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MILD EPIDEMIC OF 'FLU' RAGING

Cage Tournament Big Success Here Last Week

CASES MOUNT INTO HUNDREDS; MALADY IS OF A LIGHT FORM

Home Town Gossip

Imagine your surprise if you were sitting around an air port in Italy, watching the planes take off and land, simply because you were homesick and had another way to enjoy a few hours off, and then out of the sky there should come a huge bomb and taxi up to where you could see the name of your own little home town—Cross Plains—scrawled across the tail of the million dollar plane. Of course, it would make you well inside and what your hunger faces familiar to your childhood. And then out of the plane would step a boy with whom you'd grown up. How do you imagine you would feel?

Such was the recent experience of Corporal J. C. Merryman, son of Mrs. Edil Mayes. The lad who had inscribed the name of Cross Plains across the tail of the bomber, and who a few moments later stepped out to shake hands with his boyhood chum, was Sgt. Anderson (Anse) Barr, a war chief, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harley Barr, of Cross Plains. Needless to say the young soldiers were plenty glad to see each other and the news from home was discussed at great length.

The basketball tournament here last week end was declared by all servers to be one of the most successful ever held in the local gymnasium. Despite snow, muddy roads and freezing cold, the event was well attended and interest ran high throughout the three nights of two days.

With the passing of Dr. J. B. Alley at Clyde last week, there were left but three practicing physicians in Callahan County, two of whom are at Cross Plains. People here know how busy have been local doctors the past several weeks with a mild epidemic of flu raging throughout the area, so imagine the plight of other Callahan county communities, where the malady is reported equally as bad and in many localities worse.

Yes, sub. Cross Plains is lucky to have two skilled custodians of health looking after our well-being.

For fear that it may slip some minds, let us remind that poll payments should be made here by the end of this month. Right indications are that there will be little interest in politics this year, however, this is probably a misconception, for in neighboring cities issues are already forming and candidates becoming numbers.

Announcing for office the first of January were the following members in nearby counties: Com. 12, Shackelford 10, Brown 10, Boone 10, Coleman 11.

Things will warm up ere long. You'll be using your poll tax receipt from April to November, as officials are to be named all the way up this year. Don't forget that tax.

What a tough break for the girls. It is leap year and all the eligible young men are too far from home for the young ladies to do much about it. And incidentally lassies, if you are planning to mail a Valentine to your sweetie over-seas, it must be mailed this week to be assured of delivery by February 14.

FIREMEN ANSWER TWO CALLS SUNDAY MORN. A dwelling in the Southeast part of town, owned by C. L. McDonald, was slightly damaged by fire Sunday morning. The fire department answered the first alarm about nine o'clock, and then again at 11 was called back. Mr. McDonald was engaging carpenters first of the week to begin restoring the damaged portions of the structure.

DESDEMONIA BOYS AND CROSS PLAINS GIRLS ARE VICTORS

Games Saturday Night Said To Be Among Best Ever Played In Local "Gym"

In final games which offered all spectators could ask, Desdemonia boys and Cross Plains girls emerged winners of their respective divisions of the annual Cross Plains high school basketball tournament here Saturday night.

Play started Thursday night and continued through Friday and Saturday. War stamps were awarded winners and runners-up in both girls and boys divisions.

Desdemonia boys upset Cross Plains by one point in the final game in that division, while Cross Plains girls overwhelmed Mozelle for their undisputed claim to the feminine diadem.

Chosen for all-tournament honors were: (Boys) Weller, of Brownwood; Moore, Cross Plains; Greenhaw, Desdemonia; Vaughn, Mozelle, and Hamilton, of Centennial. (Girls) Monsey, Mozelle; Champion, Cross Plains; Huffman, Desdemonia; Kemper, Enla; Horton, Beattie, and Smith, Williams.

Boys and girls teams were entered from the following schools: Pioneer, Cross Cut, Desdemonia, Beattie, Williams, Seranton, Baird, Enla, Denton, Bayosa, Burkett, Centennial, Mozelle and Cross Plains, and Brownwood entered a boys team. Saturday night's games which saw Cross Plains boys pitted against the towering cagers from Desdemonia, and Cross Plains girls against the "giant-killers" from Mozelle, were said to be among the best ever seen on a single card in the local gym. Desdemonia boys were considered far too tall and much too accurate for the Buffaloes, however, behind the outstanding play of Herman Moore and Billy Mack Coppinger the herd rallied strong. In fact, the local boys led the tall boys from Desdemonia until the final period, and as the game ended the score stood 28 to 27.

Cross Plains girls likewise did the unexpected in beating Mozelle, a team that had eliminated Beattie, one of the strongest sextets in Central Texas. The team work of all players drew praise from coach Hubert Kelley.

Referees were: Leo Varner and Alvin Hargrove.

CITY LAW REQUIRES CHICKENS BE PENNED

Nine complaints were received at the city office this week concerning flocks of chickens allegedly running at large. Victims of the offense ask that the city ordinance requiring all fowls to be kept penned on the premises of the owner be enforced. The city council and police chief W. A. Petterson issue this warning in the hope that owners of chickens will obey the statute and that no one will be subjected to the embarrassment of prosecution.

CLAUDE STEPHENS BUYS R. T. SHIPP PROPERTY

Claude Stephens this week closed a deal for the R. T. Shipp dwelling in the East part of town and was moving into the property on Tuesday. Mr. Shipp and family have moved to Sweetwater, where he is employed by a cotton oil company.

For Dad In Italy



BOBBYE CARROLL SHORT

The above picture of Little Miss Bobbye Carroll Short is published for her father, S. Sgt. Robert Short, with the American troops in Italy, whom she has never seen.

S. Sgt. Short recently sent his daughter a lovely red shawlpin handkerchief and other souvenirs from Sicily.

Mrs. Short is the former Miss Nadine Copeland, of this city.

Wily Boy Fails To Break Baird Jail After Auto Theft

A wily youth who attempted to "break" jail at Baird last week after being picked up for car theft and robbery is now being held at Ranger. Complaints charging robbery with fire arm and automobile theft have been filed against the youth, who gave his name as George Adolph Schmidt and his age as 19. His home was said to be Phoenix, Arizona.

Schmidt was apprehended in Baird late Saturday after E. S. Lyon of Ranger had been forced from his automobile at gun point, after giving the youth a ride near the Brazos river bridge between Ranger and Fort Worth. Lyon said that he picked the hitebiker up and shortly thereafter a gun was thrust into his ribs, which was held on him until he drove into the city limits of Ranger. Lyon said he was robbed of his money, about \$42, but permitted to take some suitcases when he was put out of the car.

Shortly afterward the youth was picked up in Baird and lodged in the Callahan county jail by Sheriff R. O. Brame and Deputy Bill Ray. He attempted to free himself by setting fire to a bed mattress and forcing the officers to release him, and as they did his plans were to club them with a mop handle. Brame and Ray sensed the situation, however, and made the youth discard his weapon before being released from his smoking cell.

SON BORN TO LT. AND MRS. BILL COWAN; IS NAMED FOR LOCAL MEN

Lt. and Mrs. Bill Cowan, of Corpus Christi, are parents of a baby son, born Thursday of last week. The little boy has been named Phil Ray, after Phil Anderson, Jr. and Raymond DeBusk. Both mother and child are reported doing splendidly.

Mrs. Raymond DeBusk, maternal grandmother of the child, received word this week that her son, who has been stationed at the Corps Christi naval base for the past two years, has been ordered to report to the fleet on March first.

Oldest Lady of Area Dies At 94 Tuesday; Cross Cut Burial

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Caroline Clark, 94, believed to be the second oldest resident of the Cross Plains trade territory were held from the Cross Cut Baptist church Wednesday afternoon. Interment was made in the Cross Cut cemetery beside the grave of her husband, who died nearly 29 years ago.

"Grandma" Clark, as she was affectionately known here, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Jim Cross, in North part of town Tuesday morning. She had been gravely ill for weeks.

Mrs. Clark was born August 19, 1849 and was at the time of her death 94 years, four months and

23 days of age. Only one resident of the Cross Plains trade territory is known to be older than was she and that is a veteran of the civil war, who resides at Atwell, an uncle of Steve N. Foster, local merchant.

Mrs. Clark is survived by two sons and two daughters. They are: Jeff Clark, Cross Plains; Luke Clark, Cross Cut; Mrs. Jim Cross, Cross Plains; Mrs. J. P. Tripp, Weslaco.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Ben Richburg, of Big Spring, former Cross Plains pastor. He was assisted by Rev. C. E. Fox, pastor of the First Baptist church in Cross Plains. Grandsons were pall bearers.

Last Rites For William R. Potter Held Last Friday

Funeral services for William R. Potter, 82, a resident of this county for more than 18 years, were held Friday afternoon, January 7, at two-thirty o'clock, at the Old Time Gospel Mission Church, with Rev. W. M. Lightford, pastor, officiating.

Mr. Potter succumbed at his home in Cross Plains Thursday morning, January sixth, at one-twenty o'clock, after an illness of several days. He was suffering with double pneumonia. Mr. Potter was born in Dallas April 19, 1861. He was at the time of his death, 82 years, eight months and 18 days of age. He joined the Baptist church early in life and was a devoted christian.

Survivors include the bereaved widow, two sons, Marvin Potter and Lee Potter, of Cross Plains; three daughters, Mrs. Leonard Gay, of Cross Plains, Mrs. Bertha Martin, of Mosquito, Texas, and Mrs. John Spence, of Wylie, Texas; 36 grand children and 22 great grand children. He is also survived by one sister, Mrs. John Harmon, of Sweetwater, as well as a great host of other relatives and friends.

Interment was made in the Cross Plains cemetery, with Higginbotham, Cross Plains, in charge of arrangements.

HONOR ROLL

- * Those who this week renewed * their subscription to the Re- * view for another year are as * follow: * Mrs. E. H. Powell * E. A. McDowell * O. B. Fortune * Lemoine Shirley * Van Campbell * Elbert Pierce * Sterling Odum * Mike Cunningham * Alton Barr * Cpl. S. Lloyd Havens * Freddy Thibe * F. A. Oglesby * Ira Calhoun * Jimmie Payne * M. P. Wilcoxon * C. E. Freeman * A. B. Foster * Paul Harrell * O. L. Gattis * J. H. Hamilton * T. C. Ashley * Howard Gary

Is Feared Lost

Much concern is felt for the safety of Woodrow (Mutt) Slaughter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Slaughter, of this city, after three letters were received in Cross Plains from buddies in Italy, indicating that he had been either killed or seriously injured in action. There has been no official notification as yet, however, from the war department and his mother and many friends are yet hopeful that he is alive.

Fred Heyser, home service chairman for the Red Cross in this county, has been endeavoring to learn something of the young man's fate, however, he told the Review Monday morning that as yet he had received no replies to his query. "I feel that he is yet alive and that we will hear something soon", Heyser predicted.

"Mutt", as he was affectionately known here, is a former student of Cross Plains high school. He enlisted with the 36th division at the time of its activation and trained with the unit continuously.

Friends of the Slaughter family are anxiously awaiting news from official sources, which they hope will be comforting.

Former Local Man Finds Wife Slain In Mansfield Home

Friends here were grieved last week to learn of the tragic death of Mrs. Roy Mitchell, formerly of this city, at her home in Mansfield, Texas.

The body was found by Mr. Mitchell, city secretary at Mansfield, when he arrived home from work. His wife's throat had been slashed and she appeared to have been dead for several hours.

Mrs. Mitchell was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Balch, pioneer residents of Mansfield. She had been in ill health.

Other survivors are three sons: Roy Jr., with the Air Forces in Florida; Sandorford, student at NTAC, and Ike Harper Mitchell, in high school; two daughters, Miss Mary Ann Mitchell, Fort Worth, and Mrs. Joan Francis, of Miami; three brothers, Harper and Edward Balch, of Fort Worth, and Prentice Balch, of Dallas, and two sisters, Mrs. Eugenia Johnson and Mrs. Charles Uhl, both of Dallas.

SON OF LOCAL COUPLE SLIGHTLY WOUNDED IN ITALY DECEMBER 15

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Freeman, who live between Cross Plains and Pioneer, received word last week that their son, Technician Loyd C. Freeman, was slightly wounded in action in Italy on December 15. Notification was received from the Adjutant General in Washington.

It was not immediately learned how the young man was wounded, however, his many friends here are hopeful that they are not serious and will be of no permanent handicap.

The injured man was with the 36th division, having entered training February 25, 1941, and took all of his training with that "outfit".

RETURN TO CROSS PLAINS AFTER 5 YEARS IN MINES

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Edgington and two children, who have been in Bisbee, Arizona, for the past five years, where he was employed in the copper mines, have returned to Cross Plains. Mr. Edgington is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jody Edgington and Mrs. Edgington is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Flem Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Freeman, of Cross Plains and D. A. Young, of Brownwood, were guests in the home of Mrs. Merrell Burkett Sunday.

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Doctors Extremely Busy But Believe Better Weather Will Prevent New Cases

A mild epidemic of influenza has been raging throughout the entire Cross Plains trade territory the past 10 days. At some homes entire families are stricken, however, the disease is not of the proportions of that of 1918, and generally cases are of less seriousness.

Cross Plains physicians have been extremely busy, however, as yet they have been able to minister unto all who required their attention. Improved weather is expected to forestall the increase in new cases.

Names of some of those ill, most of whom are suffering with the "flu" are as follows: Green Jeans, Sterling Odum, Oran Wayne Rhodes, baby son of Mr. and Mrs. Doy- ade Rhodes, John Cowan's son-in-law, Mrs. George B. Scott, Mrs. Obe McClain, Ed Andrews, Mrs. P. J. Ussey, of Pioneer, Mark Adair, Mr. and Mrs. Luke W. Westerman, Mr. and Mrs. Z. W. McClellan, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Cook, Marjorie Jordan, Lynn Lee Smith, L. Underwood, Pioneer, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Smith, Pat McNeal, Mrs. R. L. Carey, Mrs. LeRoy Byrd, Cross Cut, Russell Calhoun, Austin Payne, Roy Rutledge, Mrs. Thomas, of Pioneer, Bill White, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph White, who live between here and Burke, and Mrs. who lives on the Lee place North of Cottonwood, Albert DeLong, who lives North of town, the 7 year old child of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Graham, A. Hauke, Sr., Mary Frances Scott, Mrs. Jim Barr, Billy Mayes, Mrs. E. I. Vestal and many others whose names were not immediately available for publication.

G. B. BOYD LEAVES FOR NAVAL TRAINING

G. B. Boyd, of Abilene, who is well known in Cross Plains, was sworn into the United States Navy in Lubbock on December 31, after successfully passing all required naval examinations.

He left Abilene Thursday night, January sixth, for Lubbock, where he joined a contingent of boys leaving for a naval training station in California.

VIRGINIA ANN ODUM HOME FROM HOSPITAL

Virginia Ann, baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Odum, who live Northwest of Cross Plains, has been returned home after several days in the Hendricks Memorial Hospital at Abilene, where for several days she was dangerously ill with influenza. The little girl is now recovering normally, however, her dad suffered an attack of the "flu" and was not able to "navigate" for several days. He, too, is on the mend again and is able to be up and around.

Chief Petty Officer Kenneth White and wife, the former Miss Doris Jean Barr, arrived here the first part of this week for an extended visit with Mr. and Mrs. H. P. White and family and Mr. and Mrs. Chess Barr.

MAN 82 BURIED HERE SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Funeral services for Stephen Clifton Perkins, 82, who died near Winters early Saturday morning, were held Sunday afternoon, with the pastor of the Nazarene church of Coleman officiating.

The deceased was born November 24, 1861 in Bastrop county. He was married to Miss Mary Swafford and to this union were born 11 children, six of whom survive. They are: Mrs. Alphia Clark, Claude Perkins, Lillie Fenwick, all of Pioneer; Mrs. W. W. Bradford, Dallas; G. L. Perkins, of Post and B. L. Perkins, of Winters. Other survivors include the widow, 33 grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements were handled by Higginbotham, Cross Plains.

MRS. EDNA MAULDIN MOVES TO RISING STAR

Mrs. Edna Mauldin, local beauty operator, who has been in business in Cross Plains since November, 1925, moved to Rising Star the latter part of last week. She recently sold her home in this city to Melvin (Pete) McDaniel, of Pioneer.

Mrs. Mauldin plans to open a beauty parlor in Rising Star within the very near future.

Mrs. L. A. Young and daughter of Coleman, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Hauke. Mr. and Mrs. Hauke have been ill.

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BURKETT

The Burkett girls basketball team played at Cross Plains Thursday night and were beaten by four points.

Friday night the local boys and girls played the Novice teams at Rotan, where she is receiving treatment for a fractured hip. She will be unable to finish teaching here this term, so the trustees have hired Mrs. McQueen, of Echo, to take her place.

Cpl. and Mrs. Burt McCowan, of Waterboro, S. C. are spending his furlough here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Houshelt and other relatives and friends.

Miss Olga Perkins and Cpl. Jack Doenig were married December 28, at the home of his parents, in Monet, Missouri. Mrs. Doenig is the daughter of Mrs. J. Jones, of Burkett. She has been employed the past several months in Abilene where she and Cpl. Doenig met. He was stationed at Camp Parke, after a honeymoon of two weeks in Missouri, he was transferred to California and she returned to Abilene, where she resumed her work.

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Others on the sick list this week are: Mrs. E. G. Adams, Mrs. A. L. Porter, Bud Strickland and Bobby Joe Zirkle.

The H. D. Club will serve refreshments for the Sinclair Show at the local school gym, January 18.

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the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Adams.

Mrs. J. W. Morgan honored L.L. Morgan, Jr., with a party Thursday night on his 17th birthday. Refreshments were served to the following guests: Maxine Burkett, Betty Jane Hunter, Bobbie Watson, Naoma Evans, Christine Brown, Lela Porter, Mary Lee Burkett, Mildred Campbell, Clara Jane Markin, Betty Frances Jones, Virginia Corvillie, Wayne Parsous, Hulian Harris, Jake Watson, Bud Key, Billy Edington, Charles Hunter, Shorty Holland, Sammie Lane Adams, Billy James Slack, Billy White, Billy Russell Strickland, and the guest of honor, L. L. Morgan, Jr.

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Byron McNally, son of Mr. and Mrs. Will McNally, is with the armed forces stationed in England.

Pvt. Raymond Andrews is stationed near Salt Lake City, Utah. Mrs. Andrews and son, Charles, are visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Hanks.

Lt. and Mrs. Billy Cowan, of Corpus Christi, are the parents of a 6-pound, 5 ounce son, Phil Ray, born January 6th. Lt. Cowan is the son of Mrs. Raymond DeBusk, of Cross Plains.

MSgt. Paul Bohstedt, of Amarillo is in Washington. Where he will attend an advanced school for six weeks. Mrs. Bohstedt is

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Arrivals From	Departures To
South	West
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12:35 p.m.	12:40 p.m.
5:30 p.m.	5:35 p.m.
10:40 p.m.	10:45 p.m.
Arrivals From	Departures To
North	South
7:45 a.m.	7:50 a.m.
11:25 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
4:00 p.m.	4:05 p.m.
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Despite inclement weather Cross Plains people turned out to the tune of \$287 worth last Thursday night to see "This Is The Army", proceeds from which went to the Army Emergency Relief Fund.

George Watson, local manager of the Liberty Theatre, told the review late Tuesday that he had received a correspondence from Warner Brothers especially commending this community upon the fine response to such a worthwhile project. Receipts here were far greater than in most towns of this size, Watson informed.

CROSS CUT

Mr. and Mrs. Clois Clark and daughter, Vickie, visited relatives here and at Cross Plains recently.

Pawdane Martin, of Brownwood spent the week end with relatives and friends.

Pfc. J. T. Sheppard, who is stationed at Tampa, Florida, is spending his furlough with his parents and other relatives here.

Mrs. J. L. Byrd is confined to her home with influenza.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Prater and children, of Borger, have been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Prater.

The children of Jesse Byrd were called to his bedside Friday at Clyde when he became ill. He is reported to be much improved.

Ruel Gafford, who was recently inducted into the navy at Dallas, is stationed at San Diego, Calif.

The basketball teams of the Cross Cut school will enter a basketball tournament at Brooke Smith this week end.

Joe Holland, of Lowell, Arizona, son of Mrs. Alva Holland, is out of the hospital there after being ill the past several days with pneumonia.

J. R. Wagner and G. D. Thomas were business visitors in Padrd recently.

L. J. Clark, Ylie returned to Puerto Rico Monday after a two weeks visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Clark and other relatives.

COTTONWOOD

Cpl. W. P. Everett, of San Antonio, and Mr. and Mrs. Warren Everett, of Putnam, visited Mrs. Floyd Coffey Wednesday.

Elizabeth O'Neal, of Gorman is visiting home folks this week.

Alvin Cooksey will leave for Lubbock Wednesday. Alvin has joined the Navy.

H. C. FREEMAN BUYS HIGGINBOTHAM HOUSE

The house in the Northeast part of town, occupied by Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Hamilton has been bought by H. C. Freeman, Sr. who will move to the dwelling some time this month. Mr. Freeman recently sold his place in the South part of town to R. C. Thompson, who sold his place on North Main to Jim McDaniel.

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OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE

At Cross Plains, State of Texas at the close of business on the 31st. day of December, 1943, published in the Cross Plains Review, a newspaper printed and published at Cross Plains, State of Texas, on the 14th day of January, 1944, in accordance with a call made by the Banking Commission of Texas pursuant to the provisions of the Banking Law of this State.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, including overdrafts	312,090.03
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	155,754.36
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	5,397.49
Bank Premises owned	3,500.00
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	500.00
Cash on hand and due from approved reserve agents	326,541.10
Due from other banks and bankers subject to check on demand	7,731.73
Customers securities held for safe keeping	22,000.00
Total Resources	833,514.71

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	25,000.00
Surplus: Certified \$25,000.00, not certified NONE	\$25,000.00
Undivided Profits	4,650.75
Cashiers checks, dividend checks and certified checks outstanding	17,792.43
Demand individual deposits	667,981.67
Demand public funds, including postal savings and U. S. Government deposits	33,589.86
Time public funds	37,500.00
Customers securities deposited for safe keeping	22,000.00
Total Liabilities	\$833,514.71

STATE OF TEXAS, County of Callahan, I. F. V. Tunnell, Vice President of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

F. V. TUNNELL, Vice President
 CORRECT — ATTEST—Edwin Baum, S. D. DeBusk, W. B. Brightwell, Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of January, 1944.
 Ethel Sims, Notary Public, Callahan County, Texas

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"You mean I don't need any coupons for electricity?"

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Mrs. Higgins: But, Reddy: I thought Electricity was essential to the war effort, so I supposed there would be a shortage just like there is in food and fuels.

Reddy: Right again, Mrs. Higgins! Electricity is essential! It has been rightly called the life-blood of war production! Your electric company is now serving Army Training Camps and war-time industries, in addition to the many jobs it does for millions of people like you.

Mrs. Higgins: That's a remarkable record, Reddy. But tell me, how do you account for the fact that there's no shortage?

Reddy: Because private, business-managed companies like ours were ready for the transition that changed our country from one of peace-time requirements to one capable of meeting the demands of war! We were ready for production. Working under the system of individual initiative—business enterprise—we move the wheels behind 80% of all electrical energy needed for the war effort.

Mrs. Higgins: Does that mean electricity is an item that can be wasted?

Reddy: Indeed, not! It's a crime to waste anything, whatever, in war time, including government funds and payrolls. Even though there is no shortage of electric service in sight be thrifty and save on everything to encourage others to get back on a firm foundation. Be as careful with electricity as you are with your coupons. Use all you need, but need all you use!

PERSONAL

Sheriff B. O. Brame transacted business here Monday.

Hamilton Wright, Abilene newspaperman, was a business visitor in Cross Plains Monday afternoon.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Biggs had as their guests recently, Mr. N. J. Baker, of Waco, and Mrs. E. Taylor, of Lubbock.

County Attorney, F. E. Mitchell, Sheriff B. O. Brame and Judge B. H. Freeland, of Baird, were business visitors in Cross Plains Thursday.

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Cpl. Ross Austin, who is stationed at Camp Barkeley and Mrs. J. J. Austin, of Abilene, spent the week end visiting in the home of Mrs. Myrtle Childers.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Herman Rucker, of College Station, were visitors in the home of Mrs. Rucker's mother, Mrs. Maudie Longbotham, recently.

Pfc. Thurman Cox, who is stationed in the air corps at Harlingen has been visiting relatives and friends in and near Rising Star the past several days. He is well known in Cross Plains.

Cpl. D. C. Hargrove, who was recently transferred from Camp Granite, California, to Fort Dix, New Jersey, arrived here the first part of this week to spend a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hargrove and other relatives.

Mrs. Jim Henson has received word that her brother, Private Lafayette Wood, who was wounded in action in the Southwest Pacific, and is now in an army hospital at Jackson, Mississippi, is showing little if any improvement. He has three serious abdominal wounds and is now suffering with bone infections.

Miss Mozell Atwood And Lt. Richard G. Stephenson To Wed

Mrs. Sallie B. Atwood, of Cross Plains, recently announced the engagement and approaching marriage of her daughter, Miss Mozell Atwood, of Abilene, to First Lieutenant Richard G. Stephenson, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Stephenson, of Phoenix, Arizona.

Miss Atwood is a graduate of Cross Plains high school and of John Tarleton Agricultural College at Stephenville. For the past two years she has been employed at Camp Barkeley, in the purchasing and contracting office of the Quartermaster.

Lieutenant Stephenson, formerly with the 45th division at Camp Barkeley, returned December 17, after 14 months of infantry service in England. From Barkeley he was sent to Panama, where he served for three months. Then he was sent to officer Candidate School at Fort Benning, Georgia, where he received his commission. Lt. Stephenson is now in Nashville, Tennessee, in the Army Air Force classification center.

Cpl. James Cross, of Goodfellow Field, San Angelo, visited relatives and friends here the past week end.

Mrs. Dave Hargrove had as her guest recently, her sister, of Beaumont, and Mrs. Myrtle Weeks, of near Moran.

Mrs. John R. Blackburn, of Cisco, has been visiting in the home of her father, B. B. Huntington, the past several days. Another guest in the Huntington home is Vernon Huntington, who recently returned from Hawaii, where he was stationed in the Navy.

FARMERS AND RANCHERS SHOULD ORDER SORGHUM AND HYBRID CORN SEED

Farmers and ranchers who are interested in securing certified sorghum and hybrid corn seed, should order immediately. The low rainfall in most seed producing areas was such that seed yields were reduced to the extent that the seed supply will be limited. Those ordering now will be able to get seed for this year's crop.

Texas Hybrid No. 12 seed corn has given a 60 per cent increase in yield over the native commercial varieties. The following sorghum varieties grown on most farms are: Plainsman and Martins Combine type Wheatland Milo. The only difference in the two varieties are, Plainsman has a darker colored seed, larger and softer grains, and a larger stalk with a slightly higher yielding ability than Martins.

The hegar varieties commonly grown are: Early hegar, which is about 10 to 14 days earlier than other hegar varieties, Arizona hegar, Lubbock hegar and Chillicothe hegar which produces more total forage than early hegar. For further information farmers and ranchers are asked to see W. M. Mendorf, Callahan County Agent.

Tom Wade, who resides South of Rising Star, was a business visitor in Cross Plains Monday.

Mrs. Dale Newsom left Monday for several days visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Helms and family in Odessa.

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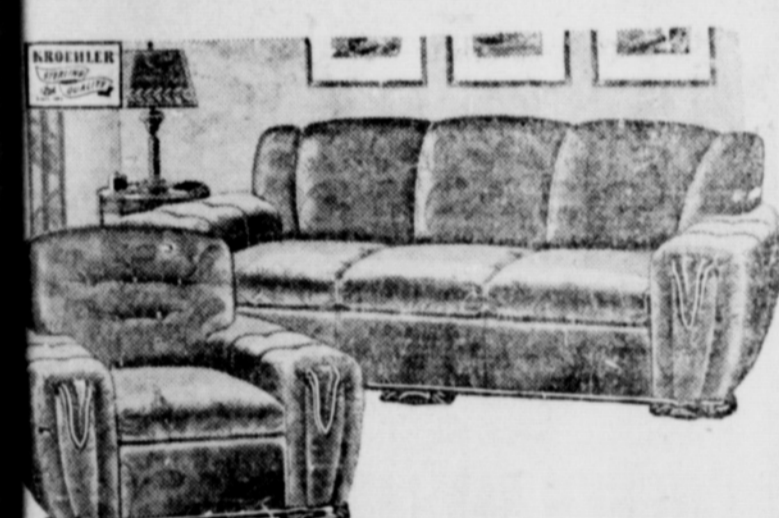
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BASKETBALL GAMES IN LOCAL GYM JANUARY 4

In a game Tuesday night, January fourth, at the local high school gymnasium, the Cross Plains boys basketball team defeated the Moran high school team by a score of 46 to 21.

The Cross Plains Girls team defeated the Bayou high school girls. Moran All Star team was defeated by the Cottonwood all stars with a final score of 34 to 16.

MOST OF YOUR FRIENDS AWAY?

If most of your friends are away now—in the service—doing war jobs—don't you feel left behind sometimes?

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Tuesday and Wed. Yes, this is the story of Heydrich, Hitler's hated HANGMAN!

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POULTRY MEET TO BE HELD IN BAIRD

There will be a poultry meeting held in the Courthouse at Baird, Saturday afternoon, January 15th, at 2:30, at which time turkey egg production will be discussed. Tur-

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FOR SALE: 6 kerosine brooders, automatic control; also drinking fountains and various size feed troughs; pitcher pump and 25 ft. of 1-4 inch galvanized pipe. O. W. Gray. (2tp)

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A HOUSE TO LEASE: one mile from town. Write Box 471 or see Bert Brown, Cross Plains, Tex. 2p

BABY CHICKS—book your baby chicks early. Every chick hatched from my flock, is guaranteed to be a U.S. R.O.P. sire chick and from high producing hens. I will be glad to take your order now for any future delivery date. Chicks hatched by Swift & Co. Hatchery Brownwood, Texas. Phone 19378. C. M. Garrett. (1fc)

FOR SALE: CASE two row planter and cultivator, three head work horses, 36 model FORD, good tires, four door. Would trade for truck or pickup. H. W. Strackbein, Cross Plains, Texas (3tp)

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FOR SALE: 100 White Leghorn hens. John Baum. (2tp)

key producers in adjoining counties are making egg production a profitable farm enterprise.

Mrs. Lee Swan, of Monahans, arrived here Sunday to visit friends and relatives this week.

FOR BETTER PRICES ON HIDES AND FURS BRING THEM TO L. H. HALL'S (3tp)

FOR SALE or LEASE: Farm about 8 miles Northeast of Cross Plains. Mrs. A. J. Olson, Cisco, Texas. (1fc)

FOR RENT: Bedrooms and light house-keeping apartment. See Dr. Mary L. Shelman (1tp)

FOR SALE: 2 registered Jersey cows, fresh in milk, giving 7 gallons per day; Also other grade cows. Tom Wade 7 miles East of Cross Plains on Northeast side of Country Club lake. (1fc)

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VISIT DENTIST TWICE A YEAR FOR SOUND TEETH SAYS DR. GEORGE W. COX

The fact that dental decay is likely to occur in the mouth of the average person, despite proper home care given the teeth, does not lessen the importance of brushing the teeth and massaging the gums daily, nor does it minimize the need for a cleaning and inspection of the teeth twice a year by the family dentist. Dr. George W. Cox, State Health Officer, says that the lack of these measures gives added power to germs that attack the enamel of the teeth and gum tissues.

"If, despite the proper application of such procedures, decay is suspected or teeth are injured in any way, the thoughtful person will seek the dentist's office promptly for the necessary corrective work," Dr. Cox said.

"It is surprising, though, even in these days of comparatively painless dentistry, that so many persons neglect to make good their dental defects, because they foolishly fear the discomfort they might experience in the dentist's chair," said the State Health Officer. "There are others who having lost a tooth or several teeth, make no effort to obtain replacements. Apparently they believe they can get along without them. Reduced masticating power, the annoyance and sometimes actual discomfort of chewing hard substances on the exposed gums, and crooked teeth are some of the possible consequences of gaps in the teeth."

Dr. Cox advised those who are interested in experiencing the best dental and bodily health possible, to give daily attention to their mouth and visit the dentist twice each year.

BANK STOCKHOLDERS IN ANNUAL MEETING TUESDAY AFTERNOON

Annual meeting of the stockholders of the Citizens State Bank was held Tuesday afternoon at which time all directors were elected for another year. Directors met immediately following the stockholders meeting and reelected all officers, however, added to the group was Miss Vida Armstrong, who was made assistant cashier.

The local bank experienced a very profitable year in 1943 and stockholders and directors expressed themselves as being well pleased with the progress. The Cross Plains bank is now considered one of the most liquid financial institutions in this state, and at the same time it has been repeatedly cited for the outstanding service to its territory.

Directors are: W. P. (Nick) Brightwell, S. D. DeBusk, Olan Montgomery, B. W. Webb, Marshall Newcomb, F. V. Tunnell and Edwin Baum. Officers are: W. P. Brightwell, president; F. V. Tunnell active vice-president; Edwin Baum, cashier; Mrs. Paul Lutzberger, assistant cashier and Miss Vida Armstrong, assistant cashier.

TIPS ABOUT ORANGES TO HOMEMAKERS BY DOROTHY WILKERSON

While oranges are plentiful again, homemakers should guard against wasting them...from the time they are selected until the last peel has been used.

There are a couple of things to remember in buying oranges, says Dorothy Wilkerson, Callahan county Home Demonstration Agent. If you want oranges to make juice for tomorrow morning's breakfast, the thin-skinned heavy oranges will furnish the most juice, or if you want some oranges to use in a fruit salad or in segments for other purposes, the heavy-skinned light-weight fruit will be the best buy.

A smooth skin free from rough or thick spots is an indication of good orange quality, but, strangely enough, the color of the skin has nothing to do with the quality of flavor. Some oranges have a stamp "Color added". This is because some oranges from Texas and Florida frequently reach maturity while the skin is still green in color.

The Agent laments that the waste of orange peel is truly tragic. Most people peel an orange and automatically throw away the outside, forgetting that the rind can be used for food. Candied orange peel is a delicacy and ground orange peel in a cranberry relish will be especially good with meats. And orange peel is always delicious in muffins, cookies and cake. It gives a new and tasty flavor. Oranges which are sour are "individual banks" of Vitamin C, and every person needs a constant supply of this vitamin.

Bobby Pretridge, of Rising Star visited friends in Cross Plains, Saturday before leaving for California for an extended visit with relatives.

FOR SALE: Good Jersey heifers and milk cows. Some milking and heavy springers ready to calf. At my barn all time. Also some shunts and piggy sows for sale. H. L. Hamilton. (1fc)

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MRS. HAPPY HOWELL HAS COCOANUT THAT CAN NOT BE BOUGHT

Mrs. M. E. (Happy) Howell, at the local Red and White Store has seen and handled a great many coconuts in her time, however, one came to her the other day which will remain forever a prized possession. It was one sent her by Seaman Second Class Ben R. Wagner, of this city, a former employee of the store who is now stationed at Miami, Florida.

The coconut was somewhat different from those ordinarily seen in stores here, for the outer husk was harder and slightly glazed. It was mailed without wrapping, having only a shipping tag tacked to the shell.

Seaman Wagner is the son of

2 SNOWS IN ONE WEEK IN CROSS PLAINS

Cross Plains sometimes has an entire Winter without a snow, however, two fell here in four days the past week. A blanket of whiteness arrived Sunday night and Saturday morning and remained on the ground Sunday afternoon. A second snow was falling over the territory Tuesday night.

Murrell Roach and J. R. Mery, of Rising Star, visited here last Wednesday morning.

SLAP THE JAP WITH SCRAP. YES IT WILL HELP LICK HITLER TOO. BRING IN ALL OLD IRON, COPPER, RUBBER, STEEL, ETC. IT WILL GO DIRECTLY INTO THE CHANNELS OF WAR PRODUCTION.

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-BUCKETS
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TOMATOES, No. 2 can 2 for 23c
LYE, Red and White 3 cans 25c
WASHO LARGE SIZE 21c
KRISPIE CRACKERS, 1 pound box 18c
BOLOGNA, Per Pound Only 20c
COFFEE, R&W 1 LB. PKG. 32c
OLEO, Blue&White or Banner 1lb 20c
MOTHERS PREMIUM OATS, 3 lbs. 28c
SUGAR, 10 LBS. (STP 30 NXT WK.) 65c
SPINACH, No. 2 can 14c
BLEACH, Cleaner and Disinfectant Qt. 15c
MEAL, CORN DODGER 10 LB. WHT 46c
SOAP, R&W Large Bars 6 for 27c
CORN, R&W No. 2 can 2 for 29c
BACON DECKERS, ARMOURS LB. 35c
LETTUCE, Firm Crisp Heads 11c

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Mrs. Ross Wagner of this city address is R. R. Wagner, 300 C. A. Beach Patrol, care of the Royal Palm Club, Miami.

Home Town Gossip

Oldies in Callahan county is about as active as overcoat in Ecuador. Seems none of present officials have decided for or not to seek another Leslie Bryant, county clerk, wanting to see if Uncle Sam will get his services in the military service, however, may be heard from in a few weeks.

From the oldsters fail to recall there has been so little politics here this late in January. In Texas this year will be for Lieutenant Governorship, which will be held by John Lee Smith, former Senator from this district. Several are known to be looking long at the office, holding their hands, just debating whether to fling them into the ring candidacy.

Withstanding the fact that the county is less active than usual, it will want and need a poll tax before the year is over, and it will remain but nine days in which this "certificate of citizenship" can be issued to you. Don't get mail that \$1.75 to the Tax Collector today, or drop it at the local bank and impose a fine on your good nature to attend this detail for you.

Although the quota for Callahan county in the fourth war campaign is less than was set in the third, many well formed persons in this county are pessimistic about our ability to reach the objective. They point out that the drive is right in the middle of tax paying time and ahead of the deadline for some tax remittances. Too, they argue, many agricultural incomes are a disappointment last year and farmers may not be able to tender as much of the assignment as heretofore. Another thing troubling these worriers is the huge portion of the quota which must necessarily be subscribed to "E" bonds.

All the foregoing is possibly true, however, we know the people of this county will not let their fighting sons down. Money is a small thing as compared with blood, sweat and tears being shed by Callahan county youths at the battlefields of the world. Callahan county can and MUST be this quota. It's worth a million to live in a county that's never failed to meet a war time assignment, and such a heritage is ours. Let's preserve it. Plan now to dig deep in those well worn purses and bring forth every cent possible to meet this quota. All we have bought before must be paid, and some who have never bought should now make the venture.

Yes, sub, let's meet the quota and again let the word go around the world to our fighting sons that their folks back home are behind them with their dollars, their prayers and their every effort and desire.

To Hymen's altar in the romantic chapel on the campus of CW at Denton Sunday morning, I liked a fine Cross Plains couple joined in wedlock. They were Miss Mildred Browning and T-Sgt. Ed J. Tunnell, both graduates of Cross Plains High school, where their romance had its beginning.

Her congratulations and every wish to the newly weds, the amount of which is victory and more earthly separation.

Glad to report that Doctors Powell and Gregoire have of man "Influenza" on the run in these parts and what one threatened to become a genuine epidemic is now only a shadow of what was feared. Congratulations, medicos, may your good work continue.

Mrs. Virgil Mann, of Colorado City, is visiting relatives and friends here this week.

CROSS PLAINS, CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS

4TH RA Drive Launch

GAME EVENT TO BE STAGED IN GYM ON NIGHT OF FEB. 28TH

McCuin & Edmondson Head Cross Plains Campaign; Half of Funds Stay Here

A. J. McCuin has been named chairman and O. B. Edmondson vice-chairman of a drive to raise funds throughout the Cross Plains territory in a nationwide fight on infantile paralysis. The campaign will be in keeping with the usual President's Birthday Ball observance.

In Cross Plains a game tournament is to be held in the high school gymnasium the night of January 28. A slight admission fee will be charged and all of the proceeds will go to the polio fight fund.

It is pointed out that half of the funds raised in this county remain here for hospitalization and care of infantile paralysis sufferers, and the remainder goes to various foundations for research in the fight and cure of the disease. Of the funds remaining here, it is pointed out that Callahan county had three children last year who were benefitted by the local money. All received medical attention which would have otherwise been unavailable, and all have since shown remarkable improvement.

In addition to the game tournament, receptacles have been placed at a number of local business concerns calling attention to the campaign and citizens are requested to drop dimes or other coins in these containers.

MISS BILLIE GRAHAM UNDERGOES OPERATION IN A BAIRD HOSPITAL

Miss Billie Graham, six year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Graham, of this city, is reported to be convalescing normally after undergoing an appendicitis operation in a Baird hospital last Tuesday morning, January 11, about ten o'clock.

Billie has been returned to her home here, and friends are wishing for her a speedy recovery.

Miss Katherine Hall arrived here Tuesday night from San Antonio, to spend several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira H. Hall.

Bible In Church Letter Handled

(Contributed by Mrs. H. W. Bowman, wife of Cross Plains Methodist pastor.)

Dear Sir: In writing this letter to you, I don't know where to start first. So many things have happened since I last wrote. Well, to begin with, I have escaped death at the hand of an enemy in a way so amazing I am still in a daze. You remember I told you when I knew I was going over, I was going over armed with the Bible? That Bible is the reason I am still here and able to write this letter to all America.

Here is the story: My buddy and I were sent out on duty with

Have You Remembered If Not You Should Do So