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## FROM THE EDITOR'S WINDOW

Our senior class of the Putnam high school this year is very unusual in the respect that nine boys and two girls compose the class. Of course we would like to see more girls in the graduating class, but if there are more of one sex, let it be the male. Our men of the future should have education and be equipped to take the lead in public affairs, however education never hinders and our nation will be greater if our women are also educated on an equality with the men.

This class of mostly boys has made an outstanding scholastic record throughout their four years of high school. There must be some outstanding men of the future in this worthy class of 1938. Time will tell.

It will have to be given up that J. H. Jones has the best garden in Putnam. We can speak from several standpoints, even from the standpoint of appetite, as he presented us with some of his majestic specimens this week. He sent us onions almost as large as a person's head, lettuce in large crisp heads and collards of a fine variety. Mr. Jones' garden is really thriving, however Reverend F. A. Hollis said he had beans which looked as good as Mr. Jones' until the last freeze.

Dr. Ales Hrdlicka, the curator of physical anthropology at the Smithsonian Institution, has found that the human head swells in a literal and not a metaphorical sense as it grows older. He notes a writer in the New York Sun. The theory is supported by the testimony of Sir Flinders Petrie, the eminent archaeologist and Egyptologist, who has kept tab on his hat sizes through the years. At twenty a size 6 1/2 hat fitted him comfortably; at thirty he required a 7 to 7-1/8; with the passing of another decade his hat size increased by a quarter; at fifty another quarter was added, and at sixty his head had outgrown all standard size hats. The Smithsonian considers this record as of more than usual significance "because of the incessant and continued intellectual work of the English archaeologist." May be by comparing hat sizes every ten years a person might determine whether or not he is growing intellectually. By the process of education which never ends, yet which effort controls largely, we should all strive to need a larger hat size.

Back in the late 40's and the early 50's on Crill Miller Creek was a small settlement of pioneers scattered over a wide area in the year 1855. In 1877 building a church house was started and was completed and dedicated August 1878. This was the beginning of the Bethesda Baptist church. As the country developed and new people settled among the sparsely settled the church grew to be one of the largest and strongest in the county among the rural churches. There settled in the community such noble pioneers as Jesse Faires, D. R. Jackson, P. Inman, S. C. Roddy, G. W. Beavers, the Bockmons, Jobs, Kennedys, Woodsons, Carters, Parsons, and many others. From these families came the growth of the country, as well as the growth and development of the church, with the leadership of such pastors as D. J. Smith, Rev. Brooks, H. C. Renfro, W. J. Brown, J. W. Newbrough, C. M. Woodson, J. M. Booth, Swofford, Hill, and others of the early day. All these mentioned have gone on to glory except J. W. Newbrough. At a later date the church has been served by pastors J. N. Hunt, who was licensed by the church, S. J. Howeth, Young, G. M. Jones, Brownlow, J. P. Senter, and at present served by Ross Holland.

For all the years since 1856 to date the church has held forth and those left struggling on want it to hold forth still. A letter from G. M. Jones states: "In order to maintain church we must have a home. We are appealing to the old friends out of the community to come to our assistance and help that the old church may stand. It will take \$400.00 and the old building to rebuild."

Anyone desiring to help this noble enterprise to foster better living in their community, contact S. W. Jobe of Putnam.

Richmond Sprawls of Tulia was in Putnam visiting and looking after business interests in and around Putnam this week.

## WITTMER DEEP TEST ON WILLIAM LEASE GETS OIL SHOWING TUES.

A good showing of oil was encountered at 4,077 feet in the Wittmer No. 1 well, section 2269, 2 1-2 miles northeast of Putnam, on the Louie Williams land Tuesday. The oil topped the Ellenberger lime and the well is shut down at the present time awaiting the arrival of 6 inch casing.

Drilling has been started on the B. C. Chrisman land, 8 1-2 miles due south of Baird. Plans are to drill about 1,000 feet. The well is located in section 420 of the John Gillespie survey.

Hickok Producing and Development company is setting pipe 7 miles north of Cisco on the Grover Cleveland land. They have around a million feet of gas at the top of the Lake Eastland formation.

A new location was staked Tuesday for a wildcat test one mile north of Clyde in the west part of Callahan county, which will be drilled to 2,000 feet. It will be the T. I. Stine No. 1 on the Kniffen tract, staked 150 feet from the east and 300 feet from the south line of section 67 BBB & C land.

L. D. Williams has a contract to drill a seven hundred foot well on the top of the Harwell hill about one mile south of Putnam. He expects to start drilling within the next few days.

The Dr. McCall and Bill West well on the Clark ranch about two miles southwest of Putnam is shut down at about six hundred feet.

It is rumored that McClure and others have let a contract for a 1,700 foot well on what is known as the I. N. Jackson ranch about seven miles south of Putnam. This report is not confirmed.

## COOKED FOOD SALE SATURDAY

The Woman's Study Club will give away a lovely bed spread on display Saturday, June 4, at 4:00 at Clements & Norred, Inc., Dry Goods store. They will also conduct a food sale in connection. All proceeds will be used for school piano.

## Putnam School Cost Below State Average

It might be interesting to the tax payers of the Putnam school district to know that the average cost per pupil in the Putnam school is considerably below the average for the state.

We find from analysis of the Texas independent school districts of Texas for the calendar year of 1937-38, from figures compiled by the Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association of Texas, that there is about \$56,000,000 spent in Texas for the support of the public free schools, and of this total the oil industry paid 22 percent of this total or more than \$12,000,000, and that the average cost over the state was about \$54.00 per pupil.

The above analysis referred to discloses that the Putnam school district had a revenue for the year just closing of \$11,746.00, not counting any state aid received, which equals \$31.81 for the average for each pupil attending the Putnam school the last term. However, this does not include any state aid that the district might have gotten. It will be noted from the above figures that the average for the Putnam school is about \$22.00 below the average for the state as a whole. A few of the schools surrounding Putnam, in this immediate territory, are Baird with a scholastic population of 652, the average of which was \$32.22; Cross Plains with 571 scholastics, had an average cost of \$26.50; Cisco with a scholastic population of 1,490 had an average cost of \$29.72; while Eastland with population of 1,066, had an average cost of \$37.59, making an average for the five mentioned above \$31.56, with Putnam included. Cross Plains has the lowest average with a cost of only \$26.50 while Eastland has the highest with an average cost of \$37.59. The Putnam trustees and superintendent, R. F. Webb, should be congratulated on the way they have handled the school funds passing through their hands.

Miss Myrtle Bailey of Waco, sister of Reverend J. Morris Bailey, will visit Reverend and Mrs. Bailey May 25-30.

## Court of Honor Held Tuesday Night

Boy Scouts of the local troop held court of honor at the First Baptist church Tuesday evening, with Scoutmaster P. L. Butler presiding. A short business session was conducted at which time it was decided that scouts should go on an overnight hike southeast of Putnam next Monday. America was sung, after which the scout oath was repeated, Reverend F. A. Hollis led prayer, followed by Mr. Butler leading the Lord's prayer. Appearing for first class rank were Leroy Williams, Billy Mack Jobe; for second class, G. P. Jobe; to raise the rank of first class appeared Calvin King, Billy Gaskins, Bobby Clinton, Allen Nelson; for the rank of Star scout, Donald Allen. For merit badges were Bobby Clinton, Lewis Williams, Bennie Burn Williams, Calvin King, Donald Allen, Melvin Crawford, Allen Nelson, Stanley Butler. The boys were highly commended for extraordinary work completed and the Reverend F. A. Hollis suggested that a surprise be given the boys at the next court of honor if such work continues. He was appointed chairman of a committee to that end.

The scout vesper song was sung after which Stanley Butler played Taps on the cornet outside the first entrance. Taps was then sung by the scouts. Members of the court of honor were R. L. Clinton, Mrs. Earl Jobe, Mrs. J. G. Overton, Elmer Butler, Mrs. Elmer Butler, Mrs. Elmer Dunaway, Pete King, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Williams, Reverend F. A. Hollis, Mildred Yeager.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Britta of Cisco were in Putnam Sunday attending the baccalaureate exercises at the high school building and visiting Mrs. Brittain's mother, Mrs. Charlie Teague.

## W. A. French to Make Water Site Survey

The city council at a called session Friday night employed W. A. French of Abilene, an engineer, to make a survey on water sites, with a view of making applications to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation for a loan of sufficient amount to build a lake. Mr. French is to do this work and make the application for two hundred and fifty dollars. There are about three places being considered at the present time. The first one is on the Clark ranch, second on the Harwell ranch, and the third is the one where the former survey was made on the R. D. Williams ranch about two miles north of Putnam. Mr. French will put in the first day on the Clark site and if he finds it is not feasible he will do some preliminary work on the other two.

## BACCALAUREATE SERVICES HELD SUNDAY

Baccalaureate exercises for the Putnam high school seniors were held Sunday morning, May 15th, at the high school auditorium at 11 o'clock. The processionals were played by Mrs. Stanley Webb, after which members from the glee club sang "Day is Dying in the West." Reverend J. Morris Bailey gave the invocation. Principal J. G. Overton introduced Reverend John W. Price, who preached the sermon, the theme of which was "Love and Service." Reverend Price stated, "The world is having a hard time and it will either be better or worse because you go through it, as every individual exerts some kind of influence. Everything should be put out of your lives with the exception of love and service, and that the world can be reached and benefitted more through efforts of love. The measure of true education is the ability to live with your fellowman. People should live from day to day laying up various investments in character and deeds."

He used the government social security as an example to eliminate fears for old age protection in this and that other investments are important for our eternal life. He stated, "A man who lives in worldly pleasure cannot see the glories or receive the greatest dividends for their service, however dividends are not always realized in money. Life is a testing place, the beginning and means to a great end."

The class motto, "Striving to Win," was emphasized in large covered letters across the stage, above a lattice work of lavender and pink, class colors.

## ARMISTICE DAY A LEGAL HOLIDAY

The Armistice was declared in the fall of 1918, but the Armistice day was not made a legal holiday until the past week. Congress has had this proposition up a number of times, but could not put it over. The president signed the bill passed by both houses Saturday, making the Armistice day a legal holiday.

## Methodist Calendar

Sunday, May 22:  
10:00 a. m.—Church school.  
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.  
4:00 p. m.—Junior Epworth League.  
7:00 p. m.—Young People's Epworth League.  
8:00 p. m.—Evening worship.  
Wednesday, May 25, 3:00 p. m.—Woman's Missionary Society.  
Thursday, May 26, 7:30 p. m.—Board of Christian education.  
Sunday, June 5—This will be the special laymen's day and laymen's program.  
J. Morris Bailey, Pastor.

M. H. Perkins and Bill Ham of Clyde were circulating among friends and looking after business interests in Putnam Saturday afternoon. Mr. Ham is a former resident of Putnam, moving to Clyde many years ago.

## W. T. CROSBY BURIED WEDNESDAY

Funeral services for William Thomas Crosby, 76, father of W. M. Crosby of Putnam were held at the First Baptist church in Putnam Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock with the Reverend F. A. Hollis, pastor, officiating. "Rock of Ages" was the congregational song, with Mrs. E. C. Waddell at the piano. Reverend Joe Mayes of Baird led prayer. A quartet from Scranton composed of A. T. Blalock, Mr. and Mrs. John Shrader, and Sal Gattis sang "How Beautiful Heaven Must Be," followed by prayer by the Reverend Mack Richardson of Abilene. The quartet then sang "We Will Understand It Better By and By." Rev. Hollis spoke about God being our refuge, and dwelt upon the new heaven and the new earth taken from Revelations of the Holy Bible. The large crowd present bespoke the character and friend Mr. Crosby left behind. Although he had been away from Putnam a number of years, his memory is dear to many Putnam citizens. A large amount of floral wreaths were prominent with a number of flower girls. Pall bearers were R. V. Morgan Jr., Otha Morgan, Alvis Morgan, Jarney Anthony, Paul Cunby, and James Crosby, Jr.

Mr. Crosby died at the Hendrix Memorial Hospital in Abilene from a heart ailment Tuesday morning at 3 o'clock. He was taken there for treatment Monday. Mr. Crosby was born in Mississippi March 26, 1862. He had moved to Texas in 1880, settling south of Dallas. He moved to Putnam in 1892, where he lived until 11 years ago, when he was married to Mrs. D. L. Burford of Lawn.

Survivors include his wife; one sister, Mrs. W. M. Moore of Putnam; one brother, Dave Crosby of Mississippi; four daughters and three sons by a previous marriage; three step-sons and one step-daughter. His children are Mrs. Pat Cates of Strawn, Mrs. Willie Caldwell of San Antonio, Mrs. L. E. Wells of Wichita Falls, Mrs. Emma Bartmas of Port Worth, Melton Crosby of Putnam, Charlie Crosby of Santa Paula, California, and Jim Crosby of Sherman. The step-children are Mrs. Flossie Morgan of Lawn, Mrs. C. W. Burford of Colorado, Leslie and Worth Burford of Lawn.

## Big Ranch Deal In Callahan County

One of the best and biggest ranches in Callahan county changed hands this week when Harry Gresham of Abilene purchased from Joe Henshaw, in the western edge of Callahan county, the 4,120 acre ranch owned by Mr. Henshaw together with 1,800 head of cattle. The land was purchased at a price of \$15 per acre, with a total consideration of around \$76,000. Earl Cunningham of Abilene will be foreman and have charge of the ranch.

## Thrown Out Twice



"I am the law" is the alleged boast of Frank Hague, "Boss" of New Jersey and of Jersey City. On the moment this would seem the truth for Norman Thomas, national Socialist leader and quadrennial presidential candidate, was ejected from the city twice for attempting to make a speech. Thomas (above) says he will contest Hague's action in suppressing free speech and in hustling him out of town against his will.

## B. F. Russell on State Law Committee

B. F. Russell of Baird has recently been appointed as a member of the committee on the unlawful practice of law by the Hon. D. A. Simmons, president of Texas Bar Association, there being a committeeman for each county of the state.

The purpose of this committee is to secure some publicity to Article 430-a, Penal Code of the State of Texas, which is known as the Unlawful Practice Act. This act makes it a penal offense for persons other than an attorney, properly admitted to practice in this state, to give legal advice and draw other than certain specified instruments for hire. Primarily the law is for the protection of the people. A "home made" will or a "second hand" deed often reposes in some strong box or on the deed records for years and then cause innocent people to have useless litigation and expense.

The people who usually use the Statute do so without thought or in ignorance of the law.

Mr. Russell states: "It is not my purpose as the committeeman for this county to do any snooping, or to file or encourage the filing of any complaints against any person. On the contrary I shall have nothing to do with any such procedure. Any such action will have to come from the duly constituted authorities. I merely would like for the general public and those persons who through kindness violate the law, to have their attention called to the statute.

Said article 430-a was passed by the 43rd legislature in 1933 and is an addition to article 430 of the Penal Code of Texas which is one of the Statute governing the practice of law and the conduct of attorneys generally.

## WILL EVERETT PUTS IN NEW MEAT MARKET

Will Everett has just installed a new meat cooling system in connection with his grocery and expects to sell all kinds of fresh meats. With this market equipment Mr. Everett has one of the complete little grocery stores in Putnam, and no doubt but what this additional service will increase his business in the future.

## COLLIE NOT TO RUN FOR LIEUTENANT GOV.

Senator Wilbourne Collie, state senator from the 28th senatorial district, announced from his Eastland office that he had decided not to make the race for lieutenant governor this year. He is serving his second term as state senator from this district, his term ending in 1940.

## TAYLOR COUNTY DRY BY LARGE MAJORITY

The Taylor county local option election last Saturday went dry by a large majority. The total vote in the county was for the sale of beer 1,971, with 4,984 against the sale, making a majority of 3,013 against. This is about two to three against. In the city of Abilene the vote was for the sale 1,632, and against 3,059, making a total vote for the city of 4,691. The wets did not carry a single box in the county.

Mrs. F. A. Hollis, Horace Roberson of De Leon, and Clyde Cox, of Tyler, visited Mrs. Dee Martin at Ovalo Tuesday.

## COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES HELD MONDAY

Commencement exercises for the Putnam high school seniors were held Monday evening, May 16th, at the high school auditorium. Mrs. Stanley Webb played the processional. The invocation was given by G. A. Brown. Mary Douglas Williams gave the salutatory, followed by singing of the glee club. The boys' quartet sang, after which Oliver Davis gave the valedictory. Reverend J. B. Baker of Goree gave the principal address, taking as his theme, "Have Confidence in the Future." He stated, "Look above things which can be seen with the natural eye, which make things look impossible; but have faith for the accomplishment of worthwhile undertakings. Reverend Baker was formerly pastor of the Methodist church in Putnam and stated that he remembered that some people thought it was impossible for Putnam to have a magnificent school building as they now have, which he used as an illustration. He stated, "always say, 'It can be done!'"

He further stated that every object is perishable but education will not perish until death, and that students should consider the fact that giving means to live, keeping to die. He spoke of Jesus coming to the earth not to be ministered unto, but to minister and living a life with Jesus is the only way. He quoted: "He is the way, the truth, and the light," and that all are worthless without Christ.

Superintendent R. F. Webb spoke words of appreciation to parents, teachers and students, after which he presented diplomas to Arvel White, Carolyn Elzay, Oliver Davis, Mary Douglas Williams, Billy McMillan, Glenn Elzay, Hugh Vernon Smith Jr., Jack Everett, Franklin Shackelford, Harlin Dodd, Keith King, Newt Steen, W. N. Byrd gave the benediction.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. McMillan and daughter, Miss Hazel, of Columbia and Mr. and Mrs. Exal McMillan of Pioneer attended the graduation exercises in Putnam the early part of the week.

## MORE CALLAHAN SCHOOLS TO CONSOLIDATE

Superintendent Olaf South of the Clyde high school presented a petition last week to county superintendent B. C. Chrisman asking the rural schools of Lone Oak and Fair View be consolidated with the Clyde school, bringing the schools of the Clyde district under one management. Both schools were transferred to Clyde last fall and new buses purchased to transport the children to Clyde. The election will be called for the 4th day of June.

## HOSPITAL BOND ELECTION ORDERED

The commissioners' court of Callahan county ordered a county-wide bond election for June 7th for \$25,000.00 for the purpose of erecting a county hospital for Callahan county to be located at Baird. It reported that free county hospitalization for county patients amounts to more than two thousand dollars per year at the present time.

## ROY WILLIAMS IMPROVED

Mrs. Roy Williams and sons, Bennie Burns, J. Nelson, and Stanley Neil, spent from Friday until Sunday at Legion where Mr. Williams is stationed in a government hospital for veterans. They found Mr. Williams' condition much improved. He will likely return home about July.

## PEP B. T. U. PROGRAM

May 22nd:  
Part 1—Frances Lunsford.  
Part 2—Mary Alice Burnam.  
Part 3—Billie Gaskins.  
Part 4—Billy Jean White.  
Part 5—Stella Mae Ramsey.  
Part 6—J. Nelson Williams.  
Part 7—Mildred Yeager.  
May 29th:  
Part 1—Calvin King.  
Play characters:  
Tob—Lewis Williams.  
Group captain—Calvin King.  
John—Billie Gaskins.  
Mary—Frances Lunsford.  
Sue—Mary Alice Burnam.  
Dick—Stanley Butler.  
Sonah—Estelle Lunsford.  
June 5th:  
Part 1—Frances Lunsford.  
Part 2—Lewis Williams.  
Part 3—Estelle Lunsford.  
Part 4—Billie Gaskins.  
Part 5—John Davis.  
Part 6—Mary Alice Burnam.

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other monetary consideration is  
charged, will be charged for at  
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**ONLY 10 PERCENT  
ARE PROTECTED**

Surely no one believes a stand-  
ard of living for forty-nine mil-  
lion workers can be built up on  
a basis of protection for one tenth  
of that number. The assumption  
that it can be done falls com-  
pletely when it is seen that wages  
in industries dependent upon pro-  
tection are, on the whole, substan-  
tially lower than the wages paid  
in the unprotected industries. It  
is also significant that in times  
of depression, unemployment  
strikes first and hardest in the  
protected industries.

**COTTON INCOME IN 1936**

Cotton is the most valuable crop  
grown in Texas. The 1936 crop  
was valued at \$217,018,000. The  
average cotton crop covers about  
12,000,000 (million) acres. The  
greatest single crop grown in any  
one of the states, and provides a  
livelihood for more people than  
any other Texas industry.

**HOW COULD THE PEOPLE  
APPROVE MORE SPENDING**

How can the people of America  
approve another spending spree  
with an increase in taxes by the  
government, with full knowledge  
that every job lost is due at least  
in part to spending and taxes, and  
that no job now held is safe?

**THE COURTS BECOMING  
SANE AGAIN**

In a strike in a North Chicago  
in 1917, wherein the strikers took  
possession of the property with a  
sit down strike. When they were  
ordered to evacuate the plants by  
the constitutionally elected offi-  
cials to enforce the law they re-  
fused the orders to evacuate and  
were forced out, and complaints  
were filed against 39 CIO union-  
ists. Each one of them were fined  
on complaints charging them with  
contempt, but they appealed to  
the state court of appeals in Illi-  
nois and this court upheld the lower  
courts in their right under the  
constitution to protect private prop-  
erty, and stated in the court's  
opinion: "Congress did not by  
its enactment of the Wagner act  
deprive the states of their police  
power to protect property rights."

There is no doubt but what  
strikes of this kind, with such leg-  
islation as the capital gain tax to-  
gether the undivided profit tax, is  
the major cause of the Roosevelt  
depression, which has caused the  
unemployment to run up to more  
than 13,000,000 again. Of course  
the spending spree that we have  
been on for the past five years re-  
duced the unemployment figures  
some, but it was a shot in the arm  
with borrowed money, and it seems  
to some that we had prosperity;  
but no one who had given the mat-  
ter any thought is surprised at  
the present depression—and the  
six billions of new spending will  
likely boost prices for awhile and  
make it harder for the one-third  
of the people who are underfed  
and undernourished, but we will  
be in a worse shape when the  
money is gone than we are now.

**SUPREME COURT RULES  
IN FAVOR OF UNIONS**

The United States Supreme  
Court at Washington, in an opin-  
ion reached Monday, held that la-  
bor unions were entitled to pro-  
tection and were still unemployed  
after going on a strike. They also  
upheld a decision of a lower  
court in California, wherein the  
labor board had held that in the  
Mackey Radio and Telegraph com-  
pany case the company had been  
unfair to five employees in re-  
fusing to reemploy them after  
they had gone on a strike. The  
board ordered the company to re-  
instate the five men and the com-  
pany refusing to comply with the  
case was appealed with the result  
that it was affirmed and the com-  
pany ordered to reinstate the  
striking employees.

We hear much from Washington  
from the administration about co-  
operation between the government  
and business to bring about recov-  
ery. The Wagner act has caused  
more trouble between labor and  
their employers than any other

one thing the administration has  
done in the past five years. It has  
created the strongest monopoly in  
the United States by appointing a  
labor partisan board that has re-  
fused to even be fair between two  
opposing factions. Anyone who  
ever employed laborers knows that  
an industrial plant can not operate  
under the Wagner labor act as  
it is applied by the labor board.  
No factory can operate with a  
crowd of men among their em-  
ployees who are always appealing  
to prejudice and telling the other  
employees that they are being rob-  
bed and discriminated against.  
There are two things that Con-  
gress should do before adjourning:  
Repeal the Wagner law or make  
amendments that will give indus-  
try a fair trial in all cases; repeal  
or modify the Hawley-Smoot tar-  
iff law lowering the tariff around  
the United States, permitting for-  
eign countries to purchase our  
products with products exchanged  
from other countries. Let the tariff  
be lowered until everything is  
placed on a parity basis. We can  
not go on with ten percent of the  
people protected by a high tariff  
and 90 percent producing and sell-  
ing in a free market.

**PRIMING THE BALLOT BOX  
OF THE BUSINESS PUMP**

The recent effusion in Washing-  
ton regarding the use of \$6,500,  
000,000 (billion) to "prime the  
pump" sounds like it is a move to  
prime the ballot box in the states  
holding elections this year. The  
word, "pump," seems to be a mere  
figure of speech to hide the real  
purpose. Every member of Con-  
gress that casts his vote for this  
high sum or a portion of it should  
reap as a reward a most decisive  
defeat for re-election—Tax Jour-  
nal.

**CONSTITUTION OF PANTHER  
ATHLETIC CLUB**

Article I—Executive Department.

Section 1—President and vice-  
president.

Clause 1: Executive power vested;  
term of president. The execu-  
tive power shall be vested in a  
president of the Panther Athletic  
Club. He shall hold his office dur-  
ing the term of one year, and to-  
gether with the vice-president,  
chosen for the same year, be elected  
as follows:

Clause 2. Electors. Each mem-  
ber of the organization shall have  
the right to nominate any qualified  
member of the junior class (who  
will be seniors the following year).  
The nominees shall be elected by  
secret ballot.

Clause 3. Qualifications of presi-  
dent and vice-president. No per-  
son shall be eligible for the office  
of president or vice-president un-  
less he is a qualified member of  
the organization and be a member  
of the senior class with repre-  
sentative scholastic standing during  
his administration.

Clause 4. Time of election. The  
officers of the Panther Athletic  
Club shall be elected fourteen  
days before the expiration of the  
school term.

Clause 5. Compensation. No of-  
ficer shall receive compensation  
for his services in the organiza-  
tion.

Clause 6. Provision in case of  
the president's disability. In case  
of the removal of the president  
from office, or by his death, resig-  
nation, or inability to discharge  
powers and duties of the said of-  
fice, the same may be devolved on  
the vice president. And the offi-  
cers may by parliamentary pro-  
cedure provide for the case of re-  
moval, death, resignation, or in-  
ability, both of the president and  
vice-president, declaring what of-  
ficers accordingly until the dis-  
ability, be removed, or a president  
shall be elected.

Clause 7. Oath of office. Before  
he enters on the execution of his  
office, he shall take the following  
oath or affirmation: "I do solemn-  
ly swear (or affirm) that I will  
faithfully execute the office of  
president of the Panther Athletic  
Club, and will to the best of my  
ability, preserve, protect, and de-  
fend the constitution of the Pan-  
ther Athletic Club."

Clause 8. Duties of the presi-  
dent. He shall from time to time  
give to the members of the Pan-  
ther Athletic Club information of  
the standing of the club, and rec-  
ommend to their consideration  
such measures as he shall judge  
necessary and expedient; he may,  
on extraordinary occasions, con-  
vene with his cabinet and sponsor,  
any subject that would be for the  
benefit of the club. It will be the  
duty of the president to assist in  
the financial affairs of the club.  
The club may from time to time  
sponsor programs and athletic ac-  
tivities in order to finance the ex-  
pense of the organization.

Section II—Powers of the  
President

Clause 1. Civic power. The  
president of the Panther Club shall  
have the power to appoint com-  
mittees for various activities. The  
president and vice-president shall  
represent the Panther Club at all  
civic affairs.

Clause 2. Initiation of new mem-

bers. The president along with  
the assistance of the vice-presi-  
dent and sponsor shall have the  
jurisdiction over the initiation of  
new members.

Clause 3. Power to call special  
meetings. The president of the  
organization shall have the power  
to call special sessions with the  
consent of the sponsor.

Article II. Judicial Department

Article I.—Kangaroo Court.

Clause 1. Judicial power vested;  
Judges. The judicial powers of  
the Panther Athletic Club shall be  
vested in one Kangaroo Court, and  
in such inferior courts as the  
members may from time to time  
ordain and establish. The judge  
both of the Kangaroo court and  
the inferior courts shall be the  
sponsor who will hold his office  
during good behavior and shall  
not, at any time, receive for his  
services, a compensation.

Section II.—Jurisdiction of Pan-  
ther Courts.

Clause 1. The judicial power  
shall extend to all cases in law  
and equity, arising under this  
constitution, the laws of the Pan-  
ther Athletic Club, to all cases af-  
fecting members, to controversies  
between two or more members—  
to controversies to which the Pan-  
ther Athletic Club shall be a mem-  
ber—between a member and the  
association.

Clause 2. Supreme Court. In  
all cases affecting the lower courts  
the Supreme Court shall have ori-  
ginal jurisdiction and the decision  
of the supreme court will be final.  
The judges of the supreme court  
shall consist of the president and  
vice-president of the Athletic Club,  
along with the superintendent,  
principal, and senior athletic coach  
of Putnam high school.

Section III—Treason.

Clause 1. Treason Defined. Treason  
is a serious offense against the  
Panther Athletic Club of its  
nominal head. Treason against  
the Panther Athletic Club is spec-  
ifically defined in the Athletic  
Club as consisting in the theft of  
athletic goods, poor sportsman-  
ship in athletic games, permitting  
a non-member of this club to wear  
his athletic award—except mem-  
bers of family and future rela-  
tives, betrayal of said organiza-  
tion, and failing to live up to a  
"C" average in scholastic stand-  
ing and 6 points in citizenship  
which shall be enforced in all  
cases with the exception of illness  
and excusable misdemeanors.

Article IV—President's Cabinet

Section 1. The president's cabinet  
shall consist of the following,  
namely the vice-president, secre-  
tary, treasurer as one, reporter  
and sergeant at arms.

Clause 2. Duties. Duties of vice  
president are defined in Article I,  
Section II. The duties of the se-  
cretary are to keep minutes of all  
business meetings and deals and  
to keep records of all athletic con-  
tests; he shall also attend to the  
financial statements of the club.

The reporter shall have charge  
of publicity and make weekly re-  
ports to newspapers.

The sergeant at arms' duties are  
to receive and arrest offenders of  
the constitution, keep order in  
business meetings, and work for  
the general welfare of the club.

Article V.—Qualifications of  
Members

Section I.

Clause 1. Qualifications. A stu-  
dent who has lettered in some sen-  
ior sport as defined by the State  
Interscholastic League of Texas,  
may become a member of the  
Panther Athletic Club.

Clause 2.—How a student may  
letter in athletics. An athlete may  
letter according to the decision of  
the school officials, and must be  
living up to the standards of the  
constitution of the Panther Ath-  
letic Club.

Clause 3. Fees. Each member  
of the Panther Athletic Club will  
be assessed a fee, according to the  
vote of the members, at the be-  
ginning of each school year. This  
fee will go into the Panther Ath-  
letic Club Treasury and will be  
used for the benefit of club. Each  
member will be given ten days in  
which to pay his dues. In case  
one does not pay within or on said  
date he will be fined 2c for each ad-  
ditional day. No one will be a  
qualified member who does not  
pay his dues

Article VI—Ex-Lettermen of  
Putnam High

Section I.

Clause 1. The Ex-lettermen of  
Putnam high school athletic de-  
partment will be life time mem-  
bers of the Panther Athletic Club  
and shall abide by the rules and  
regulations of the constitution  
with the exception of voting for  
officials and holding office.

Clause 2. The ex-lettermen will  
be exempt from annual fees, but  
in all cases their donations will be  
sincerely appreciated for the de-  
velopment of the club.

Article VII—Amendments

Clause 1. How the Constitution  
may be amended. The constitu-  
tion of the Panther Athletic Club  
may be amended with the consent  
of the Supreme Court after it has  
passed a two-thirds majority of  
the qualified members of the mem-  
bers of the Panther Athletic club.

**Home Demonstration  
Notes'**

(Clara Brown, H. D. Agent)  
Canning time—that expected  
"season" which has a way of  
taking even well regulated house-  
holds completely by surprise—  
will soon come with a rush in a  
large number of farms through-  
out the country.

Garden foods must be canned  
when they are ready. A day's  
delay in gathering or a few hours'  
delay in processing may be too  
long.

It pays a homemaker to check  
over her canning equipment be-  
forehand. For equipment is a  
part of the canning plan—just as  
both canning and gardening are a  
part of the bigger home plan—the  
plan to use the resources of the  
farm to the best advantage for the  
family's benefit.

First in the line of equipment  
for canning comes the steam pres-  
sure cooker. This is an essential  
piece of equipment for the safe  
home canning of nonacid vegeta-  
bles and meats, experts of the  
Bureau of Home Economics of the  
U. S. Dept. of Agri. advise. For  
those who will buy pressure cook-  
ers this year, the Bureau of Home  
Economics offer these suggestions:

Select a canner that is sub-  
stantially built and large enough  
for canning— a pressure canner,  
not a pressure cooker. The 18  
quart to 30 quart sizes are most  
satisfactory. Cookers smaller than  
this are much less suitable for  
canning, because of the difficulty  
of regulating the pressure. Sudden  
changes in pressure cause liquid  
to flow from the jars with a  
loss of food value, a less juicy pro-  
duct and one that will not keep  
as well as if covered by liquid in  
the jar. The canning capacity of  
the 18 quart size is five glass jars,  
8 pints or 14 No. 2 tins. The 30  
quart size holds 8 qt., 20 pt., or  
19 No. 2 tins.

Be sure that the top fits per-  
fectly and is held tightly in place  
by clamps or a heavy band. Pres-  
sure cookers are usually of alumi-  
num, but some of those now on  
the market are tin plated iron.  
These are heavier and require  
more careful handling to prevent  
melting of the tin plate. The top  
and cooker can not be ground to  
fit, as the aluminum ones are, so  
a large rubber gasket is used to  
form a tight seal. The gasket  
must be replaced periodically.

If the family already owns a  
pressure cooker, make sure it is  
in good running order. Pressure  
gauges often fail to register ac-  
curately after much use, hence  
the home canner should have the  
pressure gauge on her cooker  
tested at the beginning of every  
season. Keep the gauge and safety  
valve open and clean.

For processing acid products  
like fruits and tomatoes the tem-  
perature in the water bath is  
sufficient. The high temperature  
of the pressure canner tends to  
damage the food value, color, tex-  
ture, flavor of the fruit. For a  
water bath, a boiler, a bucket or a  
large kettle will do, provided the  
vessel has a tight cover, a rack or  
false bottom, and is large enough  
to allow for one or two inches of  
boiling water over the tops of the  
jars.

There must be a supply of con-  
tainers, glass or tin, both types  
have their advantages.

With pressure cooker and all  
equipment ready, the home can-  
ner will welcome the first basket  
of new green peas.

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demonstration clubs will be given

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ods of Canning. Beans, leafy  
vegetables and a fruit will be  
canned, a canning budget will be  
studied to illustrate the number of  
cans necessary to supply a fam-  
ily with food daily, for a good nu-  
trition standard, for the non-pro-  
ductive garden months. Club  
members will want to come and  
non-club members are invited.

**H. D. COUNCIL TO  
HAVE TRAINING SCHOOL**

Callahan County Home Dem-  
onstration Council members are  
sponsoring a training school for  
club members and officers Satur-  
day, May 28, from 10:30 to 4:00  
o'clock, at Baird.

The morning program will con-  
sist of sectional meetings, to train  
presidents, vice-presidents, secre-  
taries, reporters, council delegates  
and recreational leaders. The  
leaders for these will be officers  
of the Coleman County Home  
Demonstration Council, Mrs. Wil-  
lie Henderson, chairman, Mrs. J.  
W. Brown, secretary; Mrs. Clyde  
Larance, vice-president, district 7,  
Texas Home Demonstration As-  
sociation, and Miss Chyrene  
Trowbridge, home demonstration  
agent, Coleman county.

A buffet luncheon will be ser-  
ved at noon.

The afternoon program will  
start with Mrs. Raymond Mc-  
Kelrath, Coleman, state parliamen-  
tarian of the Texas Home Dem-  
onstration Association, conducting a  
school on parliamentary proced-  
ure.

Then the regular monthly meet-  
ing of the Callahan County Home  
Demonstration Council will be  
held. Delegates to the Short  
Course will be elected at this time.  
The officers of the council are:  
Mrs. Jim Barr, Cross Plains,  
chairman; Mrs. G. B. Jones, Mid-  
way, vice-chairman; Mrs. R. G.  
Looney, Oplin, secretary; Mrs. M.  
B. Sprawls, Zion Hill, treasurer;  
Mrs. W. C. Whittle, Admiral, re-  
porter. Surrounding counties'  
members have been invited and 4-  
H. girl's club officers.

B. J. Snoddy made a business  
trip to Breckenridge Tuesday.

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION  
STATE OF TEXAS,**

In the District Court of Calla-  
han County, for the 42nd Judicial  
District of Texas, June term A. D.  
1938.

To the Sheriff or any Constable  
of Callahan County—Greeting:  
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MANDED, that by making publi-  
cation of this citation in some

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Baird, Texas

newspaper published in the Coun-  
ty of Callahan, State of Texas,  
for four consecutive weeks pre-  
vious to the return day hereof, you  
summon C. O. Moss whose resi-  
dence is unknown to be and appear  
before the District Court in and  
for Callahan County for the 42nd  
Judicial District, to be holden in  
and for the County of Callahan,  
at the Courthouse thereof, in the  
City of Baird, on the first Mon-  
day in June A. D. 1938, being the  
6th day of said month, file num-  
ber being 9022, then and there to  
answer the petition of Mrs. J. C.  
Moss filed in said Court, on the  
19th day of Jan., A. D. 1938, a-  
gainst C. O. Moss and alleging in  
substance as follows, to-wit:

That plaintiff and defendant  
were married in Callahan County,  
Texas, in the year 1914 which  
marriage has never been dissolv-  
ed, that plaintiff has been an ac-  
tual bona fide inhabitant of the  
State of Texas for a period of  
twelve months, and has resided in  
Callahan County, a period of six  
months next preceding the filing  
hereof

That on or about Jan. 15, 1915,  
the defendant without just cause  
and without the consent of the  
plaintiff abandoned her and they  
have since lived apart without co-  
habitation for over ten years next  
before the filing of this suit.

Wherefore plaintiff prays for  
divorce.

HEREIN FAIL NOT, but have  
you then and there before said  
Court this writ, with your return  
thereon, showing how you have  
executed the same.

WITNESS, Mrs. Will Rylee,  
Clerk of the District Court of Calla-  
han County, Texas.

Given under my hand and seal  
of said Court in Baird, Texas, this  
28th day of April, A. D. 1938.

MRS. WILL RYLEE,  
Clerk, District Court, Callahan  
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**IMPORTANT!  
SCHEDULE CHANGE**  
Effective Sunday, May 15th



No. 4 will leave Putnam 4:38 P. M. instead 4:03  
P. M., arrive Fort Worth 8:10 P. M., leave Fort  
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# Local Happenings

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sharp were Baird visitors Monday.

Oliver Whitlock and F. Y. Cook were business visitors in Baird Monday.

Mrs. Ida Rogers was called to Merkel Monday on account of serious illness.

Perry Clements of Midland was in Putnam Saturday afternoon visiting among friends and looking after his interests in Putnam.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Hudson of Merkel spent Sunday in the home of Mr. Hudson's brother, J. L. Hudson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sharp and daughters, Betty Lou and Winifred, spent Sunday, May 8th, with Mr. Sharp's mother at Alvarado.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh V. Smith, Doyle Lee Brown, and Hugh Vernon Smith Jr. attended the baccalaureate exercises at Moran Sunday night.

FOR SALE—Eight ft. McCormick grain binder—might consider trade. Also have twelve weeks old registered O. I. C. hogs for sale.—BILL BIGGERSTAFF, Cisco Rt. No. 1, Phone 10, rings (Putnam).

Mr. J. E. Héslep is doing special nursing at Baird this week.

Miss Frances Sprawls, teacher in the Admiral school, spent the week-end in Putnam.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bates and children, Mary Beth and Buddy, of Graham spent Sunday in the home of Mrs. Tom Kelley.

A. G. Thomas, manager of the Jackson Abstract Company of Baird, was a business visitor in Putnam Wednesday.

Mrs. Bill Ingram, Frank Ingram and Bennie Nettles are in Baird with Mrs. Lee Ingram, who is ill at her home.

M. G. Farmer of Baird was in Putnam Monday visiting in the home of his son, Fred Farmer and family.

Frank Thompson of Glendale, California, is in Putnam this week. The Thompsons formerly lived in Putnam.

Douglas Kelley of Hardin-Simmons University spent the week-end in the home of his uncle, J. J. Shackelford and Mrs. Shackelford. Mr. Kelly will graduate from Hardin-Simmons this year and will enter Baylor Medical college next year.

Mrs. Ida Abbott returned Sunday night from Jal, New Mexico, where she has been employed for some time.

Baccalaureate exercises for the Cottonwood school were held Sunday evening, May 8th, with the Reverend F. A. Hollis of Putnam delivering the sermon.

Donnie Elzay, who has spent some time at Eastland this year, has been in Putnam several days this week at the home of his father, C. C. Elzay.

Mrs. Horace Roberson and daughter, Mary Ann, of De Leon, and Mrs. Clyde Cox of Tyler spent several days in the home of Reverend and Mrs. F. A. Hollis.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Dodd of Dimmitt spent several days with relatives in and near Putnam this week, attending the graduation exercises of their son, Harlin Dodd.

Miss Lois Kennedy, who underwent surgery at Wichita Falls this week, is reported to be improving and getting along well. Mrs. Ella Kennedy has returned from being at the bedside.

We are taking off our last hatch of chicks Monday, May 23rd, English White and Brown Leghorns \$5.00 per hundred. Heavy broods \$5.75. A few day-old cockerels, \$4.00 per hundred.—Star Hatchery, Baird.

FOR SALE—Set of brand new plates, offered for sale at 49 cents the set.—Mrs. Mina Cook, Putnam, Texas. Plates are at the News office.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Crawford have moved to Putnam and are now occupying the residence near the Putnam Ice Company, vacated by Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Overton. The Crawfords have been living on the Dock Isenhower farm. Mr. Crawford is manager of the Magnolia service station.

Mrs. J. F. Butler, who has been ill for the past two weeks, is much improved. She is gaining strength fast and states she is mighty hungry to attend Sunday school and church again. Mrs. Butler is one of the most faithful members of the First Baptist church.

WANTED—All kinds of sheet metal work.—Jack Rawson, Rawson's Tin Shop, Cisco, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Clardy and son, Johnnie, of Sweetwater, visited Mrs. Clardy's sister, Mrs. Wiley Clinton and Mr. Clinton, Saturday night and Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Willis and son, Roland, of Knox City, spent Sunday and Sunday night with Mr. Willis' sister, Mrs. Wiley Clinton and Mr. Clinton.

A NEW GUITAR FREE with thirty lessons at \$2.00 per month, at Putnam. For particulars, address at once, J. B. Ely, Cisco. Pianos tuned, \$3.50.

COTTON SEED FOR SALE—Have second year pure bred Watson-Mebane, \$1.00 per bushel.—CLARENCE PIPPEN, 2 1-2 miles north of Dothan, on old Moran road. 2t.

NATIONAL AIR MAIL WEEK National Air Mail week will continue through May 21st, during which period the entire country will celebrate the twentieth anniversary of our air mail service. This great system not only serves all of the United States, its territories and possessions, but it also serves 28 foreign countries. Air mail service has been of much benefit in business and emergencies, and it will be appreciated more each year—thanks to Mr. Orville Wright and his brother, the late Mr. Wilbur Wright, who 30 years ago made the first successful powered airplanes.

CENSUS REPORT ON COTTON CONSUMPTION The United States Bureau announced Saturday that there had been 414,000 bales of domestic cotton consumed in April this year against 718,000 in 1937. This is a falling off of about 43 percent from last year. This is about 1,750,000 bales less consumed in the United States than was consumed to the same date last year. World's consumption is running about two million less than it was in 1937 and the falling off is practically all in American mills. The world's consumption last year was 30,990,000 bales and it appears that it will be about 29,000,000 bales this year.

Pursuit of Happiness Judge: "And not satisfied with stealing a baby's bank, you took a fur coat and a diamond bracelet." Defendant: "Let me explain your honor. From childhood up I was taught that money alone does not bring happiness."

## THEY SETTLED THEIR DIFFERENCES

A certain tailor in Texas wrote his congressman protesting against his anti-New Deal record: "We're going to whip the pants off of you when you come home for re-election," he predicted.

The congressman replied with a page and a half letter, in which he explained he was a Roosevelt supporter, only opposed him when he thought he was wrong, and had been opposed to Mr. Roosevelt's bill for reorganization of the judiciary as a matter of principle.

"I am sorry," the congressman wrote, "that you feel that I am going to get my pants whipped off. In fact I had planned to bring my pants to your shop for a much needed pressing when next I go home; but under the prediction you make how can I?"

A few days later the congressman got another letter from the tailor. It said in effect: "I am for Roosevelt, but I know he can't be right all the time. I am for you too. And if your letter was intended to make me ashamed of myself, it succeeded." The pants will be pressed as soon as the congressman gets home.

## IN THE SHADOW OF THE CAPITOL

By Boyce House The world is full of 'believer-nots'—and to prove it, here are three from the same county:

Eastland has had four court-houses. The second one was destroyed by fire; the third one was worn out and torn down (remember Old Rip?—he was in the cornerstone), and the fourth one now stands on the square. But just across the street from the beautiful new temple of justice stands the first courthouse of all in the town—and the building is still in use as the location of a drug store and of offices.

Oscar Lyerla was running for county clerk in 1920. He offered a campaign card to a boy in Rising Star. The lad said, "I'm not old enough to vote." The humorous Lyerla said, "Well, you may be before I'm elected." Sure enough, he lost the race. Fourteen years later, he was running again—this time for the legislature. A young man asked, "Do you remember me? I'm the boy you gave the card to and I'm going to vote for you."

Ten miles south of Eastland, a town sprang up when the I. & T. C. railroad built through the county about 50 years ago. Some scientist connected with the railroad gave the town the name of Carbon and named the streets Bituminous, Anthracite, Petroleum and other minerals. Nearly a generation later, oil was struck at Rangen, Eastland and Desdemona, and the biggest boom that America ever saw resulted. Strangely enough, Carbon itself has had very little oil, however.

If you want to see a rodeo that provokes the most spontaneous enthusiasm, attend such a one at District Judge Ralph Yarborough addressed briefly in his race for attorney general not long ago at High Island. The contestants were real cowboys and the stock consisted of real horses and cattle. The ground wasn't exactly level and there wasn't any sawdust to cushion a fall. There was a clown who had lots of fun asking the boys and girls why a fireman wears red suspenders and who climbed the day's events with a ride in a bucking stiver. Constable John Payton was here, there and everywhere seeing that all visitors had a good time (which they did). It was the kind of rodeo with-the-bark-on that Will Rogers used to like to perch himself on the top rail of the fence and watch with the other boys from the range.

It seems to me that a cwell feature story could be written about the experiences of such a columnist, say, as Fred Massengill at Terrell or Jim White at Brownwood. Theirs and columns of their contemporaries reflect the life of a Texas town—aims, achievements, sorrows and joys—as interpreted by a gifted and sympathetic observer. No metropolitan journal can take the place of a home city paper nor can the radio or television. Each of these media, of course, has its sphere.

Pet peeve. The driver who whips around the car I'm driving and then turns in at a filling station one block up the street. Curtis Hancock, first chairman of the State Highway commission, lives in Breckenridge and is a candidate for the legislature. J. Monroe Sweeney, former big league umpire, who lives in Mineral Wells, is a candidate for the same office and so is Gale Thomas, Mineral Wells merchant. If we've overlooked anybody, just rise where you are and let's have your name!

## Union Home Demonstration Club

The Union Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. Guy Steen May 11 in an all-day meeting. A quilt was finished during the day.

Mr. Ross Brison, county agent, grafted paper shell pecans on native pecan trees. Ten grafts were made.

Miss Clara Brown, home Demonstration agent, gave her hours of her program for Mr. Brison's demonstration.

The club adjourned to meet with Mrs. George Jeter May 25. The program will be, "Candlewick spreads."

Those present were: Mmes. E. W. Wood, George Jeter, J. A. Yarbrough, W. C. Allen, Ped Yarbrough, Carl Gunn, J. C. Dyer, Sr., J. E. Johnston, E. N. Hull, C. E. Hardwick, W. A. Booth, Nelson Bailey, Enoch McCollum, and the hostess, Mrs. Steen, Mr. E. N. Hull and son, Dolpha, Mr. Nelson Bailey, and Guy Steen.—Reporter.

## MR. AND MRS. J. M. SHELTON INVITED TO STATE FAIR

DALLAS.—Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Shelton of Putnam, who recently celebrated their golden wedding anniversary, have been invited to participate in "Golden Wedding Day" at the Golden Jubilee celebration of the State Fair of Texas.

Invitation to the couple has been sent out by Otto Herold, president of the State Fair of Texas, who announced that Saturday, October 22, has been designated Golden Wedding Day. Couples over Texas and the Southwest will be invited to participate in the celebration.

In addition to those celebrating their golden wedding days this year, the invitation will be extended also to those couples who are celebrating anniversaries of more than fifty years of married life.

Complete plans for the day have not been worked out but each couple invited to participate will be mailed passes to the Golden Jubilee fair, at which time a complete program will be announced.

## EVENTS IN OLD TESTAMENT HISTORY

(C. C. Andrews, Baird, Texas) Since the tribe of Levi, one of the twelve tribes of Israel had no possession in the promised land. How were they supported? Num. 18th chapter.

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## DAN HORN NEWS

Rev. Brown will fill his regular appointment Sunday morning. Singing in afternoon. Everyone invited.

Mrs. Y. C. King and son, Jessie, of Ralls, visited her father and other relatives this week-end.

Mrs. Jeff Horea and children of Cisco spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. Y. Douglas.

J. B. Jessup still improving. He attended Sunday school Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Starr visited Wednesday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Andrews at Grand-bury.

Ray Cavanaugh spent Thursday night in the Rhine home at Scranton.

School closed Friday. A number from Dan Horn attended the closing exercises. Joy Strickland and Herbert Lee King received their diplomas from grammar school.

## W. M. S. MET TUESDAY

The Women's Missionary Society of the First Baptist church met Tuesday afternoon at the church, with Mrs. John Cook, president, presiding. Opening song was "I Must Tell Jesus." Mrs. I. E.

## POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The News has been instructed to carry the names given below as candidates, subject to the Democratic Primary in July:

For Representative, 107th Dist: T. S. (Tip) ROSS, WAYNE C. SELLERS, O. H. BURKETT.

For County Judge: L. B. LEWIS.

For Sheriff: C. R. NORDYKE, W. A. PETERSON, J. M. McMILLAN, HUGH McDERMOTT.

For County Superintendent: B. C. CHRISMAN.

For Tax Assessor-Collector: OLAF HOLLINGSHEAD.

For District Clerk: MRS. WILL RYLEE.

For County Clerk: MRS. S. E. SETTLE.

For County Treasurer: MRS. WILL McCOY.

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 3: PETE KING, J. F. RAWSON, R. D. WILLIAMS, CLAUDE C. KING.

Cook gave the devotional reading from Psalms 7:1-14. Mrs. W. E. Pruet led prayer. "Japan 50 Years Ago;" a conversation was presented by Mmes. Fred Cook and L. B. Williams. "Japan Today" was also discussed by Mrs. L. B. Williams. "Will Southern Baptists Begin in Japan?" was discussed by Mrs. W. A. Ramsey; Our Present Work in Japan, by Mrs. S. M. Eubank; Publications in Japan, Mrs. Fred Cook; Chris' Centered Education. Mrs. John Cook; W. M. U. in Japan, Mrs. I. E. Cook; Evangelism, Mrs. S. M. Eubank; Japan Tomorrow, Mrs. E. G. Scott; Jap Students in America, Mrs. W. E. Pruet. Mrs. E. G. Scott led the closing prayer. Those present were Mmes. Jno. Cook, W. E. Pruet, L. B. Williams, W. A. Ramsey, I. E. Cook, Fred Cook, E. G. Scott, S. M. Eubank.

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**SCRANTON**

School closed Friday with graduation exercises for grammar school Friday night. Graduation exercises for the seniors were put off until later.

The baccalaureate sermon will be preached at the school auditorium on the afternoon of May 22nd and the graduating exercises will be held the following Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Chapman and little daughter, Gracie, returned Friday from Fort Worth where they had spent several days.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Brummett are spending a few days with relatives in Clyde.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Faires spent Saturday and Sunday visiting relatives in Burleson and Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Coleman O'Brien and sons, Aral and Tony, Mrs. W. N. Black, Gene and Miss Mary Black were Cisco visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Knox Wallis returned to her home in Houston Thursday after spending several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Reese, recuperating from a major operation.

W. E. Faires left Tuesday to attend the funeral of his aunt, Mrs. A. B. Ray, of Burleson.

**W. A. BUCHANAN RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL**

W. A. Buchanan was taken to Abilene last Saturday and placed in the Hendrick Memorial sanitarium where he had minor operation performed. Mr. Buchanan was brought home Wednesday, and is doing fine at the present, and expects to be able to be out again in a few days.

Mrs. S. W. Jobe has been on the sick list this week, being confined to her bed part of the time.



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**Junior-Senior Banquet Well Attended**

The annual junior-senior banquet of the Putnam high school was held Thursday evening at the high school library with 60 in attendance. Cleverly arranged decorations were of lavender and pink. Roy Lee Williams, a junior, was toastmaster. The Reverend F. A. Hollis gave the invocation. Williams praised the senior class for their outstanding and unusual record through high school, excelling most senior classes in athletics and class work.

Hugh Vernon Smith responded, speaking of the air castles the class had built and that the Putnam high school had placed stones for the foundation for such dreams, which in reality should be regarded as ideals to strive for. A course of pineapple cocktail was served. The toast to the school board was given, wherein Williams spoke of some of the best helpers being back stage many times, and often do not receive even "thank you" for their services, but he said whenever a step of progress is made in the school, the trustees are indirectly responsible. R. D. Williams, president of the school board, gave the response, wherein he stated that the trustees were repaid for their worries in witnessing each graduation. He illustrated the point with an appropriate joke. A pair with cherry salad course with olives and crackers was served.

In the toast to the faculty, Williams stated that the students had been very fortunate in having a faculty which was systematic in their dealings, not too busy to help the students at all times, and one which was agreeable and not without humor. R. F. Webb, superintendent, responded to the toast and the jokes on the faculty by telling jokes on the pupils and making a clever speech about "Worry," the theme of which was there were only two things to worry about, whether you're successful or whether you're not successful, etc.

The girls trio, composed of Zada Williams, Willie Grace Pruet, Helen Maynard, sang. They were accompanied by Mrs. Stanley Webb. Bennie Burns Williams gave the toast to Coach Clyde Dean, wherein he stated credit for the school's championship football for this year was due greatly to the efforts of the coach, who came to Putnam after the season started. Mr. Dean responded by illustrating various plays in football, always with the goal in view. This he compared to the idea of a student regulating his efforts toward a goal in life. Williams then introduced W. N. Byrd, a teacher, who responded with an appropriate joke. The main course of chicken, dressing, potatoes, beans, tomatoes and iced tea was served. Hugh Smith was introduced as a new member of the school board.

Juniors then introduced seniors with clever descriptive verses. Oliver Culwell introduced Jack Everett; Sybil Bowers, Franklin Shackelford; Dolph Hull, Newt Steen; W. S. Jobe Jr., Carolyn Elzay; Doyle Gunn, Glenn Elzay; Bronnie Burns Williams, Arvel White; Zada Williams, Billy McMillan; Helen Maynard, Keith King; Earlene McMillan, Harlin Dodd; Mildren King, Oliver Davis; J. T. Underwood, Mary Douglas Williams. The toastmaster then called on the senior president, Hugh Vernon Smith, for a speech. Smith responded with appropriate jokes on Williams and words of appreciation. The boys quartet, composed of Dolph Hull, Roy Lee Williams, Keith King, and Glen Burnam, sang "My Josephine," with an encore.

J. G. Overton, junior sponsor, was introduced, who told appropriate jokes illustrating appreciation of the senior class and Miss Rowena Saunders, who planned the banquet. Mr. Overton introduced the Reverend F. A. Hollis, who spoke upon the subject of being great, wherein he stated the person who is greatest must render the most service. Pep leaders Willie Grace Pruet and Earlene McMillan led the song, "Our PHS," at the close. Place cards were arranged for Stanley Hurst, Melvin Crawford, Buster Robertson, W. S. Jobe Jr., Reverend and Mrs. F. A. Hollis, Ellie Winters, Myrlene McCool, Mrs. Wiley Clinton, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Williams, Coach and Mrs. Clyde Dean, R. F. Webb, superintendent, Johnnie Ruth Eubank, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Overton, Roy Lee Williams, Zada Williams, Hugh V. Smith, Jr., Mildred King, Doyle Lee Brown, Carolyn Elzay, Mary Douglas Williams, Jack Everett, Billy McMillan, Helen Maynard, Lois Pulley, Newt Steen, Mr. and Mrs. Loren Everett, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Eubank, Dolph Hull, Glenn Burnam, Keith King, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Everett, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh V. Smith, Oliver Culwell, Earlene McMillan, Harlin Dodd, Willie Grace Pruet, Franklin Shackelford, Sybil Bowers, Oliver Davis, Arvel White, Glenn Elzay, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Byrd, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Waddell, Mr. and Mrs. George Brown, J. T. Underwood, Junior Sharp, Mrs. Stanley Webb, Rowena Saunders, Mildred Yeager. Freshmen who served were Francis Lunsford, Louis Lambly, Wilma McMillan, Faye Hawk, Leora Kirkpatrick, John Ha Clark, Mary Alice Burnam, Dorothy Jobe.

**GRIGGS HOSPITAL NOTE**  
Nettie Elvira Gilliland, 8 year old daughter of Royce Gilliland, was operated Saturday for acute appendicitis. She was released from the hospital Wednesday.  
Cliff Brown of Moran, car wreck victim for fractured arm, entered the hospital Monday.  
Mrs. Rufus Brown of Baird underwent surgery Tuesday.  
N. M. Pidon of Denton community was a tonsilectomy Tuesday.  
Eldon Baum, 1 years old, son of Mrs. D. M. Baum, entered the hospital Tuesday for x-ray examination.  
Mrs. I. E. Bradshaw of Oplin left the hospital Saturday following surgery.  
J. W. Price, 9 year old son of Homer Price of Clyde, left the hospital Tuesday following surgery.  
Mrs. Felix Crawford of Oplin left the hospital Saturday.

**METHODIST CONFERENCE MEETS**

The Cisco district conference of the Methodist church met on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week at the First Methodist church, Ranger. Each year the district conference is held at the date most convenient nearest the middle of the annual conference year. This district conference is a business and inspirational meeting of the churches.

Pastors and delegates brought reports from the churches of the district representing 8,534 Methodists. The report of the Putnam church will be given again at the morning worship service Sunday. Of unusual interest is the gain in church school membership of thirty-eight percent during the last six months. Included in the Putnam report was the increase in the church membership of eighteen. The following have united with the local Methodist church during the last six months: Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Dean, Mrs. J. Morris Bailey, David Fark Clinton, B. J. Snoddy, Mrs. O. J. Sampson, Mrs. DeAlva Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Williams, Dorothy Jeane Williams, Mrs. M. D. Heist, Dorothy Sue Williams, Robert Lee Jackson, Billie Louise Armstrong, Lewis Eugene Harper, Lynn Jackson, Barbara Jackson, Bruce Lee Williams.

The report was made by the pastor, J. Morris Bailey, Pastor.

V. M. Teague was a business visitor in Baird Monday.

**ZION HILL NEWS**

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Lance Reid, Mr. Glover Johnson, Mrs. Clydine Wallace and daughter, Jamie, M. L. Tatom, John Sills, visited Mr. and Mrs. Altis Clemmer Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Taylor visited Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Sprawls Sunday.

M. L. Tatom spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Ramsey. Mrs. J. A. Hojser and Lavada Standridge visited Mrs. B. F. Brittain Saturday afternoon.

Miss Marie Baker is visiting Mrs. Altis Clemmer this week. Mr. and Mrs. Altis Clemmer visited Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Ramsey Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Ramsey, R. B. Taylor were business visitors in Cisco Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Altis Clemmer, Mrs. R. B. Taylor and children, Mrs. Clydine Wallace and daughter, Jamie, and John Ellis attended the commencement exercises Friday night at Scranton.

M. B. Sprawls visited J. A. Sprawls Sr. of Scranton Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Ramsey, M. L. Tatom, John Sills attended the theatre Sunday at Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Altis Clemmer, Miss Marie Baker visited Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Ramsey Tuesday night.

**ATWELL**

School closes Friday. The little folks will give their program Wednesday night. Thursday night will be the senior play. Then Friday night Judge Atwell of Dallas will make an address to the senior class.

Judge Atwell is the man from whom this place got its name when first begun to settle up. A large crowd is expected to be out to hear him.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrews, Bernice and Edward Andrews, from Baird, visited B. M. Rouse Sunday afternoon. Mr. Rouse is still confined to his bed and has been for several months.

Miss Linnie Brashear entered Payne Hospital Sunday for major surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Jap Alexander and Miss Maggie Jones from Lampasas spent the week-end with their sister, Mrs. Ben Riffe.

Miss Opal Pillans and little sister, Nona Lee, have been visiting this past week with their sister, Mrs. Geo. Morgan in Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Brashear, Linnie and Paul, also Mrs. J. C. Brashear visited relatives in Kilgore this past week.

Mrs. J. C. Brashear visited her uncle, Jeff Setterfield, in Tyler before going on to Kilgore.

Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Foster have been to Slaton this past week on business.

Mr. Foster has a farm there and received word that a cyclone had done quite a bit of damage, destroying the windmill and other things around the place.

Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Pillans and children visited Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Geo. Morgan in Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Morrow, and daughter-in-law, Mrs. Judge Morrow and little daughter, of Rising Star, spent Sunday with Mr. Morrow's sister, Mrs. G. T. Brashear.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Varner, Destine and Opal Pillans, also Keelon Riffe spent last week-end in Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. Tatom of Union visited relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Payne of Union were visitors in the home of Mrs. Payne's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. McWilliams.

**ADMIRAL NEWS**

Miss Frances Sprawls spent the week-end in Baird with her mother.

Mrs. Tom Gary and son, Clairmont, spent Sunday with Mrs. Buck Gary and family.

Mrs. Lee Coats, Miss Dollie and Lillie Belle Smith were Baird visitors Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Abels and family of Abilene visited relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rob Walker and family and Maurine Eubanks were in Turkey Creek a while Sunday evening.

Jakie Street was in Baird Monday.

Mrs. S. N. Dunlap, Elbert Dunlap and Beatrice Green of Belle Plains were visitors in the J. R. Sanders home Sunday evening.

**MR. AND MRS. CULWELL IN PUTNAM SATURDAY**

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Culwell of San Antonio were in Putnam Saturday afternoon. They had been to Lawn to visit Mrs. Culwell's father, W. T. Crosby, who is seriously ill. Mr. and Mrs. Culwell were former residents of Putnam, moving to San Antonio about two years ago, where Mr. Culwell entered the filling station business.

**MRS. MARK SHURWIN HOSTESS**

Mrs. Mark Shurwin was hostess to the Women's Study Club at her home Monday evening at 8, at which time Japar Arango the Cherry Blossoms was subject for the program. Roll call was answered by articles made in Japan with illustrations. Mrs. I. E. Cook gave a review of "A Daughter of Samuria Sugimoto" A Grain of Wheat by Toyohiko Kagawa was discussed by Mrs. S. M. Eubank. Mrs. L. B. Williams read poems by Kagawa. Those present were Mrs. R. L. Clinton, H. A. Pruet, G. S. Pruet, Fred Cook, John Cook, R. D. Williams, Fred Farmer, Lynn Williams, E. C. Waddell, J. N. Williams, I. B. Williams, S. M. Eubank.

**B. T. U. PROGRAMS**

May 22: Isaiah, the Volunteer Witness.

Part 1—Dorothy June Kelley.

Part 2—Roy Lee Williams.

Part 3—Inez Allen.

Part 4—Zada Williams.

Part 5—Mrs. F. A. Hollis.

Part 6—Glenn Burnam.

Part 7—Mary Lou Eubank.

May 29: To the Sick and Faithless.

Group Captain, James Kennedy.

Tom: Roy Lee Williams.

John: Doyle Lee Brown.

Mary: Mary Lou Eubank.

Sue: Dorothy June Kelley.

Dick: W. S. Jobe.

Sarah: Mildred King.

D. E. Park, who has been confined to his room for more than a year on account of a broken leg, was in town Saturday afternoon. Mr. Park was kept in the Graham sanitarium for several months. He has only been to town two or three times since he had the accident the 5th of January, 1937.

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