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AUCTION SALES WILL BE HELD HERE EACH MONDAY STARTING MARCH 28TH

—Clay County Leader
At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Clay County Livestock Exchange held recently, it was decided to hold auction sales on Monday of each week beginning March 28th. Glen Cunningham, a native of Clay County, has been employed as manager of these sales. A competent Auctioneer will be secured and everything points to a successful sale from the beginning. A commission of 3 percent will be charged on all cattle, hogs and sheep. The commission on horses and mules will be \$2.50 per head. Pen room and water will be provided free.

These sales will be held at the new agriculture building where every possible convenience has been provided.

We have assurance that plenty of out of town, as well as local buyers, will be on hand to buy all the livestock offered for sale.

Stockmen are urged to list their livestock with Glen Cunningham, or at the County Agents Office in order that we may advertise these offerings with the various buyers ahead of these sales dates.

FSA ANNOUNCE LOAN PROGRAM

O. Ray Brown, rural supervisor of the Farm Security Administration gives out the following:

"I have been authorized to make loans to new borrowers who need financial assistance to refinance old loans on live-stock, cattle and farming equipment. Also to purchase work-stock, dairy cattle, beef cattle, hogs, farming equipment, feed, seed, and food. These loans are to be made to good farmers who own their land, have land leased or rented on crop basis, and who are honest, hard-workers and willing to co-operate."

"Loans are repayable in five years or less at five per cent interest. If you know anyone who needs this assistance and can qualify, please advise them to see me in Graham on Wednesday mornings."

Old Fiddlers' Contest date has been set for Monday, April 25th.

Tom Wright, Jr., Enlists in Navy

Born in the shadow of Uncle Sam's Pacific fleet battleships 17 years ago, Thomas Wright Jr. of Byers entrained in Wichita Falls Thursday afternoon to enter the service from which his father already has won permanent retirement.

Thomas Wright the elder went to Wichita Falls with him, turned young Tom over to W. H. Fisher, chief boatswains mate who does the recruiting there, and then hurried home. He's engaged ardently now in small-farming, mostly chicken-raising, and the navy can look to young Tom for service.

Young Wright was born at Long Beach, Calif., Jan. 26, 1921, where his father was on ship's duty at the time. A few years later he began his travels. Sailor and Mrs. Wright went to the Philippines, and there they established residence at Cavite, near Manila. Tom the younger attended the Kanakaw school maintained there for sons and daughters of American service men—army, navy and marines.

They did some more traveling later, and the youngster saw much of Hongkong, Shanghai, in China, Kobi and Tokio in Japan, and Honolulu.

The elder Wright finished his 20 years of service in 1931, having enlisted at Dallas in 1911. During the world war he was on the transport ship Buffalo in European waters. He checked out seven years ago as chief commissary steward. That's the way it is given on the rating list but to the sailors it's "chief belly robber."

Wright the younger has just qualified by age for enlistment, having applied more than a year ago.

Notice of Election

Notice is hereby given that a City election will be held in the City of Byers on the First Tuesday in April, which is April 5, to elect a Mayor and Commissioners.

H. D. Vaughter
Mayor
City of Byers

JAMES GRAVES OF BYERS' AND CECIL POPLIN OF PETROLIA, WIN HONORS

Weatherford, Mar. 11—James Graves, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Graves of Byers, won the Cherry gold watch in the annual Weatherford College oratorical contest here today.

"War and Peace" was the topic of Graves' oration, which will be presented in Texas junior College competition in April.

Graves is a freshman student in Weatherford College, and has engaged activities this year. He was twice member of winning team in Clay County interscholastic debate during his high school career.

Cecil Poplin, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Poplin of Petrolia, won third place in the oratorical contest, and was third in rank on the Weatherford College debate squad during the 1937-38 season. He is also a freshman student.

Petrolia News

Petrolia Club Entertained

Mrs. J. S. Steen of Lone Star Plant entertained the Petrolia Bridge club Wednesday week at her home with three tables of contract.

Mrs. R. L. Shipp won high score and Mrs. W. L. Jeffries cut for second prize.

A salad course was served to the following. Mesdames R. L. Shipp, B. C. Davenport, W. V. White, W. L. Jeffries, Kirley, Jim Tinsley, M. W. Moon, Whitmire, Earl Harbin, J. E. Dokey, Austin Denny.

Lone Star Club

Mrs. F. E. Dubois entertained the Lone Star Club with a 1 o'clock luncheon Wednesday. The table was beautifully set, carrying out the St. Patrick Day motif. After the Luncheon there were two tables of bridge. Mrs. Jimmy Gibson won high score and Mrs. V. L. Allen, second.

Those present were Mesdames V. L. Allen, J. Gibson, W. V. White, W. L. Jeffries, Roy King, C. J. Cox, F. L. Hassell and Joe Phillips.

A zone meeting of the Women's Missionary Society was held at Byers Tuesday, those attending were Mrs. D. W. Cooper, Mrs. F. L. Hassell, Mrs. Roy King and Mrs. J. D. Harris.

The Church of Christ is being remodeled. The porch is being extended and the vestibule is being rearranged.

Go to church Sunday.

JOHN V. LYLES ANNOUNCES FOR COUNTY JUDGE

To the Citizens and Voters of Clay County:

After having received solicitation from different communities and towns in Clay County to enter the race for County Judge, I am now offering myself as a candidate for that office of trust and honor, and I submit to you the following qualifications, and program that I will endeavor to carry out, if elected to that high office:

I was born and reared near Bluegrov, Texas, and received my elementary education in the Russell Creek and Bluegrov Public Schools, and completed my High School education in the Bellevue High School, and my Bachelor's Degree in Science from the A & M College of Tex-

I have spent fifteen years in teaching in the schools in Clay County, and during this period have worked as a Civil Engineer, having had service with the Highway Commission of Texas. For the past four and one-half years, I have been employed by the Federal Government, the first two years being the Superintendent of a Soil Conservation Camp. This Camp was rated by the United States Government as being the most economical and efficient of all the camps in the Seven Southern States comprising the region. The cost of operation was about \$300.00 per day, for two years, being an annual expense of about \$250,000.00. The above can be substantiated by the Government records in Washington, D. C.

I was promoted to Engineer Inspector with a raise of \$600.00 per year, and I have continued in this work up to the present time. The work as Engineer Inspector has carried me to all parts of Texas and other states and I have grown tired of being always away from my home and my family, and in order to be with my family I have withdrawn from the Government service, and for the last two months have lived on my farm near Bluegrov.

My residence has at all times been in Clay County, Texas, where I have paid my taxes on the small properties I own, and I have voted in Clay County and

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**FARM BULLETINS**

It is now planting time and each one is interested in the latest and best information available, as to the best methods of preparing and planting whatever crops, flowers or gardens, etc., he may be interested in. It is a serious question as to the best methods of distributing the 10,000 Agricultural Bulletins assigned to each Member of Congress. Different methods of distribution have been tried by different Members. It seems to me in fairness to all residents of the District, that each resident should be entitled to select his proportionate part of the bulletins for his particular needs. To this end, I have mailed each voter a list of these agricultural bulletins with a self addressed post card, making easy your selection. If each family made full request, it would require more than 250,000 bulletins to supply the needs of the District. I am trying through my contacts among the city Members of Congress to supply the requests made, and make this statement so that all parties requesting

bulletins in excess of their share will understand why it is impossible to fulfill the many large requests being made.

THE TAX BILL

The New Tax Bill, brought in at the request of the President to remedy the evils pointed out in his Message to the Congress on June 1st, 1937, was debated all last week and finally passed by a vote of 294 to 98. The great mass of propaganda spread since the Revenue Act of 1936, enacting the undistributed profits tax, has all been based upon the great hardship caused by this Act, particularly, as to how the undistributed profits tax worked hardships on small corporations with net incomes under \$25,000.

The government records show that the average tax rate paid, because of the undistributed profits tax law on the net incomes of all corporations last year, was 1.81 percent, so that all this propaganda raised by the National Manufacturers' Association, the United States Chamber of Commerce and kindred organizations, through their agents and members in the different communities, has been largely "bunk". The Committee bill, however, instead of removing the inequalities on small corporations of under \$25,000 net income, raised their net income under the new bill, to where they pay more tax than they do under existing law, as shown by the following table:

COMPARISON OF AVERAGE TAX UNDER 1936 ACT AND UNDER BILL ON CORPORATIONS OF \$25,000 OR LESS

Net Income	Average rate 1936 act	Average rate under bill	Increase In average rate
Under \$5,000	12.41	12.50	.09
\$5,000 to \$10,000	12.57	12.94	.37
\$10,000 to \$15,000	12.83	13.38	.55
\$15,000 to \$20,000	13.05	13.56	.51
\$20,000 to \$25,000	13.29	13.87	.58

NOTE.—The average rate under the 1936 act in the above table includes both the normal tax and the undistributed-profits tax, which average rate is less than the average rate under the bill.

However, the Committee was careful to lower the actual amount of taxes paid on net incomes in excess of \$25,000 net, for the proposed bill repeals the normal and sur-taxes on this group of corporations and reduces the maximum rate from 32.4 percent in the case of complete retention of undistributed profits, to a maximum of 20 percent, or according to the Committee's statement, this decreases amounts to a 40 percent reduction.

On the Third Basket, (Title 1-B, struck out by a vote of 234 to 153) affecting not to exceed 600 corporations, the Committee admits the rates on this group will be slightly less than under existing law. On capital gains and losses, we find the Committee has materially lowered the rates on all gains held over five years, has placed a 16 percent maximum tax which amounts to a 40 percent reduction, thus favoring the wealthy who speculate in stocks and bonds. In fact, throughout the bill, have carefully been placed exemptions,

alternative payments, carryover losses and so-called cushions, all of which favor the wealthy through tax evasion, avoidance and exemption, which experts tell us will lose more than \$300,000,000 in revenue over existing law.

The President, in his message to Congress, January 3rd, on taxes in part said:

"First, the total sum to be derived by the Federal Treasury must not be decreased as a result of any changes in schedules. Second, abuses by individuals or corporations designed to escape taxpaying by using various methods of doing business, corporate and otherwise—abuses which we have sought with great success, to end—must not be restored. Third, we should rightly change certain provisions where they are proven to work definite hardship, especially on the small-business men of the Nation. But speculative income should not be favored over earned income."

This bill certainly does not keep faith with the President's

expressed views.

THE NAVAL AUTHORIZATION

The House will begin consideration Monday of the new Naval authorization bill, that it is estimated will increase expenditures for the naval construction program nearly One and a Quarter Billion Dollars. The Navy has already fared better under this Administration than any Administration in the history of the Government. Our expenditures have averaged well above \$1,000,000,000 a year for the Navy. We have already authorized and are now building the Navy to treaty strength, which is directly responsible for this enormous expense. To increase these expenditures more than 20 percent for the next five or six years is asking a great deal of our overburdened taxpayers and a budget tremendously out of balance for the past nine years. If it is to increase our Navy to assist other nations in policing the world, many believe it should not be done. This bill will be debated throughout this week and until disposed of.

THE CALENDAR

The Senate debated throughout this week the reorganization bill and will continue on this subject until disposed of.

Good progress is being made on the different important measures pending in the House Committees and it now seems assured that the major appropriation bills will be finally passed by the House by April 1st.

F. F. A. NEWS

Twenty-seven boys of the Henrietta F. F. A. chapter and their advisor attended the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show Saturday, March 12. Three of these boys were entered in the state milk judging contest held there Saturday, seventy teams competed. The following boys were members of the team: Beaty Carmichael, Jessie Teague, and J. C. Gibson the results of the contest have not been published to date. This team attended the Area V milk judging contest held at Dallas and placed 14th out of 35 teams entered. J. C. Gibson was the 12th high individual of the contest.

This chapter has an area V Chapter officer, Parliamentarian, the selection was made at the Decatur district of Area V meeting in February.

Miss Bennie Works of Wichita Falls is a guest this week of her sister, Mrs. H. L. Bear and Mr. Bear.

CHURCH OF CHRIST**SUNDAY:**

Bible class, 10:00 a. m.
Preaching and Communion at 11:00 a. m., Preaching 7 p. m.

MONDAY:

Women's Bible class, 2:30 p. m.

WEDNESDAY:

Prayer meeting and Bible study, 7:30 p. m.

Mr. Ed Bevering of the Charlie community made a business trip to Henrietta Monday.

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JUST CRUISING

(By the Captain)

Dictator Adolf Hitler of Germany quietly slipped over one of his fast ones on some of his neighboring European powers last weekend when he sent a large number of gray attired soldiers across into Austria and "took over" the management of the Austrian government. In his radio address to the people of that continent he politely informed all nations that he would tolerate no interference of his life-long dream of uniting the German people into one nation, and that this was his sole purpose in his rise to power. Hitler, it seems, lived as a paper hanger back in Austria and dreamed of the day when he would return and carry out this dream and that is exactly what he has done.

One thing seems certain, and that is that the people of both Germany and Austria are behind him, at least to the degree that thus far he has not met with any united effort on the part of those opposed to his purposes or his plans, and with this being the case, he must be seeking to do what a majority of his people want and desire, otherwise they would be giving him far more trouble than the meager reports that seem to leak out indicate. And his latest move seems to have the o. k. of Dictator Mussolini, while radio reports indicate that France, England and Russia are not so sure of their own grand with reference to the maintenance of the peace of Europe with all this taking place. Time will show what is in the making in that war-torn continent!

President Roosevelt is having his own troubles these days with his TVA board. Trouble is that the three members of this board have fallen out among themselves and two are now standing against the chairman of the board. The president has "called them in" and told them, in polite language, to either justify their actions with facts or step down and out. That is about the best plan for anyone to follow in such matters,—when those charged with the responsibility of running or managing a board or department fall out and disagree among themselves as to the plan or purpose of their work, then is best to rid the government of their services. That looks like what will finally be the result with reference to this board.

Still more candidates are announcing for the office of governor while some of those already announced heretofore are withdrawing. It begins to look like this race for governor of Texas will finally narrow down to some three or four state department heads and when the final "heat" is in the running it

appears from this distance that it will most likely be run between one red-headed attorney general of Texas and "some one else" if the present governor doesn't lay-off the attorney general. Every time Governor Allred says something about Attorney General McCraw he is making votes for the attorney general, unless the wind changes in the near future. Just what the governor, personally, intends doing with reference to a third term isn't definitely known, but it is a safe bet to make in Texas that he will not run for a third term; Texans are not inclined to give their office holders third terms, like some of the big eastern states. It all remains to be seen just what Texas policies will do, and the near future will determine what the final field will look like!

Congressman Boland of Pennsylvania, in H. R. 3134 now before congress proposes another 42c per barrel tax on all fuel oil used in the U. S. for the generation of heat or power. He hails from a coal section in his state and says that much publicity must not be given his Bill as it would result in trouble between the oil and coal industry heads. Congressman Morgan G. this resolution says that already Sanders of Texas in opposing the oil industry carries 10 percent of all the taxes of Federal, State, and local governments, the staggering sum of \$1,337,235,361 being collected on oil, some different types of taxes now on oil being collected and this would simply add another tax. The oil industry offers such an easy prey to tax hunters and looks so large in their eyes they cannot see anything near so easy to prey upon, and with that idea in mind, every time new or added taxes are needed, some fellow wants to slap another tax on the oil industry.

Tuesday, April 5th is the day for the City Election. Doesn't seem to be much interest in the local election, but it may warm up ere election day. This should be the first concern of all local citizens.

C. C. Cline Receives Ten Year Sentence

C. C. Cline of Nocona was tried for theft of oil field equipment in District Court here Monday. He pleaded not guilty. Was sentenced to 5 years by a jury.

Tuesday he was tried for a similar offence before Judge Ernest Robinson of Wichita Falls, in District Court, and was given 5 years by the court to run concurrently with the five year sentence in the former case.

Rex Gates
FOR
TIRES AND BATTERIES

Badges Awarded To Henrietta Scouts

Second class badges were awarded to nine Henrietta boy scouts at the court of honor Sunday night in the First Christian church, by Bob Elliott, scout field executive, as follows: Freddie Carr, Harvey Gore, Joe Harris, Billie Davis, Warren Boger, Joe Kennedy Wolfe, Henry Scheer Jr., Phillip Howard, and Joe Douglas. In addition, members of the Petrolia troop, Henrietta Methodist Church troop and Henrietta Kiwanis troop, were awarded tenderfoot cards. F. E. DuBois, Petrolia scoutmaster, awarded the cards to the Petrolia scouts. Scoutmaster, Wayne Lefevre, awarded cards to the Methodist church troop and Scoutmaster, Paul George, awarded the cards to the Kiwanis troop.

Rev. Paul J. Merrill awarded five cards of special merits to scout Roy Sneyer. Others pres-

ent who assist with the scout work, were Assistant Scoutmasters, Carl Slagle, Henry Scheer and Aubry Butler.

Arthur Slagle, District committeeman of scout advancement, acted as master of ceremonies.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Shaw of Stanfield made a business trip to Henrietta Monday.

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IN SHADOW OF CAPITOL
By Boyce House

One of the most fascinating spots in Austin is within a stone's throw (if you are a Walter Johnson or a Dizzy Dean) of the front steps of the great granite Capitol and yet is out of sight. If you start toward the old Land Office in the southeastern corner of the spacious grounds, you will find the concrete walk so steep that you will break into a semi-trot and so—though you may have eyes for the little spring flowing from volcanic rocks that look like human skulls and the mirror-like pool with the fish—you are likely to overlook the clump of trees at the very bottom of the hollow.

They are gnarled as though they had been tortured; their limbs are twisted into weird and fantastic convolutions, and trunks and boughs are a dead black. It would have been an ideal place for Poe to have written one of his poems or for one of Poe's characters to commit a murder!

Trees usually lift and exalt the spirit, however, and have inspired the bards of all eras, as witness Bryant's "The woods were man's first temples"; Byron's "There is a pleasure in the pathless woods"; a too-little quoted poem of Lanier's, Ballad of Trees and the Master", and Kilmers

"I think that I shall never see
A poem lovely as a tree."

Your columnist was once stirred to write a poem (or so I hope it was) on a mesquite.

Found, a candidate with a sense of humor: Judge Ralph Yarbrough of Austin, who aspires to the Attorney Generalship, tells this one on himself: Last summer during vacation, he made a swing over the State. At one small town, he introduced himself to a prominent citizen who exclaimed, "We've been hearing lots of mighty fine things about you, Judge." After the interview had ended, Yarbrough walked down the hall, paused on the sidewalk to glance up and down the street, and heard the citizen ask his secretary: "What did that young man say his name was?"

Touring Texas:

There's a cafe next door to the Boerne Star and a sign on the window reads, "Weather forecast—Chili all week."

Bryan Beck, Corpus Christi merchant, gives an honored place in his office to a painting of Jefferson Davis, dating back nearly 70 years when the former president of the Confederate States visited Beck's grandfather in San Antonio.

Speaking further of trees (which we were several para-

graphs back), probably the most photographed ones in Texas are the three palms on the Corpus Christi beach just back of Nueces Hotel. Exactly the same height and the cluster of foliage identical, they look like triplets.

In a Uvalde barber shop, a veteran prospector was telling his plans for a search into the mountains of New Mexico. Asked about the Trans-Pecos region of Texas, he drawled, "Ain't much in them Chisos (Chisos) mountains except Legions." That thud you heard probably was Frank Dobie, author of Coronado's Children," fainting!

Jottings from over the State: The little town of Little River has citizens with famous names —Garner and Culpepper. The former are related to the Vice President; the latter trace their ancestry to Lord Culpepper for whom Culpepper Courthouse, Va., was named — scene of a battle in the Civil War . . Salado, in Bell County, seeks to regain its former fame by drilling for the mineral water formerly found there. The little town was the scene of Salado College (now in ruins) where James E. Ferguson and Mrs. Miriam A. Ferguson were students . . H. M. Kemp of the Taylor Press trust. They are so close to the means for private gain that, in a sense not at all true of private citizens, their personal possessions are invested with a public importance in the event that their stewardship is questioned. One of their deep obligations is to recognize, not reluctantly or with resistance, but freely. It is in the true spirit of a public trust to give, when personally

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Willow Springs
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(Last Week)

Mr. and Mrs. Winnard Wells and children of Henrietta spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Bennett.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Gates were in this community Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Goehring visited Sunday with friends in Bellevue.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey McCandless visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Marion Hise.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Haberman and children, Katherine and Vernon, were in K. M. A. Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Bennett and son, Smith, were supper guests Monday night of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Butler of Henrietta.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kennemer and children of Ringgold and Mr. and Mrs. John Meeks spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Haberman of Halsell spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Haber-

**FUNERAL SERVICES
AT BLUEGROVE FOR
MR. N. REYNOLDS**

Funeral services for N. Reynolds, 82, who passed away at his home in Henrietta Friday, March 11th at 1 P. M., were held from the Baptist church in Bluegrov Saturday, March 12, at 3 P. M. with Rev. E. L. Moody, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Henrietta, officiating.

Pallbearers were Dick Wright, H. Rollins, Claude Crump, R. M. Tate, Valder Gilbow and W. M. Williford of Bluegrov.

Interment was in the Bluegrov Cemetery under the direction of the Moore Funeral Home.

Mr. Reynolds came to Clay County 45 years ago and located at Bluegrov where he reared his family. He moved to Henrietta several years ago. He was a faithful member of the Bluegrov Baptist church. He was the first to break the family circle by death.

Survivors include the widow, four daughters, Mrs. O. A. Tate of Henrietta, Mrs. Rose Lowry and Mrs. Dewey West of Wichita Falls, Mrs. A. L. Parker of Bluegrov, two sons, W. A. Reynolds of Halsell and W. T. Reynolds of New Mexico.

man.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilba Cotton and Mrs. Pearl Cotton visited Sunday with Mrs. J. F. Shipley and family of Doss.

Miss Irene Tyler spent Saturday night with friends in Henrietta.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Moser and children were in Wichita Falls Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Hise entertained a few of their friends Saturday night with a dance.

(This Week)

Misses Irene and Flogene Tyler attended the school program in Henrietta Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kennemer and children visited Thursday night with Mr. and Mrs. George Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Bennett and son, Smith, spent the week-end in Fort Worth and Celina.

Mr. and Mrs. John Meeks spent Wednesday night with Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Meeks of Henrietta.

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**Byers Personals**

Mrs. Geo. Bethel Dunn shopped in Wichita Falls Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Doc Thorsheim and Miss Ellen Carter returned to Seminole, Okla. Saturday after a visit with Mrs. Thorsheim's father and sister, Mr. Hence Harding and Madeline Harding.

Mrs. Jno. Grundy spent Sunday with relatives at home. She returned to Wichita to be with her daughter, Mrs. Bob Daugherty, who is sick.

Miss Madeline Harding was in Wichita Falls Thursday to read at the Readers Club of which she is a member.

Clyde Jones was in Wichita Falls Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Ligon have returned home after a two months visit in Llano with their daughter, Mrs. H. T. Harrison and family.

No. 395

BANKS

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

of the

Continental State Bank

At Petrolia, State of Texas
at the close of business on the
7 day of March 1938

published in the North Clay County Journal, a newspaper printed and published at Byers, State of Texas, on the 18th day of March, 1938.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts, on personal or collateral security	50,605.75
Loans secured by real estate	1,500.00
Securities of U. S. any State or political subdivision thereof	1,497.00
Other bonds and stocks owned	14,500.00
Banking House	2,250.00
Furniture and Fixtures	1,500.00
Real estate owned, other than banking house	1,201.00
Cash and due from approved reserve agents	43,820.93
Total	116,874.68

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	\$25,000.00
Income Debentures sold	5,000.00
Total Capital Structure	30,000.00
Surplus Fund	1,000.00
Undivided Profits, net	1,844.54
Individual deposits subject to check, including time deposits due in 30 days	75,612.51
State Funds on Deposit	4,243.03
Time Certificates of Deposit	4,174.60
Total	116,874.68

STATE OF TEXAS

County of Clay
We, H. W. Perkins, as President, and K. M. Harvey, as Cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

H. W. PERKINS, President.
K. M. Harvey, Cashier

Subscribed and sworn to before this 17th day of March, 1938

J. W. ROSS, Ex-Officio.
ary Public, Clay County, Texas.

CORRECT—ATTEST:
J. A. BURRUS, E. M. PERKINS,
ROY R. FULTZ, Directors.

Winners In Rural Basket And Volley Ball

Brown won the Basketball championship in the seven grade school division, by defeating Deer Creek with a score of 18 to 14. An extra period was necessary since the regular playing period ended 14 all. Brown had previously eliminated Friendship earlier in the day, 16 to 14. Deer Creek put Valentine away in the first round by a score of 23 to 12.

It took only two games for the small volley ball team from Riverland to win the championship in the final round over Brown. Score 15 to 10 and 15 to 6. Brown easily defeated Deer Creek to win the right to play in the finals. Score 15 to 1 and 15 to 7. Riverland had a much harder time getting Valentine out of the way. Score 15 to 9, 11 to 15 and 15 to 10. The first two losers played for third place as it meant five points toward a round championship. Valentine won by a score of 15 to 11, 10 to 15 and 16 to 14.

Since there were only two eight grade schools entering the tournament, very little time was necessary to determine first and second places. Vashti won first in both volley ball and basket ball. Score, volley ball, Vashti 15 and 15 and Doss 0 and 11 respectively. Basketball, Vashti, 26, Doss 17.

'PLAY, "FLASH OF RED" GIVEN AT HIGH SCHOOL

Members of the Blue Bonnet Club presented the play "Flash of Red" Monday evening at the high school auditorium. A large crowd enjoyed the drama.

Miss Ruth Worthington, a teacher in the Stanfield school, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Worthington.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hassell have as their guest this week, Mrs. Hassell's brother, Rollin Poe of Lawrence, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Brown of Fort Worth, formerly of Henrietta, are the proud parents of a baby daughter, born March 15th.

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W. M. U. MET MONDAY AFTERNOON

The Womens Missionary Union of the First Baptist Church met Monday afternoon at the Baptist church for an interesting program and social.

Mrs. John Kosanke was leader and introduced the program. Mrs. G. P. Jones led the devotional.

Mrs. G. A. Hembree gave a paper on, Europe after which Mrs. E. L. Moody gave the cooperative Program," of Europe.

Mrs. L. J. Gentry told of the interesting events in the life of Mrs. Andrews.

Following the program a white elephant sale was held.

During the social hour Mrs. Cyrus Coleman and Mrs. E. L. Moody, as co-hostess served dainty refreshments to about 25 ladies present.

SEVENTY-FIVE LADIES ATTENDED W. F. MEET

The Methodist ladies were hostess to the Wichita District Zone meeting Tuesday at the church. Lunch was served at noon to seventy-five guests. An interesting program was given during the day.

The members of the Y. W. A. enjoyed a lovely social Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Vincent Stine.



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Home Demonstration
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New London H. D. Club

Sleep is the best rest for the simple reason that both mind and body are resting. That the average person needs at least eight hours of sleep was brought out in a discussion led by the president at the club Wednesday afternoon. "The Wealth of Beauty" an article from the Reader Digest was read by Miss Fannie Vaughn.

Those present were: Mesdames Frank and Ernest Borgman, Jim Weatherford, R. C. Shackelford, Floyd Cullers and Misses Fannie and Mattie Vaughn. The next meeting will be March 23rd, at the home of Mrs. D. D. Massie.

Joy H. D. Club

The Joy H. D. Club met at the Methodist Church Wednesday, March 9th. The subject discussed was "Style on Parade." Sixteen members answered roll call with "How Would I Dress My Daughter?" Two visitors were present, Mrs. T. H. Brock and Miss Mattie Lanham. There were reports from several committees. There were motions for contest, to create interest in the club. A sunshine club was organized after which names were drawn. Each member is to give her Sunshine Sister a gift once each month.

The name I drew is my business. The name you drew is your business,

So don't make my business your business.

4-H Club Girls Visit Stock Show

Clay County joined others in helping to make 4-H Club Day March 14, at the Fat Stock Show a success, by having thirty-seven of its ninety 4-H Club Girls and the sponsors present.

The girls were given tickets to enter the grounds, and the day was spent in seeing the exhibits and having a good time in general.

Mr. Worley Wiseman of Petrolia, was greeting friends in Henrietta last weekend.

Chas. Melton and Leron Arthur have returned from a business trip to Corpus Christi.

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**ROBERT W. CALVERT
VISITED HENRIETTA**



Hon. Robert W. Calvert, of Hillsboro, speaker of the Texas House of Representatives, paid The Leader a pleasant call Wednesday. This fine young man wants to be Attorney General of Texas. He was reared in the State Orphan's Home at Corsicana, and graduated from that school. He is a lawyer and ex-school teacher, and has a brilliant mind. January, 1937 Mr. Calvert was unanimously elected Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives. He is 33 years of age.

**Results Of Farmers
Vote On The Cotton
Marketing Quotas**

Clay County favors Cotton Marketing Quotas. The County committee met at County Agent M. S. Duncan's office Monday, March 14th to canvas the referendum held Saturday, March 12. It was found that 670 cotton farmers voted favoring Cotton Marketing quotas for the 1938 crop while 141 voted against it.

Below is given the results by Precincts and Voting Boxes:

Precinct No. 1, Doss, 11 yes, 0 no; Stanfield, 16 yes, 4 no; Riverland 15 yes, 4 no; Burnville 7 yes, 0 no; Byers 87 yes, 12 no; Willow Springs 3 yes, 3 no; Prec. No. 2, Charlie 41 yes, 2 no; Petrolia 21 yes, 2 no; Thorneberry 39 yes, 9 no; Dean

**HUGGINS MONUMENT
WILL BE ERECTED**

A contract for the erection of a Memorial Monument, honoring the memory of the late J. L. Huggins, has been placed with Winnard Wells, of the Henrietta Marble and Granite Works by Mr. Huggins' niece, Mrs. Mary Shutt, her husband, W. M. Shutt and J. W. Daniels. Mr. Wells states that he will complete the work within two or three weeks if the weather is favorable.

The memorial will consist of a large base of native stone on the top of which will rest a large granite marker, with an appropriate inscription, giving important facts and dates of events of

Dale 18 yes, 2 no; Henrietta 84 yes, 12 no. Precinct No. 3, Hallsell 22 yes, 2 no; Deer Creek 28 yes, 8 no; Blue Grove 43 yes, 14 no; Joy 31 yes, 15 no; Shannon 28 yes, 8 no; Prec. No. 4, Newport 22 yes, 6 no; Vashti 41 yes, 7 no; Bellevue 54 yes, 17 no; Buffalo Springs 43 yes, 10 no; New London 16 yes, 1 no.

Charter No. 8787

**CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
DINNER TO BE HELD**
—Clay County Leader.

A Fellowship dinner will be held at the First Christian Church Thursday, March 24th at 7:30 P. M. in the basement of the Christian church. This is to be a United Brotherhood celebration, in which all Christian churches are asked to meet. Every member of the local church is urged to be present at that dinner.

Mr. Huggins' life in Clay County, carved in the granite. It will be a very important and worthwhile contribution to the preservation of the history of this prominent pioneer.

Mr. Huggins established this 13,640 acre ranch about 1875. His cattle brand was registered in 1877.

This Monument will be placed about 150 feet south of the ranch headquarters house.

Mr. and Mrs. Shutt and J. W. Daniels are to be commended for making this memorial possible.

Wayne Clayton made a business trip to Petrolia and Bellevue.

Reserve District No. 11

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BYERS

IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS

March 7th, 1938

(Published in response to call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under Section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes)

ASSETS

Loans and discounts	\$ 79,206.81
Overdrafts	15.66
Other bonds, stocks, and securities	1,851.25
Banking house, \$7,350.00 Furniture and fixtures, \$5,700.00	13,050.00
Real Estate owned other than banking house	1,745.00
Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	11,893.35
Cash, balances with other banks, and cash items in process of collection	16,146.40
Cash items not in process of collection	602.42
Other assets	86.53
Total assets	124,597.42

LIABILITIES

Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	73,235.71
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	14,450.00
State, county, and municipal deposits	2,865.73
Deposits not secured by pledge of loans and/or investments	90,551.44
Total deposits	90,551.44
Capital Account:	
Common Stock, 250 shares, par \$100 per share	\$25,000.00
Surplus	8,000.00
Undivided Profits—net	1,045.98
Total Capital Account	34,045.98
TOTAL LIABILITIES	124,597.42

State of Texas, County of Clay, ss:

I, W. L. Graves, cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. L. GRAVES, Cashier.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 16th day of March, 1938.
(Seal) G. A. Shields, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest: Leo J. Curtis, Guy Harding, R. L. Ligon, directors.

March 18, 1938

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Dispelling The Fog

By Charles Michelson

Some of my colleague columnists have been in a serious state of mind concerning the sale to newspapers and magazines of President Roosevelt's notes in connection with the books that are to be issued containing his messages to Congress, announcements of policies, and the speeches he has made. It is presumed that these notes appertain more to the prefaces to these books than to their official contents. However, it has been formally announced that the proceeds of this sale would be devoted to some "unnamed useful public purpose."

Obviously, the administration critics must find it difficult to criticize that disposition of the proceeds of these syndicated articles, according to their sacred tenet that whatever the President does must be wicked. So they question the veracity of the statement, quoting that in response to a previous inquiry the White House secretariat had stated that the President's share in the proceeds would go to him directly. It might seem obvious that the checks would come to

the President. It might also come to the President. It might seem equally obvious that he would devote them to such public purpose as he thought best. But such an obvious purpose as he thought best. But such an obvious explanation never occurred to such intelligent commentators as Mr. Frank Kent, or Mr. David Lawrence.

Other Instances

Now it runs in my mind that President Harding was the owner of the Marion Star, which earned him \$42,000 the year before he came to the White House. This big profit was largely because of his candidacy and

the general belief that he would be elected. His first year in the Presidency lifted his income from the little country paper to \$75,000. After a time, the newspaper was sold to a group at a price which was rather astonishing in the light of the Marion Star's normal circulation and position in the newspaper world.

Among the terms of that sale was a provision that President Harding would receive \$10,000 a year for fifteen years for a column—a weekly column, if I recall correctly—which would naturally be syndicated. So that the \$10,000 fee could not be considered in any way exorbitant.

I do not recall that any of the columnists, now so caustic in their comments, found the slightest fault with President Harding for contracting to write a current column while he was in the White House. In fact, it was apparent to all newspaper men that the \$535,000 purchase price paid for the Marion Star was due to the well-founded belief that the publication of such a column by the President would give vast prestige to the paper and perhaps result in such syndicate profits from the distribution of that column as to justify the big price. So, according to the philosophy of the anti-Democratic-administration columnists, it was quite according to Hoyle for a Republican President to do the stunt—even though there was no suggestion that any part of these profits would go to charity or public service—but it is absolutely invidious for a Democratic President to sell his words appertaining to closed episodes.

Whether Woodrow Wilson agreed to do some magazine stuff before or after he ceased to be President appears to be in doubt. Mr. Jay Franklin says that he postponed a message to Congress in order not to detract from the interest in an article

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

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CONDUCTING A TRAINING SCHOOL AT M. E. CHURCH



Rev. L. G. Hagard, Pastor
Methodist Church, Henrietta, Texas

Rev. L. G. Hagard conducted a Training School in Wichita Falls last week. He is conducting a Methodist Training School at the First Methodist Church in Henrietta this week.

on the Mexican situation, which Mr. Franklin says was from the President's "professional, portable typewriter." Mr. Franklin frequently, but not invariably, writes in accord with the New Deal policies.

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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 County Judge:
JOHN V. LYLES

For Assessor-Collector:
HOLLIS B. MOORE
HARVE ROLLINS

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

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

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

Miss Rema Bates, teacher in the Fort Worth schools, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Bates.

and by some hostile newspapers) that the President changed his mind in deference to public opinion. That is Mr. Kent's idea.

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JOHN V. LYLES ANNOUNCES
(Continued from Page 1)

tried to be a citizen working for the best interests of my community, schools and all other civic organizations, looking to the general advancement of my community.

If you elect me Judge of Clay County, it shall be my pleasure to use all of my time on the duties of my office, and to be of maximum service to the citizenship of Clay County. Having had close contact with the programs sponsored by the Government for four and one-half years, I shall be in a position to assist in securing approval of any program for which a community or town may make application; and my contacts with the State Highway Commission will make it possible for me to render valuable service in securing aid for all roads, bridges, and other Highway Programs.

There shall at all times be an open door and cooperative spirit in the County Judge's office. Economy shall be the guiding light, but sane economy, not the tight-fisted type, working at all times for the interest of Clay County and its citizenship, keeping sacred the Oath of Office and at all times rendering decisions on the merits of the cause and eliminating any and all personalities, rendering assistance to the poor and needy, and fair judgment to all.

I submit my candidacy for County Judge strictly upon my qualifications and merits.

JOHN V. LYLES.

Mrs. V. L. Allen and son, Victor Lee, have returned from a visit with her mother near Abilene.

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Jello, all flavors.....	.5c
Cheese, lb.....	18c
Bacon, Korn Kist.....	27c
White Swan Coffee, 1 lb.....	25c
Crackers 2 lb. box.....	15c
Trappey's Green Beans can.....	9c
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Salad Dressing, qt.....	23

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PETROLIA NEWS ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Posey sustained minor bruises last Sunday afternoon when their car turned over between Petrolia and Wichita Falls, a broken steering gear was the cause of the wreck.

Personals

Mr. G. C. Wright and wife went to San Antonio to meet their small daughter, Nelda, and mother, Mrs. Wright, who have

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Bananas, 2 dozen.....	25c
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Penick Golden Syrup, gallon.....	50c
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Vienna Sausage, lge. can.....	5c
Carrots, 2 bunches for.....	5c
Rice, 1b.....	4c
Strawberries, box.....	10c
Lima Beans, 3 No. 2 cans.....	25c
Celery, white stalks.....	10

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Radishes.....	2 bunches 5c
Turnips and Tops bunch.....	5c
Fresh Spinach, lb.....	5c
Celery.....	10c
Jello, pkg.....	5c
No. 2 1-2 Fresh Prunes can.....	15c
Grape Juice, pints.....	15c
Coffee	
Break O' Morn, lb.....	15c
Cheese, lb.....	19c
Spuds, peck.....	25c

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been spending the winter on the coast, both parties returned to Petrolia Monday.

Several of our home girls were here for the week-end. They are Paul and Fay Cooper, Lucille Nail, Christine and Inez

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Phillips and son, Joe Paul, visited relatives at Bellevue Sunday.

Rex Gates

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Steamboat, Gal. **55c****WHEAT KRISPES**2 Large Boxes with
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Winesap
2 doz.**LEMONS**large size, doz. **21c****CARROTS**2 bunch, **5c****SPUDS**PECK **23c**Get our Price on
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