

Behind The Scenes In American Business

By JOHN CRADDOCK

NEW YORK, Dec. 15 — ONE TREND — Only one trend really counts in the business and industrial picture now — either behind the scenes or in front of them. That's the trend to unity—unity of government, industry and labor; of retail business, the services, and the professions . . . all pulling together to do the job of producing, of saving, of belt-tightening, that's needed to win the war. As a matter of fact, it's more than a trend; it's a galvanic action that took place almost instantaneously after Japan's sneak attack in the Pacific. The immediate figures on sales and industrial production have little significance in the light of the "all-out" production pace that all phases of American life have set for themselves now. It means a rising of the "peaks" and deepening of the "valleys" in the nation's economic map, with a vast speeding-up in the switchover from non-defense to war goods production.

WASHINGTON — More and stiffer taxes. More and stiffer price controls. These are two absolutely inescapable elements in the new and intensified war effort. The "withholding" feature proposed on 1942 income taxes has drawn much attention for several weeks, with Congressional leaders inclined to balk at the rate (15 per cent) proposed in the Treasury's original outline—although agreeing that the "collect-at-source" feature was necessary, to get the revenues quickly and surely. Before, they talked of whittling it down to 4 per cent. Now the talk is more in terms of putting the withholding proviso at "between 4 and 10 per cent." . . . There was quick action on the price front. Commodity exchanges were asked suspend trading in certain staples and hold to recent maximums. Price Administrator Leon Henderson, before the Senate banking and currency committee, urged adoption of a tighter price control bill, which previously had been rejected by the House.

PARTS — All-out production effort will have to bring more concerns into active participation, sup-

plying parts. Most big defense contracts have gone to large firms with quickly convertible plants and tools, but now more and more of the smaller firms will be called on, which will help keep afloat many that otherwise might be scuttled by priorities. Example of how an expanded policy of making outside purchases of parts and supplies can help spread employment is the case of Willys-Overland motors. With about \$75,000,000 worth of contracts — shells and steel and aluminum forgings, in addition to the "jeep" cars—it calls on firms in Youngstown, Cleveland, South Bend, dozens of other surrounding communities for parts. In the case of the jeeps alone, President Joseph Frazer reports, no less than 229 other companies are busy supplying parts and materials to help speed production.

BITS O' BUSINESS—First war-time emergency price control action on a manufactured article—in distinction to commodity controls—came close to home for persons on the west coast (or the eastern, too, for that matter.) It was at the request of the Civilian Defense Administration, and forbids manufacturers, wholesalers, jobbers or retailers to put any price on flashlights, or batteries or bulbs, higher than the highest quotation during the two months preceding December 1, last . . . Generally speaking, life insurance now in effect covers death due to war causes, while fire and auto insurance contracts, for the most part, exclude damage due to

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war. Great Britain has a "war damage act" making coverage on war-time real estate damage compulsory. (But the wise thing is to look over all your policies, anyway) . . . Most manufacturers and retailers feel that production is so far along on spring goods for retail stores that there'll be little change, at least for several months, in the matter of providing adequately for that type of civilian needs.

DOUBLE DUTY — Most citizens, and most industries, do one of two things in war-time—either pay taxes necessary for the war program, or serve as arms producers or combatants. Many do both. Oddly enough, one industry which didn't even exist a decade ago has now stepped forth to serve in both capacities. Scheduled, this fiscal year, to pay the government more than a billion in taxes—more than any other industry—the alcoholic beverage industry also has started turning out huge quantities of ethyl alcohol to help meet a serious shortage of this material, needed in making smokeless powder. The industry is making its solvents with surplus commodity corn — instead of molasses, whose transportation from the West Indies is a problem. All told, distillers will in the coming year boost by one-third the nation's total ethyl alcohol

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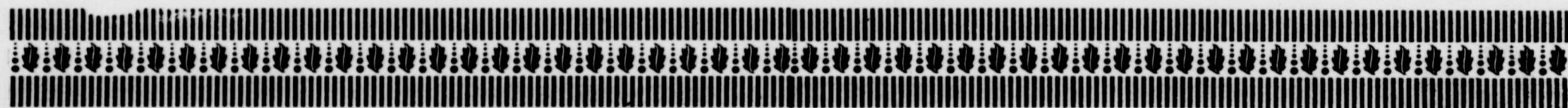
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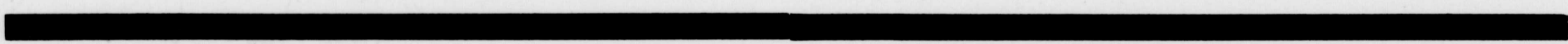
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Christmas Observances At Presbyterian Church

Next Sunday night at 7:30, the Presbyterian Church will have a Christmas Candle Lighting Service. The church will be appropriately decorated and there will be special lighting. The service will be sponsored by the Young Peoples League and the Woman's Auxiliary under the leadership of Mrs. Pauline Clemmons.

The subject of the Christmas program will be "First Born Among Many Brethren." The offering will go to aged and needy ministers who have served the church long and well. It is called "Joy Gifts."

On Tuesday night at 7 p. m. will be the annual Christmas Tree for the Sunday School and Church. Santa Claus is expected at this time. All who can be asked to come.

Following the Tuesday night Christmas Tree Party the Kingdom Highways League will go out to the shut-ins and aged people and sing Christmas carols. Any who desire especially to be remembered in this carolling are asked to phone before Tuesday; 257w.

Mesdames B. F. Hawley and Horace Hyatt were business visitors to Sweetwater Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. O. C. Lawrence, of Jayton, spent Tuesday in Spur on business and visiting with friends.

A. C. White, salesman for Lubbock Sash and Door Co., was a business visitor to Spur Tuesday.

Mrs. Helen Harrison, of Paducah, was a business visitor to Spur Tuesday.

Mesdames A. C. Hull and W. F. Godfrey were business visitors to Lubbock Tuesday.

Mrs. W. B. Coruthers and young daughter, Linda Lee, of East Afton, were pleasant callers at our office while in Spur Wednesday.

Virgil Smith returned Sunday to Lubbock after a week end visit with Mrs. Smith at their home in Spur.



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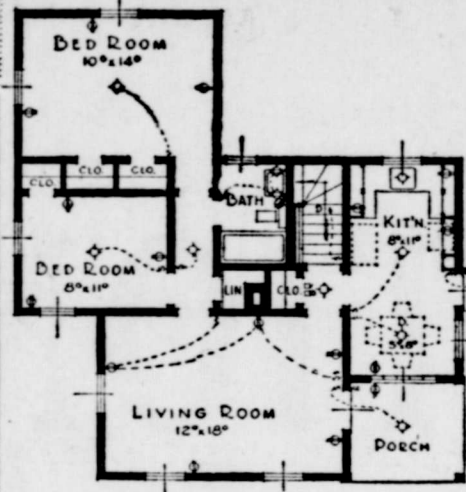


THIS house turns its face to the sun. Few small houses can boast the rich flood of light which fills its rooms through its many windows and its panels of glass blocks.

Its living-room for instance boasts three exposures while its kitchen contains a luxuriously lighted breakfast alcove—by a window overlooking the garden and by a panel of insulux glass blocks in the wall adjoining the entry porch. This assures privacy from the gaze of those entering the house.

Despite its broken plan, the house is remarkably compact with stairs and closets well grouped and easily accessible. This makes for economical construction and spares precious dollars for the purchase of extra equipment and larger rooms.

The exterior of the house is



slatted wood shutters flanking the windows. The walls and trim are an off-white in color—just a step away from conventional white, which is so much used. With fire-resistant asphalt shingles on the roof, it is recommended that the sidewalls be covered with asbestos-cement siding, which is also fire resistant. Both these long-lived materials will help protect the house against outside fire—such as air-borne sparks and flying brands. Further advantage is that they need no periodic repainting to keep them freshly colorful.

The house was designed by Randolph Evans, the noted architect, for the Monthly Small House Club, 140 Nassau Street, New York City. Containing 13,350 cubic feet, it can be built in most parts of the country for about \$5,000, exclusive of land.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH

Roy F. George, Pastor
Saturday, 7:15 p. m.
Sunday School, 10 a. m.
Morning Worship, 11 a. m.
Young People's Service, 6:30 p. m.
Evening Evangelistic Service, 7:30 p. m.

There will be a special Christmas program on Monday night December 22, beginning at 7:15. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Sunday night will be the farewell service of Rev. and Mrs. George. He has been called to pastor the Assembly of God Church of Iraan, Texas and will leave shortly after Christmas to take charge there.

East Ward PTA Met December 9th

The East Ward P-T-A met Dec 9th at the East Ward School Auditorium at 2 o'clock. Mrs. J. A. Koon President, called the meeting to order for a short business session.

Mrs. Horace Wood was in charge of the program. Topic: "Respect for all Creeds and Races," which was a very interesting talk.

Mrs. Goldstein, teacher in the Colored School, gave a reading "When You Go to Start."

Mrs. Jessie Sweet, colored pianist, gave selections of popular tunes and Christmas Carols.

Pupils from Mrs. Wadzeck's room sang Christmas Carols.

About 40 members were present. Delicious refreshments were served.—Rep.

Masons Officiate At Cornerstone Laying At Baylor U.

Waco—Three thousand Masons of the Grand Lodge of Texas officiated in laying the cornerstone of the Baylor University Union building, a \$245,000 structure, the gift of the Baylor alumni.

The crowd marched from Waco Hall to the partially completed building for the impressive ceremony in which President Pat M. Neff of Baylor, former governor of Texas, pointed out that Baylor University and the Masonic order are the only institutions now surviving that were chartered under the Republic of Texas.

Into the cornerstone, J. J. Gallaher of Waco, grand treasurer of the lodge, placed a collection of Masonic relics and symbols, lodge and Baylor records and a letter by President Neff written confidentially to Baylor's president 100 years hence—2041.

Baylor University had been founded at Independence by a Mason, Judge Robert E. B. Baylor, it was recalled and later moved to Waco where it was situated on land given by Joseph W. Speight, another Mason.

Lloyd Womack, of Jayton, was a business visitor to Spur Tuesday and while here was a pleasant caller at the Texas Spur office.

INDUSTRIALIST CLAIMS TEXAS CAN GROW RUBBER

William O'Neil Says Guayule Will Meet U. S. Needs.

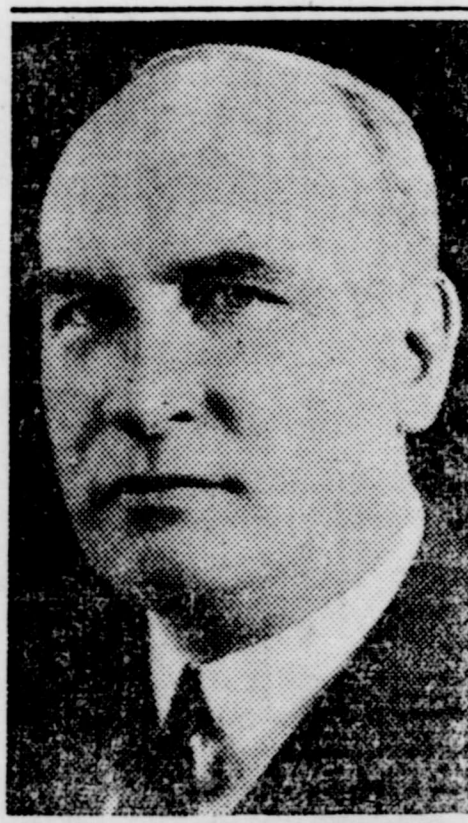
Farmers in California, Texas, and Arizona can grow enough rubber to supply the defense and commercial needs of the United States within two years, at no greater price than is currently being paid for rubber from the far east.

This was the statement today of William O'Neil, president of the General Tire & Rubber company, in urging that immediate consideration be given by Congress to subsidizing farmers in these states and financing rubber extracting machinery.

The plant from which the rubber may be obtained is guayule, a native shrub of the high plateaus of Mexico, which has been imported to this country and raised successfully in the area around Salinas, California, in Arizona, and in Texas.

Farmers are able to grow this shrub and produce real rubber at from 15 to 19 cents a pound, O'Neil said, as compared to the 22 1/2 cents a pound now being paid for plantation rubber.

"It is easy to see that as an emergency measure, the growth of guayule in the southwest has many advantages over the synthetic rubber development," said O'Neil. "For instance, the same machinery can be used in working guayule as is used with plantation rubber. Guayule may be used for all purposes for which far eastern rubber is used and this is not true of the synthetic products."



WILLIAM O'NEIL

The capital expenditure necessary for expensive synthetic plants is not needed for the growth of guayule.

"And, most important, enough guayule can be produced in two years to supply all defense and commercial needs."

The only chemical difference between plantation rubber and guayule is that guayule has more resin content and desulfurating has been made a simple process through methods developed by the Intercontinental Rubber Company at Salinas, O'Neil said.

Guard Against Pneumonia As A Complication

Austin, Dec. 16—With a high incidence of influenza and measles over the state, the public should be awake to the danger of pneumonia as a complication of these diseases, according to Doctor Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer.

"Pneumonia is recognized as a dangerous and often fatal disease," Doctor Cox pointed out, "and competent medical care with skilled nursing in measles and influenza will materially lessen the danger of pneumonia," he stated.

The public has been slow to recognize pneumonia as being definitely a contagious disease, he asserted, and this in part has accounted for the huge toll of lives claimed by this disease yearly.

"In your every day routine of living, get plenty of sleep, rest, exercise, and fresh air. Include sufficient liquids in the diet, and, above all, stay away from direct contact with sources of infection," Doctor Cox urged.

"Sensible, healthful living and dressing in accordance with the weather can do much to prevent the occurrence of pneumonia," declared Doctor Cox, "and it is much easier and certainly safer to avoid pneumonia than to attempt to overcome it when it strikes," he said.

Uncle Bill Cherry, of Antelope down in Kent county, was transacting business and greeting friends in Spur Monday.

Mesdames Tom Jones, George Branch, Lee Rice and daughter Miss Inez Rice, of Jayton, were shopping with Spur merchants while here Tuesday.

L. G. Crabtree, of the Croton country, was a Spur visitor Tuesday and while here was a pleasant caller at The Texas Spur office.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Randall, of Steel Hill community were shopping with Spur merchants Tuesday.

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Social Happenings

Mrs. W. F. Godfrey Is Hostess To 1917 Study Club At Xmas Party

Mrs. W. F. Godfrey was hostess on Tuesday evening to the 1917 Study Club on the occasion of the Annual Christmas party.

The house was attractively decorated in the Yuletide spirit.

After a short business meeting Mrs. Brannen was leader of an enjoyable Christmas program.

Each member presented a gift of money to be sent to the Martin Home for crippled Children.

A delicious refreshment plate was served to the following:

Mesdames E. L. Adams, W. T. Andrews, Malcom Brannen, Luther Caraway, Nell Davis, Clark Forbis, A. C. Hull, Paul Marion, Carl Patton, Hill Perry, Tom Posey, P. H. Miller, Lunford, M. C. Golding, Ann McClure, Geo. M. Williams, Godfrey and Miss Jenny Shields.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Boykin, of Alexandria, Virginia, arrived Monday to spend the Christmas holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Boykin, and with her brother-in-law, Joe Christal.

Exchange Club Has Annual Xmas Luncheon

The Exchange Club had their Annual Christmas Luncheon Wednesday, December 17th at the Hill Top Cafe.

A three course turkey dinner was served.

Every member was present. The president, Mrs. A. G. Dunwoody was toast mistress for the occasion.

After the luncheon hour the club in a body went to the home of Mrs. Barrett and had our Christmas tree. Each member remembered their pals, receiving a gift from Santa Claus.

Mrs. Buck Carlisle was honored with a stork shower at the Christmas tree party.

Members present were: Mesdames Buck Carlisle, R. L. Benson, C. V. Allen, C. O. Fox, J. C. Payne, A. G. Dunwoody, Walter Carlisle, B. T. Moore, Clark Lewis, Dee McArthur, L. R. Barrett, Fred Kinney, Loy Maddox and our new member Louise Johnson and a visitor Mrs. J. S. Burton of Wichita Falls.

Our club voted to give our club time to the Red Cross work. We also voted to buy United States Defense

Bonds instead of exchanging gifts. Next meeting will be with Mrs. R. L. Benson, January 14th at 2 o'clock. —Reporter.

20th Century Club Met With Mrs. E. L. Caraway Tues.

The 20th Century Study Club met in the charming home of Mrs. E. L. Caraway Tuesday night for the Annual Christmas party.

The program was opened with a story called "Ask George," read by Mrs. Page Gollihar.

Mrs. Cliff Bird then directed the singing of Christmas Carols which ended abruptly when Santa Claus walked in. Gifts were given to everyone present and toys contributed to the Home for crippled children at Marlin.

The hostess served a lovely refreshment plate carrying out the Xmas theme with a colorful salad and lighted candles on each plate.

WSCS Met With Mrs. Kate Morris Monday Afternoon

The home of Mrs. Kate Morris was beautifully decorated for the holiday social of the Woman's Society of Christian Service Monday afternoon. Co-hostesses were Mrs. J. M. Foster and Mrs. J. R. Laine.

Mrs. Thurston brought the devotional from Luke 1:26-35.

STRAIGHT FROM NEW YORK



TUNICS ARE TOPS
Tunic dresses flatter. They give an illusion of height to the shorter figure, a slenderizing effect to the fuller figure. They are high fashion this season. A tunic of plum and aqua printed satin tops the plum crepe, slashed-front skirt of this New York creation designed for dining and dancing.

Melba Lewis played Christmas Carols and Louise Ince gave a humorous reading: "Jest 'Fore Christmas."

Mrs. Laine conducted a game taken from "The Night Before Christmas."

Santa was there to present gifts from the tree to Mesdames C. H. McCully, A. M. Shepherd, Page Gollihar, L. R. Barrett, J. J. Ensey, Harry Goodwin, Brown, J. W. Carlisle, and sister Mrs. Josie Burton, Jessie Hayes, Gladys Lewis, Hoarce Wood, Leland Wilson, H. L. Thurston, Chas. Whitener, Luria Glasgow, M. A. Lea, W. F. Gilbert, J. C. Payne C. O. Fox and hostesses Mesdames Morris, Foster and Laine.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Clinkscapes visited Captain Tim O. Cook and family of Camp Bowie, Sunday. Captain Cook is a brother of Mrs. Clinkscapes.

Mrs. Bob Alexander and children, Janie and Nan L., spent Sunday with First Lieutenant Bob Alexander at Camp Bowie, Brownwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Caraway were Christmas shopping in Lubbock Tuesday evening.

Christmas Gifts

For The Home

What gifts could be more appropriate at Christmas than gifts for the home?

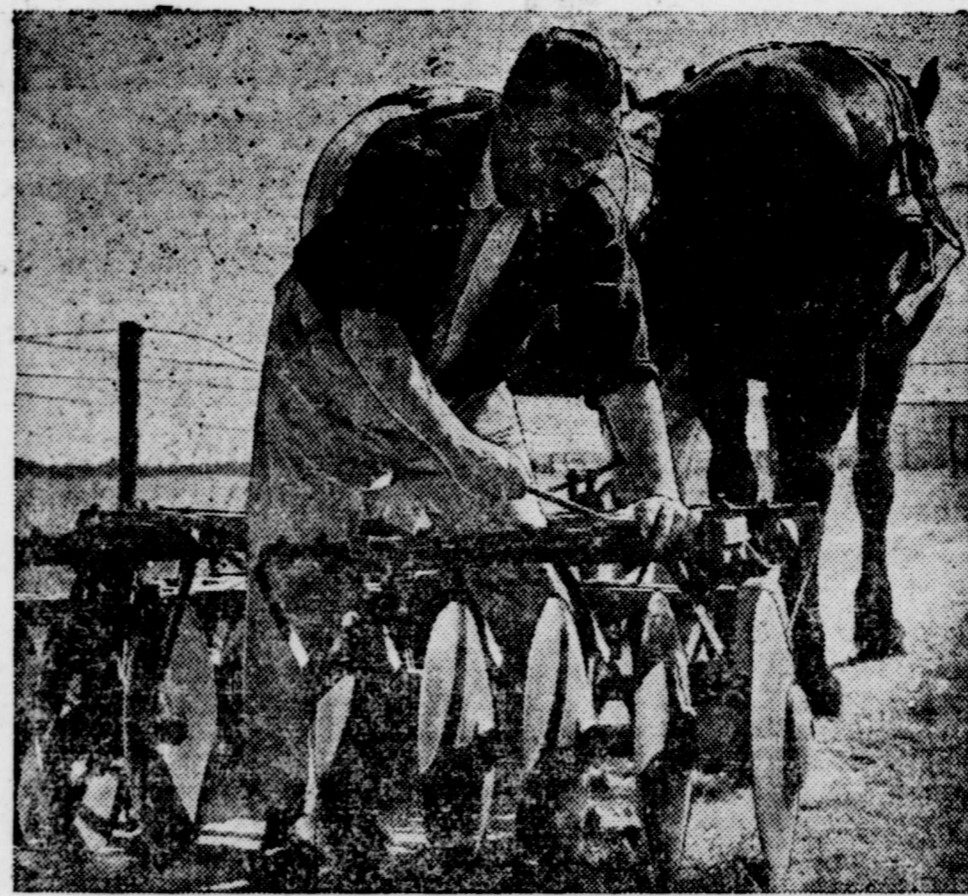
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Above—When the horses start, the knife-sharp blades of the discs begin to turn. Agricultural implements are the leading farm accident hazard. Right—Cigarettes and gasoline are noted for their teamwork in causing serious injury and costly fires.

Farmer Is Urged By Red Cross to Check Accident Hazards

Washington, D. C.—Mechanization of the American farm is accounting for a mounting accident fatality toll, the Red Cross pointed out in an appeal for farm owners to participate in its year-round Home and Farm Accident Prevention drive beginning the last week of October.

Of the 4,500 farm workers killed by accidents last year, approximately 28 per cent were due to carelessness and the use of faulty implements, the Red Cross said. Ill-tempered animals, vehicles, excessive heat and falls led other farm accident causes in that order.

To the farmer, the Red Cross urges a close check-up for the removal of accident hazards. Machinery, tools and other equipment should be examined periodically and kept in good repair. Tools and implements should be kept in regular places, out of the farm yard or where they may cause a serious fall. Bulls, boars and other dangerous animals should be kept in secure pens.

Approximately 50 injuries of varying degree occur for every farm accident fatality—a nationwide total



of some 225,000 for last year, the Red Cross appeal for greater safety pointed out. To launch this year's Accident Prevention program the Red Cross again will distribute 10,000,000 home and farm "check lists." By following the suggestions urban householders can systematically check the home for accident hazards. A similar check-up is outlined for the removal of hazards on the farm.

RURAL TRENDS



ROGER M. KYES
Director, National Farm Youth Foundation

NEW OPPORTUNITY

The farms of America have always been the home of opportunity. They have always been America's best and healthiest homes, and have afforded more real security than any other type of work.

During the years of our agricultural growth as a nation, when our pioneers were opening new lands, and cultivating the vast fallow areas of our central and western plains, there was a constant market for all of our surplus crops. It wasn't necessary to organize farming for increased production.

Farmers raised first what they needed for their families. They followed habit or tradition in the crops they selected and in the methods they followed. Somebody could be found to buy what was left over. All farmers had enough to eat, and many grew rich by farming for surplus—for the market.

This undirected production finally ran against a snag. We systematized and mechanized large operation farming until we began to raise too much of a few leading crops, such as corn, wheat, cotton and tobacco. Unwanted surpluses of these crops caused prices to fall. It became harder to make money on a farm. We had crop restrictions and farm foreclosures.

And the wiser of our farmers began to learn something they had never before thought of. They found out that farming was just like any other business, in that producing too much of anything was not sound economy. That started the era of diversified farming, an idea that has seen great developments.

Now we are entering still another era in agriculture—the era of planned farming. We must still have diversification. We must still be intelligent enough to avoid raising too much of certain staples.

But agriculture is due to have its greatest age of prosperity if we only remember that it is better business to raise crops for which there is demand rather than raise the crops first and then try to find the demand.

The family we must feed has grown over night. It now looks as though we would have to feed, in the interest of both humanity and national defense, a great part of the population of the British Isles. Soon we may add to our list of boarders from continental Europe.

The demand for the products of America's agriculture will exceed anything we have ever known before. For example, the last lend-lease bill to pass Congress allocated nearly 2 billion dollars for food to go across the Atlantic. We are told that this is merely the beginning. Our Department of Agriculture is urging us to plan on increasing the volume of certain crops almost without any limit at all.

As a single instance, take soybeans. Our 1936-41 average acreage in this crop is 3,433,000 acres. In 1941, we shall raise about five and a half million acres. In 1942, we are asked by our Government to plant over 7 million acres. That is more than doubling the acreage in this valuable crop in two years' time!

We counsel every farmer to read, in government bulletins and in his farm papers, about the requirements of the next year or two. Then he should determine what his land will best produce among the crops in which there is both the greatest shortage and the greatest demand. And then raise those crops.

That is the new order in Agriculture for America. It is a direct road to prosperity.

Judge E. H. Boedeker, wife and son, of Dickens, were transacting business, shopping with merchants, and visiting with friends while in Spur Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gruben were recent visitors to her brother, Private Allen Deaton Jr., of For Sill, Oklahoma.

Elton Garner, who has been in California the past several months, returned recently to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Garner.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Ford were guests of Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Alexander while in Spur from their farm and ranch home 25 miles south west of Spur Tuesday.

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Lyndia Tarrant

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Dec. 12, 1941

Dear Santa:
I am a girl 9 years old. I am in the fifth grade. Sure do like school. I have tried so hard to be a good girl. Please bring me a girls bicycle, and a doll, and candy, fruits and nuts. Please remember all the other children and my teacher Miss Thurston.

From a friend
Mona Fay Smith

Dear Santa Claus:
I have been a good boy. I am in the second grade. I want a cowboy suit and some candy. I am seven years old. I have helped my mother a whole lot. I love you dear Santa.

T. F. Baze

Dear Santa:
I am a little boy just in the first grade and I have studied hard and am looking for you Christmas night. Please bring me some fire crackers and a tricycle for Christmas. I also want a rope, candy, fruit and nuts. Don't forget my little baby brother and my little brother who is 4 years old.

Lots of love
Winston Fitzgerald

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a Ideal doll that has a bottle and nipple. I am in the second. I am 8 years old. I want a buggy and some candy. Hurry up and come to see us.

Love
Peggy Lou Smith

P. S. I also want a ring with a red set in it.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me an Indian suit and tent for Christmas. If you have plenty bring me a football too. Be very careful and don't let any Japanese shoot you.

Lots of love

Dear Santa Claus:
Do you have a plenty of nuts and candy. Please bring me a bb gun and a box of bb for christmas. I have been good all summer long.

Love

Clifton Williams

Dear Santa Claus:
I hope I have been a good girl this Christmas because I want a watch and a birthstone ring. I am eleven years old, I am in the sixth grade. I want them Christmas and be for sure and bring Mother and Daddy some nice presents to.

Love

Adell

P. S. Don't forget to come to my house Christmas night.

Redmud School

Dear Santa Claus:
For Christmas I want a doll with some doll clothes. I would like a little piano and a set of dishes too. I am a little girl in 2nd grade and have been very good this year.

Lots of love
Eloise Fitzgerald

Redmud School

Dear Santa Claus:
I hope you bring them something. They are 20 children in my room. I want a watch for Christmas and a pair of gloves and apples, oranges, bananas and nuts.

From your Friend,
Helen Grishan

Redmud School

Dear Santa Claus:
How are you? I am going to school and like it very much. For Christmas I would like to have a tractor, a truck with side boards on it. I would like to have a ball and bat, and some marbles. Don't forget to bring Mother and Daddy some nice gifts too.

Love
Gatha Williamson

Redmud School

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a girl 12 years old, I am in the sixth grade. I have been a good girl and I hope I get what I want. I want a watch and a birth stone ring. My birthday is January 30. I hope Roosevelt gets what he wants. If you have a rubber doll please bring it to Winifred Jane. Please bring me some nuts and candy. Hurry up and come to see us.

Love
Cecil Odell Thomason

Redmud School

Dear Santa Claus:
I am sending this letter early so you will be sure and save some things for me. I have been a good boy and have helped mother a lot. Please bring me a gun and holster, and bridle. Thank you very much.

Love
Wayne Wyatt

Redmud School

Dear Santa:
I am in the first grade. I have red hair and am 6 years old. Please bring me a red ball, a long cattle truck and some animals to go in it. I would like some candy, fruit and nuts too.

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Presbyterian Church

John C. Ramsay, Minister

10 a. m. Sunday School, Cap McNeill, Superintendent

11 a. m. Morning Worship and the Word. Sermon: "The Song of Zacharias concerning the Birth of Our Lord."

3 p. m. Outpost Mission
6:30 p. m. Kingdom Highways League, Mrs. Pete Robinson, Adult Advisor

7:30 p. m. Beautiful Candle Lighting Service entitled "The First Born Among Many Brethren." This is something none should miss, who desire to see worship and Christmas service combined. The public is most cordially invited.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ivey, of Stamford were business and pleasure visitors to Spur Friday. Mr. Ivey is a nephew of Mrs. W. C. Gruben and Mrs. T. C. Ensey.

Redmud School

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a air gun with lots of shells, and a Big red wagon and a Bicycle and a box of candy too.

Jimmie Wyatt

Redmud School

Dear Santa Claus:
I wonder if you have plenty of cowboy suits also gun and scabbert, if you have plenty please bring me a cowboy suit and a gun and scabbert. I am in the first grade, and I am seven years old. Mrs. English is my school teacher, she is very nice to me. We are going to decorate the room for Christmas. I have been a very good boy so I hope I get them Christmas morning.

Love
Leon Regis Thomason

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T. B. Association Urges Contributions Be Made At Once

Austin—(Spl)—As a result of the emergency existing because of the war, the Texas Tuberculosis Association is urging all citizens of this state, who have not yet made their contribution for Christmas seals mailed them on November 24, to do so now.

"When the world is on fire," said Dr. Z. T. Scott, managing director of the Association, "tuberculosis in our state seems to be a small problem. But let us keep our perspective. National defense, of course, needs money, machines and material. But machines and material need men and men need health.

"The lessons learned about tuberculosis in the last war must not be forgotten now. We cannot afford to weaken on the home front by giving the silent foe, tuberculosis, a chance to destroy what the people of this nation have built—as happened when the tuberculosis death rate rose throughout this country during World War I.

"Our first duty to national defense is to learn the quality of our manpower; our second to set about improving it as a major requisite for national protection.

"By January 1, the tuberculosis associations must complete their plans for assisting in the national emergency, as well as carrying on their normal-time activities toward the eradication of tuberculosis.

"Citizens who would share in this all-out effort to prevent and control tuberculosis in our military forces, as well as in our civilian population, should mail their contribution to their Christmas headquarters promptly."

Card of Thanks

We wish to take this means of thanking the great many friends who were so kind, helpful, and sympathetic during the illness and death of our beloved. The floral offering was beautiful. May God bless each of you.

Mrs. W. H. Smith and family
Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Smith
Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Smith and family.

Mrs. W. B. Ford II and son, W. B. Ford III, were returned to their home 25 miles southwest of Spur the past week from the Plains Clinic, Lubbock, this being young Ford III's first glimpse of his native soil.

Travis Hoover, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Hoover, having enlisted in the Marines received orders to report this week to Dallas for which place he left Tuesday.

Card OF Thanks

Dear Friends:
I was made so happy Sunday morning, Dec. 7th when I was presented with a Grab Bag, containing gifts and messages from you.

It was such a joy to hear from you again, and I thank you with all my heart.

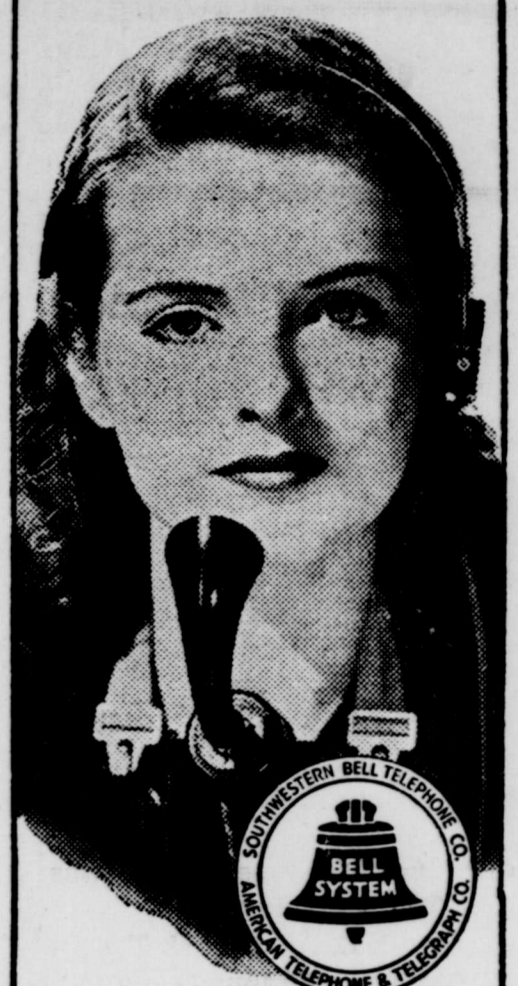
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It is as if thousands of citizens in every community appeared at the railroad station at the same hour, hoping to catch the same train.

Even before the outbreak of war we had foreseen that delays inevitably would occur on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Now it appears the volume of calls will be even heavier than we had anticipated.

We have done and are doing all we can to make ready for these big rushes, but they are setting all-time records. Thousands of conversations vital to the Army and Navy—vital to the defense of this nation—go over the telephone lines each day, each night. Some of them may delay your calls. We are sure you understand. We appreciate your co-operation, your patience.

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LIVING ON A HOUSEBOAT AND TRAPPING MUSKRAT

To be on a houseboat towed by an outboard motor boat in the Intracoastal Canal when a ship passes is a thrilling experience for one who has never had that happen to them.

When I say ship, I mean a large one like the ones that go to foreign countries. One year we had prepared for the marsh with great care.

He rented the houseboat, a small two room affair with a tiny porch on front and back, that had been built on a barge.

The Intracoastal Canal is wide enough and deep enough for two large ships to pass each other without danger.

At any rate, there I was on a small houseboat drawn by a small outboard motor boat.

Melvin had told me we might meet up with a ship, so when I saw one coming in the distance, I grabbed my tiny camera and thrilling to my toes, prepared to get a picture from every angle possible.

It had been my intention to step out on the little porch and holding to the post, get my shots. But Melvin nipped that plan the moment I opened the door.

He's considered one of the best divers, if not swimmers on Big Lake! Since there was a strange man in the boat with him I wasn't inclined to show my Irish.

I think Melvin was disappointed because I was not sea sick. This being my first experience with anything larger than a canoe on a pond, I couldn't see enough.

After coffee the boatman started back for his camp in order to arrive before night fall, as he had no signal lights or whistle.

As this was to be our home for three months, we were up bright and early the next morning so Melvin could clear a spot away from the side of the bank to place the wood, oil and hide stretchers.

He had to cut a lot of the tall sea cane away in order to burn the short grass and stubbles without starting a marsh fire.

Melvin is not a coward, but he is chicken-hearted when it comes to snakes. I am too, so when he came to the house not wanting to go back, I didn't blame him.

But the work had to be finished so Melvin took his gun, got on top of the house and blew that snake to bits. A couple of days later Melvin had decided to move the house boat closer to the entrance of the bayou.

Having read Mrs. Ella Kellum Bennett's "The Story of Washington Told in Rhyme," I agree that it gives one inspiration, and the courage to live and help defend our country and all that the name "Washington" stands for.

Mrs. Bennett must be a wonderful woman to have helped her husband be the man he was; and to have a son that could bring such a hear rending message such as he brought on the day of his father's burial.

To be able to praise a man or woman as Brother Bennett praised his father and mother, is to my notion a wonderful thing. Mrs. Bennett, my hat's off to you. For me, you stand for everything the name, "wife," and "mother" implies.

I don't believe in wars, Melvin says he doesn't either, but he believes in defending our rights, and women and children. He says we can't quit before we start. There's a saying, "making mountains out of mole hills," which may be true, but it is also the mole hills which finally make the mountains.

PARISH PRIEST PRESENTS PRAYER FOR PEACE

Some months ago the Parish Priest presented to each person in church a Prayer for Peace, which was sent by the Pope from Chicago.

"Dismayed by the horrors of a war which is bringing ruin to peoples and nations, we turn, O Jesus, to thy most loving heart as to our last hope. O God of mercy, with tears we invoke Thee to end this fearful scourge; O King of Peace, we humbly implore the peace for which we long.

"From Thy Sacred Heart Thou didst shed forth over the world divine charity, so that discord might end and love alone might reign among men. During Thy life on earth Thy Heart beat with tender compassion for the sorrows of men; in this hour made terrible with burning hate, with bloodshed and with slaughter, once more may Thy divine Heart be moved to pity.

"Pity the countless mothers in anguish for the fate of their sons; pity the numberless families bereaved of their fathers; pity mankind over which broods such havoc and disaster. Do Thou inspire rulers and peoples with counsels of meekness, do Thou heal the discords that tear the nations asunder; Thou who didst shed Thy precious blood that they might live as brothers, bring them together once more in loving harmony. And as once before to the cry of the Apostle Peter: "Save us, Lord, we perish," Thou didst answer with words of mercy and didst still the raging waves so now deign to hear our trusting prayer, and give back to the world peace and tranquillity.

"And do Thou, O most holy Virgin, as in other times of sore distress, be now our help, our protection and our safeguard. Amen." So many of us like to give, but we always expect something in return sooner or later.

Here in this community we have showers of all sorts. Showers for the sick, wedding showers, and stork showers. I had just returned from one the other day and stopped by a friend's house who had not gone.

In talking over the events of the day and presents sent and received, my friend said the reason she had quit going to any of them was because she had gone to a lot of them, and coming to the conclusion that she, having given so much, was not getting anything in return, decided she would not go to any more.

What are we thinking of? God expects us to give a tenth of our earnings to the church; pray and give him thanks for what we have. If we do these things for a while, then decide that we are not getting value received, what then? We have to do those things, not for worldly treasures, but to receive our reward in Heaven.

I try to remember these things when things are not going right for me. I am just a common human being, but I know what is expected of me, and if I don't do what is expected of me, not only I will suffer but others that I am likely to influence.

A GUIDE FOR THE COASTAL HUNTING CLUB

The Coastal Club is a hunting club for men. It boasts two oil wells, and I don't know how many acres of land. There have to be guides to take the members and their friends to a "blind," where they wait for day-break and a whirl of wings to get a good shot at the ducks.

The members, or men who come to hunt are called "sports" in hunting language. A job to guide for the Coastal is a coveted one by most of the men here that are able to blow a duck call, or lift a shot gun. And it is also a sure thing. You know that from November second to December thirty-first you get your five a day and find. The "find" is the tip you get from soft hearted sports.

That is bonanza to most of us here who get low wages and long, hard hours. Melvin, finally to our surprise and joy, was able to get in, as one of the guides quit for a better job. The first week was good as Melvin drew a sport that tips five dollars before ever firing a shot.

He said he would give him the best suit in Lake Charles if Melvin would bring down just one ring necked goose. But no luck. Try as he might, Melvin did well to bag the limit, let alone a goose. The other day Melvin drew a "spoonbill." By draw, I mean this: there are ten guides; there are also ten little balls, numbered, up to ten, Melvin's number is eight, therefore his ball is numbered eight also.

The balls are placed in a box, shook well and the first ball out is the one the sport has to go with. I'll let you figure for yourself what a "spoonbill" is. This fellow came to the club, all expenses paid by another. The first day out together Melvin bagged the limit and three small geese. He thought to himself that this is one big tip I get. (You are allowed ten ducks and three geese in one day).

The next day they went again. A large flock of geese flew near by. The man aimed his gun at them, following their flight with his gun. He said, "Boy, I could really knock 'em down," but Melvin never raised his gun. The man asked why he didn't shoot while they were close, and Melvin said he wanted to see him knock them down.

I don't know if they bagged the limit that day or not, but not one sou did the man shell out. YOUNG PRIEST ESTABLISHES "MILLION DOLLAR BOYS' TOWN" IN NEW ORLEANS

Some thirty years ago Monsignor Wynhoven, then a young Priest and serving as vice-chancellor of the Archdiocese of New Orleans, touched by the sight of hungry drifters that came in and out of St. Vincent's Hotel, that begged at the rectory door, conceived a plan that he has realized.

To salvage these flotsams and jitsams of life became to him almost a necessity. Although with a busy life as Priest and the many duties pressed upon him, Monsignor Wynhoven began to carry out his plan for what is now called his "million dollar boys' town."

Having had a happy home life as a child, he knew that if these poor derelicts had had a home and family to guide them while they were young, that they would not now be thrust upon the world as such. He knew the cause had to be corrected. To do this, the orphans needed the home life that is the right of every child. The orphanages only gave them food and shelter and the rudiments of education, then thrust them out upon the world in their teens expecting them to become reliable citizens.

Not having had the kind of training it takes to make them reliable citizens, they became the flotsam and jitsam that now come to him for a change of clothes, meals and beds for a few days, to drift on with the tide. Monsignor Wynhoven wanted a home for his boys that had no high walls or fences or long rows of beds like a prison, but a home where there was plenty of space to run and play and work and learn.

A rich woman, of non-Catholic belief, donated the first sum, large enough to construct the first building. It had taken Monsignor Wynhoven years to get people interested enough for him to get his plan under way. He visited the rich, telling them of his plan, he preached it at the altar, he talked of it any and everywhere.

Then, when Mrs. John Dibert died she left another large sum to further the construction of the home. There are nine buildings in this vertible boys town. The Mrs. John Dibert administration building of "Hope Haven" as the home is called. Then the Julian Salinger gymnasium and swimming pool; the dairy and agricultural building; the Madonna Manor, "Mothers Home," for children under eleven years of age; the Chinchuba School for deaf mutes, where they not only learn finger reading, but lip reading, and also how to speak although they cannot hear themselves; then the Dr. Marcus Feingold Memorial Mechanical Arts building and the school building.

Last but most important is the new St. John Bosco Chapel. It is in the center of all the other buildings. All the buildings are built on the Spanish plan. The beauty of which can only be described by someone better than I.

The boys have work shops to learn the trades. The woodwork shop boys made the chapel pews. A few of the prize dairy cattle have taken many blue ribbons and honors at livestock shows and 4-H demonstrations. Monsignor Wynhoven believes, and rightly, that the boys should be taught religion.

In the 15 years since Hope Haven was inaugurated, more than 400 boys have found shelter, care and instruction there; and only 6 of them have not lived up to expectation. Some are Priests, some Brothers, some married with homes. All are self supporting, and a credit to Hope Haven. We are having the kind of weather that calls for a blazing fire place a book, nuts to crack, or popcorn balls. I had bedded down my sweet potatoes with the expectation of ice or at least a frost this morning, but I woke up to a dense fog and fairly moderate temperature. We haven't had any cold weather to speak of yet. But the damp climate calls for a warm fire. My tiny flock of chickens, breed unknown, in spite of the fact that they are young and the cool weather, are laying. This being my first flock and the fact that my neighbors with blooded flocks are not gathering eggs, make my chest swell somewhat with pride. "Who shall hear the voice of opportunity? In most cases, and most men, it is the still, small voice of duty." Even the young girls of sixteen or younger are planning "to sign up" if it is at all possible. My husband's sister, age sixteen has that intention. Her home economics teacher is going to sign too; Miss Storey. One young person, when asked what she thought of religion, replied, "Well, I hadn't thought much about it. Religion is something to turn to in time of trouble." That is typical of the human race. We don't think about avoiding trouble, but when it is upon us we expect someone to help us out. Most of the people here speak French. Some cannot understand English, let alone speak it. Imagine a native born Texan among people who speak an altogether different language, and that's me. When Melvin and I first married I was greatly misunderstood, for I would hide myself away like a scared rabbit when company came. There was little or no English spoken, so I felt very much out of place. My mother-in-law told me in no uncertain terms, I'd never make friends if I hid myself in a back room. I don't hide any more, but I still feel the same. There is an old lady who can't speak English, that tries to talk to me. She says something in French, a friend repeats it in English; the friend translates back into French, and so it goes. I'm trying to learn the language, but I say things differently, and Melvin laughs. I even have a book that is supposed to teach you how to speak French. But you have to know how to speak French before you can learn how. Can somebody give me a formula for learning French in three easy lessons? Sitting here by a warm fire listening to the kettle boil, shuts me away from the outside world with its threat of harm to our beloved U. S. A. I would like my fellow Texans to know what some of the people of Louisiana think of our former Governor, W. Lee O'Daniel. I have never heard one thing against him. They like him. The Catholics are very devout to their religion and Priest, but I have heard my mother-in-law say often that she had rather listen to Lee O'Daniel anytime than the Priest. He brings such a heart warming message. "Pinto" Applegate and a number of other young people from Spur were Lubbock visitors Saturday night.

REG'LAR FELLERS

She Ought To Peek Around The Corner

By Gene Byrnes



FABLES IN SLANG

By GEORGE ADE



Naval Enlistment Terms Have Been Reduced To 2 Years

New Orleans—Terms of enlistment in the United States Naval Reserve have been reduced from four years to a two-year period it was announced today by Captain T. A. Thomson, Jr., acting Commandant of the Eighth Naval District.

The reduction in the period of enlistment, authorized by the Navy Department in Washington, was the result of a feeling that many men anxious to serve their country in its Navy have hitherto hesitated in joining up because of the long term of enlistment. Although men may enlist for a two-year period, it is stipulated in their enlistment papers that they may be retained on active duty during the continuance of the war or national emergency even though this exceeds the period for which they enlisted.

Reserve officers and enlisted men on an inactive status are being ordered to active duty as their services are required by the Navy Department.

Therefore, it was stated that reserve officers are not to report for duty until receiving specific orders to do so.

It was also pointed out that the standards for enlistment in reserve classes have in no way lowered because of declaration of war and that all men must meet the same standards as to age, education, experience and physical fitness.

All recruiting offices will be open from 7:00 a. m. to 8:00 p. m. seven days a week to take care of the influx of young men seeking to join the Naval service, it was announced.

ARMY FLASH

When an observer spots a group of hostile planes, he picks up his flashlight (1) and reports the type of planes, number, distance, and direction of flight. When several reports appear, he reports the data to an information center (2) where developments over a large area are planned on a large map.

Watching the map, the Corps officer orders transport planes into the air, direct them to contact with the enemy on the ground, and orders the other transport and fighter squadrons, as well as other units, according to the degree of danger, to the proper Wing District Center (3).

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ALL OF THIS TAKES BUT A FEW MINUTES

Cousin Of Mrs. Ty Allen Killed In Car Accident Dec. 10th.

Rev. John T. Kee, pastor of the Odessa Baptist Church was killed instantly in an automobile wreck on the Bankhead Highway between Big Spring and Odessa, Wednesday night, December 10th.

Rev. Kee was returning to his home in Odessa from Big Spring where he had been to perform the marriage ceremony for his brother, Charles Kee and bride when his car and that of Representative Taylor White had a head-on collision wrecking both cars. Three other persons are dead and an equal number were seriously injured as a result of the wreck.

Rev. Kee, 23 years of age, has been

pastor of the Baptist Church five years. He was the youngest member ever to serve on the Baptist Board of Education and promised to be a power for service in the Baptist Church.

On Thursday, December 4, Rev. Kee had officiated at the funeral services held at DeLeon for his uncle, John Kee, of Fort Worth, for whom he was named, and one week later his remains were interred in the Kee family burial plot in the DeLeon Cemetery.

Coincidentally the same passage of Scripture was read by officiating ministers at the funeral service of both John Kee's, uncle and nephew.

Surviving are his widow, his father, Richard Kee, of DeLeon, and a host of near relatives. Mrs. Ty Allen, of Spur, is a cousin.

BOY SCOUT TROOP 35 MET MONDAY NIGHT

Members of Troop 35, Boy Scouts of America, met Monday night, Dec. 15, 1941 at the Scout Hall at 7:00 p. m.

They did some stunts for exercise.

The following members were present: George Walker, Alfred Walker, Pike Dobbins, Lane Ericson, Thurmond Moore, Jimmy Vernon, Billy D. Starcher, Ned Blackwell, and the Scoutmaster, W. N. McCombs. Visitors are welcome.—Reporter.

John Olen Chrystal, recently of California, who has been visiting his father and brother, Joe and Pat Chrystal, respectively, left last week to visit his brother, Marion Chrystal, of the Air Corps training school, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Boll Weevil And Pink Boll Worm On Way Out

Austin, Dec. 16—The boll weevil and the pink boll worm—two scourges of the U. S. cotton farmer for generations—may be on the way out.

That's the news from University of Texas cotton research laboratories, where technicians are working on a way to control these pests, two of the most dangerous to the major U. S. crop.

The new method—encouraging a small insect, microbracon, to parasitize the weevil and destroy it by boring into its lair—is efficient and cheap. Dr. G. W. Goldsmith, botany professor and director of the research, says.

Recently returned from a Dallas meeting of the Texas Cotton Council, Dr. Goldsmith announced that arrangements were discussed to breed and distribute the insect through already-existing government channels.

John Carpenter, working with Dr. Goldsmith, is doing research on the problem of breeding the insects in the winter so that myriads can be turned loose in the spring to gobble the weevils. During the cold season, cotton's life preservers live and multiply on a diet of flour moths, Mr. Carpenter has found.

Flour moths and the two cotton pests about round out microbracon's tastes, Dr. Goldsmith believes. There will be no danger of the insect's becoming a pest itself, as some other artificially-introduced insects have in the past he says.

The control method using microbracon was worked out and provided in the University's experimental fields where research into cotton root rot and "dust bowl" cotton varieties is also proceeding.

Further experimentation will be enhanced by the University's recently-approved \$20,000 vivarium, soon to be constructed. Here plants can be grown under controlled conditions, the "glass house" turning winter into summer and short days into long.

Microbracon will control the weevil and pink boll worm, Dr. Goldsmith believes, but he warns against blaming every chewed leaf on these two pests.

"Texans are making a serious mistake in taking rumor of weevil for the weevil when it's not actually so," he says. "There are over 20 insects and a number of fungi that may infect cotton."

The new method may be better than the old poison-dusting method of control, Dr. Goldsmith believes. Accumulation of poison used in dusting has already rendered thousands of acres of land infertile and unproductive, he pointed out. Microbracon, on the other hand, beats the weevil at its own game.

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The Marine Corps Have A Language Of Their Own

If you have a son, brother or a friend in the United States Marine Corps and he writes you a letter with a lot of jargon that baffles you, don't worry about his mentality, advises Major J. D. O'Leary, Dallas Recruiting Officer of the Marine Corps.

The major received a call from a Dallas mother who said her son's letter had her completely baffled. The mother then read the letter to the major and he interpreted it for her.

Major O'Leary has compiled a brief lexicon of Marine expressions to help anyone who may be mystified by a letter like this one. Mealtime has been the greatest inspiration for the native Marine tongue to lend itself to new expansion. The very name meal has been dropped in favor of "chow." "Chow bumps" is the bugle call announcing the meal. When the Marine finds himself in the messhall and asks his comrade-at-table to "down" anything, he means pass it—but quick. "Red-lead" is catsup; salad is "grass"; coffee is "jo"; sugar is "sweet sand" and cream is "canned cow." Sugar and cream together make "side-arms." A "short-stop" is the fellow who helps himself from the dish while passing it to the original bidder. This is not a popular practice.

Following chow there's always a rest period when the favorite sport is "pressing blankets"—just plain resting on the bunk. If you're lucky you can get a malted with a "jaw-bone" dime, that's the kind you don't pay back till payday. And And while you're at the PX (post exchange) you may want some "pogy-bait," that's candy. At 4 o'clock liberty call is blown and anyone dressed and ready to "go ashore" within ten minutes is a "liberty hound."

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