

From The Editor's Window

Our Ambassador to Mexico, Joseph Daniels, has resigned. Mr. Daniels has done much to foster the good neighbor policy in Mexico during his stay there and the people of that country loved and respected him and have received the news of his resignation with deep regret.

A number of telegrams have been sent to the President from Texas asking for the appointment of Senator H. L. Winfield of Ft. Stockton to succeed Daniels as Ambassador.

Princess Juliana of the Netherlands and her children, Princesses Beatrix and Irene, who have been living in Canada since the Germans took over their country, were guests of President and Mrs. Roosevelt at Hyde Park recently.

It is reported that King George the second of Greece is planning a visit to the United States soon probably accompanied by a number of "high-ups" in his kingdom.

From the Eagle Lake Headlight comes this story—Edward Rowe, a farmer, writes that he has a mighty smart dog. While driving a cow to pasture Mr. Rowe was overcome with heat and nearly fainted.

According to reports a total of 54,954 visitors registered at the Carlsbad Caverns National Park during the month of October.

A shockproof armor helmet whose crown moves by impact of a bullet or shrapnel is the object of a recent patent.

The city of Houston is proud of its quadruplets, the famous Badgett quartet of little girls, Joan, Geraldine, Joyce, and Jeanette, and has proved that they are by building and equipping a beautiful home and presenting it to the Badgett family.

Eastland County Commissioners Are Reducing Expenses

According to a news story in the Cisco Daily, the commissioners court of Eastland county is attempting economy in county affairs.

This is being changed and the court will allow the sheriff's department 4 cents per mile expenses on cars furnished and maintained by the sheriff.

The West Texas Fair Shows Deficit For 1941

At a final meeting of the directors of the auditing West Texas Fair, the receipts and disbursements they announce the organization come out with a deficit of about one thousand dollars.

The report shows that the receipts were \$22,000 while expenditures were a little over \$23,000, but the figures disclose they spent more than three thousand dollars on permanent improvements.

The financial report shows a cash deficit of \$1,200 and accounts receivable of about \$450.

Conference Returns Rev. Slayden To Putnam Another Year

Rev. Milton Slayden has been returned to Putnam, for another year by the district conference of the Methodist church at Fort Worth.

PROCESS OF FASHIONING CUTTING DIAMONDS TOLD

Since India was the only known source of diamonds for about 1,200 years beginning around 800 B. C. we owe to Hindu lapidaries two basic principles of cutting.

Cleaving comes first. For this a steel knife is put on the grain and tapped. Since diamonds have grains the same as wood, much ability is required to analyze and handle them properly.

The next process is fashioning the pieces roughly into cone shape by rubbing two stones together. After that another mechanic lays out facets with gauges.

Diamonds are found in many shapes. It is enormously important for the cutter to be able to estimate how each shape could be cut to the best advantage.

ANNOUNCEMENT Rev. G. W. Killon of Abilene will preach at the Baptist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Mrs. B. F. Brittain is here this week from Fort Worth looking after business and visiting among friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude King have two sons visiting them this week. Kieth is from Honolulu and Celviz from Detroit Michigan.

Reynold's Company Cisco May Get Defense Contracts

This district in line to get a share of the defense work, with the Reynolds Company of Cisco to be the prime contractor with several other firms in Abilene to get a share of the work allotted to the Reynolds Company.

The power machine shops in Abilene in line that will participate in this work are Johnson Machine shop, Scott Wrecking, Grinding and Machine shop, Central Texas tool company and Abilene Machine Co.

Woman's Society Of Christian Service

The Woman's Society of the Christian Service met Wednesday afternoon, November 12th, in the home of Mrs. W. P. Yarbrough.

After the meeting refreshments of sandwiches, pie and coffee were served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Hugh Vernon Smith, Jr.

74 YEAR OLD PULLS 525 POUNDS COTTON IN DAY

ANSON — From Truby comes a news story. H. C. Hall, 74, and pioneer of the county, refuses to quit work, and states that he walked three miles recently and had time enough left to pull 525 lbs. of cotton.

MOTHER CHURCH OF TEXAS BAPTISTS IN 91TH YEAR

WACO. — The "Mother Church of Texas Baptists" has begun its 91st year.

More than two thousand persons attended Sunday services to hear Dr. J. M. Dawson preach the anniversary sermon of the First Baptist church, founded in 1851.

S. M. Eubank and Mrs. H. A. Pruet spent two or three days in Dallas last week visiting Mrs. G. S. Pruet who is in a Dallas hospital.

B. F. Russell an attorney of Baird was in Putnam, Wednesday afternoon looking after business interest. He has quite a lot of oil holdings in the Putnam shallow oil field.

Pete Garvin Sells Lease On The C. M. Caldwell Ranch

E. C. (Pete) Garvin, who has been ranching for sometime on the Caldwell ranch, the Dick Cordwain ranch in the Spring Gap mountains has sold his lease on the 12,000-acre outfit to Caton Jacobs of San Angelo, along with mutton goats and cattle on the place.

Included in the sale, also were 71 head of thoroughbred mares, daughters of the highly-respected stallion, Madway. Mr. Garvin, a great lover of horses, has a few choice colts by the old stallion left at his place.

Frances Armstrong Married To James Sledge November 1

Miss Frances Armstrong married to James Sledge, Saturday morning November first, with Rev. Milton Slayden, pastor of the Methodist church performing the ceremony at the Methodist parsonage.

Miss Armstrong is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Armstrong and reared in Putnam. She is a graduate of the Putnam high school, graduating with the 1936 class.

Mr. Sledge is a resident of Midland and owns his own business there. After their marriage here they went to San Angelo where they stayed for several days and from there to Midland where they will make their future home.

CROSS PLAINS COMMUNITY SINGING CONVENTION MEETS AT BAPTIST CHURCH SUNDAY

The Cross Plains Community Singing Convention will be held at the Baptist church Sunday afternoon, November 16, at two o'clock.

Several visiting quartets are expected to be present, including a special quartet from Brownwood. The general public has a cordial invitation to attend the singing.

Lieutenant Willie Forbes of Houston, visited his grandmother Springer and other relatives in Putnam this week.

Miss Dora Yeager Married To Edward Alvey Saturday

From Cisco Daily News—A quiet wedding took place Saturday morning at 10:30 in the study of the pastor of the First Baptist church when Miss Dora Bell Yeager, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Yeager of Pueblo, became the bride of Lawrence Edward Alvey in the impressive single ring ceremony.

Preaching 2nd, And 4th Sunday At The Church of Christ

There will be services at the Church of Christ every 2nd and 4th Lord's Day.

The church has arranged for Bro. Barton, teacher in ACC to preach regularly each second and fourth Sundays. Bro. Barton is an experienced preacher a speaker you will enjoy hearing.

We especially urge members who are not in regular attendance to come. Put your children in Sunday school. Mr. Harry Cothan teaches the young people class and makes it very interesting.

FARM LOAN MEETING HELD AT BROWNWOOD TUESDAY, NOV. 11TH

Better times on Texas farms and ranches are reflected in the "most consistent farm mortgage in years", said Mr. C. M. Johnston, upon his return from a conference of leaders chosen by the directors of 29 national farm loan associations in this territory.

Records of the Federal Land Bank reveal foreclosure sales and acquisitions of farms, for the year ending September 30, were the smallest since 1931, twenty percent below the previous year.

During the past year in Texas land bank and land bank commissioner loans were made for a total of fourteen million dollars, which is the largest dollar volume since 1935.

AVERAGE WOMAN SPENDS \$16 YEARLY ON BEAUTY

American women spend almost \$800,000,000 a year for perfumes, cosmetics, beauty treatments and other services designed to enhance feminine appearance, according to the Census Bureau.

The average woman, visiting any of the 83,071 beauty parlors in the country, spends approximately \$16 a year to keep her charm.

GIRL FRIENDS IN CANYON REMEMBER 142nd INF. BOYS

The girls back home have not forgotten the boys in Company F, 142nd Infantry — even while in Louisiana.

A club, "From Us to You", has been organized by soldiers mothers and girl friends at Canyon, Texas, to see that every soldier in the company gets a package and several letters regularly.

The girls back home have not forgotten the boys in Company F, 142nd Infantry — even while in Louisiana.

Mrs. J. S. Yeager and daughter, Miss Mildred were shopping in Cisco Wednesday afternoon.

Ennis Qualls Gets 350 Lbs. Cotton As Average Per Acre

Ennis Qualls living about five miles north of Putnam in the Union community was in town a few days ago and reported he would gather 14 bales of cotton off of 21 acres. He said the bales would average considerably over 500 pounds per bale.

The Putnam territory will average more than one-half bale per acre which is the best average we have had in years. This increased production is the result of plenty of moisture and generally better farming.

616 Bales Cotton Ginned In Putnam To Saturday Night

The Putnam gin had turned out 616 bales of cotton to close of business Saturday night. This was 63 bales for the week or an average of ten bales per day.

Get Ready For Winter Gas Men Warn Users

Local gas users are being urged by officials of Community Natural Gas Company to check their appliances and house piping now, to be sure they are ready to go into the winter heating season.

It's a mistake to wait until really cold weather sets in before making sure that appliances and piping are in good condition.

DEMONSTRATION ON DRESSING MEATS AT BAIRD EARLY 1942

A demonstration in the killing, dressing, and preparing of beef and pork was conducted Wednesday, November 5th, in the R. L. Edwards' plant two miles east of Baird by Roy Snyder, animal industries specialist extension service.

The demonstration proved to be very interesting to those attending and plans are being made to have this specialist back in Callahan county again early in 1942.

Taxicabs in the United States carry more than 780,000,000 passengers in a year.

Advertisement for First National Bank in Cisco, Texas. Text includes: 'This Is The BANK that SERVICE Built', 'TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS', 'We want \$200,000.00 additional good new automobile loans.', 'We can save you money on your interest over the regular finance corporation rates.', 'Have any reputable local insurance agency, of your own choice, write your insurance.', 'Patronize home industry because it saves you money and gives you the added protection of dealing with home people who are always interested in your welfare.', 'Modern Safety Deposit Service', 'FIRST NATIONAL BANK IN CISCO, TEXAS', 'Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation', 'This Is The Bank That Service Is Building'.

MISSION STUDY CLASS TO BE HELD AT CROSS PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH

The Mission Study Class is to be held at the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains Monday, November 17, beginning at ten o'clock.

"Sending Out" is the theme of the program. Mrs. Tom Cox will be in charge of the song service, with Mrs. J. A. Tibbett reading the devotional. A special greeting will be given by Mrs. Jeff Clark, president of the Cross Plains W.M.U.

The study class will be held at ten-twenty o'clock, with Mrs. Pat Crawford, of Eastland, discussing, "Things that Remain".

Rev. A. A. Davis will deliver the inspirational address at eleven-thirty.

Mrs. E. L. Redden, of Cottonwood, will read the devotional at one o'clock, in the afternoon. The study class will continue until three-fifteen o'clock.

Cross Plains' W.M.U. extends a cordial invitation to the Societies of Cottonwood, Dressy, Pioneer and Putnam to come and enjoy the day.

The cottage in which Edgar Allan Poe wrote "The Raven" in Philadelphia has been restored as a literary shrine.

WANTED: 100,000 pounds of pecans. Bring them to GARY'S FEED & PRODUCE for better prices. 4tc

Cross Plains, Texas

New Wheat Growers May Get Allotment By Applying Soon

The Callahan County AAA office has been advised by the State office that November 30, 1941, is the closing date for accepting requests for 1942 new-grower wheat allotments.

Farmers who have not planted any wheat for harvest during 1939, 1940, and 1941, but desire to plant wheat for the first time in 1942, are considered new growers. The acreage which new growers will receive is taken from a county reserve, which in most cases represents approximately three percent of the county allotment.

All farms receiving wheat acreage allotment for the first time this year, regardless of the size of the acreage, will be classified as non-allotment farms. Regulations also state that the larger of the wheat acreage allotment or 15 acres may be harvested without incurring deductions. Non-allotment farms will not be eligible for either conservation or parity payments, but in case marketing quotas are in effect, loans may be made on that portion of the wheat in excess of the farm marketing quota.

Requests for new grower allotments should be filed in the county AAA office as soon as practicable, since no applications may be filed after the closing date, November 30, 1941.

COTTONWOOD

R. G. Coppinger who has been stationed at Ft. Leonard, Mo., being in 28 year age, has been discharged and is home.

Miss Ruth Raimy spent the week end with her sister, Miss Dorothy Raimy of Hendrick-Memorial hospital, Abilene.

Judge and Mrs. B. H. Freeland and family of Baird visited in the home of E. K. Coppinger Sunday.

Supt. and Mrs. Leo Varner and baby of Cross Plains visited with Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Varner Sunday afternoon.

Miss Leta Coppinger of Abilene visited with relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. Pearl Rylee of Baird visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Thompson Sunday.

We are glad to have Mrs. T. A. Coppinger home again after a visit in Kansas, Tenn., and other states.

Mrs. R. G. Jones, Mrs. W. R. Thompson and Mrs. Pender Mitchell were Abilene visitors Tuesday of last week. Rev. E. L. Rodden filled his regular appointment at Edna Hill. He was accompanied by his family.

Miss Louise Coppinger is visiting with her sisters, Mrs. Mike Cunningham and Mrs. Jimmie Lane of Odessa.

Miss Helen Brock of Junior College, Cisco spent week end with her grand-parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Brock.

Mr. McLain and Mrs. Rogers of Dallas are visiting with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Topper.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Brock were Cisco visitors Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Coppinger honored their daughter Dorothy June with a dinner Sunday, it being her 12th birthday.

Gloster Thompson was an Abilene visitor Sunday.

Mrs. Morris Ivy and son, Sherrill of Pinwell, have been visiting home folks the past week.

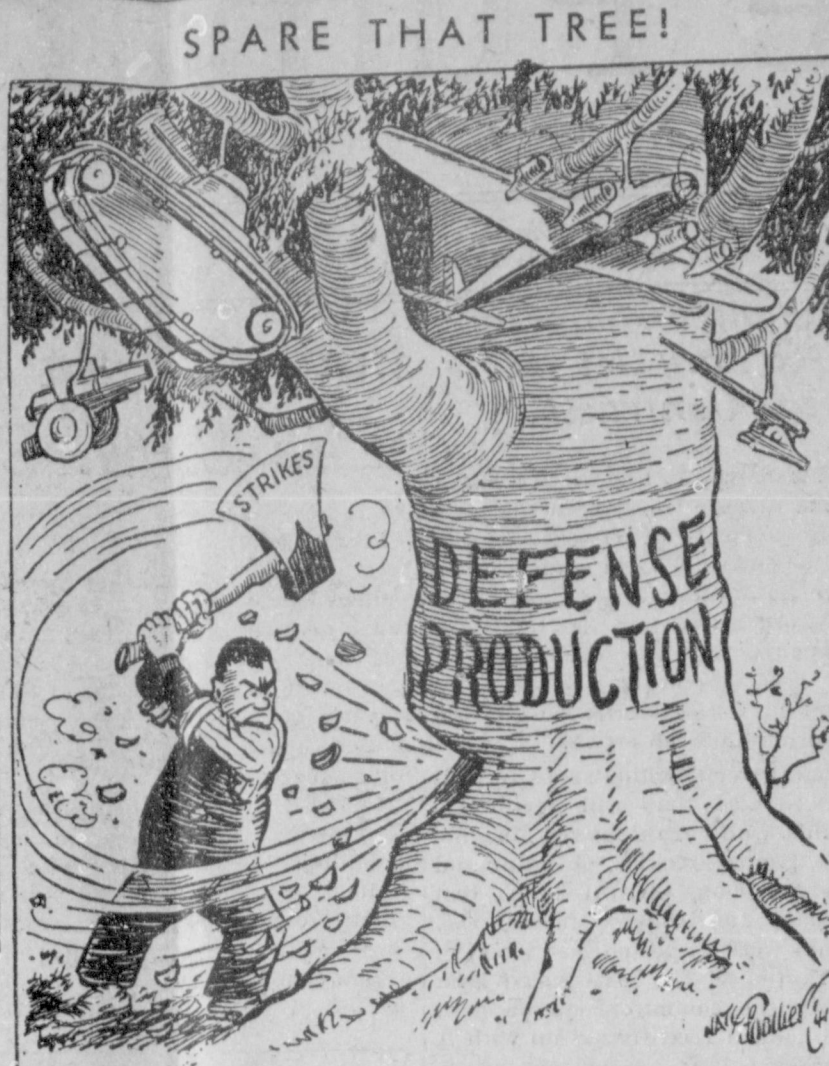
Mrs. Norman Coffey, Mrs. J. F. Coffey, Mrs. H. S. Varner and Miss Eunice Hembree attended the Baptist W.M.U. Convention at Abilene.

Mrs. Walker Respass and Dixie Ann visited their mother and grandmother, Mrs. J. H. Johnson at Baird Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. L. W. Spencer, daughter and Hazel Respass attended the Armistice Day program at the Methodist church Sunday afternoon at Baird.

Mrs. Henry McCoy left Friday for Sonora to visit her husband, who is employed there.

H. R. Lacy of Brownwood visited friends and relatives here Tuesday.



CHILDREN ON BICYCLES INCREASING ACCIDENTS

PHILADELPHIA. — The gay bicycling tunes which father once chirped as he pedaled along streets unencumbered with heavy automobile traffic are becoming modern theme songs of death, the report of a safety expert showed recently.

"Safety engineers throughout the country are frankly puzzled and alarmed by the bicycle trend," said Edward P. Curran, safety director for the Keystone Automobile Club, reporting that in Pennsylvania alone last year 43 cyclists were killed in highway accidents, an increase of 258 per cent over 1932. The injured totaled 1,330.

Violation of traffic safety rules is the principal cause, too, he declared. "Widespread use of bicycles definitely takes the 'bike' out of the fad classification," Curran added, "and the problem which confronts the States is made more complex by the fact that a great majority of users are children."

Kids and daddies of the early 1900s had comparatively little to watch out for during the era when wheels became one of the Nation's favorite means of locomotion. Dr. John R. Bowman of the Pennsylvania Bureau of Highway Safety said that annual production during that period reached about 1,000,000 bicycles. But as the street car and the automobile took over the roads, production dropped to about 255,000 a year by 1929.

Within the last decade, however, the bike has surged back into popularity, and Dr. Bowman found annual production has been more than 1,000,000 since 1935.

In Pennsylvania last year, Curran reported 44 per cent of the deaths involved children between the ages of 5 and 14, 34.9 per cent between the ages of 15 and 19—and not a single death of anyone over 25.

The United States uses about one-half of the world's output of tin.

ATWELL

Ferne Bentley of Scranton spent the week end with Billie Joyce Brashcar.

James Bentley, Billie Joyce Brashcar, Coleman Pillans and Ferne Bentley were Cross Plains visitors Saturday night.

Rev. D. C. Foster filled his regular appointment at the Primitive Baptist church Sunday and Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Foster of Lawn attended church Sunday and were dinner guests in the D. C. Foster home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Washburn and children of Merkel were Sunday guests in the John Wilson home.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Foster visited in their daughter's home, Mr. and Mrs. Newman Jackson at Cisco Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jones and Gussie visited with Roy Jones at Abilene Sunday. Gussie remained this week to attend the State Baptist convention.

Horace (Bill) Stansbury accompanied by S. N. Foster left Sunday for Slaton to help gather crops on Mr. Foster's place this week.

Cpl. Erwin Purvis returned Tuesday night to camp Leonardwood, Mo. After spending his furlough with home folks.

Messrs. Walter Jackson, Reed and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Owens of Cisco attended church here Sunday.

Jaanel Foster of Abilene spent the week end with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Statin Maddux and children of Baird visited in the Tipton Wrinkle home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Reed of Putnam and Mrs. Stewart Bentley and children of Zion Hill attended church here Sunday.

S. A. Black and Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Black returned from West Texas Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Porter of Bastrop spent the Armistice holiday with home folks.

Mrs. John Frank Boland of Scranton was a guest in the Leon Sykes home Sunday.

Weldon Gardner and parents of Abilene and Denton were visitors in the D. C. Foster home Sunday afternoon.

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County Agent's Column

Put Out Strawberry Plants Now
Farm families who want to have strawberries next Spring must put out their plants in October or November. J. F. Rosborough, Extension Service horticulturist, says 75 to 100 plants will produce enough berries for one person, and 500 plants will produce enough berries for a family.

"If you have an extra yen for strawberry short cake or preserves, than a thousand plants won't be too many," Rosborough says. Here are some good varieties he recommends: For South Texas, Missionary; for East and Central Texas, Klondyke or Blakemore; for West Texas, Everbearing.

In areas of ample rainfall during the winter and spring, commercial fertilizer may be used to increase plant growth and yields. Where rainfall is limited, rotted manure should be used at the rate of 100 pounds per 100 row feet. The horticulturist says the fertilizer should be prepared. Then the grower should be mixed with the soil as it is being wait for a good rain. After the rain, the plants should be set out.

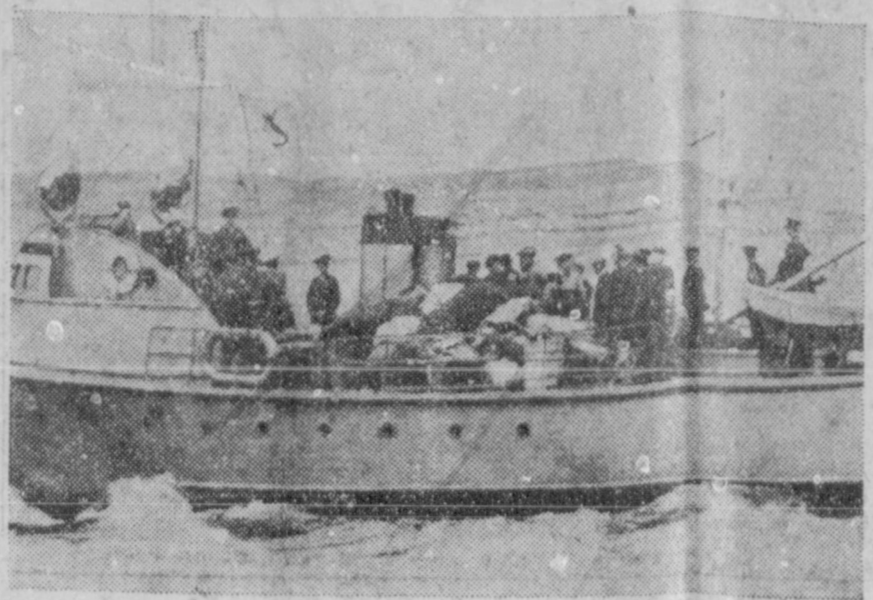
It is best to prepare the rows in beds 20 to 30 inches apart, and six inches high. Planting on ridges is especially important in areas of heavy rainfall. When the plants are set out, the soil should be packed firmly around the roots. If the soil is the least bit dry, each plant should be watered when it is set out.

Practical Suggestions On Farm Drainage
Many acres of 1941 crops were damaged from water standing too long where normal rainfall would have caused no injury, according to M. R. Bentley, agricultural engineer of the A. and M. College Extension Service. But, there are some things which may be done in preparing the land which will aid in suitable drainage for the next crop.

The areas referred to comprise those nearly level fields and pastures of central and south Texas where a high fence row may prevent the run-off of water from a field and nearly ruin a crop. Cutting openings through a fence row which is obstructing needed drainage is one practical way to improve a field. In other fields old back-furrows formed in flat breaking should be plowed down or have openings cut through them.

On fields which are nearly level, especially in the coastal area, some farmers practice flat-breaking the fields in narrow lands so as to leave dead-furrows every 20 to 140 feet for drainage. The closer the spacing of the dead-furrows the better the drainage. The dead-furrows should be opened into a roadside ditch, or some other drainage channel, to give maximum benefits. This system of breaking the lands is

Nazi Spy Ship Prisoners Brought Ashore



With their duffie bags, 22 Norwegian Nazis and Gestapo agents are being taken to the immigration station in East Boston, Mass., aboard a coast guard patrol boat, after the German radio supply ship, Busko, was brought to Boston, following its seizure in Greenland waters. The Busko sought to establish a radio station in Greenland.

especially suitable for broadcast or sown crops, such as small grain. It is well adapted to planting pastures, including bermuda grass.

Drainage or row crops can be improved by running the rows so water will flow down them to a drainage channel such as a road ditch.

On nearly level fields where large shallow pockets catch water so that it will not drain from dead-furrows or rows, it usually is practical to build a turn-row or narrow road-way, through the pockets to an outlet drainage way. It will be necessary to scrape the loose soil out of the turnrow ditches after each cultivation of the crop until the wet season is past.

Bentley cautions not to forget until too late in the spring to burn out, or remove, the grass and weeds from old drainage ditches. "Just how much trouble is caused by vegetation in ditches is almost unbelievable," he says.

About Beavers
The mountain beaver does not live in water, but is never happy far from it. Through the summer months it prefers to forage for green crops, but when winter comes the little animal stores up hay for the months when snow will cover the ground outside its den.

Quiet, Please

(Caps and Lower Case)
It costs you two dollars to blow your auto horn in Memphis. They're experimenting up there with a noiseless city and when the car horns quit blowing they say the natives heard the bullfrogs on the river and thought a flotilla steamboats was invading the city. Well, anyway, it's on the quieter side, but that is not the most important result. It turns out that people drive much slower and much more carefully now that they can not clear their paths with a raucous demand. It is still too early to average the accidents and see definitely whether or not all cars driven in Memphis are to be permanently silenced, but cities everywhere are watching the experiment and listening with an attentive ear. The only thing that worries the Memphians is that the chamber of commerce fears motorists, going through after dark, may refer to the river metropolis as a ghost city.

Big Consumer
About 394,000,000 fire bricks and 146,000 net tons of refractory cement are used annually by the steel industry. This is enough material to build a complete city of more than 15,000 homes.



I GIVE YOU TEXAS
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BOYCE HOUSE

- Nine ways to kill a good town:
1. Don't attend any civic meetings and if you go, arrive late.
 2. Never accept an office. It is easier to criticize than do things.
 3. Do nothing more than absolutely necessary, but when others use their ability to help matters along, howl that the town is being run by a clique.
 4. If you have a suggestion to offer, do not think of going to the authorities in charge—just yell to the world at large.
 5. Get "sore" if you are not appointed to a committee, such as the park board, cemetery board, or public relations committee; but if you are appointed do not attend committee meetings.
 6. Get good and mad at some members of the organization.
 7. Be pessimistic about every proposal to expand trade and promote the interests of the town.
 8. Watch the proceedings of the local school board and town council, and point out the errors of their ways to everyone who will stop long enough to listen.
 9. Encourage your wife and relatives to do their shopping out of town.

"Refuse to make a speech if you cannot make a good one," says The Menard News, claiming that it is better to be suspected of dumbness than to prove it.

"He has good common sense." "He knows how to get along with the legislature." These are typical comments of citizens in a poll conducted by the Texas Surveys of Public Opinion about Governor Coke Stevenson. The poll shows that over 75 per cent of the people approve of him as Governor.

After getting Uncle Reuben seated at a football game between two colleges, his nephew told him, "You'll now see more excitement than you ever saw for two dollars." "I don't know," replied Uncle Reuben, "That's just what the license cost when I arrived Aunt Jennie." Recently when your columnist asked the one and only J. Frank Doble who his favorite Texas characters were, the famous Southwestern writer made this characteristically forthright reply: "I can think of several Texas characters I have been mighty fond of. None of them have been Ph. D. professors. One was a town scavenger but no mayor has been among them. Two or three have been goat-herders and another was always about to find the Lost Bowie Mine. "Jim Bowie, with his Bowie knife, comes close to being my favorite character. Several favorites have been old trail drivers, like George W. Saunders, Walter Billingsley, Ab Blocker and Charles Goodnight. One of these range favorites was an old Mexican vaquero. "Just to satisfy you, I'll name for the moment Bigfoot Wallace as my favorite. He was full of vitality and heartiness. He was as cheerful as a fat mule grazing with mares and colts. He was as honest as daylight and could stretch the blanket wide enough to make it cover half a county. His heart was as big as an ox and he was as simple as a child. He loved good company."

Those of you who heard Doble on "I Give You Texas and the Great Southwest" at 12:45 p.m. on a recent Sunday over the Lone Star Chain found that he could talk as interestingly as he writes. Maybe your columnist can get him to visit us again soon over the radio.

A stranger applied at the police station for lodging, and when asked his name, replied that it was Smith. "Give me your real name," he was ordered. "Well," said the applicant, "put me down as William Shakespeare." "That's better," said the officer. "You can't fool me with that Smith stuff."

The national forests of the United States have a total area of more than 162,000,000 acres.

One of the earliest exhibition parachute jumps was made from the Statue of Liberty.

Distinction
In common usage Alaska is not considered a part of the continental United States, although it is a part of the same continent.

Cross Plains And Rising Star Won't Tangle This Year

For the first time in the history of modern football Cross Plains and Rising Star will not clash on the gridiron this season. The game originally scheduled for November 21 has been called off.

Rising Star playing in class B football this year wound up its league schedule Tuesday in a scoreless deadlock with May, leaving the two schools tied for the Southern half title of that district. The two teams will likely meet again this week end in the endeavor to play off the stalemate and determine a winner to vie with the winner of the Northern half for the championship of that class B district.

Due to contractual agreement the game will not be entered into the books as a forfeit, for officials of the two schools agreed last Fall that if either team needed to forego the traditional clash to further compete in district play it would be agreeable to do so without the claim of forfeit by the other.

Cross Plains plays in class A football and has completed its conference schedule, however, the Buffaloes will tangle with the Abilene Eagles B team here Thursday night in the season finale. The Abilene B team has played a number of strong class A teams this season and turned in a very credible performance on each occasion.

Santa Anna Trips Buffaloes 13 To 0 Tuesday Afternoon

Santa Anna's Mountaineers drubbed Cross Plains' Buffaloes at homecoming here Tuesday, and thereby gained fifth place in the final standings of district 8-A. The score was 13 to 0.

The Mountaineers got their first touchdown on a drive late in the second quarter. McClain tabbed it

Game At A Glance

Santa Anna	Cross Plains
15 First Downs	6
59 Yards Gained Passing	75
8 of 10 Passes Completed	5 of 17
1 Passes Intercepted By	2
1 for 5 Penalties	1 for 15

on a five-yard gainer, and Turney got the extra point on a plunge. McClain passed to Bible in the fourth quarter, and the receiver went across for the other touchdown. Total gain on the play was 38 yards.

Ezekiel Hopkins in December, 1775, was appointed the first and only commander-in-chief of the United States Navy who was not a President.

Odd Medicines
In China, the dried and powdered bodies of five poisonous creatures (the lizard, snake, toad, spider and centipede) still are used in medicines.

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Mrs. C. R. Cook and Mrs. Charlie Stone and daughter visited friends and relatives in Hamlin Wednesday and Thursday.

L. G. Morris of Brownwood, was a visitor here Tuesday.

Joe Magness of Comanche, was a Cross Plains visitor Tuesday.

Engene Cross returned to San Antonio Wednesday, after several days visit with his mother.

Horace Smith of San Antonio, visited his parents here this week.

G. P. Harris, of Fort Hill, Okla., visited friends here Tuesday night.

Randall Alken of Cisco, visited friends and relatives here Tuesday.

W. S. Bingham of Camp Bowie, visited relatives here the first of the week.

Norman Henson, of Burnet is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Henson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Cross of Brownwood, visited relatives here Monday and Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Steele, of Spur, visited friends and relatives

In a meeting of the Cross Plains Chamber of Commerce luncheon club, which was held in the Baptist church at noon Wednesday, November 12, it was voted that the city would observe the old Thanksgiving Day, November 27, instead of the New Deal Thanksgiving, Thursday, November 21.

In observance of Thanksgiving Day most all Cross Plains business concerns will be closed Thursday, November 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Boets Harlow, Hannah Margaret and Id. Mae Hudson of Coleman, were Armistice Day visitors here.

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