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THURSDAY

B AND C CARD OWNERS GIVEN DANGER HINT

Ration Board Member Says Violations May Cause Drastic Action

Commenting on the charge that some holders of B and C gasoline ration cards in this county are violating regulations governing the use of these cards, a member of the Floyd County War Price and Rationing Board said Tuesday proof of such violations would result in the recall of ration books issued such persons.

The ration board member's statement follows:

"It has been brought to the attention of the board through different sources that some holders of B and C cards are violating regulations as to use of same.

"Any proof of this nature would result in their ration books being re-called.

"All C book mileage is what is known as preferred mileage and must be used only for the purpose stated by the applicant in his original application.

"It is suggested that C book holders keep a record of their mileage, since they will very likely need these figures in applying for a renewal on April 1."

Doors of the ration board office will be closed each Wednesday till 1 p.m., and after 4 p.m. every day until further notice, so that workers in the office can complete work that has piled up during the rush of early rationing days.

HOWARD, FREE IN SLAYING

No Formal Charge Filed in Killing In This County

John Howard, 21 years old, of Middle Fork of Quicksand, Knott county, was released from the county jail here Saturday after no charge had been formally filed against him for the slaying of Melvin Bolen, 30, of Knott county, and the knife-wounding of Adam Miller, 20, Magoffin county, on Lick Fork of Salt Lick Creek, near Bosco.

His story that he shot Bolen and cut Miller remained uncontradicted. It was learned, however, that his story, originally told here to the effect that he had killed both men, was erroneous, since Miller's wounds were not fatal.

Harris Handshoe, in whose barn the shooting took place shortly before midnight, Tuesday of last week, told THE TIMES he was certain Howard acted only in self-defense. He said he and Howard were sawing wood in front of his home when they saw two men approaching, earlier in the day, and that Howard, saying Miller and Bolen had been looking for him, went inside the house. Miller and another man came up, inquired for Howard and went on toward the house. Handshoe said. He added that Miller and the other did not halt until they were on the porch of his home and then only after Howard called to them three times to halt.

When they left the house, he said, Bolen arose from his place of hiding on a nearby hillside.

Late that night, Handshoe stated, Howard decided to sleep in the barn-loft, saying the men might return, looking for him. The shooting followed, only a few minutes later.

Bolen was shot in the abdomen and head with charges from a shotgun. Miller was severely slashed on his arm, but was not believed to be dangerously hurt.

The victim was a son of "Little" Rant Bolen, of the Rock Fork section of Knott county. He was married and had several children, it was said here.

Babe Dies Near Here, En Route to Hospital

Patsy Ruth, nine-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Haden Hall, of Wayland, died near here Tuesday morning while being taken in an automobile to the Paintsville hospital for treatment for pneumonia. Burial of the little victim will be made near Wayland under direction of the Ryan Funeral Home, it was said.

Spending of "Cartwheel" Results in the Arrest Of Youth, 19

The spending of a silver dollar, which he is alleged to have taken from the home of W. J. Turner at Drift recently resulted in the arrest of Elmer Patton, 19, of McDowell, Thursday of last week by Deputy Sheriff Ed Hall.

The Turner home was entered some time during Friday, Dec. 11, while the family was away. The haul consisted of a small sum of money, silverware and other items, mostly family keepsakes.

FLOYD JALOPY ROUND-UP ON

Legion Head Calls For Old-Car Scrap Drive in County

"Every 'junkie' in Floyd county will be recruited to provide food for the hungry furnaces of our wartime steel industry."

This was the promise made this week by W. G. Africa, chairman of the local committee of the American Legion Jalopy Round-up being sponsored by Floyd Post No. 129, after a conference with S. L. Isbell, county salvage director.

It is estimated that about 20 per cent of all the iron and steel scrap being turned into weapons of war now comes from the 20,000 automobile graveyards of this nation. They are now handling approximately 400,000 jalopies a month. Ceiling prices on scrap prevent workers from paying more than \$5 to \$15 for worn-out cars as junk, but there is no "ceiling" on the damage a scrapped jalopy can do the enemy. For example, the steel and iron in one old car averages enough to provide the metal needed to make more than 2,000 hand grenades or a half-ton blitz buggy, 48 five-inch navy shells, 27 three-inch trench mortars or 80 one hundred pound aerial bombs, and the local Legionnaires know how these bombs are going to help defeat the axis.

"Your jalopy may have lost its shining glamour and most of its horse power," Mr. Africa said, "but it still packs a beautiful wallop when put to work as brand new steel for the manufacture of guns, tanks, ships and shells for our ever-increasingly offensive against the enemy."

If you know the whereabouts of a useless jalopy, tell one of your Legionnaire friends; he'll see that it!

SAILOR TELLS EXPERIENCES

Wheelwright Youth Says Ship Sank By Submarine

Special to The Times  
Wheelwright, Ky., Dec. 19.—Seven-year-old Eugene Phipps returned, a few days ago, to the high school here which he left as a freshman, shortly after Pearl Harbor, to give both instructors and pupils a lesson in geography.

Young Phipps, a seaman first class, was but recently returned from Casablanca, Africa, center of American-British operations in the recent African invasion. He didn't, while telling of his experiences and of this land he visited dwell on relief maps and such schoolroom matters. He told what he actually saw—insofar as naval regulations would permit.

For one thing, he pointed out the fact that all that African coastline, near the equator, is not the desert you might think. More than that, he showed that safe arrival in the port of destination was no sign that you're safe.

For, after his transport had unloaded and was standing off the harbor, a German submarine snooched in and torpedoed it. "But," said Phipps, "the sub didn't get away. It was sunk and its crew captured."

Phipps claimed 13 Axis submarines were sunk by warships escorting his convoy, the largest ever to leave these shores, on the way across. His troopship was one of four sunk, Phipps stated. The loss of life was comparatively small, however, he added.

Phipps, a son of Aaron Phipps, enlisted in the navy last December. He was in and around the African coast from Nov. 7 to 17, he said.

Dwale Man, Radio Operator on Sub, Tells of Seeing 8 Jap Ships Sunk

Akers Declares Report Of Sub Crew Watching Horse Race Is True

Those stories coming out of the Pacific telling how one American submarine crew watched a horse race on the Japanese mainland, how another lay in wait two weeks for the launching of a Japanese battleship, watched it slide down the ways as the bands played and then sent a torpedo into it so that it would never stop going till it rested in Davy Jones' locker—both stories are true.

That's what Archie Akers, submarine radioman first class, averred here last week while spending a 30-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Akers, of Dwale.

Back home for the first time since entering the submarine service, five years ago, Akers, now only 22, is in a position to know about such matters. He has been in the thick of things while the fireworks were being set for the war in the Pacific, and ever since the Japs set off the display at Pearl Harbor he has been with this country's Asiatic fleet.

He has been with a submarine crew, ever since, except for the time he was stranded on Bataan during the days immediately following Pearl Harbor. The Floyd countian was recovering from an operation and had been assigned only to light duty on Bataan when war came.

"After that," he said, "I went and stayed any place where there was something to eat or a shelter to rest or sleep under. My ship was at sea, so were the other subs, and I had to wait till I got a chance to get back with them."

"The only thing the Japs haven't done to me is use a bayonet," he answered when asked about his experiences on Bataan and Corregidor, on which he also spent several days before being rescued for fighting duty on a submarine.

Veteran of at least 11 major engagements—"all one big battle," he said—, Akers declared that one Floyd county sailor or soldier "is good for any six Japs." "For ingenuity and daring and plain fighting ability, there's no comparison," he said.

"My sub itself has accounted for eight enemy ships—one a troop ship with 5,000 men aboard, two tankers,

5,000 Jap Soldiers Lost on Transport Sunk by His Sub

the other two, cargo vessels. "And," emphasized Akers, "not a d— one of those Japs on that transport got away. It was unescorted. We got 'em at 7 a.m., just as the cook dumped the garbage. They didn't have time even to get a lifebelt on. By the time I could get a peek through the periscope, only the transport's screws, still turning, were showing above the water."

Akers said he had "logged" 112 24-hour days, submerged, in Japanese waters. "This talk of Sundays and holidays and overtime makes us fellows who've been through it all plenty sick," he declared. "Why, I've had men on our sub ask me what day of the week it was. They weren't worrying about Sundays or overtime—they just wanted to know what day of the week it was, were glad to be alive and fighting what we know is a good fight and one we'll win."

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BOY, 16, HELD IN SLAYING AT GARRETT

Singleton Killed; Frasure Denies Memory of Act

Sixteen-year-old Harrison Frasure, Jr., of Estill, was jailed here Tuesday morning and faces a murder charge in connection with the slaying at Garrett Monday night of Willard Singleton, 18.

A revolver bullet passed through Singleton's body in the region of the heart, and he died within a few minutes, without speaking. The shooting took place in front of Dolly Belcher's place at Garrett, between 9:30 and 10 o'clock.

The alleged slayer said that he and Singleton were walking up the highway, he en route home, he heard somebody behind them say, "Let's kill 'em." He said he fell from a blow on the back on his head and regained possession of his faculties only when picked up by officers, some time later.

The bullet which killed Singleton passed through his body and struck Paul L. Mullins, son of Wayland, policeman Troy Mullins, in his hand.

Young Mullins was quoted by Magistrate John A. Hicks, Garrett, as stating Tuesday that Singleton and Frasure were on the ground, scuffling, when the shot was fired. Both youths were drinking, this statement said. From another source, Magistrate Hicks said he learned, the two had had trouble earlier in the day but had apparently renewed their friendship.

Frasure said he could not believe Singleton had been killed until he saw the body in Belcher's place after he returned there with officers from a nearby hospital where his head was dressed.

The accused youth is a son of Harrison Frasure, former Floyd resident, now of Ohio, and of Mrs. Bertie Akers, of Estill.

The victim, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Singleton, was scheduled for army induction Dec. 30 as a volunteer. Besides his parents, he is survived by three sisters: Mrs. Edgar Turner, Misses Pearl and Dollie Singleton, all of Garrett. The funeral will be held Thursday morning, the Rev. Green B. Allen officiating, and burial will be made in the Tom Martin cemetery at West Garrett under direction of the Ryan Funeral Home.

Church Here To Honor Students Next Sunday

Student Recognition Day to be observed Sunday at the morning service of the Prestonsburg Methodist Church, will honor all young people of the community home from school during the Christmas holidays, the pastor, the Rev. W. B. Garriott, announced Monday.

All students, regardless of church affiliation, are invited to attend the service. The sermon will be dedicated to students, some of whom will act as ushers, others taking the offering and rendering special music.

Court House Happenings

SUITS FILED—  
Robert Alexander Griffith vs. Billie Lee Griffith; Howard and Mayo, attys. Guyan Machinery Co., vs. Enmart Packing Co.; Edw. L. Allen, atty. Oscar Herbert Goodin, Jr., vs. Goldie Marie Conn Goodin; Joe P. Tackett, atty. Julia B. Stephens vs. J. Graham Porter; Combs & Combs, attys. W. S. Wells vs. Lonnie Morris, et al. (appeal); J. B. Clarke, atty. Foster Thornsburg Hardware vs. Sill Hall; Earl L. Cooper, atty.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

William B. Hamilton, 46, and Lacy Hamilton, 22, both of Teaberry; married at Teaberry Dec. 18 by Elder Bert Newsom, of the Regular Baptist Church. F. M. Coy, 26, Martin, and Dorothy E. Osborne, 28, Betsy Layne; married Dec. 20, at Betsy Layne, the Rev. Charles R. Ellswick, of the Methodist Church, officiating. Charlie Conn, 26, Harold, and Ebleen Reynolds, 18; marriage solemnized here Dec. 19, the Rev. I. A. Smiley, officiating. Ellsba Blevins and Lillie Colton.

94 SELECTEES LEAVE DEC. 30

For Final Examination At Huntington, W. Va., For Possible Induction

Ninety-four selectees and volunteers have been notified by Local Board No. 45 to report here Dec. 30, at 6 a.m., to go to Huntington, W. Va., for army induction.

Their names and addresses follow:  
Dema—Noah Collins.  
Wayland—Arthur Prater, Wornie Collins, Frank Ned Ousey (V), Warmie Prater, Glenn Harold Hall, Clyde Ernest Hoover.  
Estill—Sam Gibson (V), Stanley Buckanovich.  
Glo—Everett Crisp.  
Lackey—James Gibson, Martin Reed, Warmie Frazier.

Garrett—Rich Neace Hall, Norman Lynn Murphy (V), Jack Patrick, Robert Kinney, Jr., (V), Freddie Clayton Smith (V), Jesse Lee Conley, Makron Mosley, Tommie Newt Tackett, James Starr (V), James Jones (V), Dewey Raymond Griffith, Willard Singleton (V).  
Huesville—Willie Edwin Ratliff, Mathew Short, Tobie Castle (V).  
Hippo—Bennie Bailey.  
Northern—Berderick Lamarr Allen, Bolten H. Martin.  
Langley—Robert Louis May (V), Edward Dale Allen, Hershel Willard Begley.

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11 NYA GRADS GO TO DAYTON

30 Others Ready For War Production After Training Here

With its trainees finding their way into war production through private employment and Civil Service under the U. S. army at Dayton, O., the Prestonsburg NYA defense shop this month has already sent 11 "graduates" to defense centers and has 30 more ready to go, it was said last week.

Those sent to Dayton this month, all for employment under Civil Service, are:

Nora Tussey, Dock; Mae Wright, Prestonsburg; Lou Ella Ratliff, David; Raymond Goble, Prestonsburg; Howard H. Roberson, Coal Run; Raymond H. Tackett, Virgie; O. C. Meade, West Prestonsburg; Paul Bolling, Whitehouse; Russell Pack, Whitehouse; Mitchell Dotson, West Prestonsburg; Marvin Blankenship, Argo, Ky.

Plans for a further acceleration of the war production training program of the National Youth Administration to meet ever-growing demands for more and more women workers in war industries are announced by War Manpower Commission officials.

Since its incorporation as a war training agency of the Manpower

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The Christmas Spirit

(An Editorial)

CHRISTMAS, like Love, is a subject which evokes all the platitudes in the language. That indefinable Something, a thing more of the spiritual than the material, is inexpressible.

Christmas really is the Independence Day of the human spirit. All those other things that mark the day—the giving of gifts, the Tree, Santa, good cheer—belong to Christmas but are not truly a part of it. In itself, it is the anniversary of the birth of One who brought hope where there was despair, love where was hate.

In this deeper meaning of the Day, let us all, at this Christmas, wish for each other, particularly for those far from home defending the rights of the Christian world to both spiritual and material freedom, the very best of everything—peace through victory, goodwill, bright hope of the future.

BACK HOME

Wednesday looked like "Old Home Week" around The Floyd County Times. Sgt. Earl Martin arrived about 1 o'clock from Ft. Thomas. A few hours later, Pfc. Henry Howard came in from Ft. MacArthur, California, to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Howard. Sgt. Martin is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Noah Martin, at Minnie.

INJURED IN SMASH-UP

Fred, son of G. C. Stumbo, and Jake, son of Garner Halbert, both of McDowell, suffered severe head injuries Wednesday afternoon, last week, when a truck owned by Johnny Hall and Wayne Stumbo collided with the Douglas Hays Lumber Company truck. The trucks were badly wrecked.

4 JAILED WHILE SEARCH MADE FOR \$4,500 LOST IN COUNTY

Four persons were in jail here two days last week while authorities assisted in the county's greatest "treasure hunt" in years.

They, or one of them, were believed to have found on the Left Beaver railway tracks at Stumbo Hollow \$4,500 lost by Mrs. H. D. Martin, of Jump.

The four—Mr. and Mrs. Lon Justice, their son and daughter, Junior and Mrs. Betty Thacker—were released Saturday when the search ended under the floor of the Justice home.

Jailer Guy Horn and Deputy Sheriff Arthur C. Carter, who assisted County Judge E. P. Hill in the two-day search, estimated that the \$3,970 in cash recovered comprised all but around \$30 of currency lost. Checks which brought the total on up to the \$4,500-mark had been burned, it was said.

Mrs. Martin late Thursday lost her purse containing the funds while walking along the railway tracks, and did not learn of the loss until she reached home. First clue to the finder was gained after Mrs. Thacker sent \$10 to a prisoner in the county jail here.

Marion Hall Succumbs At Buckingham Home, Tuberculosis Victim

Marion Hall, 36 years old, died at his home at Buckingham Monday of tuberculosis from which he had suffered for the last three years.

He was a son of the late Willie Hall, of Knott county. Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Alpha Hall, his mother, Mrs. Susan Hall, and six children: Omar, Rebecca, Joan, Curtis L., James E. and Dolores.

The funeral was conducted this morning (Thursday) at the graveside in the Newsom cemetery at Buckingham and burial was under direction of the Ryan Funeral Home.

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Meets the first, second, third and  
fourth Thursdays in each month.  
The following officers were  
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Meets 1st and 3rd Saturdays in  
each month. Members of sister  
lodges are fraternally invited to  
attend. Permanent quarters in  
our new Temple on Court street.

Notice to Candidates:  
E. A. and P. C. Degrees, first  
Saturdays, M. M. Degrees third  
Saturdays.  
C. P. HUDSON, W. M.  
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Office Phone 93-W

Mrs. Claude Young, of Hopkins  
county, has a flock of 122 hens  
which averaged 173 eggs this year,  
and netted her \$3.09 per hen.



Now is the time when  
all of us are more fully  
conscious of the good-  
ness that should per-  
vade all mankind. Per-  
mit us, then, to thank  
you for your good will  
in 1942; we wish you  
all the merriest Christ-  
mas possible.

**CASH  
HARDWARE**  
Prestonsburg, Ky.



We thank you for  
your loyalty to us  
during the year. May  
you experience every  
joy during this bless-  
ed Yuletide of 1942.

**G. R. FANNIN**  
West Prestonsburg, Ky.



At this time, when com-  
mon tasks begin to  
glimmer with new glory,  
we pause to wish you all  
the Christmas joys this  
joyous season can bring.

**N. M. WHITE, Jr.**  
PRESTONSBURG, KY.



**The Light of Hope  
for a Blacked-Out World**

Our message this year is not one of  
"Merry Christmas" because after a year  
of war there are homes in which this can-  
not be a happy holiday. May a more spir-  
itual Christmas reassure us that the  
promise inherent in the birth of Christ is  
the light of hope for a world blacked out  
by total war. As surely as it glowed  
through the dismal centuries of the past,  
that light will one day brighten the  
world again with mercy, justice and  
peace.

**J. W. GALL & SON**  
PIKEVILLE

**U.S. Fighting Men To Spend  
Christmas in Every Clime**

For the first time in history,  
American armed forces on active  
duty will celebrate Christmas this  
year on every continent and ocean  
on earth, except possibly the Ant-  
arctic.

Some will be fighting and their  
dinner will be concentrated field ra-  
tions from their packs. But the ma-  
jority will feast on turkey with all  
the trimmings, however far they  
are from home and however strange  
the land of their enforced domicile.

And rare indeed will be the man  
who hasn't Christmas presents from  
home, for the army postoffice has  
shipped overseas more than 2,454,000  
packages weighing more than 13-  
545,000 pounds—the largest overseas  
mail shipment in history. In addi-  
tion, exactly 68,196,920 letters went  
to the boys for Christmas week deli-  
very.

These astronomical figures apply  
only to soldiers overseas, now total-  
ing around 1,000,000 men. They do  
not include almost 1,000,000 soldiers  
and marines, many of whom are  
abroad or at sea, nor do they include  
the 4,000,000 soldiers still in continen-  
tal United States.

During World War I only 5,200,000  
pounds of Christmas mail was sent  
to the A. E. F. for the two Christ-  
mases they spent in France. But this  
time arrangements are much better  
for getting mail to the troops and  
there are more of them abroad—  
scattered from Alaska to Brazil and  
from Iceland to India.

For their Christmas dinner, mess  
halls here and abroad will be de-  
corated—with evergreens where these  
are available. The dinner will be  
the same for every man able to get  
his feet under a table.

Food for complete Christmas din-  
ners, including 5,000,000 pounds of  
turkey or a pound to the man, was  
shipped well in advance and now is  
in the hands of company cooks at  
the places where it will be served.  
The cranberry sauce will be made  
from dehydrated berries.

Army and navy dinners will vary  
slightly. The full army dinner will  
include fresh fruit cup, celery soup,  
turkey, dressing, giblet gravy, snow-  
flake potatoes, green beans, toma-  
toes, corn pudding, hot rolls, butter,  
cranberry and orange relish, celery,  
olives, pickles, radishes, lettuce with  
Russian dressing, mince and pump-  
kin pie, ice cream, spice cake, fresh  
fruits, coffee, candy and mixed nuts.

The navy will serve approximate-  
ly the same menu except an oyster  
cocktail will replace the fruit cup,  
baked spiced ham will be offered in  
addition to turkey and free cigars  
and cigarettes will top the meal.

The religious significance of this  
holiday will receive full observance.  
Army chaplains throughout the  
world will hold Christmas services  
in about 900 chapels and other  
quarters available to them and on  
warships and at naval stations navy  
chaplains will do likewise.

Chapels will be decorated. In  
front lines such as in Tunisia,  
Guadalcanal and perhaps New  
Guinea, chaplains will do the best  
they can, even if a cartridge box

has to serve for an altar. There  
will be a midnight mass for Catho-  
lics with communion about 45 min-  
utes after the hour. Protestants will  
hold Christmas Eve services and  
have communion on Christmas Day.

For Christmas afternoon special  
entertainment will be provided  
where possible, such as movies and  
vaudeville. For sailors and marines,  
Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox  
will send a message to be delivered  
by V-mail wherever navy men are  
stationed.

For some of the forces overseas  
there undoubtedly will be no "peace  
on earth and goodwill toward men,"  
but very real fighting and dying in-  
stead.

There is no army custom or policy  
that dictates cessation of hostilities  
on Christmas. It is all up to "the  
theater commander and local condi-  
tions as to what hostilities occur.  
History tells of Christmas truces in  
certain battles. In World War I  
there was fraternizing with the en-  
emy in no-man's-land on some sec-  
tors. But most fighting men feel  
that in the hard business of war  
there is no room for any such senti-  
mentality.

Soldiers are eager carol singers  
and many camps and hospitals will  
hear old familiar Christmas songs.  
Carols will be sung in some part  
of the world virtually around the clock  
as American troops are stationed in  
almost every time zone. Christmas  
morning will arrive first for our gar-  
rison at Suva, in the Fiji Islands,  
since historic Wake Island no longer  
is held by the United States.

Eight hours later it will have  
reached those American soldiers  
more deserving of our prayers and  
sympathy than any other—the hero-  
ic United States troops still holding  
out against the Japanese in the  
Philippine jungles. About their  
Christmas we can only guess and  
hope.

It will not be a white Christmas  
for many of our troops overseas. The  
relatively small numbers in New-  
foundland, Labrador, Alaska, Green-  
land, and Iceland are the only ones  
having certainty of snow. Those in  
England and Ireland may have, but  
it is doubtful.

For most of the boys abroad  
Christmas will come in warm cli-  
mates if not the steaming heat of the  
jungle or the searing sun of the  
desert. Giant ferns or palms must  
substitute for fir trees.

For the boy "down under" in  
Australia and New Zealand Christ-  
mas will come in mid-summer.  
Those in the Canal Zone, Central  
America, Ecuador, the Galapagos  
Islands, Aruba, Curacao, Trinidad,  
Venezuela, Guiana and Surinam are  
so near the equator the seasons  
never change—it is always hot.

This is equally true for our sol-  
diers in Liberia, the Gold Coast, Ni-  
geria, Gabon, French Equatorial  
Africa, the Belgian Congo, Chad and  
Sierra Leone.

There are American soldiers in  
Palestine and it is possible that  
some of them may receive one of the  
greatest thrills possible to a Chris-  
tian—a Christmas Day visit to  
Christ's birthplace at Bethlehem.  
Others are in Syria, Egypt, Iraq and  
Iran where many Biblical events  
took place.

Others of our soldiers far from  
home will mingle on Christmas Day  
with the millions of ancient India  
and China, where Christians are rare  
and deities strange to untraveled  
Americans are worshipped.

But with the U.S. soldiers in more  
than 88 countries or remote islands  
around the world, the army post-  
office estimated that 95 per cent of  
mail sent outside the United States  
has been delivered. Since an average  
of two per cent is improperly ad-  
dressed, that leaves only three per  
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ing or other means beyond control  
of the A. P. O.

More than 300 pieces of furniture  
have been reported finished by  
homemakers' club members in Nel-  
son county.

**Letcher Farmer  
Has Good Record**

Blaine Collins, of Letcher county,  
who has three sons in the service  
and one in a defense plant, thought  
that he had failed in the production  
of sufficient food for him to qualify  
in the live-at-home program. Be-  
sides his labor shortage, there was  
a flood in that area last summer.

Upon checking, Home Agent Mary  
Belle Rogers found that Mr. Collins  
had grown 23 varieties of vegetables  
in his garden. He has 150 apple trees,  
12 peach trees, 24 grape vines and  
400 berry bushes. He also has 75  
hens in his laying flock and 50  
chickens for home use. Three quarts  
of milk are produced and used daily,  
and four pounds of butter weekly.  
Four hundred quarts of fruits and  
vegetables were left over from last  
winter and 25 gallons of sorghum  
and honey are on hand. There are  
two in the family.

Mr. Collins contributed 2,500  
pounds of scrap by tearing down  
five old wagons. He has also bought  
\$1,000 worth of war bonds.

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in this community during 1942,  
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the hearty support of so many of  
its citizens. We thank you, one  
and all, and wish you a very  
Prosperous New Year.

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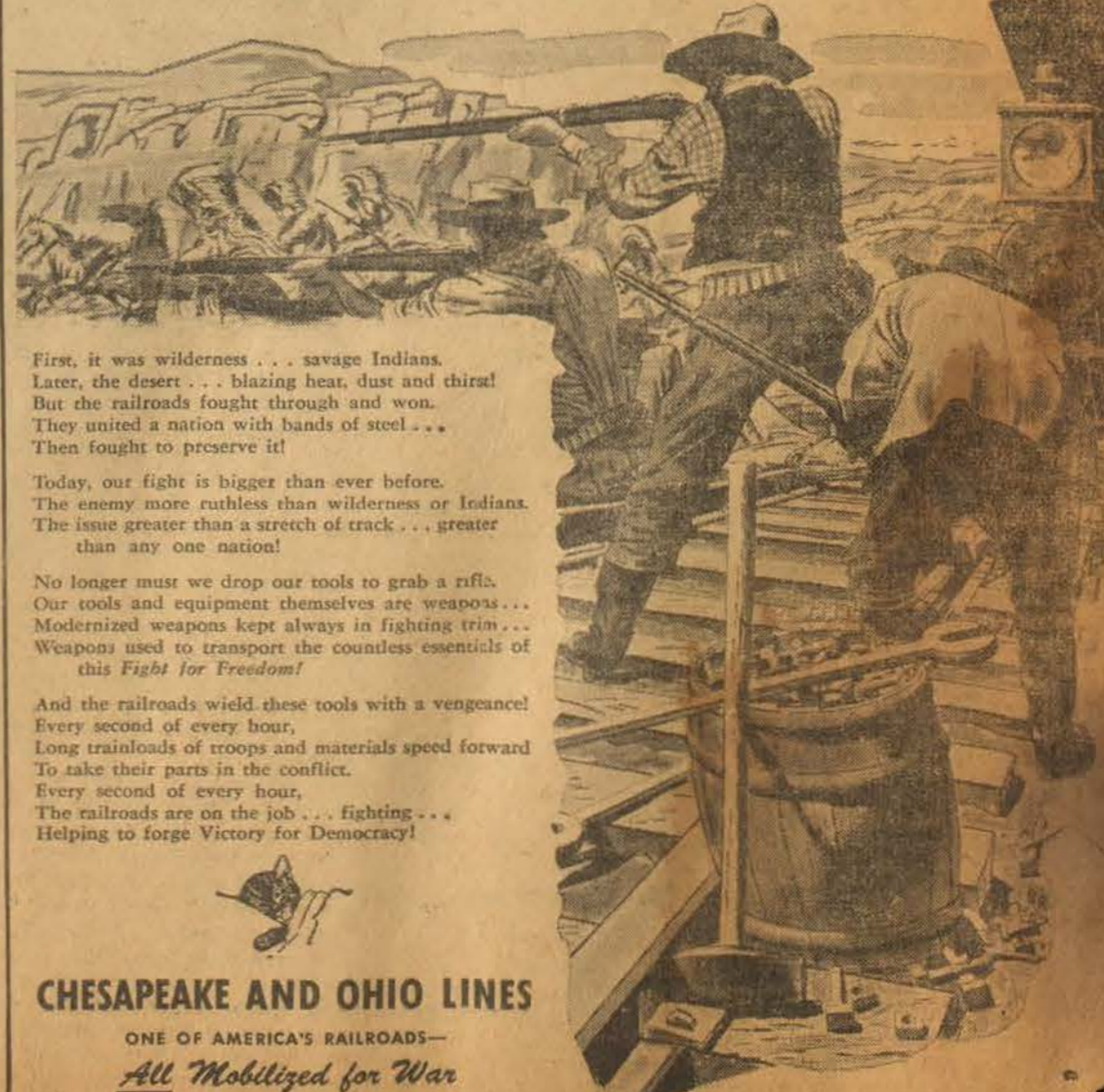


The holiday spirit of 1942  
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wars of men.

May we take this brief, but  
sincere, time to wish you  
the happiest Holiday Sea-  
son possible.

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this Fight for Freedom!

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Long trainloads of troops and materials speed forward  
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Every second of every hour,  
The railroads are on the job... fighting...  
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Eastern Kentucky Gives Men, Women To Serve Country

Eastern Kentucky is contributing men and women to the armed services and to war production in large numbers, according to a survey now being conducted by the Kentucky Agricultural Experiment Station in collaboration with the Bureau of Agricultural Economics of the United States Department of Agriculture. The population of a typical magisterial district in Owsley county has declined 31 per cent since the U. S. census was taken in 1940.



Once again a Christmas! May its message of peace and happiness abide with you throughout the Yule Season of 1942, and carry its benign influence to you and yours.

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A Very Merry Christmas So we say to you not just as our customers in 1942, but also as our friends and acquaintances which you have indeed become. We hope that you enjoy to the fullest all the happiness and goodness of this Christmas Season.

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Advertisement for E. P. Arnold Flowers, featuring a decorative border and text: 'CALL E. P. ARNOLD'.

Gubernatorial Straws in the December Win

THE DEMOCRATS

By J. HOWARD HENDERSON (In The Courier-Journal)

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 19—Editor-politician Tom Underwood said last week that Lyter Donaldson is Governor Johnson's choice for his successor, and to many who had been waiting for some word from the Governor, it was interpreted as a final decision.

Mr. Underwood, who is chairman of the Democratic State Committee, wrote through the first half of his column as if the decision were final. But in the last half he left plenty of room, and made some intimation that conditions might change before the administration choice was acceptable to all elements in the administration.

Color was lent to that possibility not only by Mr. Underwood's precaution to point to the possibility, but the presence in Kentucky of J. Dan Talbott. Mr. Talbott was supposed to be in Florida, under doctor's orders. He was, by his own statements, about to take himself out of the political picture in Kentucky, promoted by his health and financial offers he could not afford to ignore.

But Clifford Smith and Mr. Talbott were together in Louisville Wednesday. They were reported to be the strongest opposition to Mr. Donaldson's nomination. Mr. Underwood, incidentally, is more closely affiliated with them than with Mr. Donaldson. In the striving for supremacy that always goes on in any organization, Mr. Underwood has been for Mr. Talbott in any issue involving the Talbott prestige.

Meanwhile, Senator Chandler is reported anxious to put Mayor Wilson Wyatt in the Governor's race. That would be a part of the strategy to divide the Donaldson strength. Unless Mr. Wyatt would start listening to the Wyatt-for-Governor talk, he likely would be in the Donaldson camp rather than the Talbott or Smith camp.

The week brought no indication that Governor Johnson is less intent than he has been on the nomination of his Highway Commissioner for Governor. To stop Donaldson the Smith and Talbott forces first will have to stop the Governor, if they are seriously trying to do that.

Right now there is no reason to believe that Mr. Smith and Mr. Talbott, or either of them, would take their fight outside the factional group that includes them all, the Governor, Mr. Donaldson, Mr. Smith, Mr. Talbott, Mr. Underwood and Mr. Humphreys. And presently there is no reason to believe they would have a Chinaman's chance of beating Mr. Donaldson in an open break with the Governor.

So, as Mr. Talbott's resignation date draws closer, Mr. Donaldson's position becomes more secure. With one man's support, Governor Johnson's, the Carroll county leader seems assured of nomination. Conversely, if the inter-council fight weakens the Governor's support, it would be curtains for Mr. Donaldson. Mid-January, set by Talbott as his time to quit, should bring clarification of the picture.

On that score the Governor was reported ready three weeks ago to make his position public, but the Donaldson forces thought it would not be necessary at that time. Meanwhile, the Governor has been telling intimates where he stands.

The revenue department at Frankfort is learning how simple is the solution to seemingly complicated problems. For years and years the state has wrestled with the problem of valuation of property for local taxation.

It really was a local taxation problem, after all. Merely recognizing that, and turning it back to local administration, turned the trick. On real estate taxation, for instance, the state got but 5 cents taxes on every \$100 valuation of property. Obviously the state had little interest in the receipts, but it yearly exercised a paternalistic attitude, intent on seeing that the counties did not go to pot because they would not raise enough revenue for their own affairs.

Year after year it threatened huge blanket increases in assessment values in counties, imposed trifling ones, and threatened to get tough the next year. Thirty years ago the state tax authorities guessed that assessed values of property represented 60 to 70 per cent of their true values.

Plea followed plea, threat succeeded threat, and after 30 years the assessed values stood about 70 per cent of the actual value. To justify its raise the Revenue Department estimated that its assessment of franchise-paying property was 80 per cent. But that was an arbitrary guess; the Revenue Department would have a hard time proving the accuracy of its assessment of franchise corporations' property.

counties, "You are on your own, now walk."

And the counties straightway stood up and walked. Their assessment figures pouring into Frankfort show the highest assessment values ever put on county books. They are higher than the counties ever had even after the state imposed its blanket increases.

Why? No county was willing that its roads and schools and local government should go to pot. Faced with the problem of raising revenue for schools and roads and local government the counties turned in a creditable performance. They showed they needed no paternalistic prompting from Frankfort.

Why had they not done it before? It was the old game of passing the buck. Local tax officials could indulge the taxpayers with as niggardly a concept of citizenship as the taxpayers wanted to assume. The state would be sure to up the total assessment so local government functions would not come to a dead halt. Of course, out of that wide inequalities grew. The cheater put his property values far too low, the better citizen gave a fair value. Then a state-ordered blanket raise on all further penalized the honest citizen.

Local tax authorities placed the blame on the state. The state railed against local tax authorities. The public became more and more confused, more and more distrustful of government.

The counties will get as much tax revenue as formerly. A state revenue body does not dissipate its energies on a subject it knows little about, local property values, anyway.

But the real benefit Frankfort is giving the people will come next year. The cheater is known locally. Frankfort never could know him. Local knowledge will ferret him out. He will be brought to law. In two years there will be more equality in taxation among the citizens of a county than a state department of revenue could impose in 50 years.

Local taxation has been restored to local authorities by the Johnson administration. If left alone next year and the next, there will be no longer any need for Frankfort to think that public spirit exists among state officials, and nowhere else. It will come out all right if Frankfort will leave it alone.

While the game of picking a governor goes on among the politicians who think government would collapse unless their superior wisdom is imposed on the public, two men who would like to be governor pursue their individualistic methods of gathering votes.

County Judge L. Boone Hamilton, who broke with the dominant Democratic faction over Chandler's swimming pool, is trying to build an organization out of individual followers. He knows no man can win without an organization, but he hopes to show enough strength to become the anti-administration choice.

He takes great heart from the letters and personal pledges he receives, and plans now an organization meeting at Lexington to follow the first that was held in Frankfort last month.

George Glenn Hatcher, Secretary of State, would not flirt with the anti-organization group. He does not claim any chance to be the administration's candidate. But he really believes he can build an organization that will make him the people's choice.

He and Judge Hamilton have one feat in common: they make frequent and free use of "point of view" letters to the newspapers. All of the letters are fulsome in praise of the writer's choice. One begins to wonder if Mr. Hatcher will be realistic in time to run for something he could get.

W. A. Dotson of Pike county cleared \$597.78 above feed and other cash expenses on his flock of 260 pullets this year.

Hemp did well in Carlisle county, with some yields going 22 bushels to the acre.

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THE REPUBLICANS

By ALLAN TROUT (In The Courier-Journal)

Richmond, Ky., Dec. 19—Kentucky Republicans are rarin' to go. Republican politics is boiling hot. The boys smell blood. They believe the signs point to off-year Republican success in Kentucky in 1943.

The party is absorbing rejuvenated hope from three situations, as follows:

1. Leaders believe the nation-wide trend toward Republicanism is compelling, decisive and irresistible. 2. They believe the Republican National Committee will select the off-year election in Kentucky next year as a proving ground to show the rest of the country what to expect in 1944.

3. They profess to see a split forming in the Democratic party. "Our main problem right now," said Dr. O. F. Hume, Richmond surgeon and Republican National Committeeman, "is keeping the lid on. We have a dozen men who would make splendid candidates for Governor. We have got fifteen or twenty who would make outstanding candidates for Attorney General. We have men out campaigning now, fellows who would like to announce tomorrow."

"But the time is not at hand. A few of us are sitting on the lid the best we can. We are holding sectional meetings here and there, talking things over. Then we want to draw everybody together at a state-wide meeting in Louisville, say around Lincoln's birthday. There, we'd like to think things out the old-fashioned way and announce a complete ticket from top to bottom."

That is the strategy. Whether it will pay dividends remains to be seen. State Senator D. C. Jones, of Harlan for example has been exploring for some time now his chances of leading the Republican ticket in 1943.

There is considerable pressure in behalf of Dr. Elmer Gabbard, Buckhorn, the Presbyterian preacher and educator who came within 400 votes of beating Representative Andrew J. May in the Seventh District last month.

Commonwealth's Attorney James Parks, of Lexington, is being boomed for Governor. So is Judge Simeon S. Willis, of Ashland, formerly of the Court of Appeals.

Judge Rodney Bryson, Covington, and Judge Odus Bertlemen, Newport, are mentioned most frequently when speculative eyes turn to Northern Kentucky.

Chances of Former Mayor William B. Harrison, of Louisville, are being re-weighed. He ran against the late Governor Ruby Laffoon in 1931.

Others whose political availability are under discussion include William Wallace, Lexington; Dr. W. J. Moore, Richmond; Hambleton Tapp, Louisville; State Senator Paul Basham, Hardinsburg; State Senator Ray B. Moss, Pineville; Judge Arthur E. Hopkins and J. J. Kavanaugh, both of Louisville; Tom S. Yates, Grayson, chairman of the Republican State Committee, and Don V. Dyre, of Bradfordsville.

Dr. Hume lives across a quiet street here from the white home of Gov. Keen Johnson. Could this block send the next Governor to Frankfort? Several in his party would like to try it, but Dr. Hume says no.

"I have no desire for any public office now or in the future," he said. "I only want to play a small part with our Republican leaders in bringing the party back to its rightful position."

"I really have no business trying

to guide this situation now," he added, "but people come to see me and they write me letters."

"Dr. Hume, what kind of a ticket do you want the Republicans to pick?" he was asked.

"I'd like to see a ticket with every man on it running at a personal sacrifice," he replied. "I'd like to see a ticket with every man on it strong enough to run for Governor in his own right."

"What kind of a program will your ticket take to the people?"

"That is one of the most important things we are talking over at these little meetings all over Kentucky," he replied. "We are working out a sound, constructive program—one that will work and the people will like."

"We must win on our merits, not the opposition's demerits," he continued. "We don't deserve to win if not on our own merits."

"The story of Little Keen, Uncle Dan's soap, Cousin Clifford's fees, Happy's swimming pool and Lyter's toll bridges must be told only to round out the picture. That story must be told only as a good joke in the middle of a serious speech."

"The people of Kentucky already know about the administration's failure to invest surplus millions in government bonds, the ridiculous emergency funds, the streamlined Huey Long dictatorship at Frankfort and the multiplicity of inexcusable ailments that has afflicted the administration at Frankfort," he said.

Dr. Hume says he believes old factional differences engendered by the leadership of Judge King Swope, Lexington, and Congressman John M. Robison, Barbourville, are being thinned out.

"I believe you will find that scar is healing," he said. "The trouble is being blended out."

Judge Swope was the party's unsuccessful candidate against Governor A. B. Chandler in 1935 and Governor Johnson in 1939.

One new idea being tested out at the sectional conferences, Dr. Hume said, is to run John Cooper, of Somerset, as an absentee candidate for Lieutenant Governor. Cooper is now in the army. He was defeated for the nomination in 1939 by Judge Swope.

Dr. Gabbard is almost sure of a place on the ticket, possibly as Lieutenant Governor in the event Cooper is not slated.

"Some have questioned the politics of running a preacher for Governor," Dr. Hume said, "but, personally, I don't think it would be a bad idea. Governor Bricker of Ohio was a preacher, and there is plenty of talk about him for President in 1944. Dr. Gabbard is a clean, able man with a conscience. He takes well with people, as Jack May can tell you."

For the first time in a long time, Dr. Hume said, the party is not worrying over campaign finances next year. He believes the chance of success will attract enough money to

stage an interesting contest in November.

In addition, he believes the Republican National Committee will take more than passing interest in the off-year chance to break Kentucky away from the Solid South, particularly in the Democrats' split over Governor Johnson's choice of Lyter Donaldson to succeed him.

"That's a juicy situation worth watching with interest," Dr. Hume said.

The Republicans are starting scratch in Kentucky. They have elected a Governor since Flen Sampson defeated J. C. W. E. Ham in 1927. Their minorities in the House and Senate have hopelessly out-voted. Today, two Kentucky Republicans hold office in districts larger than county. They are Representatives Robison, in the Ninth Congressional District, and Mrs. Katherine Langley, Railroad Commission from the Third district.

Republican leadership has been divided in factional differences, campaigns have been faint-hearted and poorly financed. Thousands of young voters have been weaned away by the New Deal, while voters have been softened their old-time Republican taney.

Dr. Hume admits the obstacle "But the time always comes when an election is decided by the central mass of independent voters," he said. "We believe that time is at hand next year in Kentucky."



for Christmas come But Once a Year

... and when it does come, we want it to come with all the old-fashioned trimmings that make this season so joyous. Thanks, one and all for your kindness us during 1942.

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THIS YEAR OF 1942 has been one of world tribulation, but nevertheless, many good things have come our way. Chief among them is your continued patronage, for which we thank you very earnestly now, and wish you a very

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# Society Notes

## Celebrate Silver Wedding Anniversary, Dec. 20

On Sunday evening at 8 o'clock at home on Broadway, Dr. and Mrs. Marvin Ransdell celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. As the guests arrived they were greeted by Dr. and Mrs. Ransdell and each lady was presented a message of white carnations. The family table was lovely in its appointments of a gorgeous lace cloth, a centerpiece of white carnations and silver candelabra holding white candles tied with silver ribbon bows. A tiny bride and groom stood at the end of the table as symbols of the anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. Ransdell. Small tables were decorated in similar decorations. Seated at the family table were Dr. and Mrs. Ransdell, Captain and Mrs. Jay Shields, of Washington, D. C., and place cards for the absent daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Stanifer, of Aberdeen, Miss., who were unable to attend on account of defense work in which he is engaged. At small tables were Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Harlowe, Judge and Mrs. E. P. Hill, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. George Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Feller, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Montaine V. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Clarke, Misses Anna Martin, Bess Stephens and Virgie McCombs.

A delicious dinner was served.

## HERE FROM CRACKER

Mrs. Melvin Frazier and Mrs. Sherrill Frazier, of Cracker, were here shopping Monday, also visiting friends.



## Christmas to Cheer to All

It WAS but yesterday that all was commonplace. But now, what a change! 'Tis the Christmas spirit of 1942!

Carried away on this magic carpet of Yuletide, we enter every home to say Merry Christmas to our friends.

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## CANTATA PRESENTED AT METHODIST CHURCH

On Sunday evening at the Methodist Church, under the direction of Mrs. Chalmers Frazier, "Noel," by Wessell, was presented to an appreciative audience. The main parts of the cantata were sung by Junior Mayo, Mrs. W. P. Mayo, Mrs. Merle Wilson and Miss Myra Hill, while the trio parts were sung by Mrs. R. V. May, Mrs. Willie Mellon and Mrs. Margaret Durham. Soloists were Misses Carlos Hale and Jane Carol Hager. Each year a cantata is presented at the church and each seems more beautiful than the last. At the conclusion of the music, a White Christmas was presented to the American Red Cross to be distributed to the families who come under the Community Chest allotment.

A "Watch Night" service at the Methodist Church on New Year's eve is also announced. All Prestonsburg churches are invited to participate.

Those attending will meet downstairs in the church at 10:30 p.m., and at 11 o'clock the service will begin. The service will continue, the Rev. Garriott said, until midnight ushers in the New Year. He expressed the hope that all churches will be represented at the service.

## STUDENTS HOME

Among those who have arrived home from their various schools and colleges for the holidays are Misses Patty Rimmer, Eloise Williams, Ernestine Brown, Betty Jean May, Ann and Dorothy Sue Allen, Aynelle Nunery, Judith Morgan Davidson, Barbara Mandt, Bennie Mae Caudill, Sara Clay Stephens, Ann White, Jane Clarke, Messrs. Freddie Cottrell, Oliver Webb, Jr., Billy Sturgill, Frank Heinze, Paul Combs, Klinger Combs, Robert Runnels, Raymond Stephens, Jack Davidson, Donald Lee Meade, Carl Oppenheimer, Lewis Mayo, Herbert and Bobby Salisbury, Gordon Fox Homes.

## WESLEYAN GUILD ENTERTAINS

The Wesleyan Service Guild of the Methodist Church enjoyed its Christmas party in the parlors of the church on Monday. Gifts were exchanged by the Sunshine Sisters and an enjoyable time was passed, playing games and singing carols. The entertainment was directed by Mrs. Palmer Hall kept the party well entertained. Refreshments were served to Mesdames Palmer Hall, Martin Lee May, Richard Spurlock, Victor Hale, Frank Neeley, Luther Shivel, Ernest Hopkins, Thomas Hereford, William Jones, Jr., Burl Spurlock, Eddie Worland, J. S. Kelly, Harry Ranier, Frank H. Layne, Carl Horn, Woodrow Greenwade, Chalmers Frazier, Dick Roberts, Claybourne Stephens, Misses Carlos Hale and Josephine Davidson.

## RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs. William A. Rose has returned from Memorial hospital, Huntington, where she has been receiving treatment for four weeks. She was accompanied home by a special nurse. Her condition remains unchanged.

## "POT-LUCK" DINNER

A delightful "pot-luck" dinner was served Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Riffe on Highland avenue, by the members of the Young Married People's Class of the Baptist Church. Each member brought a covered dish for the dinner and it was served, buffet style. Following games and the singing of carols, an exchange of gifts was made by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Billie Goble, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Francis, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Burchett, Dr. and Mrs. O. G. Pennington, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Archer, Mesdames Curt Homes, Harry Sandige, James Morell, Charles Hughes, S. B. Howard, Ethel Cross, George Cohen and daughter, Clara Cohen, Gordon Fox Homes and Mrs. Riffe.

## ENTERTAINS CLASS

Mrs. W. B. Garriott entertained her class, the Victors, at the Methodist parsonage on Monday evening. The house was beautifully decorated in the Yuletide motif. A huge Christmas tree added to the attractiveness of the party. Santa Claus gave gifts brought to the friends who attended. After games were played and carols sung, the guests were escorted to the dining room where they enjoyed refreshments served from a beautifully-decorated table. Members of the class present were Dorothy Dorton, Mary Hill, Helen Triplett, Emma Louise Patrick, Mattie B. Hollifield, Barbara Jean May, Dallas and Denver Salmons, Bill David Craft, George Keenon, Teeny Tackett and Franklin Branham.

## HOME ON FURLOUGH

Billy Goble, who is attached to the Merchant Marine, surprised his family last week with a few days' visit. Last month, Mrs. Goble and children visited him in New York prior to his departure on a long voyage. He did not expect to return to the states for several months. This was a happy surprise for them.

## IN HUNTINGTON

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Mellon were in Huntington Friday visiting relatives. They were accompanied home by Mesdames E. P. Arnold and C. L. Hutsinpillar, who had spent the day shopping.

## HERE FROM WASHINGTON, D. C.

Mrs. David Herndon, secretary to Congressman May, and Mr. Herndon arrived, a few days ago, from Washington, D. C., for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Anna Mayo.

## AWAY FOR FORTNIGHT

The Rev. Herbert Brink, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, will not occupy the pulpit here until after the first of the year. He and his family are visiting his parents in Cleveland, Ohio.

## VISITORS HERE

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Hughes, of Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. Joe L. Travis and son, Russell Lee, of Holden, W. Va., Mr. and Mrs. John Webb, of Wheelwright, and Charles Webb, of Wheelwright, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Hughes, of Highland avenue.

## RESIGNS POSITION

On account of ill health, Miss Kay Hicks, supervisor of the Prestonsburg General hospital, resigned her position, the first of the week, and returned to her home at Ashland. Miss June Hollenback has accepted her position at the hospital.

## AUDITOR FOR REA HERE

Floyd Dobbins, auditor for the REA, and Mrs. Dobbins were here for several days last week on business. Mr. and Mrs. Dobbins were here for several weeks last summer and made many friends.

## VISITING MOTHER

Miss Zena Dare Daniel left Sunday for a visit with her mother in St. Louis. She will remain for a two-weeks visit.

## TO ARRIVE FOR HOLIDAYS

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Salisbury and daughters, Marian and Charlotte, of Cave City, will arrive this week to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Anna Mayo, IN CATLETTSBURG, HUNTINGTON

Mrs. Cal Clarke and Mrs. Curtis Clarke visited relatives in Catlettsburg and Huntington last week.

## WAYLAND SHOPPERS

Mesdames R. A. Suppes, Crit Wells, John Raymond, Frank Coolcy, J. E. Miller and Elizabeth Claypool of Wayland, were here Friday, shopping and visiting friends.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCED

Announcement is made of the birth on Dec. 13 at the Marting hospital, Ironton, O., of a son—Joe David—to Mr. and Mrs. Wesley N. Martin, of Allen.

## ATTENDS DISTRICT MEET

Mrs. Minnie Hale, commercial agent here for the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company, attended a recent district meeting of employees at Winchester.

## IN ST. LOUIS

Mrs. Chalmers Frazier left Tuesday for St. Louis to spend the holidays with her husband, who is in army service there. He expects to be transferred soon.

## MRS. MAY'S CONDITION UNCHANGED

Latest word from the bedside of Mrs. A. J. May shows no improvement. She is attended by two special nurses.

## HERE FROM MARTIN

G. D. Ryan and son, of Martin, were here Monday, shopping. Ira Morgan was a Martin visitor here on that day, also.

## VISITORS FROM ASHLAND

Mrs. R. W. Taylor (nee, Myrtle Mayo) and sister, Miss Cora Mayo, of Ashland, were here, the first of the week, visiting their aunt, Mrs. Laura Davidson, and other relatives.

## VISITING IN ASHLAND

Mrs. Josie D. Harkins left Thursday for Ashland to spend the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Iley B. Browning, and Mr. Browning and family.

## A White Christmas Of Other Days

Feathery flakes of softly falling snow, piling up in drifts against rail-fences; wood smoke spiraling upwards from chimneys of farm-homes; the faraway whistle of a locomotive or the passenger passing through a near-by village, with a homeward bound son or daughter; a gray-haired mother in the kitchen, bustling around, preparing all the good things that the children were so fond of, before they left the farm! As the dusk of evening settles down over rolling hills and valleys, lights begin to twinkle from windows; a dim light moves to and fro, that will be dad and the boys with the lantern, doing the barnyard chores; going from the crib to the barn with a basket of corn or hobbins for the horses and cows; or scattering fodder on the snow-covered knoll in the pasture, for the sheep to nibble on.

The aroma of coffee; the alluring odor of huge slices of ham frying on the wood-range; mince-meat pies and chocolate or coconut cakes cooling on the pantry shelves; crocks of milk with thick, wrinkled cream with bits of ice sticking to the outer edges of the cream, so tempting! Children popping corn to string and decorate the Christmas tree; a scurrying to the attic or cellar to find green or red wrapping paper to cut and paste into links to festoon the ceiling of the hall or dining room, with a great, red bell caught in the center.

Presently are heard footsteps, deep, care-free laughter, a stamping of feet; immediately mother and the girls make a bee-line for the front door, baby sets up a wall to go too; jovial greetings, a hard hug and a quick kiss; mother wipes away a tear with her apron; Dad clears his throat and mumbles something about a frog, nevertheless, he looks terribly pleased. Son or daughter, or both, who have just arrived stoop quickly to chuck baby under the chin, to hide their own chokey feeling. . . . It's nice to have a family to come home to. . . . It's nice to have Christmas to observe. . . . with all its old, old traditions. . . . Softly falling snowflakes, falling like a benediction, on blue-beret and khaki-clad shoulders bowed in prayer; in military camps all over the world, our sons, fighting that Christianity may survive. . . . the Christian way of life.

MRS. WM. J. FORD  
Wayland, Ky.



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FOR RENT—modern furnished apartment. Brick building, A. H. SPRADLIN, Phone 3491, City. 12-10-42

FOR SALE—5-room house and lot, Highland avenue. All utilities. Also barn. \$750. See JOHN HUGHES, City. 12-3-42 pd.

FOR SALE—electric outfit. Two engines, two sets of cars, extra track, control switch and tower, instructions. Perfect condition. Price \$15. GOMER STILES, Phone 3691.

FOR SALE—empty barrels at WPA Commodity Warehouse. 1t

FOR SALE—3 houses in Maytown, joins school property. One 4-room, one 6-room, one 9-room. Buildings all in good condition. For information write G. W. RATLIFF, Ft. Laramie, O., R. 1. 12-3-42

## PUREBRED CATTLE FOR SALE

We have purebred Aberdeen-Angus cattle for sale at prices ridiculously low in comparison to prices asked and received by breeders, down-state. Compare our prices and quality of cattle with those of Central Kentucky breeders, then save money by buying at home from a herd of the nationally-known Marshall blood strain. Cattle may be seen at farm on Salt Lick Creek, two miles from Besoe railway station.

NORMAN ALLEN

FOR SALE—Frigidaire, good condition. Phone 3351, City 10-29 tf.

FOR SALE—grocery store, stock and new fixtures. Phone 4171, Prestonsburg. 10-29 tf.

FREE! If excess acid causes you pains of Stomach Ulcers, Indigestion, Heartburn, Belching, Bloating, Nausea, Gas Pains, get free sample Ugdal at H. E. Hughes & Company. 11-26 12t pd.

WANTED—Cabinet-style sink. Phone Banner, Ky., 2563. 12-24-3t pd.

## A DAUGHTER

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Sturgill at the Prestonsburg General hospital, Sunday, Dec. 13, an eight-pound daughter—Mary Karen. Mrs. Sturgill is the former Miss Hildred Baldrige, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Baldrige, of West Prestonsburg. Mr. Sturgill, a son of Ex-Sheriff and Mrs. B. L. Sturgill, is on submarine duty with the U. S. navy.

## HERE FOR CHRISTMAS

Miss Mary Coyer, of Louisville, is spending Christmas here with her mother, Mrs. Pat Coyer. Mrs. Coyer will accompany her daughter to Louisville upon her return next week.

BUY WAR BONDS!

## Prestonsburg Drops Two to Van Lear And Wayland

Van Lear defeated the Prestonsburg Black Cats, 36-34, in a ding-dong battle from start to finish Thursday night, last week, at Van Lear, and the Wayland five came here two nights later to administer a 42-24 licking to the Prestonsburg team.

The Van Lear-Prestonsburg score was all even, with only two minutes to play. Van Lear's players, formerly coached by "Eck" Branham, Prestonsburg mentor, were out to beat him and used only five men during the entire game. Heinze with 21 points was the game's scoring star.

Prestonsburg never threatened Wayland. Decoursey, Wayland forward, led the victors' attack, and Heinze for the losers was runner-up in the matter of scoring with nine points.

Capelli, used only sparingly to date because of a football injury and a carbuncle, is expected to be ready to be a starter for the Cats in future games.

The scores:  
Van Lear (36) Pos. F'burg (34)  
Trimble.....F.....Heinze (21)  
Meade (9).....F.....Vaughan  
Pheips (15).....C.....Sammons (1)  
Clifton (8).....G.....Spurlock (3)  
Sparks (4).....G.....Combs (5)  
Substitutes: Prestonsburg—Tackett, Craft, Miller (4).

Wayland (42) Pos. F'burg (24)  
Robinson (4).....F.....Heinze (9)  
Decoursey (12).....F.....Spurlock (2)  
E. Martin (3).....C.....Sammons (3)  
Boyd (8).....G.....Miller (3)  
Rose (3).....G.....Combs (4)  
Substitutes: Wayland—Tufts (6), Stanford, Martin (6), Robinson, Fraley, Edwards, Prestonsburg—Tackett, Capelli (2), Vaughan, Crain (1).

The Wayland second team defeated Prestonsburg's reserves, 40 to 20.

G. B. Nolan, Harlan county, harvested 80 bushels of corn per acre off six acres that had been sown to cover crops for six years.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this means of expressing our gratitude to those who assisted in any way toward the consolation of words upon the death of Mrs. Linda Messer Vaughan. We especially thank the ministers for their comforting words and the Arnold Funeral Home for its efficient services.

MOTHER AND CHILDREN

## BABE DIES

The three-day-old babe of Mr. and Mrs. Humbert Lawson, of Turkey Creek, died Monday. Burial was made under direction of the Arnold Funeral Home.

## JOYOUS SEASON TO ALL



JUST the friendliest of wishes for your happiness and cheer at Christmas time and all-ways. Let not the sacrifices of 1942 have been in vain.

## VALLEY INN HOTEL

Prestonsburg, Ky.



Rising above the turmoil and cares of the world is the majestic story of Bethlehem. May the star that shone then still cast its light for you and all of us, revealing new pathways to happiness and achievement. Our entire organization joins with us in thanking you for your good will and patronage during 1942, and in wishing you a very Merry Christmas.

## Prestonsburg General Hospital

WEST PRESTONSBURG, KY.

## THE SEASON'S GREETINGS

Christmas 1942

### TO OUR PATRONS AND FRIENDS:

The shadows of the old year are lengthening. Before it fades into memory we want to pause for a moment to think of the finest people in the world—our friends—of you.

For Christmas is that joyful season when our hearts are filled to overflowing with fellowship and good cheer. Smiles are brighter, laughter rings truer, handshakes more hearty—making life more pleasant for others is the order of the day.

And so may happiness and good cheer come to your bright fireside during this joyous Christmas season. May your wish and ours, and that of every good American, for Peace and Victory, be answered during the coming New Year.

Cordially yours,

## The Bank Josephine

GEORGE P. ARCHER  
President and Cashier

## HUGHES DRUG STORE

PRESTONSBURG, KY.



YES, there IS a Santa Claus. There were times during this year of 1942 when we had begun to doubt it, and no doubt YOU had begun to doubt it, but now, when the Christmas spirit steals over the land we know that the Christmas story is true and that Santa Claus will come again, as he has always done. And so, with this cheering thought, we wish you a Merry Christmas.

# NEWS FROM FLOYD COMMUNITIES

## HITE

Pvt. Frank Salisbury, of the army air force, stationed at Columbus, Miss., and Pfc. Edward Salisbury, of the motor transport division, stationed at Grand Junction, Colo., were guests of honor at a party given by Blanche Keathley Saturday night, Dec. 9, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stephens. Dancing and games were enjoyed during the evening with Edward Salisbury and Faye Patton winning prizes; then refreshments were served to the following: Pvt. Wm. M. Hill, of the medical corps, stationed at Camp Forest, Tenn., and his wife; Mrs. Lawrence Keathley, chaperon; Dora May Stephens, of Georgetown, Ky., co-hostess with Miss Keathley; Faye and Joe Patton, of Garth; Carrie Lou Sharp, Patricia Adams, Betty Lou Keathley, Grace Hughes, Jackie and Jimmie Keathley, Johnnie B. Stephens, Gus and Wiley Elliott, of Martin; Ann Stephens, of Hite; Harry Brookover, of Prestonsburg, and the honorees, Frank and Edward Salisbury.

## LANCER

John Chapman, merchant here, has just returned home after a short visit in Bluefield, W. Va.

Carl Corbin is at his home here, seriously ill. His many friends wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Emory Burke, of Gio, were visiting relatives here Tuesday.

Harold Simmons, of Auxier, was here on business Monday.

Miss Alta B. Stephens was the overnight guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Maggie Herald, of West Prestonsburg, Thursday.

Mrs. Mary Goble, who has been seriously ill at her home here for the past six weeks, is now slowly recovering.

Pvt. J. B. Kendrick, who is in the U. S. army at Camp Swift, Texas, is home on furlough.

A card party was given at the home of Raymond Wells Saturday night. Refreshments were served to Mary and Alta Stephens, Russell Harris, Robert Stephens, Mary Wells, Edward Stephens, Bureada Clark, Goldie Smith, Naomi Stephens, all of Lancer.

Pvt. Joel D. Goble is at his home here on furlough.

Miss Alva Goble was Christmas shopping in Prestonsburg Saturday.

Miss Stella Sizemore, of Louisville, was visiting Miss Mary E. Wells here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Derossett were Christmas shopping in Prestonsburg last week.

Miss Jack Harmon is visiting her sister in Louisville.

Billie Goble, of Auxier, is visiting relatives here.

## BETSY LAYNE

By JAMES BLEVINS  
PERSONALS  
Mrs. Lucilla Elswick, who has been with her husband, Pvt. Travis Elswick, of the U. S. army stationed in Arkansas, for the past three months, is now spending the Christmas vacation with her mother, Mrs. John T. Foley, of Justell.

Betsy Layne high school was dismissed Friday afternoon for the Christmas vacation; will resume classes Dec. 28. The annual Christmas program was presented Wednesday night in the high school gymnasium, under the direction of Miss Hale.

Miss Genevieve Blankenship, who has been in Columbus, O., for the past summer, was visiting friends here last week. She is spending the Christmas vacation with her parents in Pikeville.

Little Albert Buford Layne, four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Layne, is recovering from a broken leg received Dec. 5 when he fell into the grist-mill at his home here. The child was taken to Dr. Flannery, of Pikeville, for treatment.

## MARRIAGES

Mr. Floyd R. Littleton, of Regina, announces the marriage of his daughter, Robena, 21, of Louisville, to Pfc. Roscoe Layne, Jr., of the U. S. army, and a son of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Layne, of Harold. The marriage was solemnized by the Rev. Howerton at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Robinette, on Pike street, Pikeville. Pfc. Layne has returned to his army station in Hartford, Conn., where his bride will later join him.

After a long period of silence, I am able to announce here the marriage of Miss Leah Belle Stone and Mr. Cecil Rice, both of Betsy Layne, who were married Aug. 17. The marriage was not known to the public until this week.

I wish now, if THE TIMES will grant me permission and space, to wish every reader of the Betsy Layne column of THE TIMES a MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR, and to thank those who have made it possible for the Betsy Layne column to appear here each week.

Approximately 75 storage cellars will be built in Knox county this year.

## HUEYSVILLE

J. M. Whitaker has gone into business at his place opposite Smackey Bottom.

C. C. Craft is still in the farm and stock business on the head of Jones Fork. He has quite a bunch of hogs and small pigs and the cold weather is keeping him busy keeping them from freezing.

Willie Whitaker, of Gunlock, was visiting this place a few days ago. Mr. Whitaker has almost recovered from burns he received last summer from which he came near dying.

Gold Reed and wife were visiting Hueysville Saturday on business and to meet their daughter-in-law from Tennessee.

A. J. Coburn recently returned from Beaver Valley hospital where he underwent an operation and treatment of cuts and bruises received when hit by a C. & O. passenger train Nov. 14. Mr. Coburn is now able to go about the house on crutches and is expected to be out again soon.

Word has just reached here that Linden Crager, of South Point, O., died at his home last week of a cerebral hemorrhage. He was a son of John W. and Jane Bailey Crager. He was a former sawmill man in this and Magoffin counties. He was born in Magoffin and was 58 years old. He moved to Ohio several years ago and had been engaged in farming. He is survived by his widow, Biddle Bentley Crager, and 14 children, all of Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Conley this week are visiting his sisters, Mrs. Chick Brewer, of Leckey, and Mrs. Cynthia Martin, of Wayland. Last week, they were visiting Mrs. Conley's father at Hueysville.

## MAYTOWN

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM  
The Maytown Sunday School had its usual Christmas program Sunday morning, with Mrs. Wiley Jones in charge. Children presented poems and songs. Miss Peggy Jo Allen, of the high school, singing a solo. After the services the gifts were distributed from the tree, and needy families in the community cared for. The crowd was larger than usual, as all Maytown youngsters are invited to the annual treat provided by the birthday penny bank of the Sunday School.

## SENIOR PARTY

Members of the Senior class, with Misses Harriet and Peggy Jo Allen, of the school faculty, entertained their friends to a dance and social in the senior room, Tuesday evening of last week. The youngsters had a delightful time, topped off with delicious refreshments at a late hour.

## "UP SHE GOES"

Maytown seniors, under direction of Mrs. Thomas Patrick, Jr., of the English department, presented "Up She Goes," a three-act comedy in the high school auditorium Wednesday night, with Miss Billie Marie Allen in the leading role. All the characters were well-chosen and each delivered a splendid performance which evoked much favorable comment.

## SHOWERS BY CHURCH

The blind of the community are being showered this week by the Sunday School, while this coming Sunday everyone is asked to bring something to the church, morning or afternoon, for the pastor and family, who are to receive a Yuletide "pounding," Mrs. James Allen, chairman of the committee in charge, with Mesdames Syd Begley and Arnold Cassidy assisting.

## FACULTY HAS SPECIAL DINNER

The Maytown faculty enjoyed its annual Christmas dinner and gift exchange in the home economics room Thursday at noon, when the Home Ec girls, under the direction of their instructor, Miss Peggy Jo Allen, served a dainty meal to all attending.

## PERSONALS

Miss Maxie Salisbury, daughter of Mrs. Lillie Salisbury, is now employed in Radford, Va.

Herschel Begley, of Manchester, Conn., has just left for the Marines, and is stationed somewhere in South Carolina, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Syd Begley, report.

Mr. and Mrs. Ermost Hayes and small son, who for the past few months have resided in Greenville, Pa., are now at home for the holidays before going on to New York for further defense work in which Mr. Hayes is engaged.

## DAVID

The David Woman's Club met last Wednesday night for a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Bob Walker, with Mrs. Russell Harmon as co-hostess. The president, Mrs. Lon Hill, presided. After a short business meeting, Mrs. Loren Roberts entertained the group with games and contests, Miss Ora Howard, Mrs. Lon Hill and Mrs. S. N. Cramer being the winners.

Christmas carols were enjoyed throughout the evening. The home was beautifully decorated to carry out the spirit of the season. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess. Each member drew a lovely Christmas present.

Members attending were Mesdames W. E. Hess, Forester Anderson, George Burke, Jimmie Camacia, Joe Keesling, Elmer Wingo, Enno Van Gelder, Bob Walker, Russell Harmon, Paris Bartley, Otis Bussey, Loren Roberts, Stanley Crain, Pete Capelli, C. N. Cramer, Fred Collins, Mrs. Mullins, Ballard Plummer, Lon Hill, Frank Rogers, Misses Ora Howard and Blanche Garrett.

Charles Stambaugh is in the Paintsville hospital.

Several young folks attended the game at Prestonsburg Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hess and family spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. Hess' parents at Van Lear.

Stanley Crain has been ill for the past week.

The David Community Sunday School, on Sunday evening presented the pageant, "Hope, Joy, Service." The adults and young people sang carols throughout the pageant. "It Came Upon a Midnight" was pantomimed by Katherine Hager, Mona Mae Rogers and Naomi Bussey. Mr. Hess led the choir.

On Tuesday night, the folk of the community gathered at the church for a short program by the beginners and primary classes in the Sunday School. There was a Christmas tree and treat for all the children. Throughout the week, different departments of the Sunday School enjoyed their class parties. On Tuesday night the intermediate and young people with their teachers went Christmas caroling.

## WAYLAND-ESTILL

Blaine Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Martin, is home on furlough.

Seymour Crumpler, son of Rev. and Mrs. R. P. Crumpler, is home from Berea for the Christmas holidays.

Harry Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Martin, is home on furlough, visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. Ray Spencer left last week for Jerome, Arizona, to join her husband, Ray Spencer, who is employed in the copper mines there.

Sgt. Stacy and Pvt. J. Trudy Salisbury were visitors in Wayland last week-end.

August Hall, son of Mr. and Mrs.

L. D. Hall, is home from the navy on furlough.

## HAYWOOD-BLEVINS

Miss Billy Haywood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Haywood, came the attractive bride of Bl. Blevins of Bluefield, W. Va., Monday, Dec. 14.

Mr. and Mrs. Oakley Mullins, of

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WE WELCOME YOU  
**R. M. HALL'S**  
**BARBER SHOP**  
R. M. HALL, Manager  
Opposite Bank Josephine  
PRESTONSBURG, KY.

**HOLIDAY GREETINGS TO ALL**  
1942  
  
PERCE ON EARTH ... GOOD WILL TO ALL MEN

AT THIS TIME, when prince and peasant bow in common harkening to the message of good will from old Judea, we want to express our earnest wish for a happy 1942 Christmas season to all our friends.

## SANDY VALLEY TIRE SERVICE

PRESTONSBURG, KY.

  
Merry Christmas

WHEN storekeeper Abe Lincoln discovered he had overcharged a customer 6c he walked 6 miles to return those pennies, and earned the nickname "Honest Abe."

Integrity in little things has helped us, too — has earned for us, we believe, the complete confidence of this community, not only in 1942, but in other years. At this time we want to thank you for this confidence, and to extend to you every good wish for a Merry Christmas.

**A. W. COX**  
**DEPARTMENT STORE**  
PRESTONSBURG, KY.

Wasted money is wasted lives. Don't waste precious lives. Every dollar you can spare should be used to buy War Bonds. Buy your ten percent every pay day.



**GREETINGS 1942**

But even if Christmas came once a month, we would hardly find words with which to thank you for your generous support.

And now let us wish you all a very Merry Christmas in 1942.

**TOP THAT**  
BY NEW YEAR'S  
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**BUY WAR BONDS**

**KROGER GROCERY & BAKING COMPANY**  
Prestonsburg, Ky.



WE WOULD LIKE TO WISH THAT YOUR CHRISTMAS STOCKING HAVE MUCH MORE IN IT THAN EVER BEFORE, BUT, AS THIS MIGHT SEEM TO BE AN EXTRAVAGANT HOPE, WE WISH THAT IT CONTAIN FAR MORE THAN YOU EXPECT.

YOU HAVE STOOD BY US LOYALLY IN 1942, AND WE CANNOT TELL YOU HOW MUCH WE APPRECIATE IT.

**SPARKS BROS. BUS CO.**  
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## Want to Work?

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SHERIFF'S SALE

FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT

Salisbury vs. Plaintiff
Nora Martin Defendant

By virtue of Execution No. 9211 which was issued from the Floyd Circuit Court Judgment May Term, 1942, in the above-styled cause, I proceeded to offer for sale at the courthouse door in Prestonsburg, Ky., to the highest and best bidder, public auction, on the 28th day of December, 1942 at 1 o'clock p.m., the being the first day of the regular term of the Floyd County Court, a credit of six months, the following described property, to-wit:

A tract or parcel of land situated in Floyd county, Ky., on 1st Beaver Creek. Bounded on South by lands belonging to Pet Salisbury; on West by State Highway; on North by lands belonging to Tom Salisbury; on East by Beaver Creek; tract containing 3 acres more or less. Levied on as the lands of Nora Martin.

For the purchase price, the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid and having the force and effect of a judgment, with a lien retained upon said property as further security. Bidders will be prepared to comply promptly with these terms. Given under my hand, this Nov. 25, 1942.

ANNIE STUMBO, Sheriff, Floyd County. By A. C. CARTER, D.S. Cost of advertising \$10.25

SHERIFF'S SALE

FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT

Jeff Newberry, et al. (Consolidated) vs. Plaintiff
John Eskew and Addie Eskew Defendant

By virtue of a judgment and order of sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, rendered at its October, 1942 term, in the above-styled causes for the following sums: Thomas Field and Company, \$3,090.92, with interest at six per cent per annum from July 15, 1942, until paid; Jeff Newberry Company, \$544.44, with interest at six per cent per annum from Dec. 1, 1941, George Ousley, \$150.00 with interest from the 7th day of March, 1939; The Bank Josephine, \$702.75, with interest on \$700.00 from Nov. 1, 1942, and the rest of these consolidated causes, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the courthouse door in Prestonsburg, Ky., to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Monday, the 28th day of December, 1942, at the hour of 1 p.m., or thereabout (same being the first day of the Floyd County Court) on a credit of six and 12 months, the following described real estate:

TRACT NO. 1—located on the waters of Right Beaver Creek, Floyd county, Ky., at Garrett, Ky. Beginning on the line of H. H. Hughes in front of his store building, and running with his line 72 feet to a stone wall; thence with said stone wall, a distance of twenty-five feet to M. M. Pratt's store building, and with said wall a distance of 92 feet; thence back to the beginning, being the same property conveyed by M. M. Pratt and Ella Pratt to John Eskew and Addie Eskew by deed bearing date, August 30, 1929, recorded in Deed Book 84, page 14, Floyd county court clerk's office.

TRACT NO. 2—located on the waters of Right Beaver Creek, Floyd county, Ky., at Garrett, Ky. Being that certain tract or parcel of land appearing on the plat of the Martin Addition to the town of Garrett, Floyd county, Ky., now on record in the office of the clerk of the Floyd county court, and designated as lots 86, 87 and 88, fronting 75 feet, thence running back to the center of Beaver Creek, being the same property conveyed to Addie Eskew by John Eskew by deed bearing date May 12, 1927, recorded in Deed Book 113, page 424, Floyd county court clerk's office.

Or a sufficiency thereof to produce the sums so ordered to be made. For the purchase price, the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing legal interest from date of sale until paid and having the force and effect of a judgment. Bidders will be prepared to comply promptly with these terms. As additional security a lien will be retained against said property to secure the payment of the unpaid purchase price.

ANNIE STUMBO, Sheriff, Floyd County. By B. L. STURGILL, D.S. Cost of advertising, \$18.75

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that by a vote of a majority of the stockholders holding a majority of the outstanding stock of the Prestonsburg Publishing Co., Prestonsburg, Kentucky, a corporation, said corporation is being dissolved as of December 31, 1942, and all persons holding claims against said corporation are requested to file same with the undersigned on or before that date. Said company will hereafter operate as a partnership.

PRESTONSBURG PUBLISHING COMPANY, Inc. By NORMAN ALLEN, President 12-3-42

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Jones Fork Mining Company, a Kentucky corporation, has elected to dissolve and wind up its affairs and that a memorandum of dissolution has been filed in the County Court Clerk's office, Prestonsburg, Ky. Lackey, Ky., Nov. 9, 1942.

JONES FORK MINING COMPANY. By J. S. McVEY, President 12-17-42

Frank Browning of Adair county seeded a large field of Balbo rye and found it ready for pasture one month after seeding.



Washington, D. C.

QUIET CONFIDENCE

It brought no headlines, but Chief of Staff General Marshall made the first step toward better co-operation between Capitol Hill and the Executive Branch of the government by holding a quiet conference with key senators and representatives.

He gave them an intimate, and on the whole optimistic, progress report on the war, which left a good impression with congressional leaders. Both Republicans and Democrats were present, most of them from the military affairs committees, and also the vice president, the speakers and other leaders.

General Marshall gave the actual figures on American losses in North Africa. These must remain confidential, but they were encouragingly small. He explained that one reason for the light casualties was General Eisenhower's peace arrangement with Admiral Darlan.

General Marshall attached great importance to this, since the army, navy and civilian population in North Africa were under the influence of Admiral Darlan. Therefore he suggested to congress that it would be very helpful if there were no critical speeches of the admiral despite his Vichy connections.

Admiral Darlan had come to visit his son who was stricken with infantile paralysis, General Marshall said, then had returned to France. But when his son suffered a relapse, Darlan came back to North Africa. Thus it was pure accident, but a very fortunate one, that he was in Algiers at the time. Darlan had given the order immediately which resulted in the saving of many American lives.

General Marshall also paid high tribute to Robert Murphy, the state department's charge d'affaires in France, who spent most of his time in North Africa. It was Murphy who mapped out most of the advance political plans of the U. S. army.

General Marshall was also optimistic regarding the amount of Nazi strength being diverted from the Russian front, especially airpower. He felt that Hitler would have to take more and more planes away from Russia to protect Italy, now considered the soft spot of the Axis, and that Hitler could not lick Russia without airpower.

Another optimistic part of the war picture, the chief of staff said, was New Guinea, where he expects some real Allied progress against the Japs at Buna.

Note: Secretary of the Navy Knox is now following Marshall's cue and has invited members of the senate and house naval affairs committees to have dinner with him some evening soon. As a result of the elections, it looks as if the executive branches of the government had awakened to the fact that there was a congress.

HITLER INFLUENCE

If Hitler moves in Spain, he may accomplish at one blow what we have failed to do in nine months of diplomatic discussions with Argentina. He may force that South American country into a break with the Axis.

It was Argentina which principally gunned the works at Rio de Janeiro last January, when astute Sumner Welles, undersecretary of state, was trying to line up all 21 Latin-American countries behind a resolution to break relations.

There Argentina Foreign Minister Ruiz Guinazu insisted on "neutrality" and Argentina remained on the fence.

Ruiz Guinazu is a great admirer of Spain, is proud of his own Spanish blood. Furthermore, he points to Spain's "tradition of neutrality" as the best guarantee of peace.

So if the Germans now attack Spain, the Argentine government would almost be forced to come to the defense of the mother country by breaking relations with the attacking country.

Note: Resignation of Argentine War Minister Tonazzi, a friend of the United States, is regarded here as the first important rift in the Castillo government.

COURTEOUS

MRS. CORDELL HULL

Mrs. Cordell Hull was leading the Shoreham hotel one morning when she encountered Dr. Jose Richling, former minister of Uruguay.

"Can I take you some where?" she offered. "I'm going to the state department," said Richling. "Come along, I'll take you." "But are you going that way?" "No, but it doesn't matter. I have nothing to do. Anyway, I want to see how my husband works."

CAPITAL CHAFF

In spite of space shortage, a magnificent suite of offices in the state department is still reserved for the venerable "General of the Armies." Unfortunately Pershing has to spend all his time at the Walter Reed hospital.

The U. S. army in North Africa will consume local fruits and vegetables, not to mention lamb and mutton, produced there in large quantities, and formerly shipped to Italy, France and Germany.

Christmas Greetings

(According to Regulations)

Christmas Somewhere with the AEF

A CHRISTMAS HELLO:

I undertake to forward my Christmas Greetings only after having checked with the Rules and Regulations relative to censors and censorship as are in effect here. In keeping within the restrictions my letter unfolds itself as you shall read it in the subsequent paragraphs.

First of all allow me to put you all at ease by stating in clear, undeniable truth that I arrived here safely as do all the people who reach here.

Before I left where I was for here, I hadn't the slightest idea that my trip would ultimately find me arriving here, from there. However, after I had left where I was, in what I left by, and after traveling a given number of days that are not to be confused with the number of nights I found myself arriving here and my transfer completed.

The weather here is just as it is today, in fact the weather is as it should be at this time of the year in this country. Now, that means that it is quite unlike the weather where I was just before I came here.

Without being impudent and divulging the exact location of my assignment, the land and air here are just as they would be in this part of the land and not to be compared with the type found in that part of the hemisphere where I was formerly.

The mention of distances is taboo but may your anxiety be relieved in the knowledge that from there to here (one way) is exactly the same as it is from here to there (one way) . . . Isn't that coincidental?

Concerning my clothing . . . I was obliged to bring along all that I wear here as what is worn here I have never worn there and what is worn here takes the place of what was worn there. Yes, you are correct in concluding that you people there and us people here are at present wearing clothes that is not similar.

But time, here, is the same kind of time that I had there, only it differs somewhat. That is to say, the time I left there was like the time it was here but it was not the same time. I mean, of course, at the same time. In other words . . . the time is like the time they normally have here while the other time you would be having there at that time.

I might say that the inhabitants here understand the language they speak quite well. Their mode of dress is just like you would see if you were to see them in snapshots taken here. But no photography is permitted, so no pictures. Their homes are not like the homes I left behind but here I will remain until I go elsewhere.

Well now you know that I am where I am . . . Safe and in good health. Hoping you are the same and that yours shall be a MERRY CHRISTMAS.

MERRY CHRISTMAS HAPPY-NEW YEAR JIMMY

MAYTOWN

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George Allen, recently of Kingsport, Tenn., is at home to replace Clyde Patton, who was called into service last week.

Edgar Hicks, of Ft. Carrabelle, Fla., is visiting his sister, Mrs. H. B. Shepherd, and Mr. Shepherd.

Pakie Hicks, of the U. S. army, is at home with relatives on leave. Mr. Hicks was stationed in Indians, according to the writer's most recent information.

Mr. and Mrs. Selson Gibson, of Turkey Creek, announce the arrival of a ten-pound son on Monday, Dec. 14. The babe has been named Leonard Daniel.

Mrs. E. R. May and daughter, Libby Ree, were shopping in Huntington last week-end.

Thomas Spence Combs, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Combs,

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recently left his studies at the University of Kentucky to enlist in the U. S. army, and is now a private at Fort Sill, Okla.

All Maytown is basking in the reflected glory of her son, Ed Sutton, Jr., whose exploits as a bombardier in Africa are gaining him much renown. Ed, long known as "Jr." to most of his pals, finished Maytown high with an excellent record, afterwards attending Berea College and the University of Alabama, where he took a course in engineering. More power and a safe return are the wishes sent him by his numerous friends. Ed was among Maytown's first volunteers.



I am a SOLDIER of the Wires

With the approaching holidays, I am thinking more and more of the problems which confront us operators in getting Uncle Sam's war calls through, so I decided to speak right out and ask for the help I feel sure everyone is willing to give.

You know that we operators have a real job to do for Uncle Sam. Every day we put through countless calls from growing Army camps, humming war industries and busy government agencies—calls that we 'soldiers of the wires' know must go through—calls that speed our Nation on to Victory!

This December, war will take no holiday and Uncle Sam will be using the telephone more than ever. Therefore, we operators are asking you to help us by not making holiday greeting long distance calls this year. We urge that no such calls be made, especially on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day or New Year's Eve. I know it is asking a lot, but Uncle Sam surely needs these long distance lines and when he needs them—it's right now! I know we can count on your cooperation.

Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company INCORPORATED

To each and all of you we say "Merry Christmas." We say it—yes—in the very same spirit that we have said it in the past, knowing that the full enjoyment of Christmas is an affair of the heart and of the spirit. Pausing for a moment in the twilight of 1942 we look forward with our friends hopefully to the future.



A MERRY YULETIDE TO ALL

THOMPSON'S CAFE

PRESTONSBURG, KY.

WAYLAND-ESTILL

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merly of Wayland, are residing at Middle Creek.

Cpl. Winfred Bentley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Haas Bentley, of Lackey, is home on furlough.

Cpl. Orville Hansford, son of George Hansford, was home recently on furlough.

Mrs. Burnous Whitaker and baby

recently went to visit her husband at Wright Field, Dayton, O. When they arrived, however, he had been sent to an undisclosed destination. Mrs. Whitaker and baby returned Saturday.

Mrs. Clarence Ratliff and baby, of Glo, spent the week-end with Mrs. W. E. Wells, of Wayland.

In Barren county, more acreage has been given to cover crops this fall than at any time in the county's history.

DR. J. A. BROWNE

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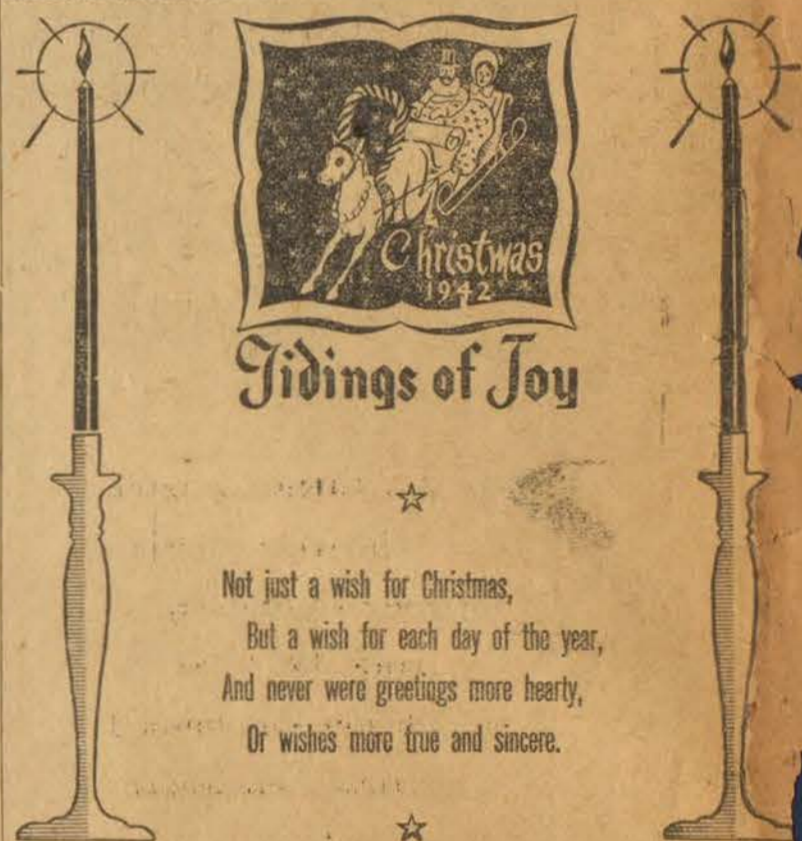
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Sing a song Of Christmas Cheer— The time of joy And mirth is here!

Have a joyful toast To Victory, To peace and Worldwide harmony!

GREETINGS FROM WESTERN AUTO Associate Store PRESTONSBURG, KY.

JUST A LINE to extend our heartfelt thanks for your kindness to us during 1942, and to wish you and yours the merriest Christmas of them all. SCOTT'S STORE PRESTONSBURG, KY.

MERRY CHRISTMAS.. PEACE ON EARTH HOLIDAY GREETINGS TO EVERYONE 1942

It would be fine if we personally could meet and greet each one of you this thought-provoking Christmas of 1942. The fact that we cannot does not keep us from saying to you here that we wish you a very Merry Christmas.

Doke Griffith, Jeweler PRESTONSBURG, KY.

Jalopy Round-Up On (Continued from page one) goes to war and gives Berlin and Tokyo a ride they'll never forget. Mr. Africa added. Legion posts at Wayland and Wheelwright are co-operating in this drive. The WPA at Prestonsburg will come and get your jalopy if you call them. Telephone Prestonsburg 3103, also the following scrap dealers: Laven Auto Wrecking Service, Allen, Ky.; Bass Hamilton, Martin, Ky.; Grant Walters, near Emma; or any other reliable dealer.



I pray thee then Write me as one that loves his fellow men. —Abou Ben Adhem

Let us all write that down, that our names, too, like Abou Ben Adhem's, may appear among the names of those "whom love of God has blessed."

As 1942 draws to a close, we say

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU HUTSINPILLER DRUG Prestonsburg, Ky.

11 Grads Go to Dayton (Continued from page one) Commission, the NYA has been all-out in preparing young women and men for jobs as welders, aircraft sheet metal workers, machine operators and other specialized war occupations. An appeal to all persons between the ages of 16 and 25 years who are not now in war work to register immediately for war production training with the NYA was issued this week at Cleveland by Robert Goodwin, Regional Director of the War Manpower Commission for Ohio, Michigan and Kentucky. "Only by using present training facilities to the utmost will be we able to meet the growing demands for additional manpower," Goodwin said. "In all localities, women not now engaged in essential war tasks should prepare immediately to take their places on the production front." Facilities for the training of more than 8,000 new workers for war industries are now being operated by the NYA in more than two-score metropolitan centers of the tri-state region. By enrolling immediately, women can be prepared to fill places on the production lines as more and more men are called into the armed forces in succeeding months, Goodwin said. Special facilities to train wives and other women relatives of men in the armed forces are now being provided by the National Youth Administration. The thousands of women who are now working as welders, machine operators, and other war workers has proved that with specialized training now available through the Manpower Commission, women who have never before seen the inside of a modern war plant can take over jobs once believed to be 100 per cent masculine activity. Registration in this section for training is being handled through the United States Employment Service, Pikeville, and directly at the NYA training center, Prestonsburg. Trainees enrolling with the NYA will be paid \$24 per month, and \$10.80, plus room and board, while learning the specialized tasks which will enable them to take over full-time war production jobs, Arin W. Kaye, Regional NYA Administrator, declared. In addition, Kaye pointed out, the NYA is also operating nearly a score of resident centers where young women and men from outlying districts may live while training for war jobs. While at resident centers, the government will provide room and board plus a small salary to meet incidental expenses.

PRISONER HOSPITALIZED Shot through his foot when he attempted to escape after having been arrested by Lackey Policeman Irvin Stumbo, Carl Reed, Lackey, was taken to a hospital for treatment Sunday. He was booked at the jail here on a drunk charge.

BUY WAR BONDS!

ABIGAIL THEATER THURS.-FRI., DEC. 24-25—"Girl Trouble" Don Ameche, Joan Bennett. News. "Everybody's War."

SATURDAY—10:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. 6:30 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. "Sundown Kid" Don Barry, Linda Johnson. Serial—"G-MEN VS. BLACK DRAGON."

SATURDAY, 3 and 10 p.m.—"Scattergood Rides High" Guy Kibbee, Dorothy Moore. Comedies.

SUNDAY-MONDAY—"White Cargo" Hedy Lamarr, Walter Pidgeon. News. Walt Disney—"SKY TROOPER"

TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY—"Wings for the Eagle" Ann Sheridan, Dennis Morgan. News. "Monkey Doodle Doodles."

TOWN-WORLD (Continued from page 1) The Top-Kick glowered at this Caspar Milquetoast who had ventured into The Presence with a complaint. "So you can't get to go home, eh, rookie? Well, ain't that too bad? Tell you what I'd do, rookie—I'd just take out those store teeth you're wearing and bust 'em all to hell!" Galvanized for the nonce into a man of action, the rookie did just that—jerked out his false molars, and jumped onto 'em with both feet, bursting them to bits. "Now," roared the sergeant, "you git to hell up there to headquarters and tell 'em you dropped your teeth and broke 'em! Do that on the double-quick, or I'll ride your back clear there and back!" Somewhat dumfounded at his own impetuous act, the rookie did just that—and was given a furlough while he could have his dentist make him a new set of grinders. On the train the Prestonsburg man was on, a few days later, the tough sergeant was in jovial mood. He told the rookie's story, and added: "God bless them rookies. I love everyone of 'em. I have to be hard on 'em, for my life and theirs depend on the training I give 'em. But that boy—I knew he had false teeth, and I also knew that was his only chance to get home!"

MARTIN GENERAL HOSPITAL NOTES Mr. and Mrs. Linville Turner, of Minnie, are the parents of a son born at the hospital Dec. 18. Both mother and babe are doing nicely. Mrs. E. B. Burton, of Martin, was admitted to the hospital Dec. 12 for medical treatment and is convalescing nicely. Mrs. Curtis Smith, of Zebulon, Ky., was admitted Dec. 16 for medical treatment and is improving nicely. Master Ray Sexton, small son of Andrew Sexton, of Drift, was admitted recently for medical treatment. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Patton, of Martin, are the parents of a daughter born Dec. 19. Mother and babe are at the hospital and are doing nicely. Miss Clara Hicks, of Hueysville, was admitted Dec. 19 for medical treatment and is improving nicely. Mrs. Frank Pittman, of Wayland, was admitted to the hospital Dec. 20 for medical treatment. Mrs. Dow Mitchell, of Hunter, was admitted Dec. 20 for medical treatment. In Fayette county, a local butcher co-operated with homemakers' clubs to discuss cuts of meats and to show good and poor qualities.

Subscribe for THE TIMES. MARTIN THEATER "WHERE THE CROWDS GO" FRI., DEC. 25—"There's One Born Every Minute" Huge Herbert, Tom Brown.

SATURDAY—DOUBLE BILL—"Manila Calling" Lloyd Nolan, Carole Landis. "Bandit Trail" Tim Holt, Cliff Edwards.

SUNDAY-MONDAY—"The Black Swan" Tyrone Power, Maureen O'Hara. "This is America"

TUESDAY—"Butch Minds the Baby" Dick Foran, Virginia Bruce. WED.-THURS.—"Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch" Fay Bainter, Carolyn Lee, Hugh Herbert.

Attend our Saturday shows

Sees 8 Jap Ships Sunk (Continued from page one) He added that his sub's score is low—that one U.S. undersea craft has a record of 19 enemy ships sent to the bottom and that another has sent 17 in the same direction. Back to that horse race and that super-deluxe job on the Jap warship, just launched. Akers, tight-lipped about matters the Navy might not want to talk about, merely says he knows the stories are true. He has got around, seen and talked with a lot of American fighting-men in the last year. That two men, reported here as missing, are not dead was the belief expressed by Akers. One of these—Wyman Walters, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Walters, of Emma, was seen by a friend of Akers last May, after he had been reported by the Navy Department as missing. The other, Commander David A. Hurt, of the submarine Perch, and a brother of J. R. Hurt, Prestonsburg coal operator, is a prisoner of war, along with others of his crew, Akers said. His statement, J. R. Hurt said here, is corroborated by Navy Department information received after the original missing report reached here. Of both men Akers spoke highly. "Walters and I were pals. Commander Hurt was not afraid of anything. A square-shooting guy and the best-loved man in the Asiatic fleet, was Hurt. I first met him in Honolulu, in '38." Out of all the din of battle Akers brings home some pleasant recollections. "The sweetest sound I ever heard," he declared, "was our first torpedo exploding against a Jap ship," even if it did sound, he explained, "like a miniature clap of thunder and us in the middle of it." Akers has a brother, Francis, on a merchant ship's gun crew. After the war is over? "Still in the submarine service for me," says Akers.

94 Selectees Leave (Continued from page one) Manton—Dewey Gearison, Martin—Ashlie Samons, Willie Samons, Pearl Tussey, Carl Crisp, Ike Litton, Walter Moran, Orville Ousley, Vernon Allen. Cracker—Ernest Conn, Harry Conn, Maston Samons. Allen—Ray Ralph Walk (V), Frank Bailey (V). Honaker—Jack Parsons, Hager Hill—Carol Hall. Printer—Edd Carver, Fred Conn, John Hiram Spurlock (V). Hite—Norman Dewey Osborne. Jump—Estel Martin. Drift—Merle Edward Ward, Guy Ward, Archie Fugate, Columbus Carroll, Russell Cecil Hobbs. Minnie—John Collins, Kennel Moseley (V). McDowell—Lee Spradlin, Junior Bentley, Selton Slone, Elmer Patton (V). Drift—Earl Brown, Joe Tackett (V). Fed—Troy Newsome, Tivis Newberry Jones. Ligon—Hadler Flannery, Henry Bailey (V), Mearl Estel Fields, William Sherman Milum. Orkney—Herman Hall, Willie Gayheart. Dony—Orbin Osborne. Melvin—Willie Johnson. Halo—Ism Bentley. Bevinville—Marion Hall, Jr., Alfred Bradley Calhoun (V), Joe Morris, Estill Harris. Weeksbury—Calvin Johnson, Curt Hall, Fred Johnson, Orland Little, Claude Blankenship, Harry O. Dutton, Homer Mullins. Wheelwright—Pierce Johnson, Fred Williams, Jr., Albert Epton Hatfield, Thomas Faulkner. (V) indicates volunteer.

YULETIDE JOY TO ALL

YOU take our good service for granted and we take your patronage for granted. However, we are very grateful for your patronage during 1942, and, this being Christmas, we want to tell you about it, and to wish you and yours the full joys of Yuletide.

PERRY'S GROCERY Prestonsburg, Ky.

COAL OPERATORS, ATTENTION! THE WAR MANPOWER COMMISSION requests all producing coal operators in Letcher, Pike, Floyd, and Johnson counties, to attend a meeting at the Pike county courthouse, Pikeville, Ky., FRIDAY, JANUARY 8, at 2:30 P.M. All coal mining operations, large and small, are required to have a duly authorized representative present at this meeting. W. C. STEVENS, Director for Eastern Kentucky, War Manpower Commission

E. Howard Cadle Dies At Indianapolis, Ind. E. Howard Cadle, famed radio preacher, died Sunday morning at Indianapolis, Ind., after an illness of a few weeks. It was reported he had requested that the Rev. B. R. Lakin, former pastor of Irene Cole Memorial Baptist Church here, and his associate for the last two years, carry on his work. Your best investment—United States War Bonds and Stamps—and do it now!

Merry Christmas Tidings of Joy—1942

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Happy Holidays CHRISTMAS 1942

GOOD WILL, music, happiness, health—a foursome without a peer—our wish for you and yours as Christmas comes in this fateful year of 1942. Your kindness has meant a great deal to us, and we thank you most cordially.

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1942 Christmas

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