should we be so unfortunate as to contract it, we can at least be assured that modern medicine has scored another victory against a once deadly disease and that our chances of recovery are far better than ever before.



Everyone is happy to have Christmas come. Its spirit has a way of bringing to the surface, for outward expression, the cordial feelings of goodwill which friends and loved ones have for each other every day of the year.

Regardless of what the coming years hold for you and yours, whatever the disappointments may be, we trust you will remember that our thoughts are of our friends and we are seeking the brighter side of things that may result in peace, happiness and contentment for all.

Memphis Steam Laundry

L. L. WIDENER, Manager



Truly impressive is a spirit that has lived traditionally through centuries and centuries which comes to us in this modern day as fervent and sincere as ever. Each year heralds many changes in world affairs; each twelve months has its share of woes and adversities; but through it all shines the bright star that leads toward PEACE and FREEDOM for all.

Would that all of us could carry the spirit of Christmas throughout the three hundred and sixty-five days of the year. What an enviable year it would provide. For us, we promise to keep these thoughts in mind next year. We want it to be the best ever for each of you, and we want to have a part in this happiness of yours. Merry Christmas now, next year, and many years to come. May the significance of the Yuletide continue to thrive through the centuries!

BISHOP GRAIN & COAL COMPANY
CITY and RURAL DELIVERY

The chief sources of revenue to the Texas State Government include: ad valorem tax; gross receipts tax; inheritance tax; franchise taxes; motor fuel tax; occupational taxes; wine, beer and liquor stamp taxes; and auto license fees.

The 50th anniversary of the death of Tennyson was observed at the University of Texas this fall with a display of the Library's collection of original manuscripts, proof copies, and first editions of the famous poet's work.

THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

A PRICELESS GIFT

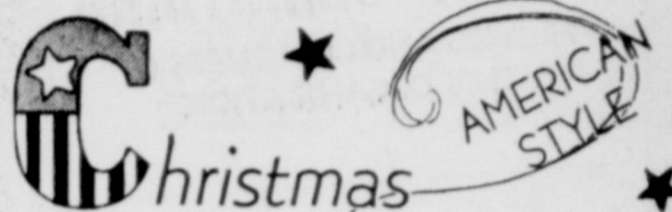
IS SHARED BY ALL AMERICA



SEASON'S GREETINGS

SIMMONS GIN COMPANY

IRA FOSTER, Manager



There is an atmosphere of good will and good cheer prevailing among the members of this organization which finds expression in this greeting to you.

At the Yuletide season we are reminded of our many pleasant business relationships . . . of your many courtesies . . . of our own good will toward you.

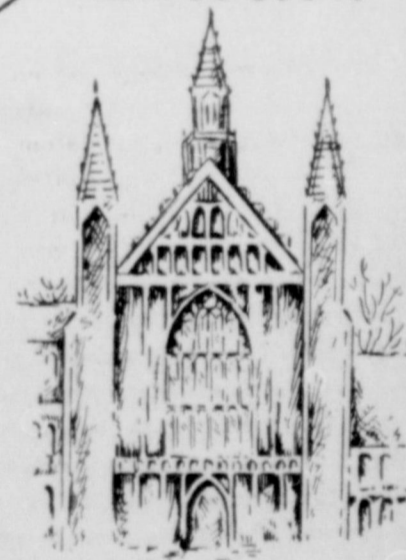


We wish you a Happy Christmas.

MILDRED'S BEAUTY SHOPPE

The Christmas Spirit

FINDS ITS SHRINE IN America



Christmas this year in America has been made doubly significant by the glorious sacrifice of the youth of our Nation. Somehow we believe it fitting and appropriate to remember them especially, in our Christmas Greetings. Without their efforts Christmas this year would be empty indeed. Because of their sacrifice and their willingness to serve, an American Christmas is again possible.

Season's Greetings to the youth of America, and to their loved ones and friends. May the coming year bring Peace and contentment for all.

Thompson Bros. Co.

Memphis Hedley Clarendon

NEW!
the famous lifetime
MARKWELL
STAPLE-MASTER

Truly the "Master Stapler" for light medium and heavy work. Uses 3 sizes staples—1/4" leg, 3/8" leg, 1/2" leg. Staples, pins, base detaches in a "ply" for tacking into wood. \$6.00—1,000 assorted staples FREE. Lifetime guarantee.

STAPLE-CHIEF

Companion stapler to the great STAPLE-MASTER. Pins, Staples, Tacks. Uses 3 sizes staples. \$4.00—400 assorted staples FREE.

The Democrat

Lakeview, Texas
 Dear Santa: Please bring me a doll and a doll suitcase and lots of candy and nuts. I have been a good little girl. I am five years old and help my mother with the dishes lots of times. With love,
 Jo Ann Melton
 Memphis, Texas

Fort Worth, Texas
 Dear Santa: We have been good little girl this year and all we ask for is a good time while we are home in Memphis for the holidays. We go to school at TCU and as we have been studying very hard, we think we deserve this. Our little friends, "Scotty" and Ann go to school at Hardin Junior College and will all go to be home, and we would like for them to have a good time too. Thank you and don't forget all our friends at TCU.
 Jo Prater and Bettye Fritz

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl seven years old. I would like a doll house with furniture, a piano, a set of Mother Goose Rhyme books, and a picture puzzle for Christmas. I have a little brother five years old who wants a wheel barrow, some building logs, and an army truck. We will thank you so much Santa, if you will leave them on our Christmas tree. Goodbye,
 Shirley Lynn and Ronnie Martin

Parnell, Texas
 Dear Santa: I have been a good little girl. I want you to bring me a baby doll that can say "mamma and papa" and a doll bed, set of dishes and plenty of clothes for my doll, lots of nuts, candy and fruit. Don't forget my little pal Bruce and all of my other friends. Love,
 Dorothy Damon
 Memphis, Texas

Non-Quota Sellers Of Meats Subject To Restrictions

Small Dealers Required to Keep Records Showing Live Purchase, Dressed Weights

Non-quota meat slaughterers—operators who kill less than 500,000 pounds per quarter—are not required to register with OPA as are operators who kill more than 500,000 pounds per quarter, regional OPA officials stated today but all slaughterers are covered by the restriction order.

Non-quota slaughterers, as defined in the OPA order, include retail butchers and farmers, if they slaughter and deliver. The only controlled meats are from cattle, calves, sheep, lambs and swine. Deliveries of the controlled meats by non-quota slaughterers during any quota period are limited to the amounts of each type which they delivered during the corresponding period in 1941, the base periods. These records must show the live purchase weight and chilled dressed carcass weight of all cattle, calves, sheep and lambs slaughtered by them and also the live purchase weight of all swine slaughtered by them.

After December 12, all unrestricted deliveries of controlled meats by non-quota slaughterers must be evidenced by certificate of delivery or other documentary proof, OPA has ruled.

This places these small operators on the same basis as the large, or "quota" slaughterers with regard to exempt deliveries to other slaughterers, the armed services, lend-lease and certain others, whom the OPA meat restriction order exempts from the civilian quota plan. Heretofore the non quota slaughterers were not required to document these deliveries, while the large slaughterers were.

OPA spokesmen pointed out that any person may kill for his own consumption without restriction.

—Give to the USO—

There were 151 airports and eleven seaplane anchorages in Texas listed by the Civil Aeronautics Board as of January 1, 1941.

—Answer Bombs with Bombs—

More than 450,000 passengers fly in and out of Texas airports annually.

—Answer Bombs with Bombs—

Known as the "West Point of the Air," Randolph Field, 12 miles east of San Antonio, is the world's greatest school for aviators.




HOME BAKERY
 wishes you
MERRY CHRISTMAS
 FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS OF THIS ORGANIZATION

AMERICA WELCOMES CHRISTMAS

Another year has passed... Whether it has brought you happiness and prosperity, or disappointment and loss, your life should be the richer because of the experience you have gained... A New Year is Ahead...

It offers every kind of opportunity. During the coming year you can increase those treasures of life—friends, happiness, and success.

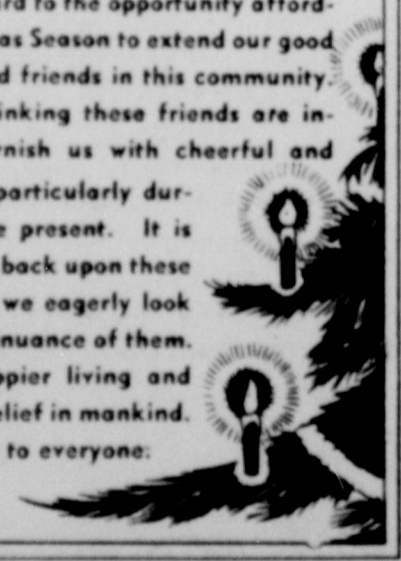
You have always had our very best wishes, and now at the Christmas Season we want to give expression to those wishes. May you be very happy on this occasion.



M. E. McNALLY
 Real Estate and Loans

May the Lights of Your Christmas Tree be Undimmed...

May they be even brighter than ever before in reflecting the true happiness of the Yuletide Season. The remembrance of many favors that have been ours in the past leads us each year to look forward to the opportunity afforded by the Christmas Season to extend our good wishes to our good friends in this community. In our way of thinking these friends are invaluable and furnish us with cheerful and happy thoughts, particularly during times like the present. It is refreshing to look back upon these associations, and we eagerly look forward to a continuance of them. It makes for happier living and strengthens our belief in mankind. The Season's best to everyone.



Foxhall Motor Co.
 Memphis, Texas

Lakeview, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus: I am a nice little girl, two years old. I want a big doll that says "mama" and a doll buggy. Santa I will have my stocking hanging on my bed, if you have plenty of fruit and candy, please leave enough for myself and my twin brothers, Dwight and Dwaine. Goodbye Santa,
 Carolyn Jo Floyd

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa: I am a little boy seven years old. Please bring me an airgun and a big truck and don't forget my sweet mother and daddy. Love,
 John Harrell
 Memphis, Texas

Plaska, Texas
 Dearest Santa: I am six years old and this is my first year in school. I like school fine and have made good grades. My teacher is Mrs. Morris and I want you to remember her this year too. I would like for you to bring me a gun and scabbard, a farm set and a slate set and lots of candy fruit and nuts. Please Santa don't forget my sister Joanna and my brother Tommy, also all my cousins and friends, and dear Santa, please be good to Judge at Camp Barkeley, and James in Hawaii. Lots of love,
 Denny Joe Davi

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa: I am a fourth grader at junior high school. I am nine years old. For Christmas I would like to have a watch, a telescope, and some BB shells for my gun. Also some fruit and nuts. Your friend,
 Cletus Lewis
 Memphis, Texas

Amarillo, Texas
 Dear Santa: I am a little girl 2 years old. I have tried to be a nice little girl. I would like for you to bring me a little doll, some doll clothes some dishes, and a paint book. Also Santa, please send my Uncle Leon Nixon something nice. He is across the ocean. Your little friend,
 Bettie Sue Butcher

Plaska, Texas
 Dear Santa: We are two little girls that have tried to be very good. Carolyn Sue is 3 years old. She wants a big doll that cries and goes to sleep and a little stove. Linda Kay is 1 1/2 years old and wants a little doll and a scottie dog. Don't forget our candy, nuts and fruit. Lots of love,
 Carolyn Sue and Linda Kay Collins
 Memphis, Texas

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa: I saw you when you were in Amarillo but could not get close enough to tell you what I want for Christmas. So I will have to write you. Please bring me a little wooden train, a gun and scabbard and a "jeep." I like fruit and candy, too. Yours for Victory,
 Edward Lee Richard

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy nearly 6 years old. I wish you would bring me a Gene Autrey gun and scabbard and a big dump truck and also lots of fruit, candy and nuts. Your loving friend,
 Ronald Bell

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa: I am a little girl five years old and I want a big doll and my little sister Ruth wants a big doll. Please remember brother and all little boys and girls. Yours truly,
 Charlene and Ruth Potter

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus: I am sure you remember me. What I would like for you to bring me this Christmas is a twin sweater suit, a manicure set, and anything else you wish to bring. Also some candy, nuts and fruit. Please don't forget my mother and daddy and my two little brothers, and all my friends. Thanks a lot. With love,
 Billie Frances Bell

Estelline, Texas
 Dear Santa: I am a little boy 9 years old. I have tried to be a good boy. Santa, please bring me a side board wagon, tool set, bow and arrow set, and fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget my little friend, Bobby Frank and my uncles in the service. Your friend,
 Bobby Lee Adams

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus: This is my first time to write to you. I am a little girl 14 months old. Will you please bring me a little dolly and a chair to rock her in. With love,
 Betty Sue Lewis

Parnell, Texas
 Dear Santa: I am a little boy. My name is Billy Rex and I have a little brother named Jimmie Joe. We want you to bring us lots of nuts and candy and fruit. Billy wants a motor boat, tricycle, airplane. Jimmie wants a tricycle, gun, arm, truck and don't forget my little girl friend. Love,
 Billy Rex and Jimmie Stephen

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus: They have been trying to tell me that you might not get here this year but I know you will bring me a truck, a tractor, a horn and some fruit and nuts. Your friend
 Rodney Lewis

SEASON'S GREETINGS

Here's hoping that you will spend a most enjoyable Yuletide season with your loved ones and friends. A new Christmas Season is here with all its enjoyable pleasures, its good fellowship, its peace and contentment so greatly needed today.

We sincerely trust that you will enjoy every moment of this glorious occasion, and that the future will bring you Happiness, Peace and Prosperity.

Best wishes for an American Christmas to each of you!

ODOM-GOODALL HOSPITAL
 Memphis, Texas

Wishing You
A MERRY CHRISTMAS

IN THE GOOD OLD AMERICAN WAY



Merry Christmas

Try as we may we can think of no better Christmas sentiment than those two simple, but significant words, "Merry Christmas".

We sincerely hope that you will have a full measure of happiness at this time of the year and throughout the years to come.



CHARM BEAUTY SALON
 MYRTLE WOOD

AMERICAN TRADITION

at Christmastime!

Did you ever go to Grandmother's for an old fashioned Christmas? A little old farm house, nestled back in the hills, surrounded by giant oaks with a white mantle of fresh snow... the old fashioned kitchen with its savory fumes of roast turkey, dressing and plum pudding... the old pine Christmas tree with its tinsel tresses... the heaps of gayly wrapped Christmas gifts... the logs blazing merrily in the open fireplace... the stockings of the youngsters presenting an unforgettable silhouette... the spirit of warmth and contentment... the glorious reunion of loved ones and friends brought together once again by Christmas... underneath it all, the real significant spirit of the occasion.

It is a cheerful picture, is it not? Perhaps it will not be your good fortune to enjoy such a Christmas this year, but it is a kind of Christmas we think of when we say "We hope you enjoy an old fashioned American Christmas."

MEMPHIS COTTON OIL CO.
 Memphis, Texas

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, DECEMBER 24

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MERRY CHRISTMAS
HAPPY NEW YEAR

R. H. WHER
JEWELRY and GIFTS

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THE GLOV... CANDLES... CHRISTMAS

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BALDWIN'S
 Place to Do You

According to the 1940 census there were 1,805,446 dwelling (single unit homes) in Texas April 1, 1940.

All Out for Victory—The largest outdoor swimming pool in the world is located at the State Park, 41 miles west of Balmorhea, Texas.

Answer Bombs with Bonds—The support of public schools is derived primarily from the valorem tax on general property.

EXPLANATION OF POINT RATIONING SYSTEM SLATED TO START SOON

According to the last U. S. census, 45.4 per cent of Texas population was urban in 1940.

Answer Bombs with Bonds—Texas' largest underground cavern is Loughorn Cavern, eleven miles southwest of McGregor.

Basic facts on point rationing which will be inaugurated with issuance of war ration book No. 2 early next year, have been outlined by the office of price administration.

1. Point rationing will be introduced to Americans early in 1943 when war ration book No. 2 is distributed.

2. The purpose of point rationing is to guarantee everyone a fair share of scarce but essential goods while at the same time giving everyone a variety of items to choose from.

3. There are three chief differences between point rationing and the coupon rationing which is now in effect for sugar and coffee.

4. The first important difference is this—under straight rationing one single coupon entitles the consumer to buy a specific amount of a single commodity—such as, one sugar coupon entitles you to buy three pounds of sugar. But in point rationing, one set of coupons covers a whole group of commodities. For instance, your week's meat ration coupons would enable you to choose your ration freely between beef, pork or mutton.

5. The second important difference is this—the coupons in point rationing are of different denominations. Those to be spent in one week, for example will include a one-point coupon, a two point coupon, a five point coupon and an eight point coupon.

6. The third important difference is this—the various rationed items within a group will have different point values. For example tenderloin steak, being relatively scarce, might have a high point value and require a larger number of coupons, while hamburger, being available in greater quantities would have a lower value. Thus, in exchange for a ration coupon worth eight points, the housewife might be able to obtain one pound of tenderloin steak or four pounds of hamburger. (Point values have not yet been set—values used here are for illustration only).

7. The government will set the point value of each item within the group of rationed products and issue an official list. Point values will be based on available supplies and will vary as supplies of particular items increase or decrease.

8. War ration book No. 2 will have four pages of blue stamps and four pages of red stamps. The blue stamps will be used for the first group of goods to be rationed by points. The red stamps will be used for the second group of point-rationed goods.

9. The number of each stamp tells how many points the stamp is worth. The letter on each stamp tells what period it is good in. The government will announce these periods in advance.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

(EDITORS NOTE: The following letters were written by the first graders of Estelline school. The children did not sign their last names.)

Estelline, Texa
Dear Santa Claus:
I have tried to be a good girl this year. Please bring me a doll, a buggy, dishes and a coloring book.

Norma Jean
Dear Santa Claus:
I have tried to be a good boy this year. Please bring me a cowboy suit, a cowboy hat and a gun.

Donald Max
Dear Santa Claus:
I have tried to be a good boy this year. Please bring me a gun and a big truck.

Joe Kent
Dear Santa Claus:
I have tried to be a good boy this year. Please bring me a cowboy suit, and a desk.

Doyle
Dear Santa Claus:
I have tried to be a good girl this year. Please bring me a buggy.

Sue Ann
Dear Santa Claus:
I have tried to be a good girl this year. Please bring me a buggy, a pair of boots and a coloring book.

Doris
Dear Santa Claus:
I have tried to be a good boy this year. Please bring me a gun.

John Doyle
Dear Santa Claus:
I have tried to be a good girl this year. Please bring me some dishes, a desk and some doll clothes.

Jeanette
Dear Santa Claus:
I have tried to be a good boy this year. Please bring me a gun.

Jimmie
Dear Santa Claus:
I have tried to be a good boy this year. Please bring me a gun.

Hayden
Dear Santa Claus:
I have tried to be a good girl this year. Please bring me a doll.

Betty
Dear Santa Claus:
I have tried to be a good girl this year. Please bring me a doll, a stove, a cabinet and dishes.

Smokey
Dear Santa Claus:
I have tried to be a good boy this year. Please bring me a cowboy suit, a cowboy hat, and a gun.

Sandra
Dear Santa Claus:
I have tried to be a good girl this year. Please bring me a doll, a buggy, and some dishes.

Dolore
Dear Santa Claus:
I have tried to be a good girl this year. Please bring me a doll and a buggy.

Lanny Mar
Dear Santa Claus:
I have tried to be a good boy this year. Please bring me a cowboy suit and gun.

J. A.
Dear Santa Claus:
I have tried to be a good boy this year. Please bring me a cowboy suit, a gun and a coloring book.

Judy Jane
Dear Santa Claus:
I have tried to be a good girl this year. Please bring me a buggy, and dishes.

Helen
Dear Santa Claus:
I have tried to be a good girl this year. Please bring me a doll and dishes.

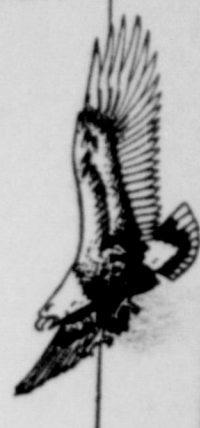
Therma
Dear Santa Claus:
I have tried to be a good boy this year. Please bring me a gun and a cowboy suit.

Gilbert
Dear Santa Claus:
I have tried to be a good boy this year. Please bring me a gun and a cowboy hat.

Grady
Dear Santa Claus:
I have tried to be a good boy this year. Please bring me a gun and a cowboy hat.

All Out for Victory—Muleshoe, Texas, was named after an early day ranch which had only a muleshoe for branding stock.

A Merry American Christmas



As the ties of friendships are strengthened by the Christmas occasion, so may our business associations continue to grow in mutual accord and confidence in the years to come.

It's been pleasant serving you in the past and we will do everything possible to merit your confidence in the future.

MEACHAM'S PHARMACY



MAY THE CHRISTMAS BELLS RING IN A MOST HAPPY SEASON

As my four years of service as Commissioner of Precinct 2 come to a close, I wish to thank everyone for the support and cooperation given me.

TRACY L. DAVIS

You are cordially invited to visit me at my new location and your business will be appreciated.

DAVIS IMPLEMENT COMPANY

J. I. CASE DEALERS
704 WEST NOEL MEMPHIS, TEXAS

MERRY CHRISTMAS HAPPY NEW YEAR and the best of GOOD WISHES.

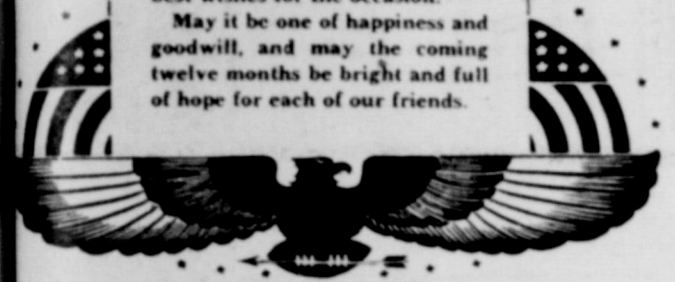
R. H. WHERRY JEWELRY and GIFT GOODS

TODAY... in America!

HAPPY YULETIDE

The Season of good cheer has arrived! With it, we pause for a moment or two to send you our best wishes for the occasion.

May it be one of happiness and goodwill, and may the coming twelve months be bright and full of hope for each of our friends.



LION AUTO STORE

THE GLOWING CANDLES OF CHRISTMAS....



Typify the Peace and Contentment of Christmas

We sincerely hope that you will receive a large share of contentment and happiness from the Yuletide activities. May you enjoy the associations of those dear to you, and may these associations result in the most glorious Christmas that has ever come your way.

TARVER'S PHARMACY

ON THE CORNER"

PHONE 24

Merry Christmas

One of the Greatest Pleasures of the Christmas Season is the opportunity to acknowledge our friends and it is with this in mind that we send you Season's Greetings.

The business you have entrusted to us is indeed appreciated, and we hope that with the turn of each year, the pleasant relations existing between us will be increased and strengthened.

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

BALDWIN'S 5c to \$1.00 STORE
Place to Do Your Shopping" West Side Square



LIEUT. ROSE L. SMOTHERS

WAAC Recruiter Enrolls Platoon

Lieut. Rose L. Smothers, Women's Army Auxiliary Corps recruiting officer at the Lubbock Army Recruiting Station, believes in enrolling women in groups instead of singly.

Lieutenant Smothers enrolled the fifty women in the Panhandle Rangerette Platoon and has now started on a second platoon from the South Plains area. The Rangerette Platoon is the first full platoon to be enrolled in the United States.

Misses Jacqueline McMurry and Zadie B. Walker of Memphis were among the enlistees in the Rangerette group.

Until her entry into the service last July, Lieutenant Smothers was commercial teacher in the Drumright, Okla. high school. She has a degree from Central State college in Edmond, Okla., and also has studied at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles. She received her commission in the WAAC last September.

Here's a Christmas

PLEDGE

TO THOSE WHOM WE SERVE

AS THE SHADOWS OF THE OLD YEAR LENGTHEN TOWARD THE TWILIGHT AND AS WE PREPARE OURSELVES FOR THE PROBLEMS OF THE NEW YEAR, IT GIVES US REASON TO PAUSE FOR A MOMENT OR TWO TO CONSIDER THE PLEASURES THAT HAVE BEEN OURS. WE SINCERELY BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE MANY GENUINE FRIENDSHIPS AMONG THE PEOPLE OF THIS FINE COMMUNITY, FRIENDSHIPS WE VALUE ABOVE ALL THINGS MATERIAL; ASSOCIATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN CEMENTED

BY THE LOYAL THOUGHTFULNESS OF THOSE WHOM WE SERVE WE ARE INDEED GRATEFUL FOR THE OPPORTUNITIES THAT HAVE BEEN PRESENTED TO US, AND WE ARE CONSCIOUS OF OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO YOU. WE DO NOT HESITATE TO RENEW OUR PLEDGE OF SERVICE AND CO-OPERATION IN WHATEVER CAPACITY WE MAY BE CALLED UPON. A JOYOUS AMERICAN CHRISTMAS IS EXTENDED TO THE CITIZENS OF THIS AREA.

Southwestern Associated Telephone Co.

READ THE DEMOCRAT WANT ADS

On the Home Front

HOARDERS WILL BE ON THE SPOT

Hoarding of food commodities, which has caused premature and unnecessary shortages on the Home Front, soon is to get closer attention from the Office of Price Administration and county ration boards, it was revealed during the last week as serious shortages in several commodities developed.

Even under rationing, coffee has been hard to find in some communities, and in many parts of the Southwest supplies of various types of canned and packaged goods have disappeared from grocery shelves as a result of hoarder-buying.

Before long, however, everyone will be wanting to obtain War Ration Book No. 2, which will be used with Book No. 1 as rationing of other commodities becomes necessary.

That's when the government will begin to get a pretty good line on what and how much has

been hoarded. At the time coffee rationing started it was announced that each householder would have to report the total amount of coffee on hand at the start of rationing as soon as Book No. 2 is issued.

In addition, regional OPA officials now have announced that those obtaining the new ration books will have to make a statement on how much food commodities they have on hand.

As present shortages are multiplied, more extensive rationing will be necessary so that supplies can be distributed as evenly as possible. We must rely on both the coupon rationing system that has been in effect for sugar and coffee, with War Ration Book No. 1, and also on the new system of "point" rationing which will come with Book No. 2 soon after the first of the year.

The coupon system is well

adapted to such products as coffee and sugar, which can be divided up on a per-capita basis, but it is not sufficient for diversified foodstuffs and other commodities where tastes vary as much as supplies.

Under Book No. 2, by giving a higher point value to scarce commodities and lower points to those that are plentiful, the consumer having a total number of points to "spend" for a particular group of products during a given rationing period is free to use more of his points for scarce items, or to consume larger amounts of low-point abundant foods that may be substituted for the scarce ones.

More details concerning the point system and Book No. 2 will be forthcoming in the next few weeks. One interesting item, however, is that one of the remaining stamps in Book No. 1 will have to be turned in to the county rationing board to obtain Book No. 2. That's why the ration board urged everyone who failed to obtain Book No. 1 before the deadline of last Tuesday to get this book.

Although mileage rationing has been in effect for more than two weeks, use of the other ration book—for gasoline—still is confusing a few motorists. One recent report concerned a filling station operator who thoughtlessly was removing one A-book coupon for each gallon. After several motorists had failed to watch their business, one motorist caught the error and received the apologies and thanks of the filling station operator.

The coupons must be taken from the books by the filling station man, but motorists should check each transaction carefully. Only one coupon is required with the purchase of each four gallons of gasoline.

Other forms of transportation also are now in the news more than ever. Street car and bus systems in the cities are being taxed to capacity to take care of the loads increased by mileage rationing, and even before the holiday travel peak is approached, train and inter-city bus service is groaning under heavy travel.

Standing room only already is common on short and long trips. There even have been reports recently that trains and buses have left without travelers in stations of the Southwest just because there wasn't any more room even for standing.

As many men of the armed services will be given holiday furloughs to visit their loved ones before being sent overseas, the Office of Defense Transportation and other Government agencies are urging that unnecessary travel be abandoned.

If you don't have to travel on essential business, stay at home.

On the production front, scarcities of critical materials still are getting attention. The War Production Board has ordered manufacturers of builders' hardware lines to reduce their output from a total of 27,000 items to about 3,500 standard types.

A sharp cut in the production of fountain pens, mechanical pencils, ordinary wood-cased pencils and penholders and use of critical materials also was ordered. Production of penpoints, however, will be increased.

And, in case you have seen less gum chewing lately, that's a result of another war shortage. The government is buying lots of gum these days for men in the armed services. Chewing it relieves some of the tension at the front.

Attention Called To Ruling on Tire Application Form

County Rationing Chairman Stresses Gasoline Coupons Must Be Properly Endorsed

In making application for tires or tubes in the future, all farmers and car owners who use their cars to pull trailers or haul produce must fill in Paragraph 5 on the new tire application forms, C. L. Sloan, chairman of the Hall County War Price and Rationing Board, declared this week.

"Unfortunately our tire and tube quota for December was very low," Sloan said, "and the tire board will be able to issue very few tires, and those only in cases bordering on emergency."

The fact that gas rationing coupons must be endorsed is also emphasized by Sloan. Filling station operators are not permitted to accept coupons that are not properly endorsed, A, B, C and D coupons must be endorsed on the back with the car license number and name of state. Fleet operators will use the name of the fleet. Coupons of the E and R classes must be endorsed on the back with the name and address of the user. T coupons must be endorsed on the back with War Certificate number or fleet name.

All holders of gasoline rationing books will save themselves and others time and trouble by observing these simple requirements Sloan observed.

It is also pointed out that the car owners windshield sticker of the highest class must be displayed at all times.

The total value of Texas' taxable property exceeds three and one-half billion dollars.

1943 TO BRING GREATEST DEMAND FOR FARM PRODUCTS, IS FORECAST

Citing a recent statement by economists that 1943 is expected to bring the greatest demand ever known for farm products, and stating that next year's production difficulties will be tremendous, R. C. Land, rural rehabilitation supervisor of the Farm Security Administration, this week urged farmers to begin planning their program of operations immediately.

"Shortages of manpower already is a critical problem in many farming areas," said Land, "and it will be much more critical next year. As the nation increases our army and steps up our industrial output, it is inevitable that greater problems will face those in agriculture."

"Farmers in Hall County and throughout the United States," he continued, "will do well to forestall many hardships and disappointments by developing their basic farm and home plans during the winter months."

The supervisor observed that farm operations often involve credit needs. He suggested that operators who may need to borrow funds for next year make their arrangements during December and January.

He reminded farmers that FSA loans are available to eligible borrowers for practically all farming needs, including the purchase of capital goods such as cows, hogs, sheep and so forth, and for operations. He said FSA assistance, however, is limited to those operators who cannot get adequate credit from any other source.

Land, whose office is in the County bank building in Memphis, said he would be glad to discuss any phase of the Farm Security program with Hall County farmers and assist them, if possible, with their problems.

New Workers Told Of Importance of SS Account Cards

Persons Gainfully Employed For First Time Should Make Sure Wage Accounts Kept

"For the first time in their lives hundreds of people, men and women, boys and girls, are entering paid employment in order to help win the war by relieving manpower shortage and to permit other individuals to enter the armed forces of our country," said Dewey Reed, manager of the Amarillo office of the social security board.

"It is to this group that we direct this message which has to do with Social Security account numbers and Federal old-age and survivors insurance for the worker and his family."

Continuing, Reed called on all workers to be certain to show their Social Security account numbers to each employer. He stated that anyone not now having a number should secure one before reporting for work on any job covered by the law. Application may be presented in person at the office located at 324 post office building, Amarillo, Texas; they may be mailed to that address.

Department, drug and novelty stores dealing in Christmas merchandise were urged to require each additional person employed during the holiday season—part time or full time—to present his social security number at the time his name is placed on the payroll of the employing firm.

Work or Fight—Call 15 For QUALITY JOB PRINTING

Good Cheer. The coming Yuletide Season reminds us once again of the splendid associations we have enjoyed in the past. It is friendships formed from these associations that have been outstanding in the past twelve months, during which time so many difficult situations have arisen. These friendships mean much to each of us in the organization, and we are grateful for the favors that have come our way. We hope that you will experience a very happy occasion at this Christmastime.

IT'S OUR PLEASURE TO GREET YOU. In the excitement of a busy holiday season, we trust that you will stop long enough to accept our GREETINGS OF THE SEASON. Our own Christmas would be incomplete if we did not take advantage of the opportunity to wish you all the good things we can think of. You have been considerate of us in the past, and we trust that we may continue to merit your patronage in the future.

Our AMERICAN Heritage at Christmas time! As another Christmas dawns, we in this organization are laying aside all other thoughts and are reflecting upon the many reasons we have for which to be thankful. Foremost, of course, is our American heritage. Yes, we ARE truly thankful that we are AMERICANS. We appreciate too, our friends and loyal customers who have meant so much to us and to the progress of this institution. So, to you, our friends, we extend heartiest good wishes. May the coming year see the dawn of a brighter day when the real Christmas spirit of Peace on Earth, Good Will toward men, will again prevail.

A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS. WE HOPE THAT SANTA REMEMBERS YOU WITH EVERYTHING YOU HAVE WISHED FOR THIS CHRISTMAS. CONOCO SERVICE STATION. COY DAVIS, Manager

GREETINGS To You, One and All!! MEMPHIS PRODUCTION CREDIT ASSOCIATION. Serving Hall, Briscoe, Childress, Collingsworth, Cottle, Donley, Foard, Hardeman and Motley Counties

Cordial Greetings. IN A COUNTRY IN A WORLD. Where the gleaming torch of Liberty and Freedom still burns brightly . . . we pause to reflect with sincere joy upon new friendships formed and old ones grown richer . . . and as we enter a New Year we express our gratitude to you for having made our experiences throughout the past year pleasant and profitable. MAY YOURS BE A MOST MERRY CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR PROSPEROUS. MEMPHIS COMPRESS CO. Memphis, Texas WE NEVER CLOSE Hedley, Texas

How It Is

RATIONING AT A GLANCE

Ration Books

RATION BOOK NO. 1—SUGAR and coffee, will be obtained from the local ration board until Jan. 15, 1943.

RATION BOOK NO. 2—MEAT—Voluntary share-the-meat program sets limit at 2 1-2 pounds per person per week.

"point system" instead of on a coupon basis.

MILEAGE RATION BOOKS—Books A, B and C used for passenger car gasoline; E and R books for non-highway uses; D for motorcycles; T for trucks and commercial vehicles.

Rationed Food Commodities SUGAR—Stamp No. 10 in Book No. 1 good for 3 pounds until midnight Jan. 31, 1943.

COFFEE—Stamp No. 27 in Book No. 1 (for those 15 or older) good for 1 pound until midnight Jan. 3, 1943.

MEAT—Voluntary share-the-meat program sets limit at 2 1-2 pounds per person per week. Meat will be rationed under the "point system" after Book No. 2 is distributed.

Mileage Rationing GASOLINE—Value of each coupon in A, B and C books is 4

gallons. First eight coupons in A book are good until midnight Jan. 21, 1943. Those who think they are eligible for supplemental rations should see their local board.

TIRE INSPECTORS—All vehicle operators must have official tire inspections by Jan. 31, 1943. Thereafter, A and D (motorcycle) book holders must get inspections each four months. Holders of B and C books must get tires inspected every two months or every 5,000 miles, whichever comes first.

TIRES—If official tire inspector recommends a tire replacement or recap, apply to local ration board for tire or recap ration certificate. Tires and recaps will be rationed to all on the basis of tire inspections and county quota available, with most essential mileage to come first.

Other Rationing Eligible purchasers needing new automobiles, bicycles, typewriters, rubber footwear, and other commodities on which sales might be

restricted should see their local ration board. Address of the local board for this county is Hall County War Price and Rationing Board, Estelina, Texas, C. L. Sloan, chairman.

Locals and Personals

Miss Louise Williams of Kaufman came Friday to spend the Christmas holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Williams.

Harold Hightower, student in Baylor Dental College, Dallas, came Saturday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Hightower.

Miss Pat Craver, employed in government work at Washington, D. C., came Sunday night to spend the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Craver.

Miss Mary Jo Lamb, student in Wayland Baptist college, Plainview, came Friday night to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lamb.

NAME BOY STATE'S 4-H ELECTRICAL CHAMPION



OUTSTANDING aptitude in utilizing electricity for practical purposes wins for Donald Watkins, 20, of Farwell, Farmer County, Texas, state championship in the seventh national 4-H rural electrification contest. His reward is an all-expense trip to the 21st National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago, Nov. 29-Dec. 2, provided by Westinghouse, which also appropriates \$1,200 in college scholarships for six national winners.

RESIDENTS MOVE

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Goodell and three sons moved Friday to Tahoka. Mr. Goodell was employed here with the Soil Conservation Service and will continue his work at Tahoka.

IT'S CHRISTMAS



MAY YOURS BE A MERRY ONE AND THE NEW YEAR FILLED WITH JOY AND HAPPINESS

R. E. MARTIN School Supply Store

10% OF INCOME IS OUR QUOTA IN WAR BONDS

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CHRISTMAS... US

When we wish you a Merry American Christmas we are only expressing a wish that is uppermost in our thoughts at this time. It is our sincere hope that you will spend an enjoyable Yuletide this year and for many more years to come.

FOR AN American Christmas

PERKINS FURNITURE STORE

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Perkins

SS CO., Hedley, Texas

WARM GREETINGS GLAD THOUGHTS AND HEARTY WISHES FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR C. D. MARTIN Blacksmithing and Welding

WPB ASKS FARMERS TO BRING IN SCRAP Nelson Telegram Points Out Need For Heavy Farm Metal

WASHINGTON—The Nation's farmers will take the pole position in the stretch drive for heavy iron and steel scrap during the closing weeks of 1942, according to a telegram from WPB Chairman Donald Nelson to the editors of more than 10,000 weekly newspapers and farm publications. Emphasizing the need for heavy scrap to strengthen the greater abundance of lighter household scrap, which flooded the country's scrap yards as a result of the recent newspaper campaign, Mr. Rosenwald called attention to the fact that, next to industry, the agricultural areas are the best source of heavy scrap. Already in the spotlight because of his extra efforts to increase crop production in the face of serious wartime shortages of manpower and machinery, the farmer thus assumes the added burden of supplying war materials needed in the production of ships, tanks, guns, aircraft and all kinds of mechanized equipment. Despite the difficulties of crop production, however, farmers have taken an active part in scrap collection from the beginning, and have already made a good showing. But now that their harvests have been completed and they are free to devote a large share of their time to other activities, the Government is asking them to make an all-out effort to collect and turn in every pound of idle scrap still remaining on almost every farm, during the next few weeks. All of the manpower and transportation facilities of local salvage committees in the rural areas will be thrown into this year-end effort of 1942, Mr. Rosenwald said. The press has been asked to give widespread publicity to the drive and to use their influence to coordinate the activities of all cooperating groups, such as the American Farm Bureau, the National Grange, the Farmers' Union, the Four-H Clubs, the Future Farmers of America, the Boy Scouts, the REA Cooperatives, the WPA, State and County Highway Departments, the Farm Equipment Dealers, the Automotive Safety Foundation, local civic and business organizations, and many others.

U.S.D.A. War Board Chairman, County Agents, and Community Leaders, who have been among the most active in farm scrap collection in the past, are in a position to give important aid, and will be called upon to take a leading part. Conservation Department officials point out that in many sections of the country this drive will be a race against the weather, and that no time should be lost in getting started. Winter weather will be a handicap, but unless transportation is completely paralyzed, the work of collection, it is believed will be prosecuted with the utmost vigor. "Snow, ice, rain and mud, will not stop our men on the fighting front," said Eric H. Marks, Chief of the Farm Scrap Section, "and we know it will not stop the army of farmers and volunteer workers in this drive for heavy farm scrap." Reports coming in from every section of the country indicate that the amount of iron and steel scrap still remaining on American farms far exceeds the tonnage so far turned in. In fact, it is evident that the surface has hardly been scratched, and it is for this reason that great hopes are held out for a smashing success in the current effort. A word of caution is voiced by the Department of Agriculture to all who participate in this drive, not to overlook the fact that usable parts should be removed from old machines and salvaged for future use. This is because farm machinery is now being rationed, and all existing farm machines must be kept in operating condition. Save the usable parts; repair every machine that can be used; scrap the rest. Already there are signs that this will prove to be one of the most popular of civilian war efforts. Farmers know of the records set up in city drives for household scrap, and they do not intend to be beaten by their city cousins. They know that more farm scrap is what Uncle Sam wants, and they are going to see that he gets it.



AMERICA CELEBRATES Christmas

Business and world affairs are forgotten, and the good people of a free America pause to observe a season of cheer and good fellowship. In other parts of the world the Yuletide Season is also being observed, but we do not believe that it is possible for others to realize the full significance of Christmas that is in evidence in our own America. We have had our reverses, too. We have experienced disappointments that have been difficult to bear. Yet we do not forget that we have much for which to be thankful. We are a free country! Free thinking, freedom of speech, religion, and press is the American way of life, and we, as its citizens, appreciate the happiness and contentment resulting from these freedoms. Christmas takes on a newer meaning this season. It gives us an opportunity to forget our cares and to lose ourselves in the glorious atmosphere of sociability of loved ones and the associations of friends tried and proven. Our Christmas Greeting is full of genuine feeling, and we wish for you and yours all the happiness of the occasion.

OFFICIAL SALES AGENCY U.S. War BONDS The PERFECT Christmas Gift! First National Bank Memphis, Texas Deposits In Excess of \$2,000,000 Raymond Ballew "The House of Quality"

PERSONALS

John Sargent, student in Sul Ross college, Alpine, came Friday to spend Christmas holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Sargent.

Mrs. Don Stevens left Friday for Los Angeles, Calif., where she will spend the Christmas holidays with her mother-in-law, Mrs. George Cover.

Bailey Gilmore Jr., student in Sul Ross college, Alpine, came Saturday morning to spend the Christmas holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Gilmore.

Mrs. David Myers left Friday from Tucson, Ariz., for a visit with her husband who is stationed there in the Air corps.

Miss Charlotte Coursey, student in Texas State College for Women, Denton, came Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Coursey.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Morgensen and son Dean, Jack Hightower, Larry Grundy and Jim Deaver were Amarillo visitors Friday.

Durad Pounds, student in Peacock Military Academy, San Antonio, came Saturday morning to spend the Christmas holidays here with his father, Lafayette Pounds.

Miss Ella Mae Kercheville and Grady Phillips of Amarillo visited here last week-end with Miss Kercheville's mother, Mrs. Guy Kercheville.



Christmas Wishes

Every good wish for your happiness at this joyous Christmas Season.

We have enjoyed the past year with you and are appreciative of your consideration.

W. H. Hawthorn Mattress Factory
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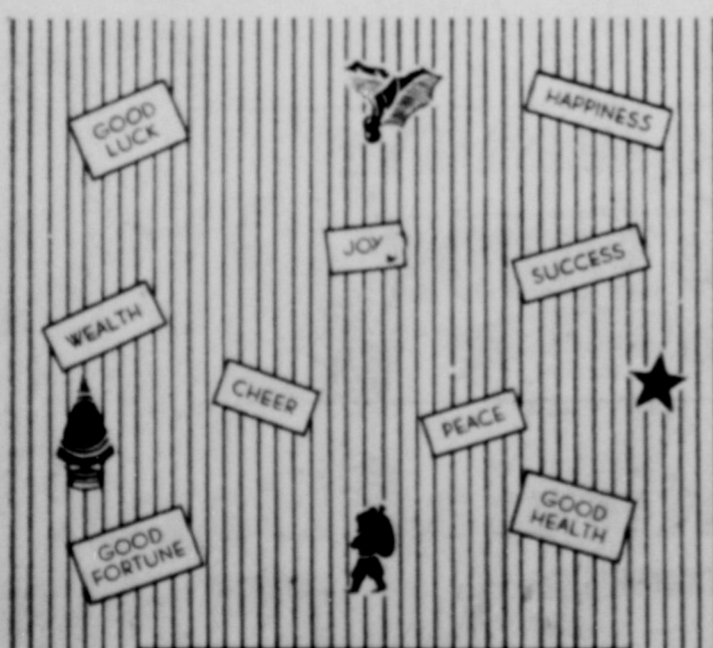


THE AMERICAN WAY

WITH THE PLEASANT FEELING THAT COMES WITH THE KNOWLEDGE OF MANY NEW CUSTOMERS AND THE CONTINUED PATRONAGE OF THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN WITH US FOR MANY YEARS, WE WARMLY WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

City Feed Store AND HATCHERY

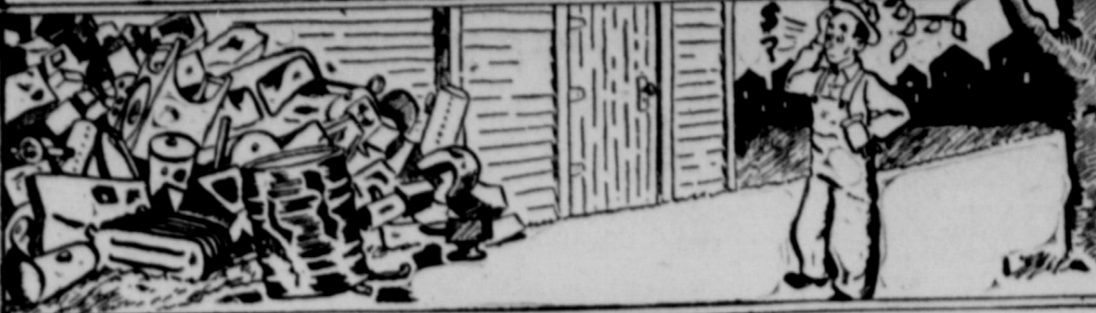
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It is a pleasure to think of you at this Season of the year, and to wish for you and yours all the fine things we can think of.

DOSS'S DRY CLEANERS

WHILE WE WAIT FOR THE TOP OFFER



MACHINE GUN POST NUMBER FIVE RETIRING—OUT OF AMMUNITION!



Prepared by Minnesota Editorial Association

On the Home Front

FOOD PRODUCTION TAKES SPOTLIGHT

While military planning charts the future on battle fronts all over the world, economic strategy on the Home Front is being designed to advance the war at the least possible cost to civilians in discomfort and dislocations. But both are primarily intended to win the war—at whatever cost.

Probably the most important of the Home Front planning now is in agriculture, with every effort bent to meet the huge production goals of food and fiber next year.

In this connection, definite action was taken by the Office of Price Administration to encourage poultrymen to meet the Food-for-Freedom goal of a record production of chickens and turkeys, thru to beef and pork in American diet.

Specific price ceilings at wholesale have been issued on all types of domestic fowls at levels slightly higher than have prevailed at any time this year. Fixed margins over net costs for poultry at retail will be provided soon, as has been done for turkeys at retail.

Dollars and cents price ceiling also were established on lamb and mutton when sold by packers and wholesalers, as part of a plan to encourage fair distribution of available civilian supplies of meat. The new order cuts lamb ceiling back slightly, but advances mutton about 3 cents a pound over the level at wholesale in the September 28-October 2 freeze period.

In the process of adjustment to a strict wartime economy, details of what has happened to the average family food bill are important. Although price control is effective over most home expenditures, the average family food cost rose by 1.2 per cent between October 13 and November 17. That means that on November 17 every American family was paying \$1.31 for every dollar of average food expenditure for the period of 1935-39.

During this same month, price of food directly under price control rose but half of one per cent, chiefly resulting from OPA price adjustments on the basis of increased costs. During the same time, however, prices of foods not directly under price control—mostly fresh fruits, fresh vegetables, and fresh fish—rose by an average of 6.6 per cent, and these foods were 21 per cent higher than in May of this year. Comparison of the controlled and uncontrolled prices show how the OPA program is preventing rapid spirals upward.

For 1943, far-reaching changes are to be felt in our buying and budgeting habits. Before spring the point method of rationing will

be in full swing, and families then must decide whether to use up more points of Ration Book Two by purchasing scarcer articles, or use less points by buying more plentiful ones.

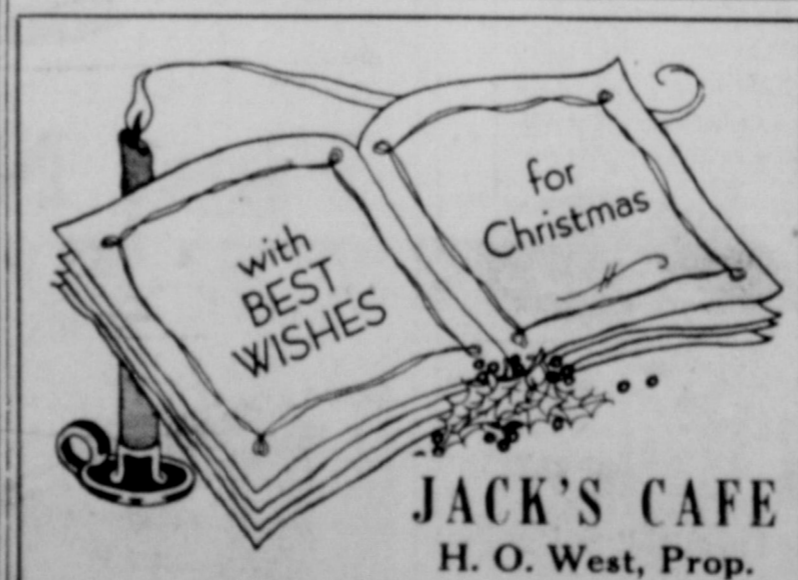
By next summer there'll be fewer kinds of canned goods in metal tins on store shelves than at present. Tin can metals are needed for war machines. The bulk of our canned food products, if they continue to be sold, will come in glass or other metal-substitute containers. Many of the "tancy" canned goods and delicacies will be unobtainable, and the housewife will be cooking more products sold in bulk or brought in fresh from the farm without passing through a cannery.

The wartime demand for labor of all kinds will be felt in almost every home in the country, partly in the absence of familiar articles for the manufacture of which neither labor nor materials can be spared. The greatest change, however, will be in the number of members of families at work. It is expected that by the end of 1943 about 70 per cent of all persons in the United States between the ages of 15 and 65 will be employed or in military service. Around 20 billion of these will be



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We Want To Extend
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HOLIDAY SEASON

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JACK'S CAFE
H. O. West, Prop.

Mrs. Bob Roberts visited Thursday in Amarillo.
Jim Caviness, student Texas Agriculture College, came today to spend Christmas holidays with her, C. L. Caviness.
Miss Billie Montgomery Thursday in Amarillo.

Greeting You at Christmas and Wishing You Every Happiness

W. D. Orr Studio & Annex

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

We realize more ever how much it means to have the friendship good will of folks like you.

Please accept our sincere thanks and our wishes for a Prosperous NEW YEAR

Gerlach Battery & Electric Co.

MAY THE LIGHTS ON YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE BURN BRIGHTLY

And sparkle with the joy and happiness that we wish for you and yours at this glad time of the year.

It has been a pleasure to serve you in the past and we are at your service in the future. Please call on us at any time as we deem it a distinct privilege to serve in whatever manner we can. We cordially invite your continued patronage.

Merry Christmas AND A VERY Happy New Year

Hall County Electric Co.
FRED C. PORTER, Supt.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Lakeview, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little girl three years old and I have been very sweet. If you will bring me a room, an ironing board, some slippers, and nuts, I will try to be a good girl next year. Hoping to see you at Christmas.
 Sandra Sue Gardenhire

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 We are two little girls that love you a lot. Will you please bring us some dolls, dishes, house coats, slippers, and lots of nuts, fruit and candy. You should see our Christmas tree, it is beautiful, all lighted with electric lights. We are hoping you will see around good when you come to see us and don't forget anyone in the family. Your friends,
 Frank and Pat Wilson

Plaska, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little girl 7 years old and in the second grade. I've been a good little girl all year. Please bring me a coat, house shoes, fruit and candy. Please remember Bobby and Beverly June, truly.
 Beth Murdoch

Plaska, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 We expect to see you this year and have tried our best to be good. I am a girl ten years old and in the 6th grade at school. I want dy-dy doll and a stuffed Scottie dog. Wayne is six years old and just started to school and he wants a cowboy suit with a gun and hoister and a tricycle. Ann is 3 1-2 years old and wants a cowgirl suit, doll, and tricycle. Don't forget mother and daddy, grandma and granddaddy, and all the children. Give them lots of nuts, fruit and candy. Bring us some some too. Your friends,
 Clara, Wayne and Ann Tinel

Lakeview, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I'm a little boy five years old. I've been a good boy. I want you to bring me some fruit, scooter, big truck, sleepers and a pair of house shoes. Be sure and remember my brothers and sister and my mother and father.
 Kenneth Bevers

Lakeview, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I'm a little boy, five years old and have a sister 20 months old. We have been very good. I help mother take care of my sister. Will you please bring me a scooter and a blackboard and my sister a big doll and dishes and churn. We would like some fruit, candy and nuts. Dear Santa, don't forget the other little girls and boys. I will leave you some cake on the table so don't forget. Love,
 Edna Earl and Linton Dale Gardenhire

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I am a little girl 6 years old and have been very nice this year. Santa, I understand that due to the war you will not be able to get as many toys as usual, so I won't ask for much. Please bring me a desk and chair to use for school work next year. Please bring me a doll with a cape and a white dress and hair. A nurse kit, typewriter, a broom, mop, sweeper and dust pan, a cash register and a piano. Please remember all the little children everywhere and bring nuts, candy and fruit. Lots of love,
 Juanelle Goffinet

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me some candy fruit and a doll. Thank you,
 Shirley Miller

Lakeview, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I'm a little girl 13 months old. For Christmas I would like for you to bring me a little doll, a little rocking chair, and a little tiny toy pedal bike. Santa, remember all the boys in the service, especially my two uncles, L. A. Richards, who is stationed at Lubbock, and Cecil Phillips, who is stationed in Oregon. Your little friend,
 Joy Lynn Phillips

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me some candy fruit and a doll. Thank you,
 Gary Ferguson

Lakeview, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 I'm a little girl, five years old and have a sister 20 months old. We have been very good. I help mother take care of my sister. Will you please bring me a scooter and a blackboard and my sister a big doll and dishes and churn. We would like some fruit, candy and nuts. Dear Santa, don't forget the other little girls and boys. I will leave you some cake on the table so don't forget. Love,
 Edna Earl and Linton Dale Gardenhire

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Will you please bring me a gun, a truck and some candy. Thank you,
 Gary Ferguson

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me a doll and some dishes. Thank you,
 Nancy Lee Brewster

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me a doll and dishes. Thank you,
 Diane Sigler

Lakeview, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 How are you? I'm just fine. I'm a little girl ten years old. I've tried to be very good. Santa, I want a sweetheart bracelet with an initial or a pearl. And some fruit, candy and nuts. Please don't forget my little and big cousins, sisters and brother. Your little friend,
 Norma Jean Nabers

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me a doll and dishes. Thank you,
 Johnnie McDaniel

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little boy eleven years old and in the fifth grade. Please bring me a .22 gun and some nuts and candy. Don't forget my little brother he also has been good. Love,
 Eddie Harrell

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me some candy, fruit, a ball and a pair of skates. Thank you,
 Ronny Mac Smith

Lakeview, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little boy five years old. I have been a pretty good boy as you know boys can't be too good. Please bring me a blackboard, a little truck and if you will, fill my sock with fruit, candy and nuts. I will leave you a coca-cola under my tree. Don't forget my little sister and all the other boys and girls.
 James Eldon Gardenhire

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me some candy, fruit, a doll and a broom. Thank you,
 Elizabeth Grundy

Lakeview, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little boy five years old. I have been a pretty good boy as you know boys can't be too good. Please bring me a blackboard, a little truck and if you will, fill my sock with fruit, candy and nuts. I will leave you a coca-cola under my tree. Don't forget my little sister and all the other boys and girls.
 James Eldon Gardenhire

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 Please bring me a BB gun and some nuts and some fruit. Yours truly,
 Harold Glenn Cochran

SHOULD AULD ACQUAINTANCE BE FORGOT?"



Definitely not! When friendships mean as much to others as they do to us, we assure you that we want to remember them always.

Come what may—war, unrest, uncertainty, disappointments—there is one thing American people can fall back upon without reservation—friends.

Christmas gives us that opportunity to renew these friendships, to pledge anew our allegiance to them. May you have every wish come true, is our Christmas wish.

HIGHLAND MERCANTILE CO.
 J. L. BARNES, Owner
 This is the 30th Christmas it has been our pleasure to greet you.

WE'RE GLAD IT'S CHRISTMAS


BECAUSE it gives us an opportunity to renew old acquaintances.

BECAUSE it's the one time of the year when problems and tribulations can be forgotten.

BECAUSE the spirit of Christmas prevails everywhere and the brotherhood of man predominates the thoughts of civilized man.

BECAUSE we can be young again, and relive a life of fond memories with our loved ones.

BECAUSE a world which observes Christmas is a world worth living in—a joy for all.



Wm. Cameron Company, Inc.

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little girl. I am seven years old. I am in the second grade and I live in Memphis on Ninth and Bradford streets. I have been a pretty good little girl. Santa Claus, please bring me a set of those little plastic dishes, all colors and a little red broom and a little doll buggy and a xylophone and some fruit, nuts and candy.
 Zelma Lois Carpenter

Lakeview, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little boy three years old and would like to have a tricycle and a car. Candy, nuts and fruit and don't forget my little sister, Fannie Sue, who was one year old the 7th of December. She is a very good little girl. Thank you,
 James Michael Melton

Lakeview, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little boy six years old. This is my first year in school. I sure do like my teacher, Miss Smith. Please bring me an air gun and a sparkling pursuit tank and don't forget my school pals. Your friend,
 Richard Melton

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 I am a little boy almost two years old. I have been a very good boy. Please bring me a tricycle, a pair of red boots, a hammer and a hat. Please don't forget my two Popo's. I want you to bring my little brother Johnny a red ball and other kinds of toys. I will be at my grandmother's on 202 South 11th street. I will be looking for you. Goodbye Santa.
 Jimmy Jack Jeffries

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa Claus:
 Please bring me some candy fruit and a doll. Thank you,
 Shirley Miller

Memphis, Texas
 Dear Santa:
 Will you please bring me a gun, a truck and some candy. Thank you,
 Gary Ferguson


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 Please bring me a doll and some dishes. Thank you,
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 Ronny Mac Smith

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 Harold Glenn Cochran

IN A CORNER OF THE WORLD



Where the guiding light of Peace still is the hope of its people, we pause and look back with pride to new friendships formed and old ones grown stronger. And as we face the future, we are grateful for the folks who have been our inspiration in the past, helping us to strive toward even greater service from year to year.

This is our pledge to maintain these efforts that we may continue to enjoy your confidence.

CICERO SMITH LUMBER COMPANY
 J. G. BROWN, Manager
 Memphis, Texas

Let's Keep on Buying War Bonds and Stamps

YOUR CHRISTMAS AND OURS

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

We believe in Christmas! We believe in Christmas because we fully understand the true significance of the occasion.

We believe in it because it gives us an opportunity to express our thanks for the courtesies with which you have favored us in the Past.

We believe in Christmas because it is an established custom which encourages good fellowship and presents

to All!

the opportunity of renewing old acquaintances which otherwise might be forgotten.

We believe in it because it is a time when everybody should and can be happy. All of us, regardless of circumstances, have much for which to be thankful. We are aware of these facts, and fully appreciate them when we express our Christmas Greetings to those whom we serve.

Farmers Union Co-op Gins

GIN NO. 1—MEMPHIS
 J. J. McDaniel, General Manager

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Letters to Santa

Dear Santa: I am a little girl 4 years old and I have been a good little girl and I want you to bring me a doll, some candy, fruit and nuts and don't forget my big brother and sisters and mother and daddy. Your little friend, Shirley Ann Nabers

Caution Urged in Eating of Rabbits

During the winter months hunting rabbits is a popular sport and a wild rabbit makes a very fine food, but according to the State Health department, extreme care should be used in the handling of wild rabbits to prevent a possible infection with tularemia. "Those little cottontail rabbit are not always as harmless as they look," states Dr. Geo. W. Cox state health officer "for some of

them are infected with tularemia. This serious disease which is also known as rabbit fever usually is acquired by human beings through contact with infected rabbits or through contact with the infected insect that spreads it from animal to animal." Dr. Cox explained that hunters should shoot only the frisky rabbits that run away. A rabbit without the energy to scamper away from the hunter is likely to be a sick one that can transmit tularemia to those who handle him.

"It is necessary to handle uncooked rabbit meat cautiously," Dr. Cox said. "The use of rubber gloves will protect your hands since the germs may enter the body through any cut or scratch however small if the rabbit is handled without gloves."

"As a further safeguard, rabbit meat should be cooked very thoroughly so as to destroy any disease producing germs that may be present. This means that it should be cooked at a boiling temperature for at least 20 minutes before cooking it to your individual taste."

—To Heat with Butter— Bandera, Texas, county seat of Bandera County, was first settled by Mormons in 1850.

Fire Hazards Increase During Winter Months

AUSTIN.—Marvin Hall, State Fire Insurance Commissioner, says wintertime brings a seasonal increase in fire hazards. The added dangers of destructive fires creates a need for closer inspections at home.

"A substantial percentage of our fires at home during cold weather," he explained, "result from a few common causes. The most of these could be prevented by being more careful. Our neglect in taking proper precautions during winter has caused unnecessary fire losses."

Commissioner Hall listed the following as several of the common causes of fire at this season of the year:

1. A danger spot is often found in a chimney at the point where it passes through a roof. The construction of a chimney is important. Frequently the lack of sufficient brick or stone allows surrounding woodwork to become ignited.

2. Where fireplaces are used care must be taken to see that sparks do not ignite the floor or room furnishings. The safest protection is a metal screen in front of the fire.

3. Steam pipes, unless properly installed, can cause fires. Steam heat dries the wood which is then in condition to absorb oxygen and ignite. A steam pipe may in time char the wood and dangerously lower the ignition point. Steam pipes should be at least one inch away from any woodwork.

4. A common report on the cause of fires during cold weather is the "defective flue." This type of fire can be prevented by frequent inspection of all flues, or smoke pipe connections.

5. Overloaded electric circuits must be regarded as year 'round hazards. It is of particular importance that all electric circuits be protected against overload by the use of proper size fuses.

6. A leading cause of winter time fire fatalities is the use of kerosene or gasoline to kindle or "quicken" a fire. Gasoline is a dangerous explosive—too dangerous to keep in the house under any condition. Also, the improper use of kerosene can cause serious fire losses.

7. A few simple practices in the use of portable oil heating appliances will prevent many home fires. Wicks in such heaters should be kept clean and adjusted to the proper level. Sufficient

ventilation is needed to assure proper combustion. Heaters should be kept a safe distance from combustible furnishings and placed where they will not be easily overturned.

8. Personal carelessness in cold weather frequently results in death. Clothing ignited when a person stands too near an open flame heater or fireplace is one of the common causes of fire fatalities during winter months.

Red Cross Speeds Nurse Recruiting

In an effort to meet the Army's 1943 goal of 30,000 nurses, 165 Red Cross chapters throughout the nation will establish recruiting stations to sign up nurses for the armed forces, Miss Mary Beard, director of the American Red Cross Nursing Service, announced today.

The action follows the request of Surgeon-General James C. Magee United States Army, that the American Red Cross assume entire responsibility for recruiting army nurses.

Although the Red Cross Nursing Service has been the official reserve of the Army Nurse Corps since 1912 and has supplied the majority of nurses to date, a small percentage has been appointed upon direct application to the corps. The new ruling provides that all applications are to be passed on by the Red Cross, regardless of whether they apply to the Army or to the Red Cross, thus leaving the corps officers free for problems of assignment.

Almost 2,100 nurses signed up

in the Red Cross war reserve during November, the largest total in history.

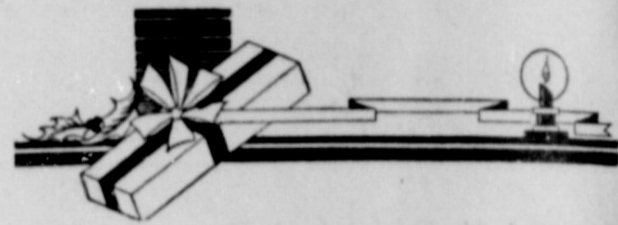
A recent ruling of the War Department permits married nurses to remain in service and also allows acceptance of married nurses

under 40 who have made adequate provisions for their dependents.

The total annual expenditure by the Texas government for educational purposes exceeds 600,000.

THE SEASON'S CHEER TO EVERYBODY

To our many friends and customers—the Season's best wishes for joy and happiness. By your thoughtfulness you have helped to make our Christmas a merry one and we wish the same for you.



T. B. ROGERS, Distributor Gulf Oil Products

Advertisement for Durham-Jones Pharmacy. Features a large 'GREETINGS...' graphic and text: 'IT IS TIME TO BE MERRY. Of all the grand occasions and celebrations throughout the year, none has the full significance and genuine feeling of thoughtfulness as the occasion of Christmas. It is a time of merriment for all—an opportunity to express the true feeling we have for friends and loved ones. An experience to be treasured during the other 364 days of the year. It is good to be alive on Christmas! It is good to observe an American Christmas. It is good to receive the thoughtfulness and good wishes of those who mean so much to us! It is a good time to have a good time! Let's all be merry!' Includes a small Christmas tree illustration and the pharmacy name 'DURHAM-JONES PHARMACY' with the slogan 'The Store of Friendly Service'.

Advertisement for Mack's Laundry. Features a circular logo with 'CHRISTMAS GREETINGS' and a figure. Text: 'MAY THE JOYS OF THE CHRISTMAS SEASON REMAIN WITH YOU THROUGHOUT THE COMING YEAR. MACK'S LAUNDRY'.

Advertisement for Potts Gin. Features the text 'A Merry Christmas' and 'The warmth and friendliness of the Holiday season prompts us to again wish you a season of Peace and happiness in an unsettled world. The Christmas Season this year shines like a guiding light. It gives us hope in the future and a sincere appreciation of the value of the brotherhood of man. As we wish you the joy of Christmas and every happiness throughout the new year, we add our genuine thanks for your patronage in the past.' Includes an illustration of a gift box and the name 'Potts Gin' with 'DON WRIGHT, Manager Lakeview, Texas'.

Advertisement for Potts Chevrolet Co. Features the text 'THE GLOW of YULE LOGS' and 'Reflects the spirit of Christmas in a manner which best expresses our sincere good wishes to everyone. In this brief, simple message, we wish to convey our Christmas Greetings, and trust that you will accept them in the true meaning in which they are presented. May the new year hold for you every success and may your every ambition be realized.' Includes an illustration of a glowing yule log and the name 'Potts Chevrolet Co.' with 'TOMIE M. POTTS'.

Advertisement for Greetings and Good Wishes. Features a large graphic of a gift box with 'GREETINGS and Good Wishes' written on it. Text: 'It is our sincere wish that we may have a part in making your Christmas full of good cheer and fellowship. We want to add something to the happiness of every person in this community. Perhaps this little message will help you forget the unpleasant incidents and experiences of ordinary days. May brighter days be the compensation for your sacrifices toward making this a better world in which to live. May you find the beauties of life around you and the opportunities for the service it affords.' Includes a list of names and titles: G. M. Dial (County Clerk), M. O. Goodpasture (County Judge), John Deaver (District Attorney), Mrs. Isabell Cypert (District Clerk), A. S. Moss (District Judge), Mary Foreman (County Superintendent Elect), H. D. Stringer (County Attorney), J. A. Merrick (Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1), Chas. Drake (County Treasurer), Floyd Springer (Tax Assessor-Collector Elect), W. C. Anderson (County Sheriff).