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LISTEN TO LUKE

By Albert ---
Time was when this day was celebrated as Armistice Day! Even though the day has almost been dropped from the history books there are those in whose memory it continues to live. And well it should!

We have taken some good-natured ribbing by our friends about our insistence for the past 25 years about trading at home. And we have taken some outright criticism from some other friends at our intermittent, but yet perpetual gripe. Sometimes we think of a newspaper as a personality and as a personality there are times when it needs to speak or by its silence it also speaks. Our selection of speaking out on this subject offered an alternative, but the alternatives would draw more criticism — and well they should — than the speaking, in our opinion.

What if our appeal ran like this?
Everybody in town ought to do everything they can to keep from buying anything in town! Sounds real good, doesn't it? It is the cry of one who would always be listed on the "best citizen of the year" roster. Or what if this encouragement to "buy at home" never came? Would our silence be commensurate with the action of a person who wanted to be on the "good citizen" roster? We know of no such roster and our actions in this vein have never been so that we would make the roster if one were begun. It is and has been based on a genuine interest in the town and in those with whom we do business.

Sanderson residents, both the persons in business and those in employment, and many of the former residents of Sanderson have seen what results when no effort is made to really support the town. We wonder what would happen if there were the effort reversed!

There is a short list of items that local residents must buy locally and business men locally are very aware of this fact, or should be. And local business men who are completely dependent on local trade — and who isn't — should be most aware of the necessity of trading at home.

The coin is two-sided. What is good for me is also good of me. We will go on trying to boost trading at home instead of silently or verbally boosting the alternative. Please don't be unhappy with us for it. Maybe it depends on how you look at it!

The area continues to be blessed with moisture, and the last spell, coming Sunday and accompanied by temperatures in the low 40s, was also welcomed, even though some of us don't like cold weather. We would be more than selfish to ask for only what we want, though, wouldn't we?

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Hanson have returned home from a 10-day trip to Hong Kong and Japan. More details of the trip will be given next week.



Brad Harrison
... wins A&M scholarship

Brad Harrison of Sanderson, a freshman agricultural engineering major at Texas A&M University, was recognized recently as a College of Agriculture Scholarship winner.

Dean H. O. Kunkel introduced him at a faculty and staff meeting for the college of Agriculture along with 36 other scholarship winners.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Felix E. Harrison. The scholarship was awarded in recognition of excellence in high school scholarship, leadership and character.

In high school Brad was vice-president and salutatorian of his senior class. He was also National Honor Society president, band president, winner of the John Philip Sousa Band Award and a member of his church choir. He was also active in basketball, track and football, winning football all-district honorable-mention his senior year.

Emergency Squad Meets, Plans For Special Schooling

The monthly meeting of the Sanderson Emergency Squad was Sunday afternoon in the fellowship hall at the Methodist Church. Arrangements have been made for the future meetings on the first Sunday of each month to be at 4:00 p. m. in the clinic.

Mrs. J. M. Davis presided at the meeting which was attended by Sheriff Bill C. Cooksey, W. G. Shoemaker, and Mmes. C. E. Litton, Irvin Robbins, Ray Clifford, and Dalton Hogg.

Mrs. Robbins was elected secretary of the organization. New jump-suit uniforms have been ordered for the members. Plans are being made for a phone system for the members, similar to that used by the members of the Volunteer Fire Department.

With no local doctor, the squad has been able to make arrangements with the Texas Department of Health for a school in January to learn emergency care. The school will also be open to the public.

Mr. and Mrs. James Clark and Tana visited with friends in Del Rio last weekend and in Comstock with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie McNutt.

ASC Committee Names Candidates

At their regular meeting November 3, the Terrell County ASC Committee completed a slate of nominees from which one committeeman will be elected Dec. 1. Nominees are Gilbert Bell, Herbert Brown, Pinky Carruthers, Monty Harkins, Aubry Harrell, and David Mitchell. Brown is the incumbent.

Ballots will be mailed to all known eligible voters about November 12. Anyone who thinks he is eligible to vote and does not receive a ballot should get in touch with the ASC office before the date set for the return of the ballots, December 1.

Tabulation will be made by the regular committee at 2:00 p. m. December 2, in the SCS office in Sanderson. Interested persons are welcome to attend the tabulation meeting.

The person who receives the most votes will be elected to the committee. Candidates receiving the second and third most votes will be elected the first and second alternates respectively.

Writing in the name of a person you know would be willing to serve if elected is permissible.

Clarence Jessup and Lee Dudley are the committee members whose terms do not expire this year.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE DATE IS SET FOR NOV. 22

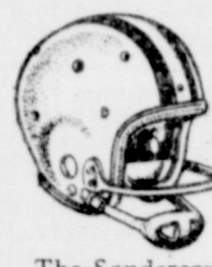
Monday, November 22, is the date that has been set for the community Thanksgiving Service, which was formerly set for Tuesday night, Nov. 23.

The date was changed due to a conflict with a pre-scheduled basketball game.

Other details of the service will be announced later.

QUAIL SEASON SET

Quail season in Terrell County will run from November 13 to February 15, according to information received from Burt Williams, local officer with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. Limit is 12 birds per day and 24 in possession.



Eagles Outscore Socorro 49-12; Season Finale On Friday Night

The Sanderson Eagles blasted the Socorro Bulldogs in their football game here Friday night. The final score was 49-12.

Sanderson scored a pair of touchdowns in each of the first three quarters and only one during the final period. The first score was set up by a 40-yard run by Juan Saenz, halfback, and quarterback James Druse went over the goal line from 3 yards out. Bill Mott kicked the extra point. The second score was begun by Druse who threw a pass to halfback Jim Cash. The play was good for 13 yards and a score and Bill Mott again converted the extra point with a kick.

In the second period Druse threw to Steve Litton, end, for a pass and 6-yard touchdown play. The PAT kick try was blocked. Druse ran 18 yards for the second score of that period and for the 2 points extra pitched out to Saenz who went into the end zone for the bonus.

Socorro's first score was in the second period when the quarterback, David Eudaly, plunged over from the 1-yard mark.

CONFERENCE TUESDAY

The charge conference, formerly known as the quarterly conference, will be held at the First United Methodist Church Tuesday evening at 7:00 o'clock. Dr. B. C. Goodwin of Carlsbad will preside at the conference. All members of the administrative board, officers and members are urged to attend.

Mrs. E. H. Jessup returned home from Barksdale Sunday after visiting with her son, Lowell Jessup, and daughter, Mrs. C. W. Carson, Jr., and their families while she had some work done on her house there.

Mike Chavez has been in an Alpine hospital for medical treatment for the past month and is slightly improved.

Their try for the point-after failed, and Sanderson had a 28-6 lead at half-time.

During the third frame Druse plunged over behind Ronnie Stewart, center, from inches out and then lateralled to Chago Flores, tailback, who threw a pass to Randy Louwien, end, for the bonus points. Later Louwien caught a pass from Druse and went into the end zone, the play good for 21 yards. The extra-point try was again blocked.

Socorro's second touchdown led the scoring of the last quarter and was on a 10-yard run by Richard Ortiz. The try for bonus points again failed.

The final tally for the Eagles was a pass from Druse to Pat Mott, good for eight yards and the score. Ike Billings kicked the extra point.

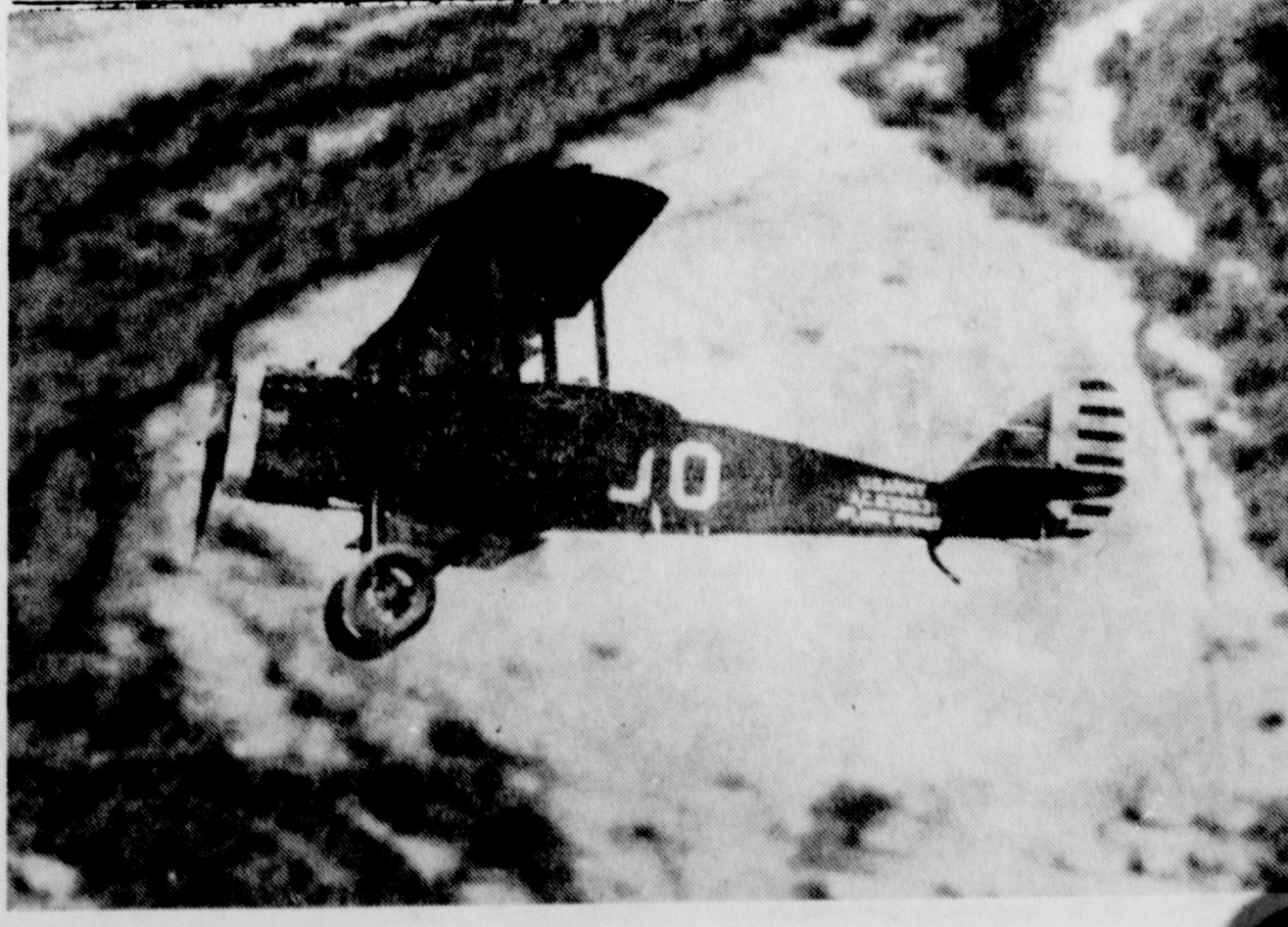
Coach Willie Myers used all the varsity squad and had the junior varsity team suited out, using all of them during the final period at times. Tommy Hall, Norman Gladson, and Don Ivey are the assistant coaches.

The Eagles used all of the senior players as co-captains, assisting Flores and Louwien, elected captains for the final game at home. They included Druse, Stewart, Chriesman, Damon Harrison, Steve Litton, Pat Mott, and Louwien.

Prior to the game, the players were introduced with their dads or stand-ins as they walked onto the field with the dads wearing a number corresponding to their son's jersey number.

The Eagles will go to Rankin for their final game of the season on Friday night. Rankin was bested by Iraan last Friday night in their only defeat of the season. Iraan is the only undefeated team in the district at this time.

A DH4, DeHavilland, airplane is pictured below in flight in this area. This is the kind of airplane flown by the 90th Aero Squadron which was stationed at Sanderson right after World War I. The picture is from a Sul Ross Bulletin.



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Twenty-five Eaglettes began their practice for the coming basketball season. Wayne Mitchell is coaching the girls until Norman Gladson is through with his coaching duties of the B-team footballers.

The roster of aspirants to the team include: Jackie Bob Riggs, Vangie Calzada, Glenda Shoemaker, Susi Robbins, Alice Goldwire, Sheryl Stewart, Maje Harrison, Glenma Couch, Wynne Massey, Darlene Vawter, Janice Carter, Peggy Louwien, Maris Babb, Delma Montalvo, Linda Hagelgans, Nancy Shoemaker, Elaine Brown, Nancy Ortiz, Janet Harrell, Debra Druse, Vonda Wallace, Sheri Hanson, Debbie Carson, Tanna Clark. Rosalie Kerr and Hanna Sullivan are managers.

The first two named are seniors, five juniors, seven sophomores, and 11 freshmen comprise the list of Eaglettes.



To Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Freeman was born their second child and son, William Scott, in an Alpine hospital on Friday, November 5. His birth weight was seven pounds and five ounces.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Banner are the maternal great-grandparents of the new arrival and Mrs. G. W. Kyle is the maternal grandmother. Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Freeman are the paternal grandparents.

Mrs. Freeman and the baby have been brought home.

To Mr. and Mrs. Don Lockridge of Milford, In., was born their first child, a daughter, on Thursday, October 28. Her birth weight was seven pounds and half an ounce and her name is Kimberly Nicole.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. (Buddy) Dunman are the maternal grandparents of the new arrival and Mrs. J. R. Blackwelder the maternal great grandmother. Mrs. Lockridge is the former Ora Dee Dunman.



Mrs. Donald Tulk ... in national competition

Mrs. Donald Tulk was chosen by secret vote as the sweetheart of Alpha Theta Alpha when the group met Tuesday of last week in the Legion Hall. Her picture has been submitted to the international office as a candidate for national sweetheart.

Present at the meeting were Mmes. Zane McDonald, Burt Williams, B. L. Melton, Stephen Young, Barry Pendleton, A. N. Farley, Bill O'Rourke,

and Tulk.

The group discussed the selling of their Holiday Cookbooks, having posters in town for those interested in buying one of the books.

It was also decided that a cancer film would be shown at a future meeting.

Mrs. Melton was hostess and served pie and fruit salad with tea and coffee.

The sorority had a covered-dish supper for the members and their families in the Legion Hall Saturday evening. Thirty-four attended the fund-raising affair, also several guests, including Mrs. Charles Hornsby and children, Mrs. Louise Causey, honorary member, and Mrs. A. N. Farley of Houston.

Bouquets of fall flowers provided decorations on the ta-

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Everyone is cordially invited to attend the mission, which will be conducted each evening at 7:00 o'clock.

MISION PREDICANDO

Rev. Alberto Fuytinck C. S. S. R. predicara una mision en la iglesia Catolica de St. James en Sanderson principando el Domingo 14 de Noviembre al 21 de Noviembre.

Todos estan cordialmente invitados a atender esta mision que sera conducida cada tarde a las 7:00.

WEST TEXAN MOTEL SELLS

Floyd McNair of Brady is the new owner of the West Texan Motel, on US 90 west, according to R. W. Henderson, the former owner. The change of ownership was this week.

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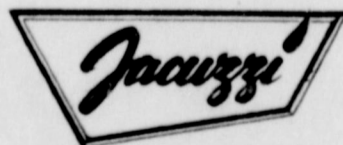
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Ranch Club Meets Tuesday Last Week

Miss Eva Billings opened the meeting of the Ranch Home Demonstration Club with prayer when the meeting was held in the Legion Hall last Tuesday morning. Mrs. Ray Caldwell gave the "thought for the day".

Roll call was answered with "Facts on Terrell County".

The members who had made items to display for "Christmas ideas", told of their items and then added them to the display arranged on tables.

Mrs. K. H. Stutes was elected as delegate to the Pecos County Council.

A correction is being made in previous plans of the club in that the members will bring gifts to exchange at the Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Bob Allen and will also bring "white elephant gifts".

Mrs. John Sandifer was welcomed as a new member.

Other guests attending were Mmes. Zane McDonald, R. A. Harrison, C. B. Card, and Melissa Card.

The Thanksgiving motif was noted in the decorations for the lunch served at noon on tables covered with cloths and also napkins in the motif. On one table was a large arrangement of fall flowers in an amber bowl and there was a bouquet of chrysanthemums on the mantel. Mrs. R. A. Harrison gave the invocation.

Hostesses were Mmes. Stutes, Caldwell, and A. K. Bradford Jr. They added potato chips, relishes, coffee, tea, and cake to the covered-dishes brought by the members.

Also present were Mmes. J. W. Sanders, Bob Allen, H. E. Ezelle, T. W. McKenzie, H. A. Gatlin, Bryan O'Banion, and T. H. Eastman. Luncheon guests were Mmes. H. A. Mullings, L. H. Gilbreath, and Mr. Sanders.

Altar Society Names Officers for Year

New officers were elected when the Altar Society of St. James Church met Sunday evening in the rectory.

Mrs. K. H. Stutes presided and Rev. John Pierce gave the opening prayer.

Mrs. Stutes was re-elected as president; Mrs. C. H. Stavley, vice-president; Mrs. Burt Williams, secretary; Mrs. Charles Stavley, treasurer.

Plans were made to have the semi-annual cake and pie sale on Monday, December 13, at the Community Public Service Company office.

Other members present were Mrs. Jim Kerr and Mrs. P. G. Harris, Sr.

SURPRISE PARTY GIVEN OCHOAS, RANGELS

A group of friends planned a surprise going-away party for Mr. and Mrs. Abelardo Ochoa and Mr. and Mrs. Tony Rangel when they recently moved to Houston. They came in a body to the Ochoa home and provided a money-tree for the occasion instead of gifts. They also brought refreshments of sandwiches, cake, cookies, and cold drinks. About 30 attended.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Nunnally of Rockdale visited her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Shoemaker, and family recently.

Wednesday Bridge Club

Chrysanthemums decorated the party rooms in the home of Mrs. Fred Barrett when she was hostess to the Wednesday Bridge Club last week and served a luncheon at 1:00 o'clock.

Mrs. W. J. Murrah was winner of high score prize and shared slam with Mrs. Worth Evans; Mrs. C. P. Peavy was second high, and Mrs. Jim Kerr low.

Also present were Mmes Jack Riggs, J. T. Williams, Gilbert Bell, Tol Murrah, Austin Nance, Worth Odom, Edward Kerr, R. S. Wilkinson.

MASONS TO BE HONORED

All Masons and their families are invited to a supper on Saturday night at the Masonic Hall honoring local Masons.

Mrs. A. J. Pagitt, matron of the Sanderson Star Chapter, all of whom are hostesses for the occasion, urged all who could to be present at the hall at 7:00 p. m.

LIBRARY WORKSHOP

There will be a library workshop here on Thursday, November 18, from 9:00 a. m. to 2:00 p. m. The meeting will be in the fellowship hall of the First United Methodist Church.

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Thursday Bridge Club

Mrs. W. H. Goldwire was acting hostess for the bridge party arranged for the Thursday Club by Mrs. C. H. Stavley in the dining room at the Oasis Restaurant last week. Arrangements of yellow chrysanthemums decorated the room.

Those attending were Mmes. Vic Littleton, Mark Duncan, Worth Odom, K. B. Kothmann, F. J. Barrett, G. E. Babb, Tol Murrah, Jim Kerr, Weldon Cox, Carlton White, W. D. O'Bryant, and Goldwire.

High score in the card games was held by Mrs. Littleton, who shared slam with Mrs. White; Mrs. Babb was second high, and Mrs. Cox, low.

Refreshments of coconut and chocolate pies, tea, and coffee were served.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Stumberg were business visitors in San Antonio the first of last week.

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U. T. U. Auxiliary Names New Officers

New officers, who will assume their duties on January 1, were elected when the U. T. U. Auxiliary met Monday afternoon in the Masonic Hall in regular monthly business session.

Mrs. Zane McDonald will serve as president; Mrs. Donald Tulk, vice-president; Mrs. Roland McDonald, secretary; Mrs. Charles Hornsby, treasurer; Mrs. J. M. Davis, conductor; Mrs. Silvestre Silvas, warden; Mrs. Ronnie Hall, chaplain; Mrs. Johnny Hogg, inner guard; Mrs. A. K. Bradford Jr., outer guard. Mrs. R. R. McClellan is currently the president.

After adjournment, the group went to Admiral's Steak House

where they were served pie and coffee for refreshments.

Those present were Mmes. McClellan, Barry Pendleton, A. C. Garner, Hornsby, Hall, Irvin Robbins, R. R. McDonald, J. M. Davis, F. C. Grigsby, Hogg, Silvas, Tulk, and Bradford.

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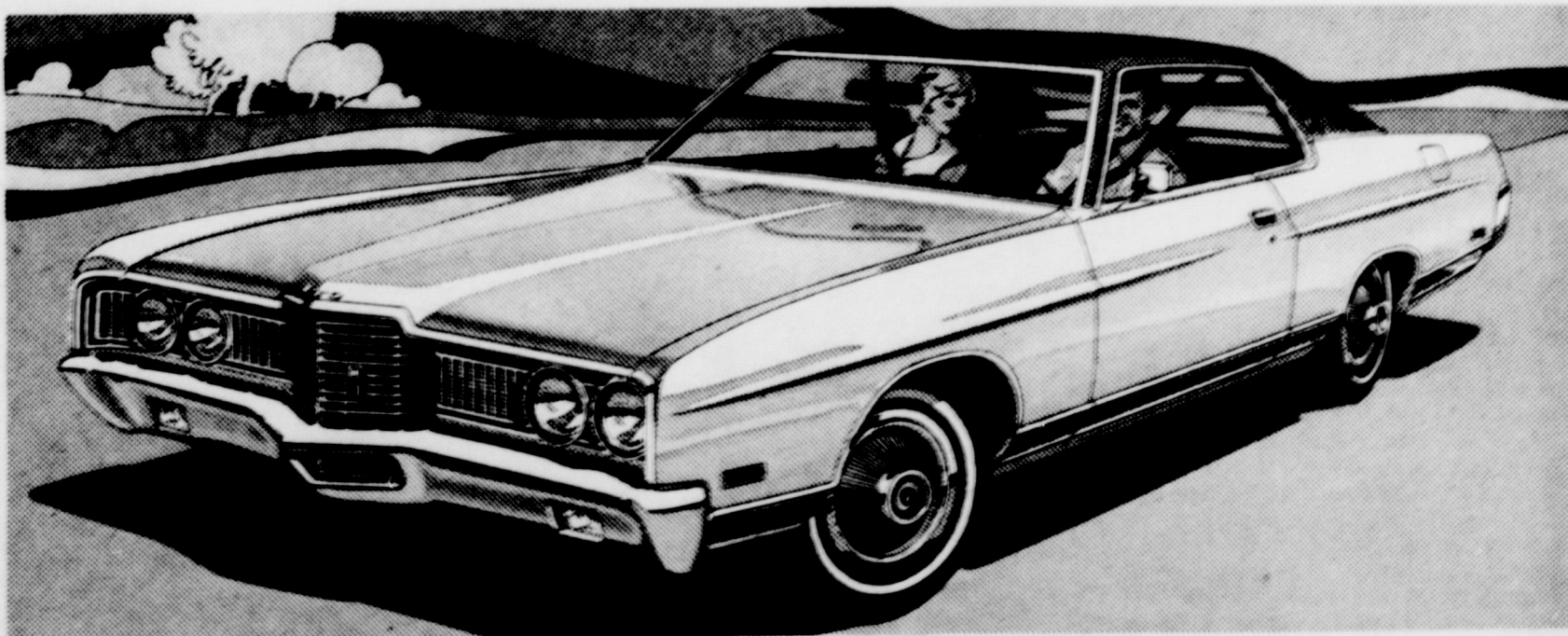
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 and Mrs. L.H. Gilbreath made
 a business trip to Fort Stockton
 Saturday.

Leslie Hall, freshman at
 Angelo State University, was
 a weekend visitor here with
 his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L.R.
 Hall, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Sudduth
 and Miss Nelda Kay Sudduth
 visited in San Antonio the first
 of the week with her mother,
 Mrs. H.D. Price, and her sis-
 ter, Mrs. M. C. Dye, and fam-
 ily.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. McKenzie
 visited in Wichita Falls for sev-
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Recent Experience Of Glenn Haynes Related In Letter

SP5 Glenn E. Haynes, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Haynes, who has been serving 18 months in Vietnam as a helicopter crew chief, was recently the recipient of a Soldier's Medal on October 24. His crew received the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Haynes arrived home this week for a 30-day furlough before his next station stateside. The following is from a letter received by his parents on Monday of this week.

"It was the other morning, Oct. 20, 1971, about 9:30 in the morning. A pilot, co-pilot, gunner, and I were going on a scouting mission for a new landing zone up north. We had flown about 2 1/2 hours when we received an alert call over the radio from another helicopter that was in trouble about two miles to our east side. The pilot of the other ship just had enough time to relay his message before crashing. He stated that they had taken rounds (bullets) in the engine area from an unknown source and that they were going down in a rice paddy at a certain location. He and the co-pilot were the only ones on board. Then I guess they hit because we lost transmission with them. We got to the area as fast as we could but the ship was already burning. I felt sick at my stomach! We landed and I don't know if anything was said by anybody in our ship except as I jerked my flight helmet off I heard our pilot calling in our position to Cobra gunships. The next thing I realized I was out running toward the wreckage of the other aircraft in water and muck up to the tops of my boots. The co-pilot had gotten under my weapon and he and the gunner were firing lead giving me cover in the direction most suspected that the V. C. ground-fire came from. We had landed about 30 yards from the wreckage of the other aircraft. As I got closer I could see the pilot trying to free himself of his shoulder harness and seat belt. I helped him get free enough to crawl out and a few feet from the aircraft. Then I went to the co-pilot's side and found he was unconscious. I freed him and halfway drug and carried him to our aircraft. I remember thanking God he wasn't much bigger than I and seemed to about the same weight. I started plunging back through the mud and water toward the other man to try and help him. I almost cried with relief because two Cobra gunships had arrived circling the area giving us warm protection. When I finally got back to the other man he had crawled about 15 yards in the mud and water

toward our aircraft. When I managed to get him almost on my shoulder and back I told him: "Hang on, buddy, we have it made". I noticed how he was looking and trying to smile. I'll never forget his expression as though I was the first human being he had seen in quite some time. I am sure his expression was the reason I found energy and willpower enough to get us both to and in the aircraft. Before I was halfway in our pilot was pulling pitch and we had climbed to a couple hundred feet. I glanced one more time at the wreckage of the other aircraft which had almost completely burned. I put my flight helmet on with the last bit of my energy and heard the pilot calling in the men's condition and place we were going to medicate them. Then he told me to relax and for the co-pilot to give all the First Aid possible to the two men until we could medicate them to a hospital. They were taken off our hands there and we returned to our home airfield. I'll always believe God was flying crewchief, gunner or passenger with those two men. The last I heard they were doing fine and had high morale.

A few days after that I received the "Soldier's Medal". The rest of my crew received the "Distinguished Flying Cross. I still can't believe it happened. Can you? I have a pair of muddy boots under my bed, then so I guess it did. Huh??"

Personals . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan O'Banion returned home Sunday after visiting in Luling with their daughter, Mrs. Duane Otto, and family and in Houston with their son, Jim O'Banion, and family. They saw their grandson, Duane O'Banion, play in a football game between Deer Park and South Houston and stopped at their home in Prairie Lea before returning to Sanderson.

Mrs. Ben Martin fractured a bone in her ankle when she fell after stepping out of the door at her mobile home Friday afternoon. She was taken to the doctor in Fort Stockton for X-rays Saturday by her grandson, Bobby Martin, and will return Thursday for the foot to be put in a cast.

Visitors in the Bill C. Cooksey residence last weekend were their children, Eric Cooksey, who is a student at The University of Texas in El Paso, and Miss Candace Cooksey, a student at Angelo State University.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Harrison and her niece, Lisa Stavley, visited in College Station last weekend with the Harrison's son, Brad, who is a freshman in Texas A&M University.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Grigsby visited with relatives in Crystal

City and San Angelo last week and then Saturday went to Alpine to visit with his mother, Mrs. Lee Grigsby, who is in a nursing home there.

Attending the "chili cook-off" in Terlingua Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Ruel Adams, Mrs. W. H. Grigsby, and Mrs. W. H. Savage, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Harrell, and Willis Harrell.

Mr. and Mrs. Ruel Adams were business visitors in Odessa Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clement Hardin of Houston were visitors here last week with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Savage.

Mrs. R. A. Harrison and Mrs. W. H. Savage attended the meeting of the Presbyterian of the Big Bend in Alpine last week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Wilkinson left Monday afternoon for Waelder to attend funeral services for her aunt, Mrs. May Borrer, 90, of that city. Word of her death came to the Wilkinsons Sunday. She had been in a Waelder hospital for three weeks following a series of strokes.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Treloar have returned home from Temple where he had a medical check-up for a back ailment. He is unable to work yet.

Mr. and Mrs. Zane McDonald went to San Antonio Tuesday for him to have a medical check-up.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Garner and daughter, Kay, of Odessa were weekend visitors with her mother, Mrs. Frank K. Harrell.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Cox returned home Monday from Meridian where they had visited over the weekend with their daughter, Mrs. Charlotte Martin, and girls.

LOCAL MOTEL SELLS

Announcement is made this week of the sale of Sunset Siesta Motel by Clayton Stubblefield to Mr. and Mrs. Mike Armstrong of Sierra Blanca effective November 1. Stubblefield owned the business approximately a year.

CARD OF THANKS

Thanking everyone for the lovely gifts, flowers, and cards that were sent to me during my recent illness, also for the calls, visits, and food. I truly appreciate everything that was done for me.

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JUNIOR HIGH CAGERS

The junior high school girls basketball aspirants began practicing recently under the direction of Larry DeVasto.

The list of girls includes Jo Ann Hagelgans, Mary Escudero, Patti Hope, Joanna James, Paula Kilpatric, Lali Marquez, Rosella Marquez, Veronica Munoz, Yolanda Rodriguez, Christina Salazar, Belle Siemer, Bryanann Stavley, Gaye Ten Eyck, Rayline Thompson, Debbie Tulk, Marla Bell, Rosa Carrillo, Susan Duarte, Elva Hernandez, Esmeraldo Luevano, Alicia Montalvo, Tammy Moses, Debbie Sanchez, Susan Walton, and Isabel Ybarra.

MISS YOLANDA RODRIGUEZ IS PARTY HONOREE

Miss Yolanda Rodriguez was honored with a party Saturday evening in the St. James Parish Hall. The occasion was her fifteenth birthday and the hosts were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Entimio Rodriguez.

Thirty guests attended and enjoyed dancing to recorded music and playing games.

Refreshments of punch, sandwiches, potato chips, and cup cakes were served.

Miss Rodriguez opened her gifts and placed them on a table for display.

AMONG OUR SUBSCRIBERS

New subscribers to The Times include Julia Zepeda of Sanderson; Dr. J. F. Savajda, Alpine; Mrs. Flo Falcon of North Richland Hills, Texas.

Renewals have come from Jack Kilpatric, Marshall Cooke, Tommy Lowrance, H. C. Cates, and Miss Ernestina Carrasco of Sanderson; Frank Turner, Graham; Rev. Bob Moon, Hillsboro; Mrs. Marvin Drum, Garland.

Presbyterian Circles Meet This Week

Circle I of the Presbyterian Women of the Church met in the fellowship hall Monday afternoon with Mrs. N. M. Mitchell, chairman pro-tem, presiding. She opened the meeting with prayer and the hymn "Love Divine" was sung.

Mrs. R. A. Gatlin passed out leaflets pertaining to the "Advent of Tryst" which will begin November 27.

Mrs. E. H. Jessup led in prayer before presenting the program on "The Song of the Vineyard" based on Isaiah 5: 1-7. Mrs. R. A. Harrison led the dismissal prayer.

During the social hour, Mrs. C. C. Mitchell, hostess, served orange ripple cake, congealed salad, party crackers, iced tea, and coffee for refreshments.

Also present were Mmes. G. K. Mitchell, H. A. Couch, E. E. Farley, E. F. Pierson, W. H. Savage, W. H. Grigsby, A. H. Zuberbueler, and Leola Hill, and Mrs. Beulah Broadus of Irving, a guest.

Circle II met in the home of Mrs. Eddie Hanson. Mrs. N. M. Mitchell Jr. was moderator for the program on "Song of the Vineyard".

Mrs. Hanson served sweet rolls, tea, and coffee to Mesdames Mitchell, E. E. Harkins Jr., J. A. Gilbreath, Jolly Harkins, Joe N. Brown, and F. D. Fisher.

Mrs. Ernest Couch and Mrs. H. P. Boyd were business visitors in Fort Stockton Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Cox spent the weekend at Lake Amistad meeting his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. McCright, of Sweetwater and his niece, Mrs. Wes Perry, with her husband and two daughters of Midland.

Miss Marsha Monroe, a student at Angelo State University, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reg Monroe, last weekend.

Baptist Women Have Bible Study

The Baptist Women met at the church on November 9 for their regular monthly Bible study. Mrs. O. D. Gray, mission support chairman, gave the call to prayer and opened the meeting with prayer.

Rev. E. H. Carson led the study entitled "The Meaning of Mission" based on Matthew 28: 16-20, the great commission of Jesus.

In a brief business meeting, members voted to contribute \$10 to the Baptist Student Union at Sul Ross toward helping students attend the annual BSU Convention in Austin.

Mrs. A. D. Brown voiced the closing prayer. Also present were Mmes. E. H. Jessup, R. F. Kuethe, Gene Black, P. L. Eggleston, G. W. Kyle, A. N. Farley, and E. H. Carson.

TO HISTORY GROUP MEET

One member of the Terrell County Historical Survey Committee recently attended the annual meetings of the Texas State Historical Survey Committee and the Texas Historical Foundation, held in Del Rio October 29 and 30.

Attending from Sanderson was Mrs. W. H. Grigsby.

One of the highlights of the convention was a tour of prehistoric Indian pictographs at the Fate Bell Rockshelter not far from Del Rio.

Among the talks and discussions given was "Archeology in the Amistad Reservoir Area," which covered that region in which the prehistoric pictographs are located.

"State Legislation Affecting Historical Preservation" was the topic of another talk.

Mrs. Clyde Carter took her mother, Mrs. Sadie Welling, to Alpine last week for medical attention.

TO SELL COOKBOOKS

Mrs. Donald Tulk, president of Alpha Theta Alpha sorority, announced that her group's new "Holiday Cookbook" is now on sale. Proceeds from the sale will go to the Memorial Park.

More than 900 homemakers all over the nation have contributed their favorite recipes for this cookbook. Filled with photographs of food dishes, it contains sections on all holidays.

Special features include cooking charts and measuring guides, full-color washable covers, an easy-to-use spiral binding, and a large 7 x 10-inch page size. The 288-page book will be sold for \$3.50 a copy.

Mrs. Bryant Melton, cookbook chairman, says the new cookbook will be available from any of the group's members.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Gatlin made a business trip to Fort Stockton Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Lowther Jr. and children of Fort Stockton were weekend visitors with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Thorn.

Miss Gina Hardgrave, a sophomore majoring in biology at Lubbock Christian College, has been elected treasurer of her class. She is also a member of Alpha Epsilon Chi, women's social club, and the Collegiate Chorale. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hardgrave.

Charles Fletcher has finished his courses at the Spartan School of Aeronautics in Tulsa, Okla., and is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Fletcher, and family before going to work.

Mrs. F. N. Wise, Mrs. Fletcher's mother, is also a visitor in their home.



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Notes from the Big Bend

by Ro Wauer
Chief Park Naturalist

The 1971 Labor Day weekend will always be a memorable one to me because it marked my first river trip through the lower canyons of the Rio Grande. Sites between Black Gap and Pinky Carruthers' Bonewater Crossing now are more than just place names on a map.

Maravillas Creek, as an example, had long been significant to me (after all, it carries water from a great section of the Big Bend Country after rains), but its extensive mouth at the Rio Grande was even more meaningful. Maravillas marks the end of the northerly stretch of the river, which, below this tributary, flows easterly toward the Pecos and the gulf. I recalled Dr. Robert T. Hill's description of Maravillas his 1899 trip through the Rio Grande Canyons (Century Magazine, 1901) when he wrote that the creek was a "horrible desert arroyo, leading northward for one hundred miles or more to Marathon. . . Now and then, in the intervals of years, great floods pour down its stony bottom, giving the boulders and other desert debris a further push toward the Rio Grande and the sea. Such floods, however, are so unusual and sporadic that I have never found a man who knew this stream to run from source to mouth".

Just across from our put-in-spot is Castle Butte, a prominent landmark on the Mexican side of the river. Bob Burleson, our capable river guide, cook, and historian, told us about the legend of the "Lost Negro Gold Mine". Ranchers sent their Negro handyman out to round up some lost horses in the vicinity of Castle Butte. Although no horses were found, after much time the handyman returned to the ranch with his pockets bursting with gold nuggets. His gold was taken and he was chastized for returning without the horses. Later, when the gold was assayed and found to be of exceptional high grade, the cowboys went looking for the handyman who could not be found. Although a search for more of the valuable ore was undertaken, the "mine" was not found.

Below Maravillas, the Rio Grande flows through an area romantically known as Las Vegas de los Ladrones (Outlaw Flat) for several miles before approaching the spectacular cliffs of Big Canyon. Below Big Canyon the river flows through spectacular canyons for the next 40 to 60 miles. We found a deserted wax camp at the mouth of Big Canyon, and just down river, at the mouth of Reagan Canyon, was the remains of an old Indian midden and a deserted river rider's shack.

We camped below Asa Jones waterworks the second night. Few sites attest to man's ingenuity like this ingenious pumping operation. Asa, a local rancher during the first half of the century, built a device to haul water from a spring at the water's edge to the top of the cliff. Two series of pipelines, between pumping stations, carried valuable water to a holding tank almost 1,000 feet above the river. Other watering tanks located about the ranch were supplied from this one. A candelilla wax camp, complete with tanks and jacal ruins, still lies adjacent to the holding tank at the top of the cliff. All of this we were able to climb to via an old trail cut

into the cliff face. The historic site and the view from on top would have made a hike 10 times its length worth the time and effort.

Just below Asa Jones' waterworks is a large hot springs and one of the largest rapids of the Rio Grande. Although Hot Springs Rapid doesn't compare with Santa Elena's Rock Slide, it has all of the excitement of a "big river" rapid. About 50 yards below the rapid on the Mexican side of the river, is the hot springs. Needless to say, all of the crew utilized this beautiful warm water pond to fill our jugs and to bathe our dirty bodies. We departed with a relaxed spirit and a desire to see more of this rugged wilderness.

Burro Bluff rises more than 1,200 feet in a sheer cliff directly above Upper Madison Rapids and our Sunday night camping place. At the downstream side of the bluff is an old trail built there for access to the Texas side. The Schupbach Trail winds upward to a view up and down the river reminiscent of the view into Utah's Goosenecks of the San Juan. It was the most exciting part of the trip to me. Although rapids have their special brand of exciting sensations and harrowing moments, there is nothing like a grand view from the top of the world. Even the beautiful and fascinating places beyond Burro Bluff, such as Horseshoe Falls, Panther Canyon, and San Francisco Creek, did not compare with the view from the heights of Burro Bluff.

I came home with a great deal more understanding and respect for the Big Bend Country and its varied features of river and canyons. Hill described the lower canyons well when he said, "the sculpture is marked by queer, eccentric pinnacles projecting above the ragged skyline. . . spires, fingers, needles, natural bridges, and every conceivable form of peaked and curved rocks." I can only add that it is too bad that the lower canyons of the Rio Grande were not included with those canyons within the National Park in 1942 - they are of equal beauty and their wildness needs preservation.

File Boxes at The Times

Carlsbad Caverns Schedules Noted

Superintendent Donald Dayton has announced that the winter tour schedule has been resumed at Carlsbad Caverns National Park, effective September 7.

Under the winter schedule, there are four complete "walk-in" tours offered daily - beginning at 8:30, 10:00, and 11:30 a. m., and at 1:00 p. m.; and five "Big Room" tours are offered, beginning at 9:00 and 11:45 a. m., and at 12:30, 2:00, and 3:10 p. m.

Two special photographic tours are also featured for the benefit of those wishing to take flash or time exposure photographs. The photo tours start at 8:45 a. m. and 2:05 p. m. daily.

A special "Scenic Rooms" tour beginning at 3:15 each afternoon makes it possible for visitors arriving too late for the last complete "walk-in" tour to visit the Green Lake Room, King's Palace, Queen's Chamber, and Papoose Room, in addition to the Big Room.

The Bat Flight programs will continue to be presented at the Cavern entrance amphitheatre each evening through September.

History of Aero Sadr.

The history of the 464th Aero Squadron, A. S. A. is very colorful, but brief, according to information received from the Military Archives Division of the General Services Administration. The information was obtained with the help of Rep. Richard C. White.

The written history of the organization is solely of the activity of the group during WWI, but military records also show that the same organization was given the duty of construction of the Sanderson Air Station.

That unit arrived in Sanderson November 3, 1919, and was engaged in the construction of the air station here until July 1, 1920.

The written history states the organization was formed at Kelly Field, San Antonio by a vocal order of the commanding officer of Kelly Field on August 7, 1917. The officers of that organization from the date of its conception to April 22, 1919, are listed, but no enlisted men are named.

The unit departed from the U. S. on October 13, 1917, arriving in Liverpool, England October 29, 1917, after leaving New York on the ship "Pannonia". It departed from Brest, France, April 23, 1919, arriving on the "U. S. S. Frederick" in Hoboken, N. J. on May 3, 1919.

The history of the overseas service of the 464th Aero Squadron, which was responsible for the construction of the Sanderson Air Station, was interesting and colorful.

Quoting the entire text of this phase of the organization is as follows:

"During the two months this Squadron spent in the U. S., preparatory to embarkation for the A. E. F., they did the usual fatigue duties and close order drill. Squadron passed through England but did not stop except at rest camps. It's (sic) first actual work was at Issoudon, France, at the Third Aviation Instruction Center

where it erected the steel water tower, 197 ft. high, the Aero Repair(sic) Shop, a building 436 ft. by 66 ft., which was the largest building at this field, two Y. M. C. A. huts, the guard house, a number of barracks, both French and American types, and several Bessemer Hangars. The Squadron was at this field almost five months and had about two weeks liberty. During this time the men were quartered in a canvas hangar and slept on the ground.

"At Romorantin, France, known as the Air Service Production Center #2, the Squadron erected two steel warehouses each about 66 ft. by 435 ft., two Y. M. C. A. huts, of 13,000 ft. floor space each and a large number of barracks of different types. One of the steel warehouses was completed in 410 working hours. Squadron was on this field about two months during which time they were quartered in frame barracks and slept in double tier bunks.

The next move of the Squadron was to Orly, Seine, American Aviation Acceptance Park #1, arriving there in the latter part of May, 1918, while the field was still a farm and assisted in the erection of the entire plant, which consisted of the erection of steel hangars, warehouses, barracks, etc. and the installation of electric lighting, drainage and water systems and the construction of roads, etc. (sic) Practically all the work on this field was supervised by the non-commissioned officers of this squadron, the best construction record on the field was made by this organization when they erected four steel hangars, 66 ft. by 100 ft. each, in 41 working hours with 70 men.

"The squadron spent four months on this field which was 10 kilometers from Paris. At this time Paris and vicinity were being bombed almost nightly, besides the "Big Bertha" was shelling the city. The Organization was therefore subject to air attacks and

many night's sleep was disturbed by enemy air raids.

At Chatenay-sur-Seine this and one other squadron erected the whole camp consisting of five warehouses of teel(sic) and frame construction each about 60 ft. by 500 ft., about twenty barracks and other buildings, with water system and electric plant. This Squadron was at this field when the Armistice was signed and all construction work stopped. The Squadron was then assigned to the Supply Department and assisted with the crating and shipping of ablut(sic) six-hundred cars of air-plane parts. They left this field April 6th, 1919 for Brest, France, for embarkation to the United States.

"The Squadron participated in athletics. The Squadron Foot-ball Team won the Paris League championship in 1918 having never been scored on, and one member won first medal in the 145 lb. boxing class. They also won several baseball series at different camps. The Squadron had several good entertainers including singers and string instrument players as well as a theological student who acted(sic) as chaplain."

The above information is all of the written history, as such, of the 464th Aero Squadron. Other information concerning the unit was available from orders concerning the unit.

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