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Local News

Miss Thelma Lee Mott has assumed her duties as fountain clerk at the Corner Drug.

Miss Lee Northcross, who died in Lubbock hospital after being hit by an automobile on the streets of Tahoka Christmas night, was well known to the older settlers of Lynn County. A brother, P. H. Northcross was a former Lynn County Clerk and was engaged in the dry goods business here a number of years ago just preceding his death.

Miss John Ellen Beauchamp, teacher in the Welch school spent a few days visiting in Hereford this week.

Moisture received here thru Wednesday noon amounted to four tenths of an inch, according to the U. S. Weather gauge here.

Julian Pirtle, prominent farmer, was in from east of town Wednesday and reported his crop is about all gathered.

Mr. Castleberry says there is some frost in most everything -- that this weather gave him a short respite from climbing windmill towers and such.

R. G. Ledbetter was in from the farm northwest of town Wednesday and reported about the weather. Part of Mr. Ledbetter is usually too busy to get excited during bad weather.

Gus Sherrill from near Draw was a weekend visitor.

Pvt. Allen Wright, Air Corps, and Hollywood, Calif. spent a few days with homefolks.

Mrs. Maud Cook reports that her son, Sgt. Gray is hospitalized on the Pacific Coast. His wife is with him.

J. L. Proctor finished a course in barbering in Dallas and is now a full-fledged barber along with his father and uncle. J. L. was a popular student in school here and will make good in his chosen work.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

On Thursday, Dec. 14 Mrs. Ervin Jones and Mrs. Joe Garner entertained members of the Loyal Workers Club and a guest, Mrs. Eileen Burkett with a Christmas Party in the home of Mrs. Jones. The home was decorated in appropriate colors of the season which included a beautifully decorated tree from which everyone present received a lovely gift.

After several interesting games of eight four were enjoyed, lovely refreshments of, sandwiches, potato chips, olives, coffee and cake were served to Mesdames: Mack Garner, Joe Shooler, James Reeves, L. T. Brewer, Henry Warren, Ben Moore, Sr., H. B. Brewer, H. F. Lindley, J. P. Bowlin, C. D. Pickens, Earl Curtis, D. E. Sumrow, Eileen Burkett, Ross Stark, A. H. Koeninger and the hostess.

A deal was concluded this week whereby W. B. Hastings of Mabank purchased the Used Clothing and Furniture business of R. B. Miller and others which is located in the Hoffman Building. Mr. and Mrs. Miller returned to the wholesale phase of the business at San Augustine and Tyler.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Noble are spending the holidays with her parents in Tulla.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Bivens and daughter, Betty of Brownfield spent the holidays in the L. E. Robinson home.

Ike Barnes with the Marine Corps at Corpus Christi is spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. A. J. Barnes and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Mack Noble, Jr. and family spent Christmas Day with her parents at Lamesa.

Mervin Sweeney, who has completed his training as a Paratrooper in the Army is spending the holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Ellis.

PROMOTED TO SERGEANT



Gerald (Buddy) Shook

Mrs. R. M. Middleton received a letter from her son Gerald Shook and he has been promoted to grade of Sergeant. Sgt. Shook is now at a base camp after being with the 4th Marine Division on the Marianas Islands.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER

The annual Christmas dinner of the Tuesday Bridge Club was held at the home of Mrs. J. H. Jordan on Dec. 19th. The table was decorated with a low centerpiece of evergreens and yule logs with tall red candles. The menu consisted of the traditional turkey, dressing, gravy, green beans, cranberry salad, creamed potatoes, Harvard beets, celery and olives and hot mince meat pie with coffee. Games of Bingo were enjoyed after dinner followed by the exchange of gifts from a beautifully decorated Christmas tree. All members of the Club were present as well as Mrs. Fred Henderson and Mrs. M. J. Whitsett of Lamesa, former members of the club. The Club will meet Jan. 2nd in the home of Mrs. C. L. Hafer.

FOR SALE: Nice two room house.

See Lee Garner

Sgt. Bobby Shouder stationed with the Air Corps at Pampa was mingling with friends while visiting his parents here thru the holidays.

Mrs. Lois Day and daughter, Dorothy and son, James of Phillips, Tex visited her mother Mrs. J. J. Weems and Mrs. L. A. Edgerton and family during Christmas.

Mrs. J. J. Weems had as guests during Christmas her sisters, Mrs. J. F. Davis of Methow, Wash., Mrs. Nolan Lovelace of Brownfield and Mrs. A. Merrick of Lamesa.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Van McKee an 8 1/2 daughter, named Linda on Dec. 20th.

Mrs. Amy Winn, popular high school teacher, is spending the holidays in Seminole and Hobbs with her children.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy McKnight of Houston spent the Holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Goughly were visitors at Big Springs Friday.

Mrs. L. E. Daniel received a letter from her son, Cpl. E. B. Daniel written Dec. 3. He is now in Belgium and states that he is doing o. k. and receiving lots of packages from home.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Browning and son, L. E. Jr. of Jayou spent the Christmas holidays with their son, G. D. Browning and family and Mrs. Browning's sister, Mrs. L. E. Daniel.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Moore and children spent Christmas holidays with Mr. Moore's mother, Mrs. W. P. Moore and other relatives at Stamford.

Sgt. W. C. Reav's of Brooks Field spent Christmas Day here visiting his wife.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Pace are spending the holidays visiting relatives at Boswell and various points in Oklahoma.

Mrs. Lois D. Caston is spending the holidays in Boswell, Oklahoma and in Paris, Texas.

Miss "Babe" Lambert and Mrs. A. C. Lambert, Jr. of Amarillo spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Lambert, Sr. and family.

Little Hudson Tech McLaurin is much improved from a throat infection.

M. B. Allen of the U. S. Navy, stationed at Miami, Fla., is visiting his parents.

Miss Jessie Gary, teacher in the Odessa School System, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gary.

Miss Lona Proctor of Ft. Worth spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Proctor.

Pvt. Leon LaGrone of Camp Hood spent Christmas with his parents.

T. B. Franklin, Jr. and family of Wilmington, California are spending the holidays with relatives here.

Stanley Cathey, who is attending Texas Tech is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cathey.

KILLED ON LEYTE

The War Department announced the death of Pfr. Leon Eades of Snyder who was killed in action Nov 13th on Leyte. He was the brother of Mrs. Clara Popnow of O'Donnell.

LOCAL FARMER DIES

Funeral services for George Hardberger, 32, who died early Sunday in a Lamesa hospital were held at 10:30 Wednesday morning and burial was in a Lubbock cemetery. He lived on a farm near O'Donnell with his mother for several years. He is survived by his widow, one daughter, Katrina, his mother, three brothers: Homer of O'Donnell, R. E. Jr. of Quitaque, Billy with the Army in Mich. and two sisters, Mrs. Lowell Littleton and Mrs. Pleas Childress of Ozona. The community offers sincere sympathy at this time of sorrow.

Former O'Donnell Boy Wins 4-H Trip To Chicago

Joe Stokes, 15 year old Pos. High School Junior won one of the 19 trips to the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago offered to Texas boys by the Santa Fe Railroad Co. Joe is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Stokes and was born at O'Donnell and lived here until he was about 3 years old.

MAX HARRIS WOUNDED IN ACTION RECENTLY

Pfc. Max Harris of the Infantry was wounded in action while fighting in the Pacific. It was thought perhaps he was on Leyte when injured. He wrote that he got in a line of fire from a Jap machine gun post. He was shot in the ankle and thigh but is now improving rapidly. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Harris of O'Donnell. Max entered service Oct. 6, 1943. His wife and baby live at Lamesa with Mrs. Harris parents. Mr. and Mrs. Demmett Allen. He finished high school here. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Garner and daughters spent the Christmas Holidays with relatives in Locksburg, Ark.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Whitsett of Lamesa were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Hafer Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Cabool spent Christmas with relatives and friends at Leviland.

Sgt. W. C. Reavis has returned to Brooks Field. He was accompanied by Mrs. Reavis who will spend a few days in San Antonio.

H. W. Hawkins and family of Greenville, Texas have recently moved to O'Donnell and are farming here. They are living on Route Three. We welcome this new family.

Mrs. J. D. Lumpkin visited a sister, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Chiswick at Waco during Christmas.

REX

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Matinee 2:00--Starts 2:15

Sat. Nite only Dec. 31
Judy Canova in

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Sun. - Mon. Dec. 31 - Jan 1
Wallace Beery in

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Gent

Also Fox News - Anvil Chorus

Tuesday Jan. 2nd
Jane Withers in

Faces in the Fog

Also Selected Shorts

Wednesday, Jan. 3rd
Paul Lukas in

Address

Unknown

Also Paramount News - Comedy

Thursday, Jan. 4th
All Spanish Talking Picture

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Fri. Nite - Sat. Mat.
Jan. 5 - 6

Gene Autry in

Coming Round the Mountain

Also Black Arrow no 5 and Cartoon

KILLED ON LEYTE

Bill Minton, son of R. O. Minton and formerly of O'Donnell was killed on Oct. 28th. The family received this sad notice on Dec. 20th. Bill was a nephew of "Gum" Minton. The community feels a deep loss in this fine youth who had everything to live for and still paid the supreme price for our liberty. Back the attack with war bonds.

LOCAL BOY PROMOTED

An 8th Air Force Bomber Station, England: The promotion of Harold I. Line, 23 of O'Donnell from sergeant to staff sergeant has been announced at this station.

A waist gunner on a B-17 Flying Fortress, Sgt. Line is participating in bomber combat operations over Germany. He attended O'Donnell H. S. and Texas Tech and entered the service in July 1943.

Good Luck, Harold, and Happy New Year.

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

TO THE INDEX PRESS:

I wish to make a statement for the benefit of those who do not know the true facts. The Eastern Star Home of Arlington is NOT a CHARITABLE institution.

Any Mason or Eastern Star is well aware of that but there are some who are not members that, in error, think differently.

Members of the O. E. S. pay their dues into the chapter of which they are a member and likewise the chapter pays into the grand-chapter a certain percent of those dues and the home is kept entirely by the Grand Chapter on membership dues.

In other words it is an insurance paid in by each member to the safe-keeping of the Grand Chapter and they are doing a mighty grand job of it. It doesn't resemble charity any more than teachers, printers or any other retirement fund paid for by members who belong. A goodly number are retired teachers, one is a music teacher who taught for years at CIA at Denton, and is still a fine pianist. Then, too, there are many who had money and property who prefer living in the home to living with some of their family.

Mrs. C. B. Morrison.

Supt. Wm. M. Allison of the Arizona Chem. Co. Plant here, Mrs. Allison and little Billie Edward visited with Mrs. Allison's parents at Lubbock and the Allison's at Melvin over the holidays.

J. M. Christopher and wife spent Christmas at Lubbock with Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Easter. Five sisters and two brothers of Mrs. Christopher were present.

84 PARTY THURSDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Johnson entertained Thursday with a 84 party. Nice refreshments were served to the following guests:

Messrs. and Mesdames J. Andy Edwards, Ed Goddard, R. C. Carroll, John Vermillion, Harvey Line, John Spears, T. J. Vandell, Gum Minton, Joe Hudson, Calvin Fritz, Roy Miles and O. G. Smiths.

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John A. Anderson

Commissioner, Precinct 3

MRS. J. S. BOYDSTUN

Mrs. Pearl Maughan Boydston, age 46 last August, passed away at 10:15 on Dec. 21st at a Lamesa Hospital following an emergency operation. The operation was a success but Mrs. Boydston's heart could not bear the strain.

The funeral was conducted at Sanger on Dec. 24th at the Church of Christ with Mrs. Boydston's pastor, Rev. Monosky assisting the Rev. Ellison of Denton who preached the funeral service.

Mrs. Boydston is survived by her husband, J. S., a daughter, Mrs. C. A. Wright of Sanger, six brothers, George Masgyn of White Deer, Emmett of McKinney, Iva of Gainesville, Clifford of Rockton, Otis of Sanger, Carl of Valley View and a sister of O'Donnell, Mrs. Myrl Hoffman.

It is difficult to express our loss of this lovely lady and friend who several months ago came to our city with her husband to live and enjoy the fine fellowship of O'Donnell. We knew Mrs. Boydston personally and one remembrance was her charming personality and ready friendship. Words are so weak at time of death but we offer the sincere sorrow and sympathy to those who mourn their loved one's passing beyond.

SURPRISE PARTY

Wednesday nite, Dec. 26 friends surprised the Rev. Atkinson and family with a Christmas party. Refreshments of hot fruit punch and hot chocolate and cake were served to about fifty guests who had a very enjoyable evening. Many of the gifts were showered upon one of our nice pastors and friends.

Mrs. E. C. Ward subscribed for the O'Donnell Booster for a year for her husband who entered service Nov. 25th. E. C. writes that he likes army life but likes farming even better.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

Frank Liddell's annual Christmas Dinner and Tree was given at Mr. Liddell's Cafe Sunday, Dec. 24th. A turkey dinner and all the trimmings was truly enjoyed. Guests and employees were: Nancy Egger, Betty Simpson, Jean Pierce, Snookie Simpson, Garnetta Atkinson, Bill Simpson, Jerry Simpson, Geneva Curtis, Duke Wheeler, Garne Atkinson Lucille, Muri Atkinson, Albert Smith, John Warner, Tex Gornett, Jack Gellan, Dumorne Nowell, Cpl. Rufus L. Nowell, Edith Nowell, A. K. Gilliam, Mrs. A. K. Gilliam, Mrs. A. C. Burger, Dan Gilliam, Ann Gilliam, J. Pierce, Mrs. J. R. Pierce, from Crosbyton; Melba and De Lois Pennington; Barney Moore of Winters; Paris, Penny, J. in ice and Kerry Nowell of Winters; Mrs. S. O. Nowell of Lamesa, Leon Hale of Spur; Eugene Barnett, Edd McLin, Frank Liddell, Irene Liddell, and one guest was unable to attend which would have completed the 46.

The sun is shining at 3 p m Friday and how nice it is. A total of 55 of an inch of assorted moisture fell on O'Donnell during the past few days.

H. B. Brandon after spending several months in a war plant in Calif. returned to the farm at New Moore last Saturday.

Home from school for holidays were: Wayne Carroll of Allen Academy, Dan Blocker, Johnnie Saleh, Hal Singleton, Jr., Ira Boothe, all of TMI of San Antonio.

A DAY LATE --

And a dollar short is the Index-Press for this week. We had a little too much Christmas and felt not the least inclined to labor. We had a splendid holiday. With the New Year of 1945 knocking at our door we hope to give you a newspaper worthy of really a fine town. We will resume our normal 8-page paper next week. Our thanks to our friends for contributing news and a real Happy New Year that will see Victory and safe return of our boys.

Mrs. Blakemore visited her daughter and husband at Waco over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Blocker and Dan visited Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Stewart at Sulphur Springs Christmas.

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Ernie Pyle's Slant on the War:

British Treat American Soldiers in Royal Style

GIs Undercharged by Tradesmen And Freely Entertained by All

By Ernie Pyle

(Editor's Note): This dispatch was written and first published when Pyle was with the GIs in England. He is now on his way to cover the boys in the Pacific war zones.

LONDON.—The British really are swell to the Americans. When I was here before, almost two years ago, an American in London was practically a god. But I feared that once we were in the war they wouldn't feel so disposed to be especially nice to us.

But they are. Here's an example. One night two U. S. marines were eating in the Savoy hotel. They had got into the wrong place, for you pay a mighty fancy price for dinner at the Savoy. I guess they did have enough money to pay the bill, but they were doing a lot of obvious counting between them.



Ernie Pyle

An Englishman at another table saw them, came over and asked in the Englishman's apologetic way if they would join him in a drink. They accepted and got to talking, and without the marines' being aware of it the Englishman paid their entire bill.

The other day Pvt. Harry Douglas lost his pocketbook with 20 pounds and four American dollars in it. Within an hour it was found and returned to the Washington club by a Mr. Hamm of Knightsbridge.

When an American in uniform strolls off the beaten path and gets into a restaurant which doesn't see many Americans, they really dust off the place for him.

Half a dozen taxi drivers of middle age or older have unofficially appointed themselves the "official" cabs to take American soldiers sightseeing from one of the Red Cross clubs. They won't let any other taxi in on it. They don't overcharge the boys; in fact, they even undercharge them. And they give the boys a sightseeing spiel as they go along. And when the tour is over they stop at a pub on the way home, but they get very fatherly and won't let the boys have more than one drink.

Tennessee GIs Like English. Probably the purest strain of Anglo-Saxon blood in America is that of the hill people of eastern Tennessee. There are even parts of the hill country where a sort of Shakespearean English is still spoken, they say.

Today many of these Tennesseans are back here in the land of their ancestors, ready to fight for the country they came from as well as the country they went to. Lately I've been staying in camp with some of them, and with boys just like them from the Carolinas.

Few of them have ever been far from home before. A few have been to college, but some of them can't read or write. And yet I defy you to find more real gentlemen among our troops than in a camp of these so-called hillbillies. There is a simple genuineness about them that shows in every word they speak. They don't have the city's smart-aleck ways and suspicious outlook. They have had no training in fancy manners, but they are well-mannered. My stay with these boys made me aware once more that a companionship with the earth and the woods breeds something fine in a character, and that sophistication is one of the lesser virtues.

These boys are good soldiers. They are tough physically and amenable to discipline, and they learn quickly.

I was standing in the company street talking to a colonel in the outfit, a North Carolina man of joviality and wit. A sentry was walking his post nearby. His pace was only a shade ahead of suspended motion. His face was leathery and his nose was sharp and blue. His uniform fit like a joke. He looked as though he didn't know where he was.

"Look at that guy," said the colonel. "He looks as if a family of sharecroppers had just moved out of the seat of his pants. He wouldn't look a bit different if you got a Bowd Street tailor out here to work on him. He can't even sign his name. But he's a damn good soldier."

I was introduced to Pfc. Gilbert D. Stephenson of Smithfield, N. C., a tobacco auctioneer by profession. You know that unintelligible jargon that tobacco auctioneers use. Steph-

enson keeps the boys entertained by gabbling it every morning when they get out of bed, grumpy and cold.

I suggested he try it on some of the English girls. He said he already had.

"What did they do?" I asked.

"They liked to had a fit," he said.

Sgt. Cecil E. Lambert of Darlington, S. C., took me out to a big rifle range and let me take a few shots. Like all good soldiers, I got cheated out of one bull's-eye by the pitman marking it a complete miss, when it was obviously a direct hit. Outside of that, we've decided to keep my score a military secret. Its publication might give aid and comfort to the enemy.

A Seven-Day Week. It is a strange night, here in this American camp.

There are rows on rows of khaki tents, some of them round, some of them square. They are built on ridges, with depressions in between for drainage.

We are in a far country from home. Work is urgent and grave in this camp. The air is chill and damp, and ghostlike sentries walk their posts in the blackout. If there were only bonfires about we might be a picture from Civil War days.

I wander among the tents, picking up new friends here and there. Even in the dark the presence of a stranger draws soldiers as molasses draws flies, for an outsider in camp is a curiosity and anything that breaks the monotony is welcome.

The boys in this camp work seven days a week, unloading the vast and constant flow of war supplies from America out of trucks and freight cars. It is dark now when they get up of a morning. It will soon be dark before they get back from work in the evening.

Their tents have neither heat nor light. There isn't much to do but sit on your mattress in the dark till bedtime. There are no chairs and no cots. The straw-filled mattresses lie on the ground. The boys stack their blankets in daytime to keep them dry.

At night some of them write short letters while holding a flashlight. Some go to the water faucets and wash clothes in the dark. Some gather in tents and play guitars and sing old songs. I even heard a violin accompaniment to singing in one tent.

We stood in the dark, talking. New boys would join our huddle out of curiosity, and after hearing me say something they'd speak up with, "Say, you're an American, aren't you?"

And I'd say yes and they'd shake hands and say, "Well, I'll be damned. I never expected to see an American over here." or "Boy, it's sure good to see an American."

That's a funny psychology the soldiers have. They're surrounded by Americans, of course, but they're all in uniforms, and they cease to be Americans to each other and become just soldiers. When they see an American in civilian clothes they look upon him as the first real American they've seen since coming over here.

It's a kind of flash-back to home and normal life before everything went olive-drab.

Deep darkness came and we were cally forms in a circle. We stood there in the night and talked for nearly three hours. We stood because there wasn't any place to sit down. Inside the crowded tents other boys had gone to bed. Now and then we'd stick our heads inside a tent flap to light a cigaret and then light one from another all the way around.

In this camp there are both Negro and white troops. They are given liberty on alternate nights. Only a certain percentage of any camp is ever allowed out at any one time. Thus it works out that each man gets only one evening a week in town.

Travel by Ship In Postwar Era

Survey Forecasts Trend to Sea Voyages; Boats of U. S. Preferred.

NEW YORK.—A survey of postwar travel, based on expressed plans of thousands of individuals, showed that only 25.09 per cent of the queried persons intend to travel for business, while the remainder will travel for pleasure, according to the forthcoming issue of Ships, publication of the Shipbuilders Council of America.

In rebuttal of pessimistic viewpoints expressed with regard to the part steamships will play in the postwar era, the magazine said that 80.64 per cent had expressed the desire to travel exclusively by ships. Slightly more than 12 1/2 per cent indicated a preference for a combination trip, using ships and planes, and the rest, approximately 6 1/4 per cent, said they would travel both ways by air.

Reporting a "sharp and dramatic swing" toward an increased use of American ships, the survey asserted that more than 63 per cent of the replies showed a marked preference for them. The remainder were made up largely of persons who had never traveled on any but foreign-flag vessels, and based their preference on what they believed to be a superiority of food and service. Some said that they wanted to travel on foreign ships because of the novelty.

A Factual Survey. The council said its survey was "completely factual, comprehensive and indisputable, with no element of guesswork because it was based on expressed plans." An official of the organization declared that the response was "volume beyond expectation," with replies from every state but Wyoming—even from Canada, Hawaii and Alaska.

Replies were received from the largest cities in the United States, from the small towns and points between. A summarized version of the survey shows that English and channel ports, the east coast of South America, Hawaii and the Pacific Islands are the leaders among the favorite travel spots of the future for Americans.

The list of points of destination and percentage preferences, according to areas, shows: 21.57 per cent plan to travel to England and channel ports, 11.18 per cent to the Mediterranean, 3.63 to Baltic ports, 12.99 to the east coast of South America and 9.07 to its west coast, 7.47 to west coast of the United States via the Panama Canal, 8 per cent to the Far East, China and Australia, 11.31 per cent to Hawaii and other Pacific islands, 10.91 per cent to Cuba and the Caribbean and 1.87 per cent to other places.

No Data on Old Preferences. "No data appears to be available as to the prewar travel preferences of Americans. It is believed, however, that foreign ships enjoyed a much greater volume of our American traveler's money than is shown by the survey. Some estimates, from semi-official quarters, are as high as 92.5 per cent on the North Atlantic run in one typical year.

"Travel, aside from those in the armed forces, has been denied Americans during the duration of the war. Thousands of Americans are tired, hungry for rest, the relaxation and change of scene that only an ocean voyage can give them.

"The majority preference for American ships is a wholesome trend. It should be encouraging to the large and well-managed American shipping interests who are looking to the future; it should likewise stimulate the United States maritime commission who have worked hard and intelligently for this result. It should give congress ample and sustaining assurance that there is a national demand for an American merchant marine, second to none."

Food by Force for Heads Of Doukhobors in Fast

NELSON, B. C. — Provincial authorities have intervened in the hunger strike of Doukhobors in Chestova, B. C., ordering the forcible feeding of the strike leaders, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Tamelin, on the 25th day of their self-imposed fast. It was reported recently.

The couple was reported to be showing "improvement." Twenty other Doukhobors were said to "have gone back to their normal way of life," after a 24-hour fast.

The Doukhobors, members of a sect notorious for nude protest parades, began the hunger strike to obtain release from jail of 30 members locked up for demonstrations against Canadian draft regulations.

Filipino Pupils Learn to Sing 'God Bless America' PANAUAN, LEYTE, P. I.—Filipino grade school children began learning the words to "God Bless America" as the first school opened in liberated territory. The little tots repeated the words in unison, line for line, after their Filipino woman teacher.

It was the first time they had been allowed to speak of America publicly since the Japanese occupation over two years ago.

New Alloys Needed For Future Wars

Jet Propulsion Brings Up Serious Problems.

WASHINGTON.—Creation of new alloys for the jet planes of future wars have been called for by Maj. Gen. G. H. Barnes, chief of research for U. S. ordnance.

General Barnes did not specifically mention rockets in a report to the first wartime meeting of the National Academy of Sciences. But the jet plane needs he outlined are most exactly the same as those published for rockets before this war started.

The new alloys, he said, are needed to stand extraordinary heat. This heat comes from the explosive discharge of hot gases, or of the series of separate rapid-fire explosions, which drive a jet plane or rocket.

The rocket heats in the past have been extremely high, apparently being above the jet plane heat.

"The introduction of jet propulsion into war materiel," General Barnes said, "creates an additional need for steels to withstand abnormal elevated temperatures. The alloys now available are costly, difficult to produce and may not be available in sufficient quantity should this development become a major factor in warfare."

Another future war possibility is use of boron, tellurium and other chemical elements for alloying the materials that go into ordnance.

Boron, he explained, has been used in American steel-making in this war and its use is still widening. Boron, familiar to the public only as boric acid for eye washes, was one of the numerous things which enabled the nation, when alloys were critically short in the present war, to reduce the alloy content of shells and armor by one quarter, without reduction in efficiency.

Among the great scientific strides in this war, he said, are casting armor plate instead of rolling. Casting was started with practically no knowledge of the process. Before the war Swedish steel was used almost exclusively for high-stressed springs. Now a new method, still secret, produces much better springs.

Use Russian Dandelion To Produce Tires in U. S.

COLUMBUS, OHIO. — The B. F. Goodrich company of New York and the Goodyear Tire & Rubber company of Akron, Ohio, have announced that they are producing tires from the Russian dandelion—kok-sagyz—according to the Farm Chemurgic council here.

The tires appear to equal those made from Hevea rubber trees, the report says, though only a limited number have been made. A larger supply, it is expected, will be available next year.

The Russian dandelion is much higher in latex content than our home-grown variety and has a thicker rootstalk. Good yields have been secured from plantings in Russia.

Following a report on the dandelion made two years ago by Dr. Paul Kolachov of J. Seagram & Sons, Louisville, requests poured in for seed. Through the intervention of the state department, 200 pounds of Russian seed were brought over by airplane.

The seed was distributed among several midwest experiment stations for trial plantings. A number of private plantings also were made. The experimental tires came from these sources.

Here's a Gun We Would Hesitate to Unlimber

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, PHILIPPINES.—Here is the Filipino guerrilla blueprint for a home-made firearm: Take one length of pipe into which put a 12-gauge shotgun shell. Fit it into a stock. Whittle a stopper and drive a nail through it so the point protrudes into the pipe. Attach a rubber band to the pipe around the back of the stopper.

Pull the stopper back over the catch and start hunting. The technique is to sneak up within 10 feet of a Jap, point the gun and release the catch.

'Scarecrow' Planes Are Being Used by Germans

LONDON. — The Germans fired "scarecrow" dummy airplanes which explode with a sheet of flame and dense black smoke at British Lancaster planes bombing Solingen recently, pilots said.

Hurled into bomber formations the "scarecrows" are intended to give the impression of an aircraft blowing up in the air. They are usually reserved for night use.

Rescues Gas Stamps From Scrap Truck

LOS ANGELES. — Harry Hornstein, service station operator, contributed his wastepaper when the truck came by, then chased the truck four miles to get his contribution back. "The ration board would never have believed me," he muttered, picking out the 2,000 gasoline coupons he'd included.



Fingersnap in the Face:

In the Stork Club actress Joy Hodges was irked when a deb (from the neck up) bothered a fellow at their table for a dance. "Oh," said Hodges, "go ahead and dance with the dolly with the hole in the head!"

Rufus Le Maire, the 20th Century-Fox exec, is liked in Hollywood because he can be kidded about his funny face and laugh, too.

Rufe himself tells of the time in the Brown Derby when he announced: "I'm going to New York tomorrow for some new faces."

"Be sure," heckled Wilson Mizner, "and bring one back for yourself!"

It was at a veddy swank party. A veddy indignant woman approached a distinguished looking man and panted: "I've never been so insulted in all my life! That hoddible person over there just called me a floozy!"

The old chap (a colonel) patted her shoulder gently. "I wouldn't," he comforted, "take that so seriously if I were you, my dear. Look at me. I've been out of the Army for ten years—and they still call me a colonel!"

When a detachment of Wrens recently took over an old building in a small English town they tacked up the conventional sign: "Admiralty—No Admittance!"

Beneath which a clown scribbled: "Wrens Nesting."

At Gilmore's they were gabbing about an international socialite (now in her 80s) who for many years garnered reams of publicity by claiming to have retained her "joie de vivre" by standing on her head several minutes daily.

"Tell me," said Les Brown to an intimate of the old darling, "does she still practice standing on her head?"

"Heck, no!" was the retort. "She has all she can do just to stand or her feet!"

It happened over at Columbia studios the other day. They were filming a big mob scene having to do with Britain. An ass't waved some of them away. "That goes for you, too!" he barked at a man watching it all.

"Why me?" he queried.

"Because," said the ass't, "you don't look British enough!"

"I don't have to look British!" replied the boss of the studio. "I'm Harry Cohn!"

Overheard: "He's in Washington—flying a desk!"

Broadway Ballad: So we were happy for a little while . . . And found the town a gay, exciting place. But happiness, of course, goes out of style And music leaves a fresh, enchanted face.

And now the nights are portents of dismay And luns have lost their color and their lure And we who had so many things to say Are silent children, sullen and unsure.

So goes it . . . and our lesson must be learned That capture fades and mockery is cold . . . That life holds many bridges to be burned And fiddlers ask their pay in purest gold . . .

And those who play at love must be aware That paths are rough—and brambles scratch and tear! —Dan Wahn.

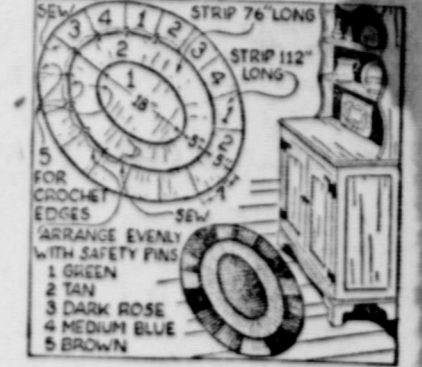
Midtown Vignette: They would have you believe it actually happened to Earl Benham, who tailors the dandies about town. . . Earl himself is his best ad—always immaculately Lucius-Beebe'd . . . The other day he was lazing in his limousine waiting for a friend in front of his elegant apartment house. A huge, plump, costly cigar in his teeth and his jewelry flashing in the sun. . . Looking at him (as though transfixed) Benham kept puffing on his cigar, trying not to notice the fellow, who kept looking and looking and looking at him. . . Finally he caught Earl's eye and quipped: "Are you happy?"

The Late Watch: Ingrid Hallen, named managing editor for the new mag, This Month (due soon), and Curt Riess, the author-correspondent, were just divorced. He soon goes overseas again. She just signed him up for articles! . . . The soda-jerker in the drug store at 55th and 6th Avenue is an ex-middleweight champ from Calif.

Sallies in Our Alley: Frisco, the stuttering comic, walked into a swank clothier's and asked: "H-H-H-How m-m-m-much I-I-I-for a w-w-w-w-winter overcoat?" . . . A starchy floorwalker, in his best frigid tones, said: "\$225" . . . "N-n-never m-m-mind," stammered Joe, walking out, "I'll hear it on the r-r-r-radio!" . . . Asked what she thought of a new show, Dorothy Parker said: "Well, all in all, it left one thing to be desired." . . . "And," queried her friend, "what was that?" . . . "My money back," said Dorothy

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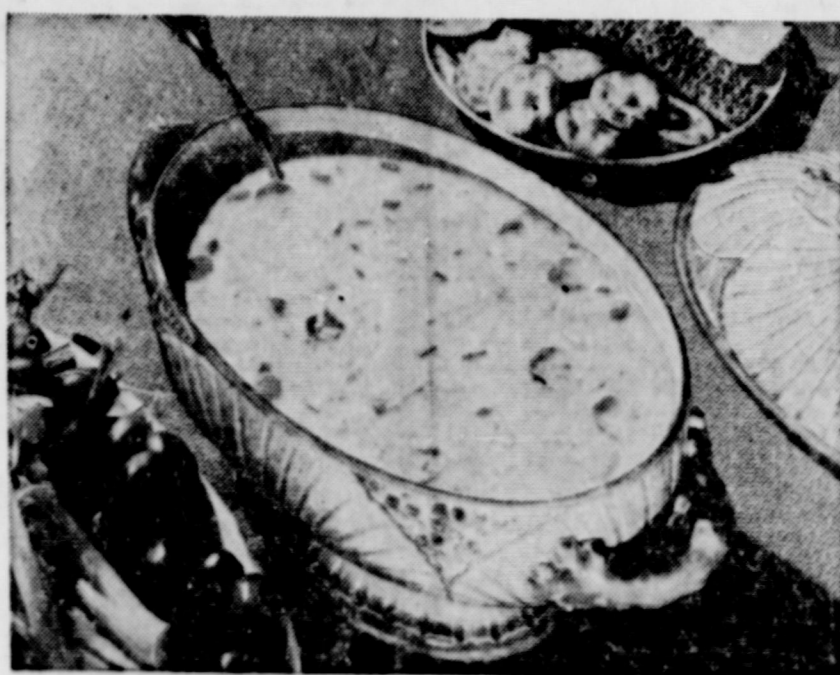
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HOUSEHOLD MEMOS... by Lynn Chambers



Chowder Comes to the Dinner Table! (See Recipes Below)

Soup Suggestions

There's a lively interest in soup these days, and rightly so, for a soup that's rich enough can take the place of a meat dish at a meal and still satisfy even appetites made keener by blustery winter weather.

Soups are good for filling in that gap before the main dish is brought to the table to satisfy the hungry. If they are substantial enough, that is, if they are creamed soups, or the thicker type of vegetable and meat combinations, no main dish is required. And, if there are any dieting members in the family, there are enough of the lighter types of soups which not only satisfy, but are low in caloric value.

First, there are the substantial lentil soups which have much nourishment:

Bean Soup.
1 1/2 pounds pork shoulder or ham
2 tablespoons onion, chopped
1 pound navy beans
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon white pepper
Soak the beans in water overnight. In the morning, parboil them. Cover the meat with water, then add beans, onions, salt and pepper. Cook 2 1/2 to 3 hours. Serve with dumplings, if desired.

Yellow Split Pea Soup.
3 pounds smoked brisket of beef or scraps of dried beef, sausage or ham bone
2 cups yellow split peas
3 quarts cold water
1/2 cup celery, diced
1 small onion, cut fine
2 tablespoons butter or substitute
1 teaspoon sugar
2 teaspoons salt
1/2 teaspoon white pepper
2 tablespoons flour

Pick over and wash peas. Soak them in cold water overnight, then drain and place in a saucepot with meat. Add cold water and let simmer gently for about 4 hours. Add celery during last part of cooking. Remove meat when tender. Skim fat off the top of the soup. Heat 2 tablespoons of butter in frying pan, add the onions and brown. Blend in flour and gradually add soup, stirring constantly. Season to taste and serve with smoked meat, adding croutons.

Clam Chowder.
1 quart clams
4 cups potatoes diced
2 inch square fat, salt pork
1 onion, diced
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon pepper
4 teaspoons butter
4 cups milk
8 soda crackers, rolled

Pick over clams, drain and cut pork in small pieces. Fry out in skillet. Add onion and fry 5 minutes. Add potatoes and enough water to cover. Cook until nearly tender, then add butter, milk and seasoning. When potatoes are done and milk is very hot, add clams and cook for 3 minutes.

Lynn Says:

Soups for Meals: If there is any water left after vegetables are cooked, this should be saved and used for soup stock. A few extra vegetables may be added to give stronger flavor.

When milk is added to soups, its richness and nutritive value is increased.

Serve big helpings of salad when soup is the main dish and have a really nutritious meal.

Soups may be garnished with toasted croutons, whipped cream or egg white or sprinklings of grated cheese, paprika, and parsley.

Lynn Chambers' Point-Saving Menu

*Vegetable Chowder
Buttered Rye Toast
Jellied Grapefruit Salad
Fudge Pudding
Beverage
*Recipe given.

*Vegetable Chowder. (Serves 6)

1/2 cup butter
3 medium onions, peeled and chopped
2 slices green pepper, chopped fine
2 1/2 cups green beans
3 medium carrots, scraped and sliced thin
5 medium potatoes, peeled and cubed
3 cups boiling water
4 cups milk
3 teaspoons salt
Black pepper to suit taste
6 ounces (1 1/2 cup) grated American cheese
Seasoning salt

Melt butter in soup kettle. Add onions and green pepper and simmer 2 to 3 minutes in boiling water. Wash beans and slice thin. Prepare carrots and potatoes. Add beans and boiling water to butter and onion mixture, and cook uncovered for 15 minutes, or until all vegetables are tender. By this time most of the water will have evaporated. Add milk to the chowder, stirring carefully; heat just to boiling. Add salt, pepper and grated cheese. Remove immediately from fire and stir until cheese is melted. Serve piping hot with a sprinkling of seasoning salt on each serving.

Unusual soups are good to have in any cook's repertoire should you want to do something different for the company or family occasionally.

Chicken Meringue Soup. (Serves 6)

1 quart chicken stock
1 carrot, sliced
3 onion slices
1 sprig parsley
2 tablespoons quick-cooking tapioca
2 cups hot milk
2 beaten egg yolks
1/2 cup cream
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 egg whites

Heat chicken stock and vegetables for 15 minutes; strain and add tapioca; place over hot water and cook until tapioca is transparent. Add milk, then egg yolks combined with cream. Cook stirring constantly until thickened. Add salt to egg whites and beat until stiff. Serve soup in individual dishes topped with egg white sprinkled with paprika or chopped parsley.

Liver-Pall Soup. (Serves 6 to 8)

2 pounds beef brisket
2 teaspoons salt
1/2 teaspoon pepper
1 bay leaf
1 cup coarsely chopped celery
1 1/2 cups canned tomatoes
1 cup sliced carrots

Cover meat with cold water and add seasonings. Simmer 1 hour. Add vegetables and simmer 1 1/2 hours. Force vegetables through colander and add to meat stock. Reheat and add liver balls. Simmer 15 minutes.

Liver balls: Combine 1/2 pound calves' liver, 3/4 cup dry bread crumbs, 1/4 cup finely chopped parsley, 1/4 teaspoon celery seed, 1/4 teaspoon salt, dash of pepper, 2 tablespoons flour, 1 beaten egg and 1/2 teaspoon onion juice; mix well and chill thoroughly. Form into 1-inch balls.

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Lesson for December 31

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THE BASIS OF COURAGE FOR THE FUTURE

LESSON TEXT—Matthew 16:13-20; II Peter 3:14-18; I John 3:1-3.

GOLDEN TEXT—Wherefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not vain in the Lord.—I Corinthians 15:58.

A significant year—1944. But now it is gone. We look into the future and ask ourselves, what next? Shall we enter the new year with fear and trembling, or may we face it with courage?

If man's knowledge and dependability are all we have to stand on, we had better be afraid, but there is a real basis for courage and assurance if we look to God, and to His Word. We have:

I. An Unfailing Christ (Matt. 16:13-20).

It is not enough that men recognize Christ as a teacher, a moral leader, or a man willing to die for His convictions. He must be more if He is to deliver mankind, and, thank God, He is more.

Peter, speaking by the guidance of God, declared Jesus to be "the Christ, the Son of the living God." "Is this what Christ is to you? There are so many shabby, inadequate, inaccurate, limiting views of Christ today. Men will give Him praise, but refuse to give Him the honor due to Him alone. The only Christ that ever really lived is the Christ of the New Testament, and that Christ is the omnipotent and eternal Son of God. Any Christ less than that is a false Christ, a Christ of man's imagination. The Christ of the New Testament can save, but no other Christ is the saviour of men" (Peloubet's Notes).

This Christ, the unfailing One, established a victorious Church, built on the acceptance of Him as God. That Church marches on into 1945, as it has entered every other year, assured that as it follows Christ, and preaches God's Word, there is reason for encouragement and joy even in this awful day.

II. An Uplifting Faith (II Pet. 3:14-18).

Christianity is not just a set of rules and regulations. It is a life. It must grow, and it does grow. The really born-again believer cannot stand still in his spiritual experience. He has a faith which must move him forward and upward for the glory of God.

This experience is called growing in grace, which means that each day of this new year we as believers are to become more like our Lord. We are to have stronger convictions, and at the same time we are to be kinder and more loving. We are to be more forgiving, tenderer, more eager to serve Christ.

Christian, have you made any spiritual progress in the year 1944? If not it is because you have failed to take God's provision for your life. You have let the enemies of your soul mislead you (v. 17). You have not been diligent in your Christian life (v. 14).

God does not want any believer to live a defeated life, not growing in grace and in knowledge. And there is the secret—study God's Word in 1945. Learn more about God, and you will grow. That's something to look forward to.

Then note that this is to be in the light of the promised return of Christ (v. 14). He may come in 1945.

III. An Inspiring Hope (I John 3:1-3).

We have already touched on the great hope of the Church—the coming again of our Lord Jesus, and here it is presented as the inspiration to holy living.

Sometimes the world points a finger of scorn at Christians, exposing their weaknesses and failures. It makes us ashamed and we resolve to do better, but we are act discouraged. The world doesn't understand spiritual truth or Christian experience. We believers are "the children of God," born again through faith in Jesus Christ.

All that is involved in this new life does not yet appear. It is hidden under the imperfections and the failures of our lives. But it is there, and one day when Jesus comes again it shall be made known. "We shall be like him." Ah, that makes one square his shoulders and lift up his head to meet 1945 with assurance.

Observe that this hope of Christ's return is not just a theological doctrine to discuss, or a religious slogan to proclaim. It has a tremendously practical application. The one who expects Christ to come back seeks that holiness of life which is spoken of in verse 3.

He is coming. I must be ready to meet Him with joy. So my life—yes, the details of my daily life—must be right. What an incentive to real holy living!

Well, here is real courage with which to meet the new year. May it be a blessed one in your life, no matter what the experiences and circumstances may be. God is in the new year. Let us move forward with Him.

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O'Donnell Index-Press

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Entered as second class matter at the post office in O'Donnell, Texas, under Act of March 3, 1879.

N. S. Parker of Newmore was in town Saturday after supplies.

Miss Mary Frances Fowler, book-keeper with a wholesale firm in Dallas, came in Friday for a brief visit with relatives and friends. She returned to her work Monday.

Mrs. Warren D. Smith returned last week end from Abilene where she visited relatives.

Seaman, Ice Fay Slaughter stationed at San Diego, Cal. spent the holidays here with his wife, little son, and his parents, the E. O. Slaughters.

Winston Ables and family of Los Angeles spent the holidays here with his brother, Woodrow.

Truett Tyler of the Air Corps training field at Carlsbad visited home-folks this week.

Misses Edith Di kens and Wilma Dabney of Draw were weekend shoppers.

Lt. J. W. Curtis, Army Air Corps, and wife were among the holiday visitors. Lt. Curtis is stationed at Bryan, Texas.

Jno. Parker and family of Abernathy spent several days here with relatives and friends. The Parkers resided here for many years and a lot of folks would like to see them return for keeps.

Miss Ovell Warren, teacher in Hobbs, N. M. schools spent a few days with her parents, Mr and Mrs. H. C. Warren.

Wells News

(Delayed from last week due to early issue of our Christmas edition)

Andy Jordan returned to his post in the Coast Guard Monday. He enjoyed having dinner on Sunday with all the family which was given especially for him. We all hope he will soon be home for good.

Mrs. J. E. Lynn visited with her sister, Mrs. W. A. Simpson from Friday until Monday.

Mrs. Herman Brewer is some better after a week of being ill.

Mr and Mrs. C. C. Floyd, Harmony farmers were mingling with crowds here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gates spent Christmas with relatives in Canyon.

Mr and Mrs. T. M. Garner spent several days with their daughter at Phillips.

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In the Ben Moore, Jr. home for a few days were Mrs. Moore's parents, Mr and Mrs. Lynn Williams and children of Caney, Kansas.

In the Don Edwards home for the holidays were their son, Marion and family of Arlington, and Miss Louise their daughter, and teacher in the Odessa Schools.

Jno. Cathey of Dora, N. M. returned to his home Monday after a few days here with relatives.

Mrs S M Clayton, Sr. has been ill for the past several days but is somewhat improved, we are glad to report.

Mr and Mrs. Ezra Bean and daughter were visiting in the homes of Chas Wells and J W Kirkpatrick Monday and Tuesday.

Lloyd Shoemaker, in the Quarter Master Corps of the Marines writes the family that he recently had a pleasant visit with Mutt Barnes.

Earl K. Gillespie had business here Tuesday.

Ira Hodges and family were visiting from Hobbs in the W. B. Phillips home.

D. J. Bolch managed to struggle thru the mud for a short stay in town Tuesday.

Miss Margaret Sue Goddard, WT S. T. C. Canyon, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr and Mrs Ed Goddard.

Mrs. Cecellus of Lamesa visited with her parents, Mr and Mrs C. E. Griffin.

Earl Lankford, Manager of Higginbotham reports rapid progress in harvesting of their maize with only "about 1500 acres" left.

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Dr. O. H. Shepard, after several days battling with the flu, is up and about.

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