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## FROM THE EDITOR'S WINDOW

The following story sent to us by a friend is so good and so unusual that we are glad to use it in this column. It has been titled, "A Real Foresight," and we pass it on to our readers just as we received it:

A few days ago "Uncle" Joe Underwood, one of the oldest pioneers of Eastland county and known to most every one in the county as "Uncle Joe," realized he is getting along in years (he is 86 years old), and decided he would distribute the property that he has accumulated through years of toil and investments. He owned eight good farms and has nine children, all of whom are married. In order that there be no trouble among the children after he has gone "Uncle Joe" decided on a novel plan to satisfy all concerned. He invited all nine of the children to his home near Gorman, Texas. When all had arrived he wrote the names of the different farms on a slip of paper and placed all eight of them in a hat. In order to get nine tickets in the hat he placed a check for \$3,800.00, which was the value he placed on each farm, inside the hat with the eight tickets. Then each child drew a slip and received the farm according to the name written upon it. Mrs. Brown, a daughter, drew the farm that Mrs. Haygood, another daughter, lived on and Mrs. Haygood drew the check. Mrs. Brown and her husband own their own farm near Haskell, so they took the check and gave Mrs. Haygood the farm.

After this was satisfactorily settled Uncle Joe reached in his pocket and drew out a check for each child to the amount of \$5,000.00 additional.

The names of the children are Willie Underwood, Noah Underwood, John Underwood, Gay Underwood, Chris Underwood, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Haygood, Mrs. Curb and Mrs. Morton.

May this man enjoy many fruitful years to come among his friends of Eastland county and on the land that he has toiled so hard to acquire.

Gov. E. W. Marland of Oklahoma has finally settled the controversy in that state by signing the bill making the redbud the official tree of Oklahoma.

It seems that a few religious leaders were opposed to the redbud on the grounds that Judas Iscariot, who betrayed the Savior, of the world, hanged himself to a limb of the redbud tree, but as no one was able to prove this to be a fact the redbud still holds its popularity.

It is said that William Reeves, now forty-seven years old, has supervised the landscaping and planting of flowers and trees on the White House grounds since he was twenty-five. He is known as the "first gardener of the land."

Sufferers from hay fever may now find a cure in the common honey bee. It has been found only recently that honey produced in the vicinity where the victim lives and used regularly by the sufferer, especially the chewing of the fresh honey comb, will bring speedy relief.

A treatment, which physicians are now working on, consists of administering by mouth extracts of pollen to which a patient is hypersensitive. At a general hospital in El Paso, Texas, during the 1936 hay fever season, it brought partial or complete relief to thirty-three sufferers on whom it was tried.

Does it pay to shed tears? Occasionally it does.

A little thirteen year old boy living in Kansas owned a pony. His mother needed a work horse and traded the pony, along with other stock, for the heavier animal. Learning the pony was to be sold at auction, the boy took five dollars of his own money and walked eight miles to attend the sale.

When the bid went past the five dollars the poor little boy began to shed tears which attracted the attention of others attending the sale.

Some one told the auctioneer, who dropped the bid back to five dollars and sold the pony, to the boy. We are glad the story ended as it did because the boy loved the pony.

## PUTNAM SCHOOL CLOSING PROGRAMS

Sunday morning, May 23, in the high school auditorium at eleven o'clock the baccalaureate sermon will be delivered by Rev. Applewhite, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Cisco.

Monday morning in the high school auditorium the entire school will assemble for the presentation of awards.

Monday evening at 8:15 Dr. Jewel Daugherty of the Central Texas Hospital, of Brownwood, will deliver the commencement address.

Tuesday evening at 8:15 the grammar school graduation exercises will be held. L. S. Williams of Proctor will be the speaker.

Each program will be held in the high school auditorium.

**Fifteen Graduates**  
There are fifteen in the graduating class of this term, as follows: Willie May Stephens, Juanita Yeager, Martha Jean Rogers, Dorothy Robertson, Dorothy Billingsley, Katherine Clampett, W. H. Price, Eson Fields, Raymond Jobe, Rollie Cunningham, Floyd Burnam, J. W. Brandon, Bill Brandon, R. C. Yarbrough, and Dwight Triplett.

## AT THE METHODIST CHURCH

We are surrendering the eleven o'clock worship hour in favor of the baccalaureate service to be held in the school auditorium. At the evening service the pastor, Rev. G. C. Williams, will use as his theme "The Meaning of Pentecost." Among other important phases of the subject he will discuss the gift of tongues. The general public is invited to worship with us, and hear this worthwhile discussion.

## WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY MEETS

Woman's Missionary Society met at the Methodist church at 2 o'clock Wednesday with eight members present. Opening songs, "The Rock That Is Higher Than I," followed by "The Kingdom Is Coming."

Devotional services led by Mrs. Charlie Davis, reading the first sixteen verses of the second chapter of James.

An address by Mrs. R. L. Clinton on "Fifty Years in Japan," was followed by Mrs. Nelson reading a Christmas letter from Japan.

Mrs. Ida Rogers led in prayer, after which the meeting had a short business session and the meeting was dismissed.

Those who were present were Mmes. A. H. Nelson, G. C. Williams, Fred Farmer, Ida Rogers, A. A. Dodd, Charley Davis, R. L. Clinton and Kelley Peek.

The association changed their time of meeting from 2 o'clock to 4 o'clock and meetings to be held at the Methodist church.

## MRS. EUBANK GIVEN SHOWER

Mrs. S. M. Eubank, outgoing president of the Parent-Teachers Association, was honored with a surprise handkerchief shower at the last meeting of the organization last week. A short program was rendered after which Mrs. C. K. Peek made a presentation speech to Mrs. Eubank. Mrs. E. E. Sunderman presented a box of lovely handkerchiefs, after which refreshments of punch and cake were served in a study room. Those present were Mmes. C. K. Peek, F. L. Armstrong, Earl Jobe, E. C. Waddell, E. E. Sunderman, Wiley Clinton, G. S. Pruet, H. A. Pruet, L. B. Williams, Oliver Allen, W. W. Everett, Lynn Williams, Misses Lois Pulley, Rowena Saunders, Jo Pounds, Pauline Roberds, Messrs. J. G. Overton, Don Woods, R. F. Webb, W. N. Byrd, Bill Wright. Other members sent handkerchiefs. Mrs. Eubank has been a very efficient and faithful president of the organization, having the record of being present every meeting during the year. Mrs. C. K. Peek will be president next year. Members are looking forward with pleasure to her holding the office, as she has proved her faithfulness as a member and as a past president.

J. C. Clements, living about four miles southeast of Putnam, was in town Saturday afternoon and reported a nice rain and stated the wheat crop would make a fair yield. Mr. Clements stated he had planted about 15 acres of cotton and it was up to a stand.

## T. L. MAYNARD LOSES AN EYE

T. L. Maynard, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Maynard, had the misfortune of losing an eye last week. Mr. Maynard stuck a worn in his right eye some time ago, but the doctor thought they could save the sight. The longer it went the worse the eye was and it was decided last week that it would have to be removed. He was carried to Mineral Wells, where it was removed and he has been returned home and is doing well.

## BAPTISTS WILL NOT HAVE PREACHING SUNDAY A. M.

We will have Sunday school at 9:45 o'clock a. m., urging everyone to attend Sunday school and will get through in time to attend the baccalaureate sermon at the high school auditorium at 11 a. m. There will be no preaching at the 11 o'clock hour.

R. L. Buchanan, Supt. F. A. Hollis, Pastor.

## UNION H. D. CLUB

The Union Home Demonstration club met with Mrs. W. P. Yarbrough with 14 members present and two visitors, Miss Roma Yarbrough and Mrs. Mildred Carter of Overton, Texas. Miss Vida Moore, home demonstration agent, was present and in an address told the club she had accepted the district position and was resigning the position in Callahan county. The club was saddened to know of Miss Moore's going away, but she stated the county would have another at an early date. The club has appreciated Miss Moore very much and regret her having to leave the county just at a time when she has worked up such an interest in the work.

The evening was spent on styles of women's dresses and after work was all completed the balance of the afternoon was spent serving refreshments by Miss Roma Yarbrough and the hostess, Mrs. W. P. Yarbrough. A most delightful afternoon was spent.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. J. A. Yarbrough May 19. All members that do not have foundation patterns be present at the next meeting and Mrs. Carl Gumm will cut and fit you one.

## SELECTED RECIPES

The News office has just received a copy of the book published by the Parent Teachers Association of Putnam. It contains 43 pages and is chock full of recipes that are useful. We do not know what they are selling the books for, but every housekeeper should have one, as there is a recipe for making any kind of a dish that might be wanted.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. West received a message Sunday night that their granddaughter had died at Event. Mrs. West left immediately for Event to attend the funeral. Mrs. West will be gone several days.

## W. W. MILLER BUYS FIRST COOK BOOK

W. W. Miller of Putnam had the honor of being the first person to purchase one of the new cook books being sold by members of the Parent Teachers Association. The books are very good, containing only tested recipes, donated by people of the community. The price is 50 cents.

Mr. Miller is a booster for the school and other worthwhile activities of the city. He is the father of several school teachers, two of them, Joe Miller and Charlie Miller, being well known in the Putnam vicinity.

## MISS JOBE TO HEAD TWO LITERARY GROUP

Sweetwater Reporter: Miss Margaret Jobe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jobe, Sweetwater, was recently elected president of the Susan M. Key literary society, on the Texas Wesleyan College campus.

Miss Jobe is a member of the Thespian Dramatic club, Autiss Social club, vice-president of Woman's Sport Association, president of the junior class, assistant in the physical education department, member of the Alpha Chi scholarship society, and of Susan M. Key literary society. She is majoring in speech. Miss Jobe is a relative of S. W. and W. S. Jobe of Putnam.

## FIFTH GRADE ENJOYS PICNIC

The fifth grade of Putnam elementary school enjoyed a picnic at the roadside park Friday afternoon. A picnic lunch was spread on a table shaded by large oak and mesquite trees. The lunch included sandwiches, deviled eggs, pickles, potato chips, fruit, lemonade, ice cream and cookies. After lunch baseball and other outdoor games were played enthusiastically. The ladies who planned the picnic and accompanied the children were Mesdames J. A. Sharp, Lynn Williams, Homer Pruet, Eugene Phillips, U. L. Lowry, and Ed Fields. The teachers who accompanied them were Ruby Jo Pounds and Pauline Roberds.

## MR. U. S. WAUGH RETURNS TO PUTNAM

Mr. U. S. Waugh returned from his home at San Angelo Tuesday. He stated he had been delayed in returning on account of illness of his wife who he found ill when he arrived home from here about two weeks ago. Mr. Waugh is an operator in the north Putnam section in the shallow oil fields about ten miles north of Putnam, where he and associates have several producing wells. His associates are parties from California.

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## DAVE DAVIS DIES AT ABILENE FRIDAY

Dave Davis, the husband of Amanda Culwell, died at his home about ten miles north of Abilene Friday from a stroke of paralysis. They were married about a year ago and moved to Clyde and from there to Hawley about ten or twelve miles north of Abilene. Burial was in the Denton cemetery Saturday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Culwell and Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Culwell attended the funeral. Mrs. Davis is a sister to the Culwells.

## BOY SCOUT MEETING

Boy Scout troop No. 17 of Putnam held a court of honor at the north side Baptist church Monday night, May 17.

Roy Lee Williams Jr. led the singing and P. L. Butler held the court of honor. The scoutmaster said he was proud there were so many Scouts present and the interest that they were showing in the work. Two new members were taken into the troop and the boys would be glad if all of the old Scouts would join again.

The annual encampment at Buffalo Gap will be held June 1, 2 and 3, and the troop needs more boys who know how to carry on the work. The members of the court of honor were as follows: Donald Allen, Stanley Butler, Billie Mack Park, Dale Irwin, Hugh Vernon Smith, Calvin King, Bennie Williams, F. S. Armstrong, G. P. Jobe, Roy Lee Williams, James Kennedy, W. C. Simmons, Wilber Carrico, Douglas Kelley and Melvin Crawford. The visitors were Clinton Waddell, Johnnie Boutwell, Mildred King and Mary Lou Eubank.

The members of the court of honor were: Hugh Vernon Smith Jr., Mrs. Hugh V. Smith, P. L. Butler, Jim Heslep, and Scoutmaster J. G. Overton. The meeting was dismissed after plans were made for the annual encampment in June. Bennie Williams led the Scout oath, after which songs were sung and the Scout prayer was led by Hugh Vernon Smith Jr., then the meeting was dismissed.

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## The Dutch Influence



MUSKEGON, Mich. Miss Georgia J. Coons designed this evening gown from a Dutch peasant costume in the Traphagen New York and won a prize at the New York Fashion Show.

## ASBERY - ELLIOTT

On last Sunday morning James Asbery and Miss Glyndoll Elliott were married in Baird at 6:30 o'clock by Rev. Joe R. Mayes, and they immediately left for Fort Worth and other points where they will be gone for several days before returning to Baird where they will make their home.

Mr. Asbery is a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Asbery. He is in the insurance and real estate business, and is very popular among the younger set. Miss Elliott is the accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Elliott Sr. of Baird, and is also very popular among the younger people. Both of these young people have been reared in and around Baird and have many friends throughout Callahan county who wish them a long and happy life together.

## DR. MARTIN IN CAR WRECK

There has been quite a number of patients in to see Dr. Martin in the last few days, but she hasn't been to the office and the reason is that she was in a car wreck. Miss Tassie Jackson stated she had a wreck some place between Baird and Clyde. She said the doctor was not hurt seriously, only bruised and cut, but her car was wrecked pretty badly. She will be back on the job within the next few days.

## PRIMITIVE BAPTIST COMMUNION DAY

Primitive Baptist to have preaching Saturday with dinner on the ground. Also preaching Saturday night and Sunday at 11 o'clock. Old time singing in the afternoon. Everybody invited to attend. Singing at 2 p. m.

## THE SKILES GROCERY IN CISCO

In passing around in front of the Skiles Grocery Monday, which is one of the completest grocery and market establishments in the city, its improvements were very noticeable as they are putting on real city appearance, with a very attractive sign. They have used raised letters in silver gilt against a background in black outline which spells "Skiles' Grocery and Market." This is one of the most attractive signs in the city. This store is located at 14th and D avenue on the road where it makes the turn going to Eastland. The entire store has been repainted, the wooden awning raised and a more open attractive appearance given the front. This sign was designed, built and painted by local people, which proves that there are always local people in a town who can do the work without going out of town. When driving around it would be interesting to drive by this progressive business and take a view of this beautiful work.

## ATWELL SCHOOL CLOSING WEDNESDAY

Rev. Joe R. Mayes, pastor of the First Baptist church at Baird, accompanied by County Superintendent B. C. Chrisman attended the closing exercises of the Atwell school where Rev. Mayes preached the baccalaureate sermon which was followed by Mr. Chrisman making the graduation talk and delivering the diplomas. There were several to graduate, but we do not have the number.

## PUTNAM VICTORIOUS OVER ATWELL TEN

The Putnam high school ten defeated Atwell twice this week for victories number 11 and 12 and to keep the record of consecutive wins unblemished. The first game was played on the local ball field, with the victory going to the Panthers 18 to 9. The Panthers got off with a ragged start, letting four runs in, in the first inning. However, the Panthers regained the lead in the third inning and were never seriously threatened throughout the remainder of the game. The Panthers' hitting was excellent.

The second game was a return game Wednesday and it was a thriller throughout. Atwell first brought blood in the second inning by pushing across a run. The Panthers came back to score one in the third and each team scored another run. In the seventh inning the Panthers erased the home plate twice again. In the eighth inning the final score was Putnam 4, Atwell 2.

Eastland is due this week for a return game with the local high school which promises to be a very interesting game as the locals won the last encounter 9 to 8.

- Putnam 22, Scranton 9.
- Putnam 19, Scranton 7.
- Putnam 11, Scranton 10.
- Putnam 22, Scranton 8.
- Putnam 2, Cisco 0.
- Putnam 12, Clyde 4.
- Putnam 9, Eastland 4.
- Putnam 10, Scranton 4.
- Putnam 6, Atwell 0.
- Putnam 18, Atwell 9.
- Putnam 4, Atwell 2.

## W. M. S. MET TUESDAY

The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist church met at the church Tuesday afternoon at 3. Mrs. John Cook, president, presided. Opening songs were "Loyalty to Christ" and "I Love to Tell the Story." Mrs. W. M. Crosby taught the scripture from the 1st chapter of Acts. Mrs. E. G. Scott led prayer, after which Mrs. Cook read a letter from the Deter missionaries in Brazil.

Mrs. G. P. Gasking was leader for the missionary program, the topic of which was Slavs. Mrs. E. G. Scott discussed the Slavs, the Coming Race; Mrs. F. A. Hollis, Gospel Beginning Among the Slavs; Mrs. S. M. Eubank, Baptists Among European Slavs; Mrs. S. W. Jobe, American Slavs; Mrs. W. E. Pruet, Our Work for American Slavs; Mrs. John Cook, Stories of the Slavs—One Slavic Gospel; Mrs. Fred Golsen, Sunday Afternoon Callers; Mrs. H. E. Butler, Pen Pictures; Mrs. G. P. Gasking, Await the Hour of the Lord in Russia.

Mrs. F. A. Hollis led the closing prayer. Those present were Mmes. F. A. Hollis, John Cook, Fred Golsen, H. E. Butler, E. G. Scott, W. M. Crosby, S. M. Eubank, S. W. Jobe, W. E. Pruet, G. P. Gasking.

## MISS ROMA YARBROUGH RE-ELECTED AT OPLIN

Miss Roma Yarbrough, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Yarbrough, has been re-elected to a place in the Oplin school. This will be her fourth term in that school. Miss Yarbrough will leave this week for Lubbock where she will attend the Technological College this summer, taking some special work that is required before she receives her degree.

## FRED COOK MAKING IMPROVEMENTS

Cook's Garage, owned and operated by Fred Cook, is making some nice improvements this week. He has a force of men remodeling the entire front of his business, raising the concrete in front to keep water from running in the building when it comes a big rain, and removing the hand pumps and replacing them with electric pumps, like many of the city pumps, are equipped with, which will give a much better appearance and more convenient, besides these self measuring pumps will eliminate errors to a great extent. Mr. Cook handles Texas Company products and has been ever since he has been in business. Mr. Cook is a wide awake business man and believes in progress and always looking out for something that will enable him to give his customers better service. He has one of the best equipped garages in this part of the state. Besides having equipment and tools he has a man that knows how to handle them.

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**THE WINDFALL TAX HELD VALID**

The United States Supreme court held the windfall tax law passed by the last congress as being constitutional, and the government would not have to return the tax collected under AAA to the processors. This was about \$1,000,000,000 collected by the processors before the law was held unconstitutional. We do not know that it was any better by letting the government keep the tax, and it was collected off the consumer illegally and should have been returned to the people that it belonged to. The law passed would not permit the processors to bring suit unless they could show that they paid this tax themselves, which they could not do because it was passed on to the consumer.

**BANKHEAD OFFERS ANOTHER WILD-EYED SCHEME**

Senator Williams Bankhead of Alabama, who proposed the Bankhead cotton control law, has now

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hatched out another scheme with just as little sense. He seems in some mysterious way figured out that cotton ought to bring a price of 17 cents to make a parity price with some former year. We fail to see just where he gets 17 cents, when really with the reduction of the crop and the devaluated dollar it should be about 25 cents to equal the price that the farmer received during the years they speak of. The quantity of cotton consumed domestically during the crop year would be estimated under the usual rules of the agricultural department for making such estimates. "For illustration," said Mr. Bankhead, "if consumption of say 6,000,000 bales is estimated and 12,000,000 bales of production is estimated then each farmer would be paid the parity price of 17 cents on 50 per cent of his crop and the other half of the crop would sell at the world's price. Under this plan if the world price of cotton is 10 cents a pound the farmer would average 13 1-2 cents for the entire crop.

"1. Place a tariff on short staple cotton and cotton goods to cover the difference between the world price of cotton and the United States parity price, adjusting the tariff on cotton goods to cover the difference in the cost of production here and abroad.

"2. Fix quotas of permissible imports of cotton goods that may be allowed after paying the tariff rates.

"3. Provide that no raw cotton included in the domestic allotment and no goods manufactured therefrom shall be allowed to move in interstate or foreign commerce unless the parity price has been paid therefor to the producer. A prohibited windfall tax should be levied in an appropriate way upon earnings derived from processing cotton for which the parity price was not paid.

"4. Put a prohibitive tax on jute.

"5. Levy a compensatory tax competing substitutes like rayon.

"6. Pay an export bounty for manufactured goods to enable our cotton mills to secure a reasonable amount of foreign business."

The first thing Mr. Bankhead would do would be to compel domestic cotton mills to pay as much as 17 cents for the raw cotton, and then he would let the anti-trust laws of the United States be nullified and permit the manufacturers to fix a price to take care of all of this extra cost including wages and hours fixed by an act of congress without any regard to the millions of people who do not produce cotton, and fix a price by law so high that American mills could not compete with any nation on earth, but he would fix that by levying a prohibitive tax on foreign goods that might be shipped into this country. This scheme would be just

as bad as the loan that was made on cotton which has lost the American farmer the sale of four or five million bales of cotton each year for the last four or five. Our exports are running about 360,000 bales less than they did last year and if this scheme should be put into execution it would eliminate the balance of our exports within a short time.

He says he would put a prohibitive tax on jute. We can't see where that anything could be gained by this as it would destroy the jute industry and the people who are producing jute bagging would be thrown out of employment and possibly they would go into the production of cotton in competition with the cotton grower. We see the effects of this control plan in the cattle industry, since the government has curtailed the production of cotton, the cotton farmer is going into the cattle business in an extensive way. Where a farmer who only had a few head before the control program, he has fifty to a hundred head of cattle in direct competition with the cattle industry, and it means disaster to the cattle industry as it will only be a short time until there will be an over production of cattle and then there will be a mighty wail go up to kill the cattle and put the price up. Mr. Bankhead's cotton scheme is just like all the rest of this class legislation that has been enacted by the New Deal trying to pull ourselves out of the depression with our own boot straps by selling bonds and plunging the country deeper and deeper in debt. We had just as well face the facts the farmers after all of this legislation is no better off than he was when it began and we challenge anyone to make any calculation that will show the condition of the farmer any better than it was in 1932.

**COTTON CONSUMED DURING MONTH OF APRIL**

The government report domestic mills on consumption for the month of April showed that there had been consumed 719,000 bales, which was about in line with expectations, while all mill stocks at the close of April was 1,987,000 bales, a reduction of only 92,000 bales from the March figures. This was the largest amount of cotton ever consumed in the month of April by domestic mills.

**BOTH SIDES OF THE COTTON SITUATION**

Both sides of the cotton situation as viewed by the big cotton men. The bulls contend that the main trend is upward and it is no longer a question of supply, but rather one of demand, and the demand is improving all of the time. Consumption in this country is rapidly expanding; spinners have been fixing prices, March consumption figure of 787,000 bales, the highest in record certainly indicates a return of activity in the textile industry in the United States. Mills still have much cotton to buy. The world needs a 14,000,000 bale crop, mill stocks of cotton are at an irreducible minimum; existing world stocks of cotton goods are smaller today than they were either two or three years ago; mills have carried the hand to mouth system so far that the stocks of cotton are very low and must be promptly replenished if they are to continue to operate. Conditions surrounding cotton are fundamentally bullish; the American business outlook is good and there is no factor in sight to disturb the future. It's a long time until a new crop will be ready for harvest, and it will be an unusual year if crop scares do not occur during the summer that makes the prospective yield at the time look distressingly short.

Markets always look the weakest at the bottom. The cotton market is now in a buying zone and is shaping itself for a great surprise to those looking for low prices.

**Bearish View Point**  
The Bull click who tried to sell it; that the recent rise was artificial caused more or less by an enthusiastic and wild speculation, and as usual, prices advanced too far compared to what present conditions justify. That, despite the abundant supply of bullish ammunition such as large consumption, a strengthened statistical position if proved textile conditions and the general era of American prosperity the cotton market has actually registered a decline during the past thirty

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days and it is certain that an increased acreage will be planted in cotton this year. Farmers are in a much better financial condition than in several years; their debts have practically all been liquidated and a surplus remains after the payment of this season's obligations. Bullish enthusiasm is dying down, above 14 cents consumption will decline and spinners will be reluctant buyers; there is enough American cotton to carry mills through the year in good shape. Bulls have been too confident of their position, they have had too much company thus leaving the market in weak technical position, and it will take some new factor of an outstanding bullish nature to lift the cotton market out of its present state of lethargy.

We have given this for the information of our readers, and after reading it, if they can form any different opinion as to the future course of the cotton market, they can do more than we can; it doesn't look like the present price could be maintained, as the mills have a larger stock than last year and all retail merchants are stocked at present and the demand is getting lighter, with exports falling off.

**DAWES PREDICTS PANIC IN 1939**

Charles Dawes, former vice-president of the United States, thinks we are headed for another depression in 1939. He states, "the big industrial plants have enough of orders ahead to keep them going until 1939, but there are very few new orders and when they complete the work they have on hand, then everything will slow down and that will cause unemployment which will reach all classes of business just as it did in 1929, and in every other panic this country has had." Many people are deceived just as they were during Wilson's administration, when the Federal Reserve system was established and they hailed it as a panacea for all evils, that the country would never have any other panic as it was impossible under the system of banks we have. We just wonder what Woodrow Wilson would say, if he could come back and make a speech to congress at the present time.

Many have worshipped Roosevelt for the last four years and lauded him to the skies on account of what he has accomplished since he was inaugurated, but they never stop and count the cost. Large government spending brought on the boom in 1919 when cotton sold for more than forty cents, but as soon as we lost the effect of government spending prices began to fall and the brakes were not put on until cotton reached five cents and wheat twenty cents per bushel, and in the last four years the program has been repeated by spending more money than was spent during the World War, raising our bonded indebtedness to an all time high of more than \$35,000,000,000 and that other inflationary measures has brought the raise in prices, in stocks and bonds and farm commodities, and now the talk of deflation by cutting down expenses and selling the price of gold down is causing the decline in all of the markets.

We think that prices are inflated more now than they were in 1919; not that they are higher, but taking into consideration the amount of production that we had at that time. In 1929 everybody that wanted to work had a job at good wages and everybody was producing without any limit or producing all that could be produced. But the production is pinched down until we are importing millions of dollars worth of goods from foreign countries, that we were producing at the start of the depression and taking this into consideration prices are too high and it looks as though they will be lower.

Mrs. Hallie Crawford has returned from St. Paul's hospital at Dallas and will have to return about the 15th of June for major operation.

**H. J. R. No. 24. A JOINT RESOLUTION**

proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas amending Article 16, Section 61, providing for the abolishing of the salary method of compensating all district, county and precinct officers of this State and further providing that such officers shall be paid in such manner and on such basis as may be prescribed by the Legislature in providing for the submission of the amendment to the voters of this State, providing for proclamation of said election by the Governor; and providing for the necessary appropriation to defray necessary expenses for the submission of this amendment.

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE**

**OF TEXAS:**

Section 1. That Section 61 of Article 16 of the Constitution be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

"Section 61. All district, county and precinct officers shall hereafter be compensated in such manner and on such basis as may be prescribed by the Legislature."

Section 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the State of Texas at a special election to be held on the Fourth Monday in August, 1937, at which election all voters favoring such proposed amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots these words:

"For the Amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas so as to authorize the Legislature to fix the manner and basis of compensation for all district, county and precinct officers."

And those opposed shall write or have printed on their ballots these words:

"Against the Amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas so as to authorize the Legislature to fix the manner and basis of compensation for all district, county and precinct officers."

Section 3. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue necessary proclamation for said election and have the same published as required by the constitution and existing laws of the State.

Section 4. The sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the Treasury of the state not otherwise appropriated to pay expenses of said publication and election.

EDWARD CLARK,  
Secretary of State.

**S. J. R. No. 9. A JOINT RESOLUTION**

Proposing an amendment to Section 16, Article XVI, of the Constitution of Texas, providing that the Legislature shall authorize the incorporation of banking bodies and provide for the supervision and regulation of same; providing for all of the capital stock to be subscribed and paid for before charter issued; restricting foreign corporations from doing banking business; restricting corporate business to one place.

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:**

Section 1. That Section 16, Article XVI, of the Constitution of Texas, be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

"Section 16. The Legislature shall by general laws, authorize the incorporation of corporate bodies with banking and discounting privileges, and shall provide for a system of State supervision, regulation and control of such bodies which will adequately protect and secure the depositors and creditors thereof.

"No such corporate body shall be chartered until all of the authorized capital stock has been subscribed and paid for in full in cash. Such body corporate shall not be authorized to engage in business at more than one place which shall be designated in its charter.

"No foreign corporation, other than the national banks of the United States, shall be permitted to exercise banking or discounting privileges in this State."

Sec. 2. The foregoing amendment to the Constitution shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this State at an election to be held throughout the State on the fourth Monday in August, 1937. At this election all voters favoring the proposed amendment shall write, or have printed, on their ballots the following words:

"For the amendment of Section 16 to Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing for the amount of the liability of stock-holders in State banks."

Those voters opposing said amendment shall write, or have printed, on their ballots the following words:

"Against the amendment of Section 16 of Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing for the amount of the liability of stock-holders in State banks."

Sec. 3. The governor of the State of Texas is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for such election, and to have same published as required by the Constitution and the amendments thereto.

Sec. 4. The sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds of the State of Texas, not otherwise appropriated, to pay the expenses of said election. The above is a true and correct copy.

EDWARD CLARK,  
Secretary of State.

Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Gaskins and Miss Naomi Buchanan spent Friday afternoon in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Exal McMillan of Fioner.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Brown of Lamesa spent the week-end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lance Reed. Mrs. Brown is a sister of Mrs. Reed.



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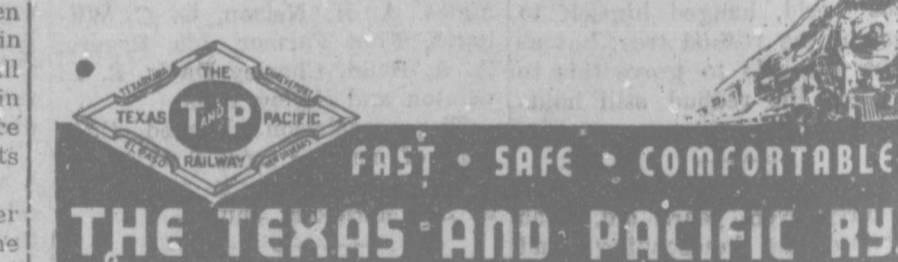
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# Local Happenings

Mrs. Lucille Kelley is reported on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Williams were Cisco visitors on Friday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Everett and son, Billy, attended church in Cisco Sunday.

Alton Tatom of Atwell has been assisting Claude King in the barber shop Friday and Saturday of last week.

Felix Mitchell, county attorney, and Clarence Nordyke, deputy sheriff of Baird, were in Putnam for a while Monday morning.

LOST—A locket style vanity silver on a silver chain. Return to Putnam News office or to Miss Roma Yarbrough, Route 1, Cisco, Texas, and get reward.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude White and children of Winters visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Teague, Sunday. Mrs. White and children will remain a few days.

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M. H. Spoon of Cisco visited in the home of his daughter, Mrs. Redge Burnam and famil, Sunday.

Mrs. J. M. Cribbs and small daughter, Helen Chloe, have returned after a visit of several days with friends in Midkiff's Gap.

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Mr. and Mrs. Valentine Cook of Amarillo were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Cook Friday, leaving Saturday morning together with Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Cook for Galveston where they will visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Cotton. Mrs. Cotton is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cook. Of course Gene will forget all about fishing while there.

Mrs. Dan Fleming and Mrs. Mary Kellner have been visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Cook for the past several days. Mrs. Cook and Mrs. Kellner are daughters of Mrs. Flemings. They left Thursday morning for Raton, New Mexico, accompanied by John Cook, who will spend several days out there visiting old friends and relatives. Mrs. Flemings will stop at White Deer where she will visit with her son, Bob Flemings, for awhile. Mrs. Flemings and Mrs. Kellner had been visiting Oliver Flemings, a son, at Freeport, who is superintendent of the Freeport public schools.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

by Charles E. Dunn  
**THE WEAKNESS OF ESAU**  
Lesson for May 23rd. Genesis 25:27-34.

Golden Text: 1 Corin. 9:25.  
Dr. James Black, of Edinburgh, has called Esau "one of the most charming, kindly, and lovable people in literature." We can easily picture him as a burly athlete, a mighty hunter, a great lover of God's out-of-doors. A happy, good natured, likeable soul, we are drawn to once to him, and prefer his straight-forward, guileless, direct manner to the clever craftiness and wily plots of his twin brother Jacob.

How beautiful was Esau's devotion to his blind father Isaac! Jacob and Rebekah, with a contemptuous disregard for family loyalty and honor, conspired to take advantage of Isaac's infirmity in order to steal the blessing meant for Esau, the firstborn. It was a thoroughly shabby performance, and justly aroused the intense anger of Esau who determined to lay violent hands upon his brother but not, however, until Isaac had died lest the old man's heart be broken.

To Esau's everlasting credit this vow to kill Jacob was smothered by the healing processes of time. One of the most touching traits of Esau is his magnanimity, his big-hearted capacity for forgiveness. The scene of the reunion of the brothers, after 20 years of separation, Esau running to meet Jacob, then embracing and kissing him, is unforgettable.

Of course in the famous passage chosen for our lesson, where Esau apparently sold his birthright for a mess of pottage, he appears, at first thought, in a bad light, as though he were a greedy glutton eager to sacrifice a future good for a merely temporary pleasure. But as Dr. Black shows, in his brilliant study of this scene, the bargain was not at all real. It was "a comedy of big children." They were fooling, joking. We can hear Esau's roar of laughter. He could not sell his birthright and did not do so. Jacob never received it. The incident is clearly a "mock auction." Esau here is a big boy having his bit of fun.

## GRIGGS HOSPITAL NEWS

Fred Alexander left the hospital Monday following an attack of pneumonia.

Henry Jones of Eula left the hospital Thursday following an appendix operation.

Mrs. W. L. Oshields of Lawn left the hospital Thursday.

Mrs. Lewis Hall of Baird had mastoid operation Tuesday night.

R. L. Griggs Jr. returned to the hospital last week.

Shelby Harvill of Oplin had skin grafting Sunday.

Bettie Sue Ray, daughter of Woodfin Ray, underwent tonsilectomy operation Saturday.

Mrs. C. A. Johnson of Denton, car wreck victims, was treated for lacerations Sunday.

Bennie Bryant was operated on for appendicitis Monday. Doing fine.

Mexican Frank, who was seriously burned two months ago, still improving.

Willard Eddington, Cross Plains, entered hospital for treatment of fractured ribs received at the stock pens Wednesday.

Jack Flores Sr. entered hospital Wednesday for surgical operation.

## THINK ON THESE THINGS

By C. C. Andrews

"For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office: So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another." Rom. 12th chapter.

In this chapter, and the 12th chapter of 1st Cor., Paul is comparing the different gifts bestowed on the members of the body of Christ, to the different officers of the members of the human body.

We think of the body of Christ, as being composed of "many members, and every one members one of another."

He says in the 6th verse, "Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith."

Following this, and in the 12th chapter of 1st Cor. are more than a dozen different spiritual gifts that God has bestowed upon the members, "dividing to every one severally as he will."

Embraced in these gifts, are all the needful other gifts for developing the body of Christ into more efficient service, each member abiding wherein God has called him.

Because some gifts are without worldly honour, we undertake to promote ourselves to some more honorable gift that is not given to us. Faithfulness with the gift you now possess will in due time, bring promotion from God, for it is pleasing to Him to promote those who "covet earnestly the best gifts."

What a wonderful progressive church we would have if all the members would follow their calling, in unity, in purpose, and in cooperation, as the members of the human body does.

Won't you read these two chapters now? You will be edified.

## SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE AGAINST REFORM

Senate judiciary committee composed of eighteen members voted an unfavorable report on the president's court reorganization bill, Tuesday. The vote being 8 for the bill and 10 against the bill. This bill was a bill to permit the president to appoint six new judges unless six of the present court should resign, and increase the membership of the court to fifteen members. The bill now goes to the floor of the senate, where it will likely be debated all summer. Those opposing the bill claim they have at least 50 members who will vote against raising the membership to fifteen and possibly 6 to 8 others who will vote with them.

## VAN DEVANTER RESIGNS FROM THE COURT

Associate justice of the Supreme Court, Willis Van Devanter, resigned from the bench Tuesday morning after serving 26 years. This gives Mr. Roosevelt his first appointment as a member of the highest court in the land, the United States Supreme Court. Mr. Van Devanter has been considered a conservative in the court. Until the beginning of the present term of the court last October, Van Devanter had voted against administrations or laws in litigation before the tribunal. The sole exception was in the Tennessee valley authority controversy, involving constitutionality of the act. When he was offered benefit payments under the AAA, he refused, stating that he had said the law had no legal standing and he would take nothing under its provisions.

## SCRANTON NOTES

W. J. Bush, agricultural vocational teacher, with his family left Friday for a 10 days vacation in East Texas. They will visit Mrs. Bush's mother near Nacadoches before their return.

Mrs. J. H. D. Fleming, Mrs. John Kellner and Mrs. John Cook of Putnam visited Mrs. Tom Rutherford Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. I. L. Gatt's has returned home after spending a week with her daughter, Mrs. Otis Edwards, at Hobbs, New Mexico.

Lieutenant Colman O'Brien, who is stationed at a C. C. C. camp in New Mexico, with Mrs. O'Brien and little son, are visiting home folks during their two weeks vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Buddie Reed of Eastland spent the week-end with Mrs. Reed's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sprawls.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Reese and Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Leveridge visited in Ovalo Sunday.

Mrs. W. E. Faires left Tuesday to visit her sister, Mrs. J. E. Burnam, who is ill in his home at 1141 Grape St., Abilene.

Coach Harris, with his family, left Saturday for Borger where Mr. Harris has work for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Rogers and children of Abilene were guests of relatives in Putnam Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Coffey and children of Cottonwood visited in the home of Mrs. Coffey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Everett, Sunday.

Mrs. C. E. Parsley and little son, Malcolm, returned to their home in Mineola Saturday after a visit of a week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Biggerstaff.

Today's incredible story is of the young engineering apprentice who, when asked what steel wool was, replied that it was the fleece of the hydraulic ram!

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## TEXAS VOTERS TO VOTE ON AIDING THE BLIND

The Texas voters will have a chance to vote on an amendment this summer to say whether they want to appropriate money for a broad program of aid to the blind and to dependent children as a consequence of the action of the Texas legislature Friday, when the senate voted 29 to 0, and the lower house voted 103 to 12 to submit two constitutional amendments, one dealing with the blind and other dealing with dependent children. State aid to children would be limited to \$1,500,000 per year, \$8 per month for a child and \$12 for a family. Maximum assistance to the blind would be \$15 per month.

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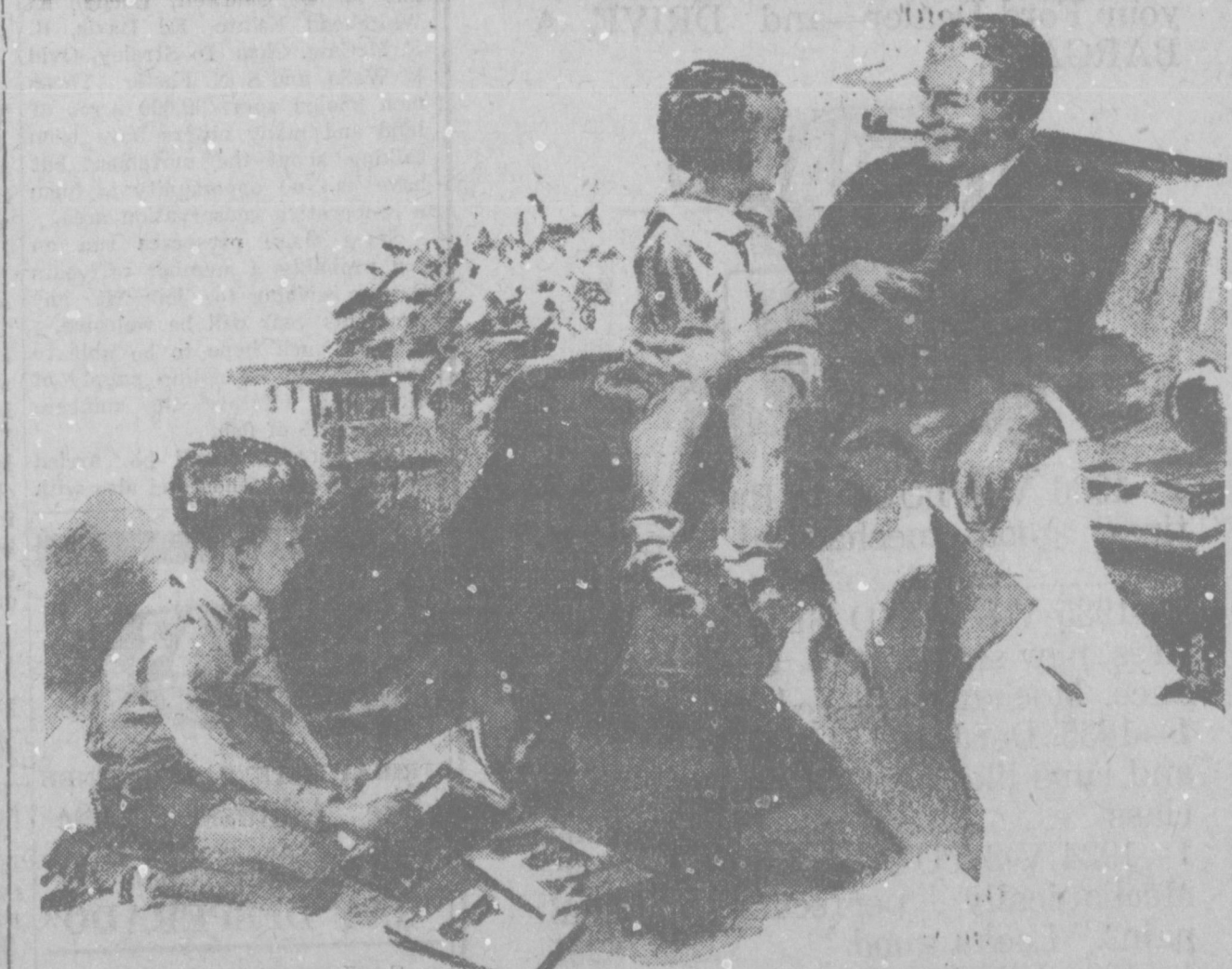
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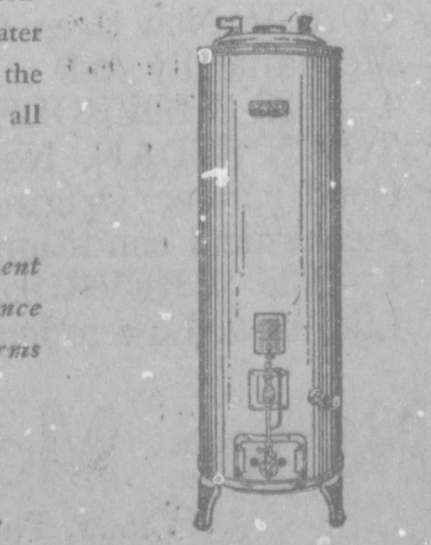
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**FARM NOTES**

**Walter F. Woodul Lauds County Agent Work—**  
The Honorable Walter F. Woodul, lieutenant-governor and president of the senate of Texas, wrote the county agent a very nice letter this week commending the Extension work as it is being carried on in the county. His letter follows:  
Lieutenant-Governor's Office, Austin, Texas.  
Mr. R. B. Jenkins, Baird, Texas.  
My Dear Mr. Jenkins:  
I have just read with a great deal of satisfaction and pleasure the report of Texas Extension work for 1936.  
When I read of the terracing work, improvement in homes, and the advancement generally fostered by you and the Extension Department I cannot help but feel that Texas is rapidly progressing. Our agricultural interest is the main interest of Texas.  
I cannot refrain from letting you know that I am one of the many watching your work of progress and applauding your efforts

and success.  
Sincerely yours,  
(Signed) Walter F. Woodul, Lieutenant-Governor.  
**Feeders' Day at Big Spring May 28th—**  
Mr. J. H. Greene, manager of the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce, invites all interested cattle feeders to be guests on May 28th at Big Spring. His letter follows:  
Chamber of Commerce, Big Spring, Texas, May 14, 1937.  
Mr. R. B. Jenkins, County Agent, Baird Texas.  
Dear Mr. Jenkins:  
The annual Feeders' Day meeting will be held at the United States Experiment Station, Big Spring, Texas, Friday, May 28. This meeting comes at the close of this year's feeding experiments and is held for the purpose of discussing the results of the test and also to give those who are interested in feeding work an opportunity to observe the results obtained from feeding West Texas cattle, West Texas feed.  
The morning part of the meeting will be devoted to inspection

of the cattle and having them appraised by a representative of the stock yards.  
After lunch a short program will be held at which time the results of the test will be discussed by representatives of Texas A. & M. College.  
Other problems of interest to the cattlemen will be discussed at this time.  
Lunch will be served at the noon hour. Come and bring your friends.  
Yours very truly,  
(Signed) J. H. Greene, Mgr., Big Spring Chamber of Commerce.  
**Roy Kendrick Made President Callahan Agricultural Ass'n.**  
At a meeting of members of the Texas Agricultural Association, Callahan county chapter, Mr. Roy Kendrick of Denton was named permanent president for the county. He has been serving as temporary chairman for the past three months. Mr. Earl C. Hays of Clyde was elected vice-president and Ed Davis of Admiral was elected secretary-treasurer. Mr. Kendrick announced that there are now eighty-seven members to the association and reports that men are handing in their \$2.00 membership fee most every day.  
Mr. Ed Davis requested this column announce that any persons he had not seen who intended to become a member of the association could either hand the fee to him or leave it at the county agent's office where he would pick it up and give due credit each Saturday. He pointed out that members in this association not only were helping the other farmers of the state to maintain a man now in Washington on the committee that is drawing the new permanent agricultural law but also would entitle each member to two farm magazines that are worth the price of membership for either of them.  
Mr. Kendrick said that as soon as an opportune time arrived that each community that has ten or more paid members will be organized into a community unit of the Callahan chapter.  
**Wild Life Conservation Area is Stated—**  
At a meeting of about 30 farmers and ranchers at Baird Saturday it was decided to form a wild life conservation area or game preserve as suggested by the Texas A. & M. Extension Service.  
These preserves will be marked by appropriate markers showing such land in these areas and it is hoped that the land-owners all over the county join the move started Saturday. Among the first signers to request a demonstration area be declared were Messrs. Tom Windham, H. A. McWhorter, H. W. Caldwell, Lucile K. Whitehead Estate, Ed Davis, B. F. McCaw, Chas. D. Straley, Ovid E. Wells, and S. N. Foster. These men pooled some 30,000 acres of land and many others have been talking about the movement but have had no opportunity to form a cooperative conservation area.  
Since these preserves run on for probably a number of years anyone wishing to join at any time this year will be welcome.  
These men hope to be able to build up our dwindling supply of birds and improve the numbers and quality of fish.  
Demonstrations will be carried on with farm ponds and also with

streams in the way of promoting better fishing which will include construction of dams, setting of vegetation, stocking and protection. The work with birds will be to provide measures to increase their feeding grounds, increase the number and afford protection both from being shot and eradication of natural enemies.  
**Farm and Ranch Sign-up Greater than in 1936—**  
The farm and ranch sign up closed May 15th with a total of 742 work sheets and ranch applications for inspection made. The largest acreage ever signed up under any of the government programs is included this year because of the inclusion of the ranches. Six hundred eight work sheets were signed on farms and one hundred thirty-four ranchers were signed.  
As high as five small farms have been included this year under one work sheet whereas they each stood alone in 1936.  
**4-H Boy to Make Peanut Experiment—**  
Lerna Dale Scott of the Denton 4-H club is going to plant five acres to peanuts. On three acres he will treat the seed with nitrogen which cause a fixation of free nitrogen to the soil which increases the yield from 10 to 50 per cent over untreated seed. On one acre he will treat the seed with Ceresan to see if peanuts are bothered with any of the fungus diseases killed by this chemical. On the fifth acre he will plant peanuts with no treatment of any kind. This experiment will be watched closely by the county agent and boys who are growing peanuts. This is the first experiment of this nature the county agent has learned of and hopes that others will do this kind of experimental testing.  
**Earl Shirley Gets Hampshire Boar—**  
Through the courtesy of Mr. Joe R. Mayes, one of the 4-H club boys, Earl Shirley of Putnam, was able to exchange a grade pig for a pure bred Hampshire boar that had been given to Mr. Mayes. This pig weighs about 90 pounds and is one out of the litter of the registered gilt bought by a 4-H boy, John Fred Alexander, of Baird. She is from the famous Caraway farms of De Leon.  
Earl plans to keep this young sire on his farm and to be of special service to the club boys who are purchasing pure bred Hampshire gilts. This addition to the hog family will be of economic importance to the hog breeders in and around Putnam because this is an outstanding young sire.

**SHAW RELIEVED OF POST AT NEW LONDON**  
W. C. Shaw, the tragic figure in the New London school explosion, was relieved Friday of the superintendency of the New London independent district. The board stated they acted from the standpoint of the best interest of the schools as they were numbers of patrons that wanted a change while there was an equal number that wanted to retain Mr. Shaw. The board felt that it would be for the best interest of the school to select a new superintendent. The board stated that the explosion was purely an accident and that they did not blame Mr. Shaw in any way and felt that he should be exonerated in every way.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Burnside and children of Eastland were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Elzay and family Sunday.

J. B. Brandon returned home Wednesday after about ten days visiting in Crane and Midland with Charlie and Jack Brandon.

**SENATE REDUCES SOIL EROSION APPROPRIATION**  
The United States senate reduced the appropriation for soil erosion by \$60,000,000 whereas the President proposed making an appropriation of \$500,000,000 for soil erosion and it had passed the house in that form. It now has to go to the free conference committee, and there is no telling what will be brought out. If the amended bill making an appropriation of only \$440,000,000 for soil conservation is finally passed it will reduce the benefit payments to farmers by from ten to fifteen percent from what they estimated they will get at the present time.

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**MRS. DANSBY GETS LIFE SENTENCE**  
Mrs. L. Dansby was convicted Thursday in the 104th district court of Abilene and given a life sentence on a charge of murdering Mrs. J. T. King. The defendant was represented by Walter S. Pope and Gray Brown of Abilene. Motion for a new trial was asked by Mrs. Dansby's attorneys. They contend that the evidence submitted is at variance with the allegations in the indictment. The indictment charges that Mrs. Dansby mixed strychnine with lemonade and the second court charges Mrs. Dansby with causing Mrs. King to swallow the lemonade. The attorneys contended the state did not prove either one of the charges.  
His Demand  
A prominent politician, who had just taken part in an election where the voting was found to be illegal, was called up on the telephone one day and informed he was the father of triplets.  
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**Jack Cook, Miss Jo Pounds, Miss Lillian Cook, and W. P. Everett were visitors in Brownwood Sunday.**

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