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SPLINTERS

In the absence of the editor last week, the associate fell heir to the task of issuing the weekly allotment of news, advertising and hot air mingled with such scraps of wisdom as he was able to assimilate in such short period of time and the result was indeed gratifying. Since our return to this desk, ye editor has had many compliments on the exceedingly newsy paper that was published last week for which he thanks the readers on the behalf of himself and especially for the associate editor, to whom the credit justly belongs. We had just about begun to think that we were indispensable in this office but as usual in such cases, we find that this paper managed to rock along for about fifty years before we got here and from the looks of things it might get along about as well when we are gone.

The track meet last Friday and Saturday was well attended by people and sand from all parts of the county.

Practically the entire citizenship have agreed that a rain at this time would be in order and we would like to see a good rain too, if for no other reason than to drive around the main streets of the town without getting stuck in the mud.

Even if one is lead to believe that on account of the new pavement Benjaminites are inclined to be a little high hat, we hasten to correct this fallacy. The disease is known as flat pocket and is of a much more serious nature.

We are told that it is all right to go after business but considering where business has gone to, we don't know whether this is such good advice after all.

Golf enthusiasts of Truscott have broached the proposition of an intercity course to be located somewhere on the Wichita River between that town and Benjamin. Benjamin golfers, or would-be golfers, have been considering a course near here for some time but being few in number have been unable to make the grade and the proposition of the Truscott divot diggers to form an inter-city club is an opportune one and we feel sure that an effort will be made to get together on the proposition.

Over in the patent medicine section of some of the larger dailies we notice where the District Judge of Travis County sustained numerous special exceptions to the Attorney General's petition against the fifteen oil companies and the two petroleum associations. While the petition contained 128 pages of allegations, the Court held that it was vague and indefinite and did not state what violations of the law that the defendants had committed. The Court will require the Attorney General to allege what the oil companies did, giving the time and place of the unlawful acts, the names of the party committing the unlawful acts and their connection or official position with the seventeen corporations. In fact all that remains of the Attorney General's petition is the names and residences of the defendants, the prayer and signature of the Attorney General.

Mr. Hoover's suggestion to get rid of depression by means of a croon song is as belated as most of his other proposals. It was a famous vaudeville artist who remarked a long time ago that "Prosperity is just around the crooner."

GOOD VOTE POLLED IN CITY ELECTION

Considerable interest was manifested in the election of city officers at the polls Tuesday. Following are the results: For Mayor; J. B. Jones, 68 votes, Thos. F. Glover, 53. For Aldermen; G. H. Beavers 83, Leroy C. Melton 71, J. A. McCanlies 77, A. M. Armstrong 38, L. M. Williams 46, J. J. Handley 35.

DIPHTHERIA FATAL TO BENJAMIN GIRL

Athie Lois Johnson, 8, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Johnson of this place died at the home of her parents Thursday morning at 4:30 a. m. Death was due to diphtheria. The child was born August 23, 1923. Interment was made in the Benjamin cemetery. The community joins the stricken parents in mourning the loss of their daughter.

ALLRED WILL NOT MAKE RACE FOR GOVERNOR, TO RUN FOR ATT'Y GENERAL

At least one of the uncertainties as to possible candidates for Governor was erased here today by Attorney General James V. Allred, who declared positively that he would not be a candidate.

"I have not been, am not now, and nor," Allred said. "During my administration as Attorney General, I have been too busy trying to interpret and enforce the law to even think of politics, and regret that unfounded speculation has drawn my name into the race. While it is a compliment to be even mentioned for that high honor, I feel that it is my duty to continue to apply myself faithfully to the interests of the people in the Attorney General's office. "This is the first 'breathing spell' I have had in months, but it will be applied to a discharge of the duties of this office, and not to politics. The people of Texas have honored me with the greatest opportunity of service ever given any young man, and I am deeply grateful. I trust they will see fit to continue my term of service and I will therefore, make a formal announcement at the proper time.

James V. Allred,
Attorney General

FORMER KNOX COUNTY SHERIFF, W. S. BRITTON SERIOUSLY ILL IN ABILENE

Disquieting report was given by the attending physician last night on the condition of W. S. Britton, chief of the city detective force here and a veteran West Texas peace officer. Mr. Britton contracted influenza the first of the week, the illness developing suddenly into pneumonia. He was removed yesterday from his home, 890 Mulberry St, to the West Texas Baptist Sanitarium. The officer was resting somewhat better last night, said the physician, altho adding, "Mr. Britton is a mighty sick man."

Two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Britton, E. B. Britton of Stamford and Seaborn Britton of Haskell arrived here last night.

The detective has been associated with the Abilene police department since 1927. Previously he served 14 years as sheriff of Knox County.—Abilene Morning News.

Parks Wright was a visitor in Wichita Falls Thursday and returned with a new set of air wheels which he is demonstrating to his customers.

TRUSTEE ELECTION RETURNS

Unofficial returns from the various trustee elections over the county indicate in most cases that a very light vote was polled. The official and complete returns from the different elections will not be available until the Commissioner's Court meets next Monday but the returns given below in most instances are authentic. The Vera School District No. 15 elected Henry Patterson who had no opponent. Thirty votes were polled at this place. Mrs. Melton received thirty votes for County Trustee at Large. The Union Grove School polled 8 votes for W. H. Cornett who had no opposition. The Goree Independent School District gave Ben B. Hunt and R. A. Taylor 27 votes each, S. F. Farmer and W. E. Blankenship 26 votes each and S. M. True Charles Johnson and W. A. Thornton one vote each. Mrs. J. W. Melton polled 27 votes for Trustee at Large and W. W. Coffman received 23 votes for County Trustee, Precinct 4. Charles Johnson received one vote for Trustee at large. In the Sunset Independent School District Mrs. Melton received 107 votes for trustee at large, George Floyd received 35 votes, E. F. Jungman received 36 votes, Carl Kisinger 30, Mat Verholan 73, L. C. Floyd 67, Herman Jungman 64. At Truscott Mrs. Melton received 80 votes for trustee at large, and for County Trustee precinct 3 the votes were as follows: Mrs. J. O. Cure 56, H. B. Gillespie 3, W. A. Brown 14, S. B. Maddox 9, For local trustee, Claud Gerald 82, Roy Lacuey 82, Ozzie Turner 78, L. A. Haynie 1, J. B. Eubank 1. At Dixon common school district no. 23, Mrs. Melton received 9 votes for trustee at large. For trustee; Jim Banks 10, A. T. Bromley 3, W. N. Crofford 3. S. B. Maddox received 6 votes and Mrs. J. O. Cure received 5 votes for County Trustee Precinct 3. The Gilliland returns have not yet been heard from. At Cottonwood common school district no. 4 W. J. Blackburn received 4 votes, A. D. Hammett 5. Mrs. Melton 5 votes for trustee at large. In the Benjamin common school district T. E. Bentley received 3 votes and Thos F. Glover 1. Mrs. Melton received 31 votes for trustee at large. At Rhineland common school district Frank Kuhler 12, K. G. Homer 1, and L. Loran 1. Mrs. Melton received 11 votes for trustee at large and Peter Loran 1 for trustee at large. At Hefner W. W. Coffman 4 votes for county trustee precinct 4 and Mrs. Melton 4 votes for trustee at large. Jerry Hudson got 5 votes, I. N. Mobley 2, Jim Jackson 3, E. A. Jones 2, E. E. Trimble 1, John Lambert 3. At Hood common school district no. 14 T. L. Cannon got 16 votes for trustee and Luther Nicholson 9.

LOCAL C. OF C. HAS CALL MEETING TUESDAY NIGHT

A call meeting of the Benjamin Chamber of Commerce was held Tuesday evening at which time special entertainment, tap dancing by Miss Francis Moorhouse, proved quite a treat. Miss Moorhouse is a pupil of the Knickerbocker School of Dancing. Plans for building a Scout cabin were discussed and Mr. T. W. Templeton, chairman of the committee handling the project, presented figures showing that the cabin could be built at a nominal cost. The project will be taken up at the next regular meeting at which time it is expected that some definite action will be taken.

INTERESTING INSIGHT TO CORPORATION GIVEN BY BAYTOWN C. OF C.

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Mr. Tennant finished his six-year term on the board of central January 1. He was appointed to that office in 1926 by Mrs. Ferguson. Since the completion of his term of office he has been making preparations for the coming election. He is rapidly improving from his illness and is expected to be covering his campaign route over the state in a few days.

CITY PAVING JOB COMPLETE

After forty years or more of bogging around in the mud, the mud of course occurring at rare intervals, however, residents of Benjamin will now be able to negotiate the business district of the town even in the rainiest sort of weather without resorting to the use of a mud scow. The paving of three of the streets that adjoin the public square was completed last week and the effect is very pleasing with the majority of the citizenship anxiously awaiting a rain in order to see how good the pavement really is. The surfacing is of a triple course asphalt treatment on a ten inch base of caliche and the work was done by the McCling Construction Company who are engaged in hardsurfacing a portion of Highway 24. The city officials, contemplating the eventual hardsurfacing of these streets, had copper pipes leading from the water mains to the curb installed, which will alleviate the necessity of ever tearing up the pavement to make water connections.

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COUNTY MEET HERE WELL ATTENDED

The Interscholastic League meet held here last Friday and Saturday was well attended and the majority of the schols in the county were well represented in both the field and the literary events. In the Class A division the Knox City High School won first place with a total of 255 points. Benjamin High won the Class B division with 105. Total scores of the high schools were as follows: Knox City 255, Munday 217, Benjamin 105, Goree 90, Sunset 57½, Truscott 50, Vera 25, Rhneland 15. In the Rural School Division the Union Grove won first place and the other schools placed in the order named: Hood, Cottonwood and Brock tie, Lone Star, Dixon and Washburn.

In the Track Events the schools placed in the order named:

Senior Boys Track; Knox City, Munday, Goree.

High School Junior Boys Track; Munday, Knox City, Benjamin.

Ward School Juniors; Knox City, Munday, Sunset.

High School Juniors Baseball; Benjamin, Knox City, Munday.

Ward School Juniors Baseball; Knox City, Munday, Goree.

High School Girls Baseball; Knox City.

Ward School Junior Girls Baseball; Sunset, Goree, Benjamin.

Volley Ball; Sunset, Benjamin, Knox City.

Tennis, Senior Boys doubles; Knox City, Benjamin.

Tennis singles, boys, Benjamin.

Tennis, Senior Girls singles and doubles; Benjamin.

Girls Tennis singles; second place Knox City, second place doubles, Vera.

LITERARY EVENTS

Debate, boys and girls: Knox City.

Extemporaneous Speaking, boys; Goree, Munday, Benjamin.

Extemporaneous Speaking, girls; Knox City, Munday, Truscott.

Essay Writing; Class A; Munday. Class B, Goree, Benjamin, Vera.

Essay Writing Ward Schools; Sunset, Truscott, Knox City.

Declamation, Senior Boys; Munday, Truscott, Knox City.

Senior Girl; Knox City, Munday, tie between Sunset and Truscott.

Junior Boys: Munday, Vera, Knox City.

Junior Girls; Munday, Truscott.

Spelling, Seniors; Knox City, Truscott, Sunset.

Spelling, High School Juniors; Munday.

Spelling, Ward School Juniors; Goree, Truscott, Sunset.

Spelling, Sub-juniors; Munday, Sunset, Goree.

Choral Singing, 10-15 group; Munday; 15-25 Group, Benjamin. Rural Division, 10-15 group, Union Grove.

Music Memory; Union Grove, Knox City.

Arithmetic; Goree, Munday, Benjamin.

Picture Memory; Knox City, Union Grove, Munday.

RURAL SCHOOL DIVISION

Senior Boys Track; Union Grove, Cotton Wood, Hood.

Junior Boys Track; Union Grove, Cottonwood, Lonestar.

Essay Writing; Union Grove.

Declamation; Union Grove, Lone Star, Cottonwood.

Girls Declamation; Hood, Brock, tie Lone Star and Union Grove.

Junior Boys Declamation; Union Grove, Washburn, Hood.

Spelling, Junior Ward School; Dixon, Brock, Hood.

Sub-junior Spelling, Union Grove, Hood, Lone Star.

J. A. McCanlies has been ill this week.

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DEMOCRATIC DISUNITY?

A week ago all the G. O. P. political spouters and most of their newspaper friends were wagging their heads or oading their columns with potifical disquisitions on the subject of Democratic disunity as typified by the division of that party in the House of Representatives over the sales tax. In this manifestation of a difference of opinion they read a potent of President Hoover's re-election consequent on what they asserted to be a demonstration that the Democratic party having shown itself incapable of governing itself thereby had revealed its incapacity for governing the United States. Now the Democratic majority in the House of Representatives is soberly at work enacting a substitute measure for the general sales tax and apparently there is concord and compromise between the original sales tax advocates and those who objected to it. It is quite possible that the substitute measure may not be the most effective expedient that could have been found to meet the emergency brought on by the Hoover deficit. Compromises are seldom perfect. However, the country apparently regards what is being done as an approach to balancing the budget and all factions in the recent sales tax controversy appear to be thoroughly awake to the necessity of accomplishing this as the indispensable basis for the restoration of confidence and credit generally. It might have been possible, had the Democrats in the House adopted the system under which the Republicans ran it when they were in power, to have put a steamroller to work

and so driven through the sales tax as the G. O. P. triumvirate, consisting of the Speaker, the Floor Leader and the Chairman of the Committee on Rules, jammed through the Grun- dy tariff bill. However, the Democrats began their regime by liberalizing the rules on the Jeffersonian theory that every phase of opinion was entitled to utterance in a Republic, an dtheir system appears to be working out quite satisfactorily. The difficulty had its inception in the procrastination of the Hoover administration. It was obvious early in 1930 that a Treasury deficit was imminent. A vast amount of time would have been saved had the Republican President and the Republican Congress of that time taken up the burden forthwith and enacted the petition of the Attorney General was vague and indefinite stored the solvency of the United States Treasury. True, this might have not altogether halted the de- pression, but if there is anything in the hypothesis that truenational prosperity and an unbalanced budget are incompatible, if not impossible, to have brought the Government's income and outgo to a parity a year and a half ago would have been a considerable item on the credit side of the ledger. Instead of doing this the President even as late as December of 1930, in his message to Congress, assured that body that with a little economy, some juggling of Treasury figures, and a little short term borrowing, the deficit could be taken care of. How woefully he was mistaken is revealed by the estimate that the Treasury would be two billion dollars behind at the end of the present fiscal year. It took the Republicans a year and a half, through their party controlled both houses of Congress and of course, had the White House in addition, to enact the Smoot-Hawley tariff bill. It is not surprising that another revenue measure, calculated to take care of the stupendous legacy of debt bequeathed them by the Administration, could not be enacted overnight. The net result of the incident is the explosion of another political myth, for the Democrats have demonstrated that, however grave their differences and personal opinion, they are able to get together whenever it is necessary for service to the country even though their captains be leaders and not autocrats. Certainly their record during the few months they have controlled the lower house of Congress shines in comparison with their adversaries' record of inaction, hesitancy an evasion over a period embracing as many years as the Democrats have spent months in their endeavors. Following the defeat of the sales tax, the House approved substitute rates by the ways and Means Committee within a week. That's a record. Refusal by the resolution committee of the New Mexico Republican State Convention to instruct the delegation to the Naional Convention for Mr. Hoover by a vote of 24 to 3, is not likely to have any effect upon a National Convention made up and run by Federal office holders. The outlook for the 1932 elections is indicated by the multiplicity of Democratic candidates for federal, state and county offices in normally Republican states—the largest political surplus in many years.

ON TEXAS FARMS
By W. H. Darrow
Extension Service Editor

Swiss chard is voted the most useful vegetable by Mrs. T. C. Nitts, garden demonstrator in the Watter- son Home Demonstration Club in Bastrop county. From two 50-foot rows planted last spring she had leafy vegetables all summer for her family and for neighboring white and colored families, and for her 200 chickens during summer and fall. Fall planted Swiss chard has supplied her with greens all winter.

At a "flower and garden" party for the purpose of exchanging cut-tings and seeds in Rosedale Community in Jefferson county recently the farm women attending wore cotton dresses in an effort to start a "wear cotton" campaign.

Garden plans have been made by 264 farm women and girls in Jack county, and 50 of them have built hot beds to be used as cold frames during the hot months, the home demonstration agent reports.

Ten garden demonstrators in Potter county have planned 300 square feet of vegetables for each member of their families.

Farmers in Jasper county have established a farm seed exchange whereby farm produced seeds may be freely exchanged without cash transactions.

In Lubock county, hogs on self feeders in demonstrations with the assistant county agent made gains for 3.9 cents per pound compared to 5 cents where they were "hand fed".

Planting only 10 acres to permanent pastures two years ago, by following a plan of alternate grazing William Dongen of Galveston county has clovers spread all over his 30 acre pasture now. He says it is saving him \$50 per month in feed.

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Pooling of Red and White labels before being turned into the Red and White dealers is not prohibited, but pooling after they have been turned in is prohibitive, as our list of winners must be forwarded just as made out without change.

Our Red and White Unit is composed of seventeen towns, with headquarters at Stamford, but does not include Abilene or Wichita Falls.

Our advisory board figures the smaller towns may have just as good chance for the grand prize, with fewer and more compact organizations, as the larger town with a greater number of Orders and Societies.

All labels must be turned in by 6 P.M. on July 2, local cash prizes will be awarded as soon as all labels have been counted, and Grand Prize will be awarded as soon thereafter as possible and results will appear in our local paper.

PLEASE CALL AT THE STORE FOR HAND BILL SHOWING OUR WEEK END SPECIALS FOR THIS WEEK.

BENJAMIN MERCANTILE

PHONE 97

GILLILAND NEWS ITEMS

The track meet being over we are now ready to start our school work again in hopes that a great deal may be accomplished before the close of school.

Although we did not win so many places each one of our contestants did his very best and made other contestants work for what they received.

The teachers are especially indebted to the pupils for the good spirit with which they received the final report of the meet. Gilliland has as good material as any community and we certainly hope that no pupil becomes discouraged but continues with an aim to win next year.

The trees which were planted some time ago have begun to show signs of life.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Ryder visited Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Cure Sunday.

Nina Cook, Mozell Mercer and Euna Mercer spent Sunday with Gladys Martin.

Leona Horne spent Saturday in the J. D. Cook home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Feemster of Truscott were visiting in Gilliland Sunday. They moved to Truscott last week where Mr. Feemster has a store. We wish for him much success.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Feemster have moved to Gilliland and are in charge of the Feemster store here.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Clark of Truscott visited Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Cure Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Farris and Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Cook visited Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Williams Sunday.

C. M. Scifres and family visited in Hamlin with relatives over the week end.

Harley Jordan happened to a serious accident when his team ran away Saturday. Harley fell from the wagon breaking both arms.

A Mexican baby was seriously burned on the Bavers farm south of Gilliland Saturday.

Mrs. Marion Ryder and Helen Gliver were in Gilliland from Crowell for the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Paton spent the week end in Brownfield.

Noel Brown was in Stamford Saturday.

Miss Doris Stocker from Kno City visited Eliza Parris Saturday night and Sunday.

There is to be an association B. T. S. revival from April 25 to May 4th. Every Baptist church in the association is to have a training school during this time. Gilliland church is planning one.

Frances Porter and Edward Adams were in Goree Sunday afternoon on business.

The party at Walter Crawfords Saturday night was enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Lowrey helped to can a beef at Milers Friday.

Mrs. B. B. Chamberlain, Mrs. Porter and Frances Porter made a trip to Knox City Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bounce Baty announce the arrival of a new baby since Sunday.

The mother of H. M. Baird was buried in the Vera Cemetery Monday afternoon. Quite a number of the friends from here attended the funeral.

The friends of Uncle Bill Shipman of Vera regret to hear of the condition that he is in. We sincerely hope that he will get better real soon. Mr. Shipman is Mr. Timberlakes grandfather.

Vera News

Several Vera school pupils went to Benjamin last Friday and Saturday to the literary and track meet. It seems that the truck from Lone Star had quite a load of Vera boys and girls when returning home Saturday afternoon, to say nothing of the Lone Star bunch.

Miss Brown spent from Thursday until Sunday with home folks at Stanton last week.

Bro. Knoy and family spent last week end with relatives on the plains.

Grandmother Snody of Benjamin is ill. She is reported much better. is visiting friends and relatives at Vera.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon for Mrs. Baird, formerly of Vera, at the old Baptist Church.

We have several on the flu list this week.

Mrs. Mildred Stevens taught school in Mr. Billingsleys place Monday but Mr. Billingsley was able to be back in school Tuesday.

Mr. Warner is still improving.

Agnes Branch was unable to enter the county wide spelling contest due to a burned finger caused by a box of matches that ignited.

Mr. Fred Bratcher, Dan Neal and Jess Trainham went on another rattle snake hunt Sunday afternoon and killed nine. They have killed about eighty rattlesnakes this spring.

Mrs. Walter Feemster entertained her Sunday school class in her home Sunday.

A number from Vera are working on the road near Benjamin.

Mrs. Hubert Shipman was called to see her sister living in Benjamin Friday night, who had taken sudden.

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- For District Attorney: Donnell Dickson Dick Dresser John Veale Wheat
- For County Judge: J. W. Melton Roy Smith
- For Tax Assessor Earl Sams E. L. Covey
- For District Clerk Roy Phillips
- For County Treasurer J. T. (Uncle Trav) House.
- For Tax Collector: Miss Sarah Wright.
- For Couney Clerk: M. T. Chamberlain
- For Sheriff C. R. Elliott
- For Commissioner, Prec. 2. W. C. Glenn O. L. Patterson J. W. West A. B. Sams
- For Commissioner, Precinct 3. J. W. Chowning Bryan Lowery O. W. (Onie) Welch G. W. Solomon Henry Williams
- For Justice of Peace, Prec. 1 M. F. Harbert
- For Public Weigher, Prec. 3. W. W. Gleason Henry Abbott

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Fred Warren of Seymour was a visitor in Benjamin Tuesday. Mr. Warren formerly lived in Munday but is now living in Seymour. He is the Magnolia agent for Baylor County.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Melton and Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Ward were visiting relatives in Oklahoma Sunday.

Mat Verholan of Knox City was a visitor in the city last week end.

W. P. H. McFadden of Beaumont was in Benjamin this week looking after his ranch west of town.

F. H. Propps of Gilliland was a business visitor in Benjamin one day this week.

T. W. Templeton was a visitor in Rockwall last week end. His mother returned to Benjamin with him for a short visit.

Mr. Allen, Chevrolet dealer, of Crowell was a visitor in Benjamin one day this week.

W. S. Ladd of Vernon was a visitor in the city this week.

Judge Thos. H. Owens and Ned Leory, Attorneys from Oklahoma City, were visiting in the homes of Mrs. P. C. Sams and J. H. Atterbury.

S. G. West and C. R. E. Weaver were visitors in Olney one day this week.

James A. Stephens was a visitor in Dickens this week.

SIDELIGHTS

By Marvin Jones
Member of Congress from Texas

The policy of making direct Government loans is a temporary one. It is justified in view of the great emergency and distressed conditions now prevailing. It is not intended as a long range program. For the time being, individual loans were made necessary by the existing situation.

As loans were being made to banks insurance companies and railways, it was only fair that individual loans should be made to farmers, especially as farm conditions were brought about by mistaken economic policies that had bled the farming sections white and destroyed the purchasing power of agriculture. For this reason I offered the amendment in the House which, blended with the Smith amendment in the Senate, made these individual loans possible as a part of the general measure. If they were to be made to the corporations, why not to the farmers?

What we need is fewer debts, not more debts. We need better commodity prices so that debts may be paid. Of course in the meantime it is necessary to have a temporary loosening of credit and a correction of the control of the circulating medium so that a sufficient amount of money will be available.

We need to build on a solid foundation. We need to remove the discriminations that have existed against agriculture in our tariff and freight rate structure, but we must seek new markets, which will help us in solving our own problems.

I have introduced a measure to use a portion of the unexpended balance of the crop production loan funds for the purpose of establishing a research laboratory located in the South, to be devoted primarily to the search for new uses for cotton and the utilization of linters, hulls, seed, cottonseed meal and waste and semi-waste products of the farm. Some work is already being done in the Central West in connection with corn, corn stalks, wheat straw and waste and semi-waste products, and in the Northwest in connection with forest products.

If we can use a small portion of the unexpended balance of these funds in the search for new channels, new outlets and new uses for the products and waste products of the farm, we will be taking a step toward stability and progress.

This will not in any way interfere with the making of loans for this year but will provide only for this utilizing a portion of the unused balance of the provision. It will thus not require any new appropriation.

What we need is a better price for farm products. This will do much to improve general economic conditions. These cannot be restored until agriculture is restored. This is basic.

In this connection, I want to acknowledge the fine cooperation of Progressive Texans, Inc., and leading citizens of Texas and other states in endeavoring to get this program started.

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