

THE BENJAMIN POST

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SPLINTER

A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance.—Prov.

Belonging to that vast army of debtors our views on the subject are likely to be biased and distorted but if a man puts up as security a piece of property that is good for the debt at the time of the deal, why is the creditor entitled to take both the property and a deficiency judgement in times like these? Whose depression is this anyway? Us debtors didn't want it any more than you other guys and if we are going to lose everything, can't you lose a little too? It's that deficiency judgement business that makes the bankruptcy law invite dishonesty.

Living in a small community in which one was raised is fraught with disadvantages as well as advantages. Now who by the wildest stretch of imagination could see the advantage of the editor of this dignified publication being called "that Bisbee boy?" In days gone by we bore without a murmur of discontent the cognomen of "Mrs. Bisbee's little bad boy, Charles." We felt somehow that it might have been deserved. We thought that we were making some progress and yea, verily, when this method of address was changed to "that Bisbee boy" we were, to put it mildly, overjoyed. We had lived down one distasteful appellation, henceforth we would strive manfully to down one not quite so distasteful, but which still retained the savor of castor oil. Well, it seems that names may come and names may go but "that Bisbee boy" goes on forever.

One of the things that Benjamin has always needed is within its grasp if the citizenship will awake to the opportunity. The thing to which we refer is an ever ready supply of water piped to the silent city of the dead. Benjamin's cemetery is not a thing of beauty but could be made so with little effort. Probably the most feasible plan is that of community subscription to buy the pipe. Federal aid for the unemployed would take care of the labor.

One can glean a little optimism by a perusal of the tax records which show that car registrations for 1933 exceed those of 1932 in the county by 283 a gain of better than thirty percent. Truck registrations show a gain of forty percent over last year. Poll tax payments are about the same despite the fact that '33 is an off year politically. That big cotton crop might have something to do with it.

Then a telegram from the Hon. George Moffett at Austin informing us that he and the Hon. Bob Alexander of Childress had succeeded in passing a bill in the House to do away with the payment of three dollars the farmers are out for a chauffeur's license. Reports that the Senate will likely pass the bill in a few days. As the late Ross Sterling is no longer in a position to veto this measure it will probably become a law so Farmer Jones keep the three bucks in your jeans. Half of it will buy a subscription to the Post.

If the groundhog didn't see his shadow yesterday it was because the sun blinded him. If we've just got to have six more weeks of winter, Mr. Roosevelt, please give us just a little rain instead of them sandstorms.

Simile—As revealing as the family wash.

LEGISLATURE MAY GIVE MORE TIME FOR CAR OWNERS TO REGISTER THEIR VEHICLES

BILL TO EXTEND CAR REGISTRATION TIME REPORTED FAVORABLE TO BOTH HOUSE AND SENATE. GOVERNOR WILL SIGN BILL.

Both branches of the state legislature yesterday voted to extend the time limit for payment of 1933 motor vehicle fees and the Governor has expressed approval of the plan. However there was a difference in the length of time these payments should be extended the House voting to extend the time thirty days and the Senate sixty days. Governor Ferguson expressed the opinion that niney would not be too long. The differences between the House and the Senate, unless one concurs with the extension date of the other, will likely be settled by a conference committee. The bill is an emergency measure designed to give a few more days of grace as a relief to the motorists during this period of financial stringency.

COUNTY AGENT TO GIVE GARDEN AND ORCHARD DEMONSTRATION AT COLLIER PLACE, VERA, JAN. 9

There will be a sub-irrigation of gardens and orchards and a pruning demonstration at the Collier place at Vera Thursday February 9, according to County Agent W. E. Jones. Mr. Jones is recommending the use of home made concrete tile which is very inexpensive for the purpose of sub-irrigation and this demonstration will be of interest to a great number of people as gardens are proving a very profitable venture in the live-at-home program which of necessity is sweeping the country.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCE OF METHODIST CHURCH TO BE IN BENJAMIN SUNDAY

The first quarterly conference of the Vera-Benjamin Charge of the Methodist Church will be held at Benjamin, Sunday February 5. Services will be conducted by Dr. George S. Slover, presiding elder of this district. Dinner will be served on the grounds. The public is extended a very cordial invitation to attend.

FORMER COUNTY OFFICIAL, G. L. EARNEST, DEAD

The many friends of G. L. Earnest former resident of Benjamin and county treasurer of Knox County for fourteen years, will be grieved to learn of his death, December 29, 1932. "Uncle Lem" as he was known to the majority of his friends, came to the county before 1900 and lived here until 1926. He had a wide acquaintance, was well liked and respected. He had attained a ripe old age.

Tom Adams of Mineral Wells was here Wednesday on business. Mr. Adams is a former resident of Benjamin and is widely known over West Texas having engaged in the ranching industry for a number of years. He still owns considerable ranching property in this section which he leases.

Dr. E. M. Hughes of Truscott was in the city Thursday on business and paid this office a pleasant call. The Doctor was driving a New Chevrolet coupe which is sufficient to warrant a news item.

Farmer-Chauffeur Bill Passes House Again

The Texas House of Representatives Wednesday passed by an overwhelming vote a bill to do away with the chauffeur's license fee that farmers now have to pay to operate their own trucks. The bill was sponsored by George Moffett of Chillicothe and Bob Alexander of Childress. It is reported that the bill meets the approval of the Senate and will likely pass that branch of the Legislature in the next few days. This bill was passed at two sessions of the 42nd Legislature but was vetoed by Gov. Ross Sterling. Under the provisions of the bill, farmers will save three dollars.

L. P. JONES LANDS PLACE WITH LIVESTOCK COMMISSION

L. P. Jones was informed Wednesday by a telephone message from Leo Callan that he had been appointed to a place on the State Livestock and Sanitary Commission. Mr. Callan is the Chairman of that branch of the government. Mr. Jones left for Fort Worth Thursday but does not know just yet where he will be located when he assumes his duties with the department.

MRS. J. E. STOVER, WIFE OF PROMINENT KNOX COUNTY PHYSICIAN, SUCCUMBS AFTER LINGERING ILLNESS

Mrs. J. E. Stover, 56, of Truscott was buried at Little Elm Cemetery Saturday afternoon following her death in Fort Worth. Funeral services were held by Rev. E. E. White, Pastor of the Methodist church at Denton, assisted by Rev. Millholland, pastor of the Christian Church.

Mrs. Stover had been in bad health for some time and a few weeks ago was carried to Fort Worth for treatment.

The deceased was born in Denton county, July 14, 1876. She was the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Sarrell. She was married to Dr. J. E. Stover June 10, 1900. They came to Truscott about twelve years ago from Denton county.

She was converted at an early age and joined the Methodist Church where she has been a faithful member ever since.

Surviving her are her husband and two daughters, Mrs. Hubert Chowning and Miss Mary Emma Stover all of Truscott. One sister, Mrs. J. G. Short of Amarillo and a host of friends.

Pall Bearers were Doctors of Denton, former associates.

Those who attended the funeral from Truscott were Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Chowning, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Browning, Van Browning, Mrs. C. A. Bullion, and Miss Lelia Jones.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF MRS. J. E. STOVER

CROSSING THE BAR
We walked down to the river's brink and stood with her who waited.

We could not catch the last faint whisper, but could almost hear, as if it were the oars of the boatman, who came from across the tide.

Then lo, she was not with us but had stepped out to meet her Pilot, and was rowing to the Eternal shore.

We could follow her no further, but her godly life will ever be an example to us who remain.
"I hope to see my Pilot face to face,
When I have cross the bar."
A Friend.

Wild Horses Again Feeling Lariat and Branding Iron

RIFLE, COLO. Jan. 30.—Wild horses, for many years vagabond rulers of the ranges of Western Colorado, are feeling again the slithering lariat and the branding iron.

After almost a score of years they are being herded again into corrals and freight cars as an old Western industry is revived.

Not since the early days of the World War has there been such demand for horses as there is today, wild horse dealers and wranglers declared Sunday. The roaming herds, descendants of Spanish horses of the days of the conquest, have been un-molested for many years and have increased greatly.

The wary old leaders who kept out weather eyes for water-hole hazards and hiding cowboys are gone, but the new leaders are learning of the fence-pole traps.

The new demand for horses has led to shipments to virtually every State, but the South and Middle West are the best markets. Almost any kind of horse and even the midget burro, are in demand. Wild broncos, retired saddle horses, mules, but most of all the average mustangs are wanted.

Keeping up with the revived industry, carpenters are busy repairing old traps and woodmen are cutting new poles.

The horsemen deliver them wild or tame—preferably wild. Buyers who don't specify get carloads of raging horse flesh right off the range. For the benefit of the others, impromptu rodeos stir prairie dust into the air every day as the "hoss-wranglers" ride them into shape for saddle use.

Horsemen here are not concerned with the cause of the sudden revival of their trade, but they "calculate" it's because farmers can raise hay but not gasoline.

VERA WOMENS MISSIONARY SOCIETY MEETING ENLIVENED WITH GOOD PROGRAM

The Womans Missionary Society of Vera met with Mrs. W. J. Knoy Monday afternoon, January 30.

The following program was rendered. Song, Misses Lucille Boone and Zora Love.

Reading, Tom Hurd, History of the Society, Mrs. A. N. Hoosier. A Zoo story told by each.

Recreational hour was spent in out door games. The fat womans race and base ball games were the striking features of the occasion.

Following the recreational hour, refreshments were served to Mmes. T. M. Hurd, A. E. Henderson, A. N. Hoosier, J. M. Roberson, Hazel La Duke, Jess Trainham, Jim Hughes, Mollie Bratcher, Hugh Alright, T. C. Boone, J. D. Jeffcoat, Robert Horne, W. P. Hurd, W. J. Knoy, Misses Lucille Boone, Zora Love, Leona Tolson.

Reporter, Mrs. W. P. Hurd.

O. C. Harrison, youthful editor of the Baylor County Banner for the past twenty-six years or so, paid this office a pleasant if somewhat hurried call last Thursday.

COUNTY INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT AT GOREE NEXT WEEK

The Interscholastic League basketball tournament will be held at Goree February 10 and 11. All schools in the county are eligible to participate and both boys and girls teams will compete. The finals will be played off Saturday afternoon and night.

WEST TEXAS LEADS STATE IN COTTON PRODUCTION

KNOX COUNTY RANKS WITH LEADERS AS COTTON PRODUCER FOR 1932. ALL OTHER CROPS SHOW GOOD YIELDS.

Although Texas cotton production for 1932 falls short 781,040 bales of the 1931 crop ginned prior to Jan. 16 due to acreage reduction and general weather conditions, Knox County steps into twelfth place as a producer in the state with a 27,860 bale increase over last year despite a ten per cent reduction in acreage. Jones takes first place with 98,809 bales, Lubbock second with 90,569, Ellis third 87,799, Hill fourth, 79,949, and Haskell fifth, 78,068.

Knox County is not essentially a cotton county by any means but is perhaps the foremost county in diversification in the state as regards the livestock and agricultural industries taking her place well to the front in production of cattle, wheat, oats, feed, sheep, hogs, and poultry.

Possibly one-fourth of the total acreage or 125,000 acres were planted in cotton in 1932. The production per acre is estimated at between a third and a fourth of a bale.

In 1932 the county produced an exceptional wheat crop both from a standpoint of total acreage and production per acre. Other small grains showed exceptional yields.

The cattle industry, the parent industry of the county, and dating back to the days before the organization of the present political subdivision, is still one of the major enterprises. Herefords, Brahams and Durhams provide quality products which command their share of attention at stock shows and in the markets.

Only recently has sheep raising been introduced in the county but the venture is meeting with success and the number of wool producers is growing rapidly.

Milch cows and hogs are produced on the farms mainly for home consumption but a nice surplus is sold yearly.

Poultry is made to bear its part of the expenses on the majority of Knox County farms and the raising of turkeys and chickens for market is proving a profitable venture.

Although gardens are almost entirely cultivated for home consumption the amount of canned vegetables on the pantry shelves of most farm homes is surprising. Fruits, meats, in fact every thing edible has been canned. One very enterprising farmer claims he even canned the wolf who came to the door.

From a standpoint of production Knox County did well in 1932.

Late Taxpayers Jam Office

CAR AND TRUCK REGISTRATION SHOW BIG GAIN OVER 1932. POLL TAX PAYMENTS RELATIVELY HIGH DESPITE OFF POLITICAL YEAR.

According to reports from the office of Miss Sarah Wright, Tax Collector, car registrations for 1933 prior to February 1, were 1328, a gain of 283 to the same date a year ago. Truck registration totaled 172 as compared with 125 for 1932.

Poll tax payments were 1444 and Miss Wright estimates that there are at least 400 more in the mail which the office force has not had time to open. The last two days of the month were busy ones the office remaining open at night to accommodate late tax payers. Citizens waiting in line for their turn often over run the office and the lines extended out in the corridors.

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Editorial

Welcome The Return of The Horse

FEW, INDEED, THERE ARE WHO have not either read that great classic, "Ben Hur," or seen it reproduced on the stage or screen. In writing it Lew Wallace took his place with the masters. He called the book "A Tale of The Christ" but ask the average person what it is about and they will tell you a chariot race.

What does this prove? One thing, that "the sport of kings" has a universal appeal. Countless thousands have thrilled to Lew Wallace's narrative of the chariot races. Whose pulse does not quicken at the mention of the Kentucky Derby, the Irish Sweepstakes, or Tia Juana events as there flashes into the mind a picture of eager thoroughbreds straining at the barrier, the tense moment before the starting signal, the break, the thunder of flying hoofs, the flash of ponies streaking around the turn and straightening out for the breathless finish?

The same spirit that prompted W. T. Waggoner to give \$10,000 without strings to boost the chances of Texas' native son, John Garner, for the Presidency, moved him also to spend \$2,000,000 on Arlington Downs to boost his native state. Nothing little about this man who slept on wet saddle blankets to accumulate the fortune he has expended in the interest of our great commonwealth.

But one thing remains to crown the venture a success whereby Texas may reap great benefits, the liberalizing of the law under which racing is conducted. A bill before the present Legislature proposes just that thing.

In no sense of the word does the proposed legislation legalized gambling any more than a church bazaar at which money is raised for charity. It is not vicious as is the licensed slot machine which take a weekly toll of a million and a half dollars of the nation's money and returns but a fourth. It is not comparable to the nefarious workings of the stock exchange which is able to set the price of the farmer's cotton at five cents a pound and his wheat at twenty-five cents a bushel and buy and sell and gamble on products which are not even in existence.

The bill is not proposed by gamblers but on the contrary many of its staunchest supporters are men who believe that anyone who would habitually gamble for money would steal were they not afraid of the law. The opponents of the bill are mainly that class of Democrats who took the pledge in the primaries but who repudiated it in the general election.

Parents who could not allow their children to attend the races conducted under the provisions of this bill could not conscientiously allow their children to attend any of the great universities for fear of contamination nor could they themselves attend bridge parties, forty-two parties nor any other contests at which a prize is given the winner.

The liberalization of the horse racing law would be of many and far reaching benefits. It would bolster a lagging livestock industry and in many instances be the deciding factor in showing a profit on the range instead of a loss. Topographical and climatic conditions preeminently fit Texas for the breeding and raising of horses. The western section of the state is especially endowed by nature for the growth of fine animals. Mild winters and year around pasturage afford an ideal situation. Rough, broken, and hilly land, of which there is an abundance, being unsuitable for agricultural purposes may be very profitably given to the raising of fine horses should the Legislature allow the racing industry to take its rightful place in the economic set-up of the state.

As an industry it is surprising at the the amount of hay, oats, and other grains horse racing will consume. Returning from the National Democratic Convention at Chicago a stop was made in a small rural community in Illinois which was devoted to the raising of hay and grain. Inquiry as to the market for such products disclosed the fact that stables housing 20,000 racing animals in Chicago provided a ready market for the product, the hay being used both as a forage and to bed the animals in. The industry demanding quality was willing to pay top prices. Continuing by way of Kentucky further interesting insights into the industry, a predominant one in that state, were disclosed. Land which would not show a profit if given to the raising of livestock at prevailing prices, was showing handsome returns devoted to the raising of thoroughbreds. Here too, was a ready market for hay and grain. It costs no more and requires but little more care to raise a thousand dollar animal than it does to raise a broomtail fit only for the soap factory.

The United States Department of Agriculture Yearbook for 1932 shows that there were in Texas 704,000 head of horses January 1 at an average price of \$30.00 per head, a decrease of 156,000 head in the last five years and a corresponding decrease in price of \$15.00 perhead. We find that the average price per head for horses in Kentucky to be \$47.00 for 1932 and \$57.00 a head five years prior to this date. In other words the depression cost Texas \$15.00 a head and Kentucky, a breeder of quality horses, only \$10.00. The average price of the Kentucky horse now is \$47.00 a head, \$17.00 more than the Texas horse. Raise the quality of the Texas horses to the Kentucky level and you increase the value of Texas horses

\$11,968,000.00, the price we pay for raising nondescript broomtails, crowbait, and soap factory horses.

Since the disastrous "fall of '29" we have found that contrary to the sales talks of tractor men, the horse indispensable on the farm. One can raise hay and feed but money is involved in procuring gasoline, oil, repairs and attachments. Racing is only a by-product of horse raising but as necessary as are the proving grounds economic standpoint both as an industry within itself and as an end and race tracks to the automobile industry. It is justified from an couragement to higher breeding with its corresponding efficiency.

With the passage of this proposed bill by the Legislature we will see huge crowds assemble at Arlington Downs, crowds from all over the nation, and into the coffers of the state will pour the life blood of modern trade—money, for those who come are pleasure bent and come with loose purse strings. The benefits derived from this national advertising is incalculable.

It is to be hoped that the Legislature hearing the voice of industry crying out in this economic chaos will heed and act.

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 for
 Friday and Saturday**

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WOMAN'S CLUB MILK, SMALL, 6 FOR19
OAT SNAPS, PER PKG.10
SALTINE FLAKES, 2 LB. BOX19
TOMATOES, NO. 1, PER CAN	.....	.05
FLOUR, FIVE ROSES, 48 LB. SACK	.....	.68
LINEN MOPS, 16 OZ.	.....	.25
COFFEE, FANCY WAMBA, 3 LB. CAN	.....	.99
CATSUP, 14 OZ. GIBBS, 2 FOR	.....	.25
LETTUCE, PER HEAD,	.....	.05
SYRUP, CANE CRUSH, GALLON59
WHEAT CRISPIES, 2 PKGS.19
VERMICELLI, PER PKG.05
MOTHER'S COCOA, 2 LBS.25

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TRUSCOTT

BY VELMETA SOLOMON

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Moore visited in Vera Sunday. They were accompanied by Miss Helen Winstead.

Jack Brown played Polo in Wichita Falls Sunday.

S. E. Mills made a business trip to Knox City Saturday.

Mmes. Midge Adcock, E. P. Storm and C. H. Stewart were in Vernon Saturday.

E. P. Storm made a business trip to Dallas this week.

Ed. Feemster, Dan Horne, Ira Horne and Sherman Cook of Gilliland were in town Monday.

Mrs. Charlie Hayne of Munday visited Mrs. L. A. Hayne one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moorhouse and boys of Benjamin visited the latter's mother, Mrs. J. R. Craig, Sunday.

Mr. Eubank of Crowell was in the city a few days last week working on telephone lines.

Dr. Hughes' son and wife of Wichita Falls visited him Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Clark wrote to friends saying that they were having a wonderful time in the valley.

Quarterly conference was held at Foard City Sunday. Those attending were Rev. and Mrs. Stapleton, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Solomon and Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Craig of Munday visited on the Antelope Flat one day last week.

Cecil Hayne was in Wichita Falls Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Killingsworth of Lawrence, Kansas, were in Truscott a few days last week seeing about their ranch out east of town.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Cowden and little daughter of Chillicothe visited the latter's mother, Mrs. E. P. Smart Saturday and Sunday.

John Henry Kenner of Margaret visited his sister, Mrs. S. E. Mills last week.

Mrs. D. C. Hutton is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wood of Wellington.

Miss Margaret Browder visited homefolks Saturday and Sunday.

Truscott basket ball boys played Goree team at that place last Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Young entertained the young people with a party last Saturday night.

A. S. Tarpley's residence accidentally caught on fire from burning grass last Saturday afternoon. One corner of the house was badly damaged.

L. P. Jones and daughter, Lelia, were in Crowell Sunday.

D. C. Hutton had the misfortune of having his car stolen last week.

The W. M. S. had a social at the church Tuesday night and invited their husbands. A good crowd was present.

Miss Doris Stoker is improving after an attack of appendicitis.

Mmes. J. H. Darnell and Lee and Minnus and Miss Ila Masterson were in Crowell Monday.

A. S. Tarpley was in Gilliland Sunday.

Mrs. Farris of Gilliland was in the city Monday.

Dr. Stover, Miss Mary Emma Stover and Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Chowning returned home Monday.

**WIDELY-KNOWN STOCKMAN
 BURIED AT DEL RIO**

DEL RIO, Jan. 29.—C. C. Belcher 50, known in the Southwest as "the spokesman of the ranch country," will be buried here tomorrow. Services were set for 2 p. m.

Injuries received when thrown from a horse at his Mariposa ranch in Kinney county recently led to his death here yesterday. He had been in a coma for several days.

Belcher had been district attorney of the Del Rio judicial district; assistant federal district attorney and county judge of Val Verde county. He organized the Del Rio Wool and Mohair company and erected the six story First National bank building.

He served in the National Wool Marketing corporation as an executive committeeman for a time and was actively associated with other enterprises in the livestock industry.

Texas Theatre

ANNOUNCEMENTS
WEEK OF FEBRUARY 3.

Friday -Saturday Matinee

Rex Bell in

"LUCKY LARRIGAN"

Lost Special NO. 3.

Saturday Night

"THREE ON A MATCH"

Joan Blondell - Warren Williams

Lost Special No. 3

Monday-Tuesday

The Panther Woman in

"ISLAND OF LOST SOULS"

With Charles Laughton, Bela

Lugosi and Richard Arlen

Tuesday Night

Pleennie L. Wingo

In person, who walked around
the world backwards.

Wednesday-Thursday

Richard Barthelme with

Dorothy Jordan and Betty Davis in

"CABIN IN THE COTTON"

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Matinee 1:45

—FEATURE and COMEDY—

Tuesday Night—Family Night

The family for two adult tickets.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Knox County, Texas, will receive sealed proposals up to 10:00 o'clock A. M., on Monday, February 13th, A. D. 1933, from any banking corporation, association or individual banker in in Knox County, Texas, that may desire to be selected as the depository of the funds of such County. Said proposals shall be addressed to the County Judge of Knox County, Texas, and shall be accompanied by a certified check for not less than one half of one per cent of the county revenue for the preceding year as a guarantee of good faith on the part of the bidder. The Commissioners' Court of said County reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

WITNESS MY HAND, this the
17th day of January A. D. 1933.

J. W. Melton,

County Judge Knox County, Texas.

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GILLILAND

BY ELIZABETH PARRIS

Dick Coltharp was in Spur Thursday. His mother accompanied him home for a visit here.

Buck Propps of Knox City was here Wednesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Noel Brown and son, Jr., were in Vernon Saturday on business.

Miss Lorena Reese of Knox City was the guest of Miss Elizabeth Parris Friday Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Earnest Wright visited his parents in Haskell Saturday and Sunday.

John Henry Kenner of Margaret is visiting his brother here, Tim Kenner this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Garden Acker and Miss Leorna English of Knox City visited friends here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Coltharp are announcing the birth of a daughter on Jan. 24. She has been named Joyce Yavenna.

Supt. and Mrs. B. B. Chamberlain Mrs. Bess Porter, Miss Frances Porter and W. C. Porter Jr., were in Abilene Saturday on business.

Miss Doris Hurd of Vera was in Gilliland Saturday.

Mr. Jim Parris was in Knox City Saturday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stoker of Graham visited the latters parents, Supt. and Mrs. B. B. Chamberlain Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Baty entertained the young married people with a 42 party Friday night.

Mr. Fred McGuire was in Benjamin Friday on business.

Mrs. Tom Berney of Crowell was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Coltharp Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Tiwell of Munday visited friends here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Barnett of Truscott visited friends here Sunday.

L. B. Baty was in Benjamin Monday on business.

Noel Brown was in Stamford Wednesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Glover Medaris and children were in Wichita Falls Sunday and Monday visiting friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis left February 1 for Bonham to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Onie Welch and family were visiting relatives in Vera Sunday.

Mrs. A. B. McKinnis of Abilene visited friends here Sunday.

Bryan, Henry and Mary Lowrey have just returned from Bremond where they attended the funeral of their grandmother, Mrs. T. D. Lowrey.

Mr. Tomanek was in Seymour on business Saturday.

Glover and Charlie Medaris were in Seymour Wednesday on business.

Robert Riley received a broken arm Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Ryder and son, Jr., were in Seymour Saturday.

Mr. Ed Feemster was in Vera Wednesday on business.

Mrs. Leah Kirkpatrick of Bremond is visiting relatives here this week.

Miss Damie Groves entertained friends with a 42 party Friday night.

The English Club was entertained with a Weiner Roast Saturday night.

P. T. A. has its regular meeting Tuesday night, February 7. An interesting program is to be given. All members are urged to be present. Visitors are invited.

ON TEXAS FARMS

BY W. H. DARROW

Extension Service Editor

More than 2500 garments made by 187 farm women in Limestone county last year by home demonstration methods saved these women an average of \$12.50 apiece.

Half the farm families of Grayson County were helped to can and preserve food by demonstration methods last year by the home demonstration clubs of the county. The amount of canning increased 75 per cent over the previous year.

In Armstrong county wheat farmers have gone in strongly for treating wheat for smut by the machine method of applying copper carbonate dust to the seed. The county agent reports 35,000 acres planted to treated wheat, done at a cost of 3 cents per acre. Smut can damage the crop in the county to the extent of \$40,000, local elevator men declare.

The greatest series of terracing demonstrations ever held in Hill county ended with 3850 acres terraced in December. The yearly total as given by the county agent exceeds 6000 acres.

A 10 acre pasture developed as a demonstration by Edd Fulgham in Wood county paid \$18 per acre in grazing last year, according to the county agent. Horses, cows and mules were charged from 2 to 5 cents per head for the rich pasturage, and calves were charged at half rate. The average cost of improvement and upkeep was \$1.80 per acre.

Two years ago self feeders for hogs were practically unknown in Gold county. The new system of feeding hogs is by self feeder rations of corn and equal parts of cotton seed meal and tankage.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Knox County, Texas, will receive sealed proposals up to 10:00 o'clock A. M., on Monday, February 13th, A. D. 1933, from any banking corporation, association or individual banker in in Knox County, Texas, that may desire to be selected as the depository of the trust funds of the County and District Clerks of said County. Said proposals shall be addressed to the County Judge of Knox County, Texas, and shall be accompanied by a certified check for not less than one half of one per cent of the average daily balances of the amount of trust funds in the possession of said Clerks during the preceding calendar year, as a guarantee of good faith on the part of the bidder. The Commissioners' Court of said County reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

WITNESS MY HAND, this the
17th day of January A. D. 1933.

J. W. Melton,

County Judge Knox County, Texas.

Miss Frances Porter has returned to Graham where she will take a position in a music store.

John Albright of Seymour was in Gilliland Wednesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Patterson and daughter Leona of Benjamin visited relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. S. B. Spurlin and daughter, Norane of Rule visited another daughter here, Mrs. Walter Croffard.

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ALL BUNCH VEGETABLES,	.05
LETTUCE, FIRM AND CRISP, HEAD	.05
GREEN BEANS, LB.	.10
NEW POTATOES, 6 LBS.	.25
KILN DRIED YAMS, 10 LBS.	.25
SPUDS, NO. 1's, 10 LBS.	.17
CRUSHED PINEAPPLE, GALLON,	.49
PITTED DATES, RED AND WHITE, 10 OZ. PKG.	.15
KUNER'S GREEN BEANS, NO. 2 CAN, 3 FOR	.25
BRAN FLAKES, RED AND WHITE, 3 FOR	.25
COFFEE, RED AND WHITE, 2 LBS.	.68
TOMATOES, NO. 2 CAN, 2 FOR	.15
MACARONI AND SPAGHETTI, PKG.	.05
SLICED BACON, POUND,	.15
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Eight demonstrators who farmed 50 acres of Texas blackhul kafir produced 2800 bushels of grain which was an increase of 10 bushels per acre over the usual production in DeWitt county, according to annual report figures of County Agent J. A. Oswald. Three hegari demonstra-



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tors cultivated 15 1-2 acres which yielded 630 bushels not including the second crop which was, in some cases, as great as the first.

Nine hundred tons of silage was stored in 18 trench silos dug from plans provided by the county agent; 14 self feeders for hogs and two for cattle, and seven modern poultry houses were likewise built, using plans from the same source.

Working with Mr. Oswald 26 farmers improved their pastures by planting clovers and grasses that furnish grazing the year around. These men pooled their seed orders and brought into the county sour clover, hubam clover, alfalfa, California burr clover, dallis grass, black medic clover and white sweet clover. One of these pasture demonstrators cut 9,000 pounds of hay in may from five acre of hubam clover after it had furnished 30 days of grazing for 20 head of dairy cattle. The 4 1-2 tons of hay had a value of \$30 and the grazing was worth \$22.

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Munday Texas

At the 14 terracing schools held in DeWitt county during 1932, the county agent ran lines on 533 acres of land and taught 50 farmers how to use the farm level. In addition to this 40 farmers terraced 1120 acres of land during the year and Mr. Oswald reports that there are now 32 farmer-owned farm levels in the county.

34 farmers kept feed and production records on their dairy herds under the supervision of the county agent. In the six herds there were 70 cows which produced 284,834 pounds of milk. The production records showed that cows producing over 300 pounds of butterfat returned 1 3-4 times as much profit as those producing from 250 to 300. And they made 2.8 times as much profit as the group that produced from 200 to 250 pounds.

Nineteen farmers with 5132 hens kept the Extension Service poultry calendar record on their flocks and seven of them exceeded the State standard of 1160 eggs per hen while all the rest except one exceeded the county egg record. The seven best flocks ranged all the way from an average of 162 eggs per hen to 208 for the year. Six other farmers carried on turkey demonstrations and had an average of 15.6 poult per hen as compared to the county average of 7.

Nine 4-H club boys feeding their pigs self feeder style learned that they could get 100 pounds of gained weight with 6 bushels of corn and about 50c worth of tankage and cotton seed meal. Another group of club boys raising pigs got their hundred pounds gain with 7 bushels of corn and 65 gallons of skim milk.

TEXAS INDEPENDENCE DAY

Texans must keep alive the spirit that resulted in the Texas Declaration of Independence of March 2nd, 1836.

It devolves upon every school, every civic, social, and patriotic organization in every community that has pride in the heroic history of the State, to hold every year on that memorable date such programs and exercises as will appropriately commemorate the heroic deeds of the forefathers that made possible the glorious privileges and opportunities Texans now enjoy.

March 2nd is to Texas what July 4th is to the nation, and its importance as an historic holiday should be especially impressed upon the public mind this year in view of the approaching Centennial of 1936.

The Texas Centennial Committee, Austin Texas, will be glad to send who write for it data upon which Texas Independence Day addresses, papers, and exercises may be heard.

All broadcasting stations in Japan are members of one association, which is under direct government control.

Every state in the United States except New Mexico maintains under the law public institutions for the care of the sock.

The Swiss Flying club has more than 2,600 members, ranging from balloon and glider pilots to acrobatic fliers.

The area of the Sahara Desert in northern Africa is said to be more than 3,500,000 square miles.

The world's largest diesel engine has been built for the Copenhagen power station to drive a 15,000 kilowatt generator.

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