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MAJOR AND INDEPENDENT COMPANIES ARE CHECKERBOARDING ALL AREAS AROUND EVERY WILDCAT DEEP TEST

Clay County Leader.
Leasing of Clay County lands for oil and gas exploration, continues at a brisk rate. The larger oil and gas companies, including most of the major and independent concerns who operate in Texas, have purchased production acreage in various parts of Clay County. Much checkerboarding has been done in the Beggs and Halsell areas, also in the North and East of Henrietta, with a good play of leasehold activities in the area between the Kempner and Mablean sections. Location has been made for 5000 foot test in S W corner of Block 44, Kemper lands, Bosque County School and survey, Abstract 10. This well will be drilled by Wood & Wood of Oklahoma City, the acreage having been obtained through Linn Boyd and Fred Gates of Wichita Falls. Location has also been made for 1000 foot test on C. H. McClenahan lands, about two miles N W of Mabledean, well to be drilled by Deep Oil and Development Company of Wichita Falls. This company is one of the most active in this area, having large production in the KMA pool and Chalk Hill in Archer County. The Company has a number of stockholders in Clay County who have received good dividends from their stock. It is a Texas company, financed with oil wells and Henrietta has been very active for the past two weeks, due to the fact that Russell and Bowen of Oklahoma City have secured a large block of acreage adjoining the Henrietta city limits on the Southwest, and will begin the drilling of a deep test well on this structure within the next 30 days.
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House Warming For Agriculture Building To Be Held Feb. 12

The Henrietta Chamber of Commerce and the Commissioner's court of Clay County will hold a house warming at the new Agricultural building Saturday, Feb. 12th.

Several speakers will be there and music by out of town bands as well as the local band will furnish music for the occasion. There will be an automobile show and a free lunch. Everyone is extended a cordial invitation to be present.

Petrolia Boy On Debate Team For Weatherford Col.

Weatherford, Jan. 18—The Weatherford College debaters opened the 1938 season in good form this week-end, competing in the annual Baylor University Invitation Forensic Tournament at Waco, January 14 and 15. The College's first team, Cecil Poplin, of Petrolia, and R. A. Moran of Mineral Wells entered the quarter final rounds by defeating teams from Austin College, North Texas Teachers, St. Mary's University, Tyler Junior College, Southwest Texas Teachers.

Poplin, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Poplin of Petrolia, is showing up well as a freshman on the Weatherford squad, although most of the opposition he and his teammates have faced has been that of senior colleges. In addition to his showing in debate, Poplin was entered in the Baylor tournament as an extemporaneous speaker. He is president of the freshman class and vice-president of the Demosthenic Literary Society at Weatherford College. Sam Householder, Jr., of Byers, Weatherford debate coach, accompanied the squad to Waco.

James Graves, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Graves, of Byers, was a member of one of the Weatherford teams, which defeated Paris Junior College in the preliminaries.

Petrolia Girl Is Member of N. T. S. T. C.'s. Debate Club

Weatherford, Jan. 18—Miss Faye Cooper, sophomore at N. T. S. T. C. at Denton, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Cooper of Petrolia, was a member of the Denton team which took second honors in the junior college division at the Baylor University Invitation Debate Tournament at Waco, January 14 and 15. Miss Cooper had a brilliant four years' record in the Wichita Falls district as debater from Petrolia High School. In addition to placing in debate in the Baylor tournament she reached the finals in the extemporaneous speech contests.

Go to church Sunday!

F. F. A. Boys Hold Supper At Byers

The Byers Future Farmers of America were hosts at a supper Thursday evening at the high school Home Economics room. Oscar Dodson of Chillicothe, state president of the FFA was the honored guest for the occasion.

The supper was prepared by the boys, assisted by A. A. Tampe, Vocational Instructor.

Entertainment for the evening was furnished by the musicians in the organization.

COVERED DISH BANQUET ATTENDED BY LARGE CROWD AT M. E. CHURCH

A large crowd gathered for the Church-Wide Banquet at the Methodist church Wednesday night, Jan. 19. The menu was furnished by the people of the church in covered-dish style and in great abundance.

After introduction of the heads of the various groups within the church by Rev. L. G. Hagard, Mr. N. T. Ganieš spoke as a layman on the Aldersgate Commemoration.

Rev. R. G. Mood, one time pastor of the local church, and now pastor of the Methodist church in Electra, brought the closing message on John Wesley and the Aldersgate Experience in a most inspiring way. Everyone felt something of the power of his message.

Misses Billy Gene Glasgow and Mary Ruth Elkins sang with Mrs. L. G. Hagard at the piano.

Mr. E. Lynn led the entire group in a sing-song.

Mr. J. G. Younger led the choir in singing "Standing In the Need of Prayer."

Although the weather was very inclement, over one hundred and fifty were present, and this was pronounced a most decided success by all present, and many expressions for other meetings of this sort were heard.

Mrs. Jim Hall and son were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Hodges last week.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Daniels, Jan. 1, 1938, boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Vick, Jan. 8, 1938, boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. James R. Burns, Jan. 10, 1938, boy.

Pay Your Poll Tax—NOW!

J. V. BOYD IN RACE FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER

J. V. (Jim) Boyd authorizes us to announce him as a candidate for County Commissioner, Precinct No. 1, subject to the July 23 Primary election.

Mr. Boyd needs no introduction to the voters in Precinct No. 1 from us, as he has lived in Clay County and in this precinct for the past 32 years, coming from Ellis County in 1905.

During these 32 years, Mr. Boyd has served on the school boards of Henrietta and Willow Springs for more than 20 years. For six years, 1927 to 1932 inclusive, he served as County Commissioner of his home precinct. He also served as investigator for the Old Age Assistance Commission during the formative stages of this organization. He knows and is known by all the citizens of the entire county and especially in his home precinct, No. 1, which he seeks to serve.

Four years ago Mr. Boyd was defeated for this important office by only 12 votes in the runoff and did not seek to contest the election, but has waited his turn and now asks the voters and citizens to lend him their support and influence in his race for commissioner and assures everyone he will fulfill the duties of the office by giving his entire time and attention to the work. He will appreciate your vote and expects to see all the voters during the campaign.

Football Banquet To Be Held Tonight

Tonight, Jan. 21st, is the night of the Football banquet. The football mothers are sponsoring this banquet and the football queen, Miss Ruth Woods, will be crowned as the main feature.

Frank Selvidge will be master of ceremonies at this banquet to be held in the Henrietta High School auditorium.

Three minute talks by football fans will also be featured.

Mr. Lynn Hughes arrived home Sunday on furlough from the U. S. Navy. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Hughes.

Bobby Gant will enter Hardin Junior College at Wichita Falls Monday.



ABOLISH ALL HOLDING COMPANIES

Last Friday the President at his press conference came out in favor of abolition of all holding companies. He did not indicate what form of legislation he favored to bring about this result, whether through taxation, license, or through attempted regulation. No doubt, the President will clarify his position regarding same in the near future. His statement regarding holding companies is of interest because of his conferences last week with the utility groups, which included Mr. Carpenter of Dallas. His company is one of those affected by such legislation.

TAX REFORM

The Subcommittee studying tax reform made their report to the full Committee of the Ways and Means, last Friday recommending 63 different tax reforms. Some of these proposed tax changes would:

Retain the principle of the undivided profits tax in modified form on 10 per cent of the Nation's corporations, earning more than \$25,000 annually.

Exempt from any undivided profits levy 90 per cent of the corporations, all in the less-than \$25,000 class, and substitute more graduated normal rates.

Give out sharpness of present capital gains tax, favoring those with a net income above \$60,000, with the minimum 40 per cent tax reached on assets held for five years instead of 10 years.

Gives much more liberal deductions for capital losses.

Eliminate a present requirement that capital gains of wealthy individuals be forced into highest surtax brackets, with an alternative flat tax provided.

Moderate reforms throughout seem to favor the wealthy and fail to eliminate many loop holes previously pointed out. The report fails to contain statistical information from the Treasury Department to support recommendations of the Subcommittee. Report fails to indicate the attitude of the Treasury Department or the President regarding the Subcommittee's recommendations on the proposed radical changes in our tax laws on undistributed profits and Capital Gains.

Hearings started Monday on

the new so-called tax reform bill and it is known the Tax Bill will have the right of way in the House as soon as they decide to report same, which is now believed to be next Monday, the 24th.

It will now be interesting to hear what the Treasury Department has to say regarding the recommendations of the Subcommittee, in view of the President's statement last Monday on taxation:

"We should rightly change certain provisions where they are proven to work definite hardship, especially on the small businessmen of the Nation. But speculative income should not be favored over earned income.

"Our conclusion must be that, while proven hardships should be corrected, they should not be corrected in such a way as to restore abuses already terminated or to shift a greater burden to the less fortunate."

The President closed his Message last Monday with these statements:

"I do not propose to let the people down. I am sure the Congress of the United States will not let the people down."

It will be interesting to follow the hearings and learn if possible, what the Records of the Revenue Department show as to the operation and effect, if any, the undistributed profits Tax and Capital Gains Tax have had upon the recession, if any, now confronting us.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATIONS BILL

This Bill passed the House on January 11th, giving the President broad power to veto individual items in appropriation bill. Items deleted by the President would be sent back to Congress within 60 days and if not passed over the President's veto would become effective after that time. Upon the President's signature the remainder of the bill would become a law. This Presidential individual item veto amendment was presented by the Chairman of the Subcommittee without having previously considered same in his Subcommittee nor the full Appropriations Committee, and with a very small number present in the House. Last Thursday at a full meeting of the Appropriations Committee, the Committee repudiated the action and called upon the Senate Appropriations Committee to eliminate this veto amendment.

Those favoring the amendment claim it will allow the President to veto unnecessary and ill-advised appropriations, while those opposing the amendment claim it will place a club

AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT OF SATURDAY NIGHT PROVES FATAL TO D. A. FRANCE

Last Saturday night about seven-thirty D. A. France, truck-driver from Sulphur Springs was injured in an accident just outside of the residential section of Henrietta.

France was driving a Ford truck loaded with hay and feed and stopped just about half way off the Bowie highway to inspect the rear of the truck. Another truck, driven by Perry Bunt of Marshall going in the same direction that France was headed started around him and the lights of a car coming toward them both blinded him. Bunt crashed into the rear of the parked truck also hitting France.

France suffered a fractured shoulder and collar bone and lacerations about the face. He was taken to a Wichita Falls General Hospital where he died Tuesday night at 6:45.

Mr. France was a well known business man in Sulphur Springs. The body was taken funeral home where it was taken in charge by a Sulphur Springs pending funeral arrangements.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION ANNOUNCED

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced open competitive examinations for the following positions:

Fire co-operation specialist, \$3,800 a year, U. S. Forest Service.

Principal plant physiologist, \$5,600 a year, Bureau of Plant Industry.

Full information may be obtained from Lem Ashinhurst,

in the hands of the President that will enable him to force through legislation and impose upon Members of Congress through such power and in this way destroy Representative Government.

Joy Faculty Will Present Play Tonight

The Joy faculty is putting their annual faculty play at tonight. This is to be a three comedy, "Meet Uncle Sally, she a man or is he a girl?"

Love and romance hit a high in this hilarious comedy with characters so engrossed in their roles that for weeks after this play is over you continue to think of them these same roles.

The play will begin promptly at 7:30 p. m. so buy tickets early and hold on your hats for a high hilarious, side-splitting evening at the Joy high school. Admission, 10c - 15c.

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Miss Ruby E. Hayden, Clay County Home Demonstration Agent.

COUNTY COUNCIL MEETS

The Clay County Home Demonstration Council held their meeting Saturday, January 15, 9 p. m. in the district court room, with the chairman presiding.

There were thirteen voting members representing eight of eleven clubs and three visitors present.

Our club women are becoming more and more good business women, that is, we are able to hold our meetings, dispose of our business in an orderly fashion and feel that it is systematic. Council delegates will report to clubs the business carried on in council.

The new Year books were distributed Saturday to be distributed and studied for the coming year. Demonstrations for this year are bedroom improvements and wardrobe, both of which are very interesting and we are sure will be helpful to our club members.

The following standing committees were appointed by council chairman.

Business: (Finance) Mrs. Doyl Mount, Mrs. R. C. Shackelford, Mrs. Pearl Terrell. (Year Book) Mrs. C. N. Powell, Mrs. M. Turner and Mrs. Nora Wright. (Exhibit) Mrs. A. H. Witte, Mrs. Mut Reeves and Mrs. D. W. Fuller. (Expansion) Miss Fannie Vaughn, Miss Irene Durham, Mrs. Ralph Brixey and Mrs. Pearl Terrell.

Special: (Education) Mrs. Clifford Brister, Mrs. Johnnie Barrar and Mrs. Tom Chappell. (Recreation) Ms. R. C. Shackelford, Mrs. C. N. Powell and Mrs. Doyl Mount. (4-H Sponsors) Miss Hazel Short, Mrs. Aston Howell and Mrs. Bill Edwards. (Tree and Shrub Exchange) Mrs. A. H. Witte, Miss Vera Chappell and Mrs. G. E. Edwards. We are proud of our council and hope each club will be responsible for seeing that its president and council delegate has a way to come to council to help carry on the work council has to do.

New London

Our club started the new year with an all day quilting last Wednesday, at the home of Mrs. C. C. Boyles. Each one brought a covered dish and at noon a delicious lunch was served.

The new president, Mrs. R. C. Shackelford, presided over a short business session in the afternoon.

Members present were: Mesdames Frank Borgman, Ben O'Neal, R. W. Scudder, L. F.

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Strealy, Jim Weatherford, R. C. Shackelford, and Misses Mary O'Neal, Fannie and Mattie Vaughn.

New members were Mesdames V. M. Burkett, Clint Robinson, M. C. Slaughter, Bill Slaughter, Rollie Wells, John Poore, Roy Pressley, and Misses Beth Borgman and Vada Lou Poore, and the hostess, Mrs. C. C. Boyles.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 26th at the home of Mrs. Jim Weatherford.

DOSS

Mrs. J. M. Turner was hostess to the Doss Home Demonstration club Thursday January 13, in the afternoon.

The house was called to order by president, and after the business session Miss Ruby E. Hayden, Clay County Home Demonstration Agent, made a very interesting discussion of the work for the year.

Clothing and bedroom furnishings are the major goals for the year. Becoming styles and fabrics for the tall slim, and the stout, woman were discussed, as also brands and labels of ready to wear garments.

The importance of keeping a tabulated check of expense, and condition of clothing on hand was stressed.

The first important item in the well equipped bedroom is the bed. The mattress must be in good condition, must have mattress pad and cover, three good sheets and comfortable bed covers, for cold and warm weather.

Miss Hayden stressed the importance of every member of the club being a good cooperator, as the president cannot make the club, neither can the demonstrators make the club, but all working together can make a one hundred per cent club.

Refreshments of doughnuts and hot tea were served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Marie Lemons.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. J. M. Pirtle, January 27th.

Win an income for life! You still have time to enter The American Weekly Reader Test competition. Complete details on page 2 of the American Weekly the magazine distributed with Next Sunday's Chicago Herald and Examiner.

Jimmy Gerdes of Wichita Falls has returned home after a visit here with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gerdes.

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Sunday School

There was a large crowd out to Sunday school Sunday. We had our new piano and also our new literature. Everyone come back next Sunday.

Personals

Mr. Bill Carmichael was home from Arlington Sunday.

Mrs. Story of Henrietta visited her mother, Mrs. J. M. Williams of this community, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Roderick and son of Iowa Park spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Roderick.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Fookes and children spent Sunday afternoon with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Meurial Drummond of Wichita Falls.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this means of expressing our sincere thanks to our many kind neighbors and friends for their help and comforting words in the death of our loved one. May God bless each one of you, is our prayer.

Clarence Rhodes and daughter Mr. and Mrs. L. Jones and family

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METHODIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY MEETING

The The Missionary Society of the First Methodist church held its regular meeting Monday afternoon. Mrs. Ona Hopkins, president, presided. After the devotional a short business session was held. The Life of John Wesley was continued as their study work.

Papers were read by Mesdames H. D. Vaughter and Alma Henderson. The meeting closed with a prayer.

The following members were present: Mesdames Sam Householder, Bertha Dunn, Smally, Alma Henderson, H. D. Vaughter, C. E. Harding, Stewart O'Dell and Ona Hopkins.

ASBURY UNION HELD MEETING AT BYERS

The Asbury union held its regular monthly meeting Monday night at the Byers First Methodist church. The young people of Henrietta were in charge of the program.

Fifty young people from various places of the district were present. Refreshments were served to the group during the social hour from Wichita Falls, Petrolia, Henrietta and Byers.

METHODIST MET WITH MRS. GRAVES MONDAY

—Clay County Leader.

The Methodist Missionary Society was entertained at the home of Mrs. J. H. Graves Monday afternoon with Mrs. S. A. Carr and Mrs. Oscar Graves, co-hostesses.

"More Love to Thee" was sung and Mrs. O. R. Dorsey brought an inspirational devotional on "We Finish to Begin" using Phil. 3 13:14. Mrs. Hagard gave a vocal number, "My Task" accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Chas. Graham. Mrs. C. C. Elkins read two poems, "Questions" and "Pronouns". The social hour preceded the serving of refreshments to Mesdames: John Glasgow, Will Kosanke, O. R. Dorsey, D. B. Davis, C. C. Elkins, Glen Younger, J. G. Hayes, B. A. Weaver, Chas.

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P. T. A. MEETING HELD TUESDAY

The Parent Teacher Association met Jan. 18 in the high school auditorium, with Mrs. Kosanke, presiding.

A sing song was enjoyed by the assembly.

Mrs. Richardson gave a very interesting discussion on "Why the Class Rooms of the Ward Building should be Lighted with Artificial Lights."

The P. T. A. will sponsor a play some time in February, with all proceeds to go for this worth while cause.

Program
Topics — Thrift.
Songs — First, second and third grade Boys and Girls.
Reading — Dorothy Bragg.
Thrift — Mrs. Glenn Younger.
Perseverance — Rev. Paul J. Merrill.

Miss Barclay's room received the dollar for the largest number of parents present.

BAPTIST W. M. U. STUDY THE STORY OF AMERICAN NEGRO

The Baptist W. M. U. took their lesson from their mission study book, The Story of the American Negro, this week for their regular meeting.

Mrs. W. C. Parrish taught the lesson and Mrs. G. A. Hembree read the devotional, Psalms 93. Mrs. E. L. Moody followed Mrs. Hembree with a prayer and before the lesson was called to order, several hymns were sung. Mrs. R. M. Gant dismissed them with prayer. There were 14 present.

LOCAL METHODIST GROUP ATTENDED FR. ASBURY UNION AT BYERS

—The Clay County Leader
A group of Henrietta Methodists attended the East-Side District meeting of the Francis Asbury Union in Byers Monday night. Miss Ruth Worthington, of Stanfield, is President of the Union, and Rev. L. G. Hagard, is Sponsor. The meeting was held at the Byers Methodist Church, and an interesting program was rendered.

Those attending from Henrietta were: Rev. L. G. Hagard and son, Luther Guy, K. C. Cummins, Gene Whitley; Misses Ruth Worthington, Artelle and Geneva Looney, Leobelle Pope and Gloria Langford and Mrs. L. C. Worthington.

MRS. B. A. WEAVER HOSTESS TO CLUB

Mrs. B. A. Weaver was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Chas. Graham received high score and Mrs. Hugh Dunn of Pilot Point received the guest prize.

DR. GEO. W. TRUETT UNITES VERA MUNKRES AND DON HOHENSTEIN

—The Clay County Leader.
The many friends of Mr. Don Hohenstein and Miss Vera Munkres are pleased to learn they were married in Dallas, Jan. 17, by Dr. George W. Truett, pastor of the First Baptist church, and are honeymooning in Dallas.

This popular young couple have scores of friends in Clay county who join The Leader offering best wishes for a long and happy married life.

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Students of Texas U. Participate In Intramural Sports

Austin, Jan. 20—Nearly five hundred more men students participated in intramural sports activities last fall than a year ago, according to Berry M. Whitaker, director of intramural athletics for men, who estimates that 50 per cent of the men who attend the University participate in organized intramural athletics and that 20 per cent share in the unorganized program. The intramural program supplements intercollegiate athletics which give the superior athlete a chance to compete with players from other colleges, and the program of the department of physical education which provides training in sports for all University students.

Competing in the program of the fall quarter, which has just an increase of 474 over the fall ended, were 3,703 contestants, intramural office show that 877 term of last year. Records of the men played playground ball, 1,059 participated in touch football, and 638 in tennis doubles.

Sports scheduled on the intramural calendar for the winter quarter, which opened in December and will continue until "Fite Nite," March 16, are basketball, handball singles, volleyball, water polo, ping pong, handball team, boxing, wrestling, and fencing. Teams entered in basketball number 121, compared with 117 last year; and handball singles entries total 611, compared with 117 last year; and handball singles entries total 611, compared with 541 last year.

Unorganized intramural recreation includes both indoor and outdoor facilities. The student may swim at the Gregory Gymnasium pool each afternoon from 3 until 5 o'clock or may reserve tennis courts, space for golf practice, or playing fields for football, baseball, softball, or horseshoe pitching. Equipment such as balls, bats, punching bags, boxing gloves, ping pong paddles, or horseshoes are issued from the gymnasium store room for use on University playing fields or for a weekend picnic away from Austin.

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"THE REST OF THE RECORD"

BY JAMES V. ALLRED
Governor of Texas

As this is written I have just returned from Bismarck, the capital of the State of North Dakota, where I spoke at the Jackson Day dinner. I found many enthusiastic Democrats there, and according to all reports the people are overwhelmingly behind President Roosevelt, just as they are in this State.

Incidentally, when I saw the President in Washington recently he appeared to be in the best health and happiest spirits of any time I have ever seen him. He seemed to appreciate it when I told him that the people of this State were behind him almost 100 per cent.

"Pay your poll tax!" That should be the slogan of all good citizens from now until February first.

One of the most important offices filled by vote of the people is that of Lieutenant-Governor. Generally little attention is paid to it by the voters, but it is a powerful office.

The Lieutenant-Governor presides over the State Senate and appoints the various senate committees. This is especially important when a conference committee is appointed. The Lieutenant-Governor's rulings can generally determine whether a bill is to pass or not pass. For this reason you can see how important it is.

Several candidates are being discussed, though none have made a formal announcement. Among them are:

1. Senator Will D. Pace, of Tyler, who is chairman of the State Affairs committee, where all the tax bills died during the regular session of the legislature. At the beginning of the regular session Senator Pace voted against race track gambling, but later switched to the other side and voted with the gambling crowd all the way during the remainder of the regular session; and even in the special session when the race track gambling law was repealed.

2. Coke Stevenson, who was twice elected speaker of the House by the Ferguson forces; and whose ruling as speaker first made it possible to legalize race track gambling.

3. Senator Wilbourne Collie, who voted for repeal; and

4. Senator G. H. Nelson, of Lubbock, who introduced the bill to outlaw race track gambling and successfully pushed it through.

That is part of the records of those who have been discussed as candidates. If definite announcements are made I shall be glad to give you "the rest of the record" as to the records of these gentlemen from time to time.

Regardless of whom you expect to vote for, for Governor, for Lieutenant-Governor, or for any other office—"Pay Your Poll Tax!"

Sanitation Project Will Employ 20

Twenty works progress administration workers have been assigned to a WPA sanitation project, sponsored by the state department of health, which was started throughout Clay county Thursday, according to W. E. Sheppard, district supervisor of community sanitation and malaria control for the

state department.

The project, similar to one now operating in Wichita county, provides for the installation of sanitary pit-type toilets, replacing the disease-spreading open-surface type, Sheppard said. Services of the project are available to all persons.

Total cost to the property owner for the approved type toilet is \$21.75, for material and the labor being furnished free, and if an individual has any material on hand it can be used to reduce the expense, Sheppard stated.

The approved type construction meets the requirements of the standard milk ordinance and its installation is being urged at all dairies in the two counties, the official declared.

Information can be obtained from C. A. Purcell at the county barn, precinct one, in Wichita or from Dr. T. K. Jones, county health officer, Sheppard said.

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Ham Douglas,

TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR.

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Fat Stockshow To Feature Wildest Rodeo Livestock

Fort Worth, Jan. 20—From Mexico, the mountain range of the West and the coastal plains of Texas will be assembled the wildest of the rodeo livestock for the forty-second annual Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, which will be held in Fort Worth, March 11 to 20.

Manager John B. Davis, believing that the success of the rodeo depends largely upon the animals, has gone to extra pains to gather in sturdy calves, steers and vicious broncos. Many of them have never been ridden or conquered by man. Seventy head of bulldogging steers have been brought from Mexico.

Thrills and spills were promised when the cowboys vie with the rodeo stock this year.

Verne Elliott of Johnstown, Colo., and Eddie McCarty of Hugwater, Wyo., have contacted to bring 120 bucking horses to the rodeo. In the lot will be new horses with outlaw reputations to make. The chutes also will be opened for many of the old favorites—bad horses that have caused contestants to suffer nightmares in past years.

The rodeo prize list of approximately \$10,000, in addition to entrance fees for various events, have been mailed out to contestants throughout the U. S.

E. A. Trowbrodge of Columbia, Mo., has been named judge of the horse show to be held in connection with the rodeo. He is nationally known as a livestock and horse show judge.

Texas Methodism lost a true and able apostle in the passing last Friday of Rev. A. D. Porter at Fort Worth. He was in every

American Legion Plans Building

The Orin S. Carlon Legion Post and Auxillary of Henrietta have for several months been considering building an American Legion home here. Definite steps toward the realization of these considerations were made at the committee meeting Tuesday evening of last week.

Committees have been appointed in both the Legion and Auxillary to work on the plans, cost, possibilities, feasibilities, and probabilities of this building.

The tentative plans on the building are that the building will be of native stone, built in an L shape about 24 x 40 feet.

Every member of the Legion and Auxillary of this county are to consider themselves a committee of one to create interest in their community for this building.

The Building Committee from the Auxillary consists of: Mrs. C. J. Sherrill, General Chairman; Mrs. Ben Ingram, President of the Auxillary, Ex-officio chairman; Mrs. Nellie Bates Green; Mrs. W. I. Howard, Mrs. B. A. Weaver; Mrs. Glenn Younger and Mrs. Cleo Snearly.

The Building Committee from the Legion consists of: Dr. C. J. Sherrill, General Chairman; J. G. Younger, Post Commander, Ex-officio Chairman; W. I. Howard; B. A. Weaver and Tom J. Green.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Thaxton of Burkburnett visited Mr. and Mrs. Grover Thaxton and family Sunday.

Go to church Sunday!

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sense of the word a good man. He had served as Presiding Elder at Waco, Brownwood and Corsicana.

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We take this means of extending our sincere thanks to our neighbors and friends who were so thoughtful and kind to us during the illness and passing of our dear mother, Mrs. James Henry.

For the beautiful floral offerings we also extend our sincere thanks.

We shall always hold you people in grateful remembrance.
Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hilgenfeld;
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thompson;
Mr. and Mrs. Howard Henry;
Ferriss Heny;
and Maggie and Frank.

CARD OF THANKS

We extend sincere thanks to our friends and neighbors who were so kind to us during our recent misfortune, when our home was destroyed by fire, Dec. 30th.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. McKee and family, New London.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Journal is authorized to announce the following candidates, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, July 23, 1938:

For Congress:
W. D. McFARLANE

For District Clerk:
JESSIE C. CHESNUTT

For Sheriff:
E. P. BOMAR (Re-election)
FRED F. HILBURN

For Assessor-Collector:
HOLLIS B. MOORE
HARVE ROLLINS

For Co. Commissioner Prec. 1:
J. C. PAYNE
(Re-election.)
J. V. BOYD

For County Clerk:
LAWRENCE NUCKOLLS
E. L. (Ernest) HODGE
WAYNE LEFEVRE

For Co. Treasurer:
DAVE H. UTLEY
(Re-election)
BETTIE GARRISON

Kiwanis Club Held Banquet Last Night

The Kiwanis Club installed their new officers last night at the annual Kiwanis Banquet held in the basement of the Christian church. A large number of Kiwanians and their wives or guests were present.

A more detailed account of the banquet will appear next week.

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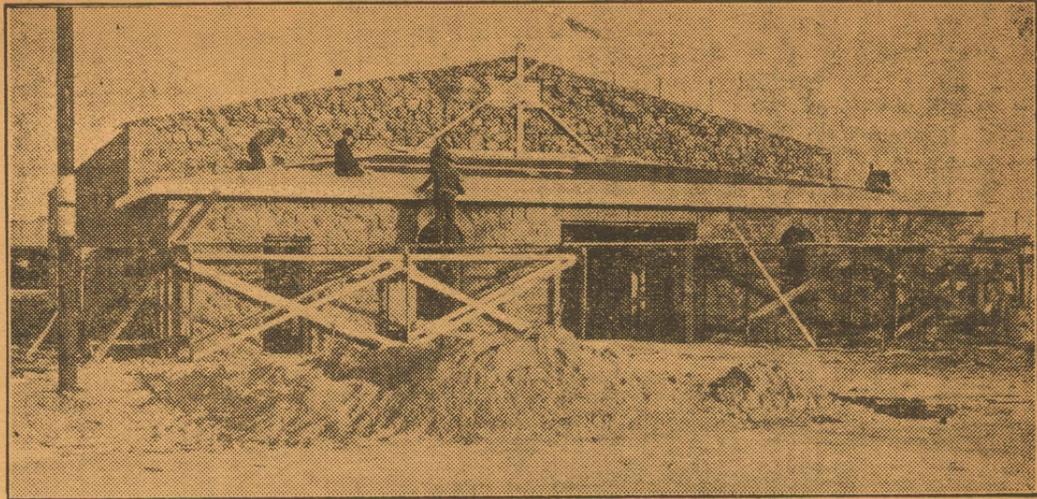
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JUST CRUISING

(By the Captain)

One of the most interesting "News" releases that reaches our desk each week is the "Industrial News Review" edited and published by E. Hofer & Sons, 1220 S. W. Morrison St., Portland, Oregon. Their releases deal with everything in the industrial line, including railroads, utilities of all kinds, chain stores, etc., and they usually cover their subjects most thoroughly in every article they send out. In this week's release they have several fine articles which deal with conditions of finances, labor, stock exchange organization and dealing, supreme court rulings, TVA matters, and others. They caution against too much "government in business,"—which is a most timely warning, and after reading their fine articles one can but wonder "why" they have not also long ago taken up the fact that our country was continually "boarding ourselves right out of existence!" By this we mean we have a "board" for the regulation of this, a board for the regulation of that, and if you can name any kind of business or public endeavor nowadays which is not antagonized by the regulations promulgated by some board, the membership of which board is usually made up in most cases of people who know little, if much, regarding the matter in hand, you are a smarter citizen than is the average man. It seems that our legislatures, and even our national congress, seem to deal under the impression that everything needs to be regulated, until, we repeat, "we are about regulated out of existence!" But, we would not be fair to ourselves or our duty if we failed to state, plainly, that we are "ALL" guilty of bringing about or aiding or abetting this present condition! You ask, How? Well, here's just a few simple instances which come to mind: First we all must admit that the old business principle of supply and demand" is utterly a thing of the past and has been forgotten completely! Most every kind of business has sought "special privilege" for their line or endeavor and to that end they have thought out a scheme to get a "regulatory board" and by thus getting a "legal" method whereby they might better protect their own business or interests, they encouraged others to do likewise, and each additional board made it easier for the other fellows to get theirs, until today, you just can't do anything without having to "look up" the regulations covering this or that matter! And, you must admit that it takes the "coin of the realm" to pay the administrative expenses of each and everyone of these boards!

Clay County Livestock Building Nears Completion



—Times Staff Photo.

With its heavy stone walls already reared, the livestock sales and show barn to house the Clay county livestock show is expected to be completed prior to Feb. 15. The building will house the offices of the Clay County Agri-

culture and Home Demonstration Agents, and in connection with the annual livestock show will have an Auction space with a seating capacity of 500. Principle cost of the approximately \$7,000 building as borne by the

county. The face stone was donated by Mrs. Nellie B. Green, pioneer resident of Henrietta. The Henrietta Chamber of Commerce purchased the opera house which was torn down for the body stone.

Money, —more money, is needed, and now we have people who are doing nothing else save and except "hunting methods" whereby more money can be raised for this or that function of government by "legal taxation methods!" Think these matters over: Today we have commissions or boards who or which,—under the guise of "conservation" are gradually putting the whole oil industry under federal control; this conservation is nothing more than a smooth plan by big oil corporations to "keep the prices high" and to "gradually put the small operators out of business." We have railroad commissions to regulate the "doings" of our railroads; it has continued until now, through their own urging, the national Interstate Commerce Commission has about taken all local or state regulations away and now the railroads are beginning to suffer from their own "past actions!" And, this same principle will apply to everything from barbers and beauty parlor operators to banks, loan associations, etc. Everything! You can name nothing that isn't "regulated!" Well, what can be done about it,—you ask? Little, possibly, at least as individuals,—but collectively and with one purpose in mind, the American people can and could yet "save" our great country from becoming like Russia or Italy or Germany! If we would be honest, act in unison, and be square and above board, and seek again to bring back the one and only principle of "supply and demand", our "recession" or "depression" will be a thing of history! But so long as one group seeks "special privileges" the others have the same right and this day and time, they are surely seeking theirs, and now the government has joined in seeing that all the people "get theirs" and have

started something that will eventually bring about the downfall of individual enterprise of progressiveness or the government will have to "take over" everything of a public nature in order to have jobs for all, or funds with which to continue paying the enormous sums now being handed out by both the federal and state governments! How long can this continue?

The Leader job printing department completed the Yearbook for the Women's Home Demonstration department, under the direction of Miss Ruby E. Hayden, Clay County Home Demonstration Agent for District No. 3. The book gives the officers of the entire district, of which Clay county is a member. It sets out the work of the women of the county for the entire year by months, with various necessary information regarding activities of the several community clubs. It is a well arranged and neatly composed work and Miss Hayden is to be congratulated for her special work in assembling the material contained in the year book.

Jack Hawkins, Henrietta's "No. 1" bantam-weight glove artist, again demonstrated his ability to take and give blows last week at Jim Wakefield's Golden Glove battle, when scrapers from McMurray college, Abilene, met the Northwest Texas lads. Six wins and two defeats were the Northwest Texans record, and again on the 24th these lads will meet in the final eliminations before the winners will go to Fort Worth for their campaign against other winners from other districts. Hawkins will "take care" of himself, anywhere!

Have you paid that Poll Tax? Better hurry! January 31st, midnight is the deadline.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie De... visited in Montague Sunday.

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Funeral Services Held for Mrs. James Henry

Mrs. James Henry, age 66, died away early last Saturday morning at the home of her son, Mr. Howard Henry, in Iowa Park, to which city she had gone earlier in the week to nurse Mr. and Mrs. Howard Henry who had taken the Influenza. She became suddenly ill with Influenza Thursday and died away Saturday.

Funeral services were held at the First Christian Church in Henrietta at 4 p. m. Saturday afternoon, being conducted by the pastor, Rev. Paul J. Merrill. Funeral arrangements were in charge of the Iowa Park Undertaking Co., with interment in Hope Cemetery.

Mrs. James Henry was highly esteemed and had many friends in Clay County who will attest to her Christian character, and miss her kindly smile along this earthly pilgrimage. She was a faithful member of the Christian Church.

Deceased is survived by four children and three step-children Mrs. Maggie Hohenstein, Mr. Frank Henry, Mrs. Howard Hilgenfeld, Mrs. Fred Thompson, Mrs. Howard Henry and Mr. Ferriss Henry, to each of whom The Leader extends sincere condolence in this, their sad hour.

CARD OF THANKS

We want to thank the good neighbors and friends for the help you gave in the sickness and death of our dear father, Mr. White, who passed away Dec. 26 at Buffalo Springs. Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Walker

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Lerner of Wichita Falls are the proud parents of a fine boy. The mother was the former Miss Josephine Herring, of Henrietta.

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- Prunes, fresh, gal. 39c
- Grapefruit, doz. 30c
- Celery 10c
- Lettuce 5c
- Crackers, 2 lb 19c

LEASING COVERS COUNTY
(Continued from Page One)

The Henrietta structure has received the attention of several of the major companies, with favorable reports both from seismographic findings and logs of wells drilled in the area. This structure has long been recognized as one of the most favorable in Clay County, hence the Russell and Bowen test will attract attention from the large major and independent oil companies operating in this part of Texas.

Texas monies, and has been highly successful in its effort to develop this section of Texas.

Roy Johnson and Associates are now drilling again on their deep test, W. C. Wallace lands, Block 34, J. H. Belcher Subdivision, after a short delay for new drill stem. This well is located 12 miles South of Henrietta, on a pronounced structure which has been favorably reported by several geologists from subsurface and geophysical information. The test is being watched closely by scouts for the major companies. Careful tests are being made all along by coring ahead.

Barnett Petroleum Corporation, N W corner Block 30, Grayson County School Land, Abstract 156, Nutter Estate lands, is drilling at 1360. This

is a 4000 foot test. Leases have been checkerboarded in this area, also in the vicinity of the Roy Johnson well, and open acreage is scarce at a premium.

A large block of acreage on the Huggins Estate ranch, and that of Bryant Edwards and Earl Spring, has recently been secured, for 6000 foot test, which will be located 8 miles East of Henrietta. This is a continuation of the same structural formations as that found by Walter Gant in the Worsham field, located some 4 miles southeast of the block.

Drilling has begun on the L. S. Wright deep test well, by Seitz, Comegys & Seitz Inc, Block 2632, T. E. & L. Co. sur-

vey, located about 20 miles S W of Henrietta, and 3 miles N E of Antelope. This is to be a 4000 foot test. There are many shallow wells in this area, that have proven productive over a period of years, and this new test will seek to take findings on the deeper sands in that vicinity.

Within the past few days leasing activities have extended to all parts of Clay County. Many landowners have received substantial bonuses for oil leases and the monies have been applied to various purposes, including land payments and taxes. Business houses in Henrietta report a general increase in sales and other activities due to the influx of leaseholders, oil scouts and others interested

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