

Through the Editor's Spectacles

By GEORGE

I have always wondered why so many people read "Through the Editor's Spectacles." Other words, such as "editorial," would appeal to people in this age of "amusement." The answer comes from a psychologist who says the matter is personal triumph. Scarlett O'Hara found the answer, whether in love, or poverty or wealth, or the master of herself in her environment. She is a winner, a refuser-to-lose. She bent environment to her will.

The psychologist may be right. What we call drama is based on struggle and the triumph over difficulties. I heard my friend, Joe person of the First Methodist church, condemn the poem "In-ns" by Henley as being "stupid." Patterson declares the poem leaves God out of the equation entirely. But I think he is wrong, that the poem which the poem expresses is the indomitable spirit of the divine, the god-like quality of the conqueror of self and environment which was inspired by the admonition to the sons of Adam to go forth and subdue the earth. God might never have given to any man a mission and an authority without the ability to achieve it. Henley captured in the poem the real spirit of a race of men that the world is proud to recognize in his handiwork.

We are, as my psychologist says, in danger of losing the spirit in America. We have substituted for it a sense of inferiority and dependence that is rapidly changing us to a race of puppets. We are looking to Australia and Washington where we looked to ourselves. We are being told at Washington that we are not capable of taking care of ourselves, that some great, unanimous and all-wise government bureau must take care of us, pamper us, schemes of security are nothing more than sounding devices for the sake of standing on our feet we are leaning on each other, depending on government checks, government cot-subsidy checks, government handouts of any every description. It comes so to pass that it is hardly a man among strong enough to think himself and bold enough to take it into action.

It has even come to a point where we blame our failures on our cowardices on "inferiority complexes," says the friend the psychologist. I think he is right.

The security of this nation rests on an army and navy, on a few billions in any material wealth. Security rests on the average individual. It is established in what one speaker has called the "round of the heart." In other words it depends on the staff that makes the real man.

No. 2 Nazi as Family Man



Field Marshal Hermann Goering, whose star rises following Nazi political shakeup, pictured in an intimate domestic scene with wife and infant daughter, Edda.

Lobo-Eastland Game Is Matched

A game between the Cisco Lobos and the Eastland Mavericks has been added to the gridiron schedule next fall, Coach J. T. Petty said today. The teams will meet on October 15.

One more spot remains to be filled on the Cisco card, Petty said. It will be taken either by Corpus Christi, Wichita Falls or Wink. Reply from a proposition made Corpus Christi after an invitation was received from the 1938 state champions is being awaited. Wichita Falls has already agreed to play the Lobos.

Eastland under the new classification of interscholastic league teams will be in Class A next year, unless the school asks admission to the AA district and receives a unanimous vote. Whether or not the Mavericks play as an AA team the game as arranged for October 13 will stand, Coach Petty said.

Barcelona Calm Is Broken As Capture Nears

HENDAYE, France (AP)—The first of three columns of insurgent General Franco's army rolled its way to within a mile and a half of the city's center last night while insurgent shells ripped into the government capital. The insurgents' southern army on wheels, almost without firing a shot, captured the government air-drome at Prat de Llobregat, and sped along the coast to the suburbs of the capital where it expected to halt until the other armies could sweep across the coastal plains to cut the city off completely.

The dash was made by General Juan Yaguo's Moroccan corps which earlier had been reported at Gava, seven miles away. Within Barcelona proper, reports reaching the border said, the calm of the refugee-choked city of 2,000,000 people was beginning to break as it became apparent there was no means by which they could flee to the north.

These reports said all trains had stopped running. Only members of the government and lucky few were able to obtain cars and trucks to carry them out of range of the smashing shell fire that had been pounding the city since noon.

The government's decision to move northward to Gerona or Figueras, respectively 50 and 70 miles nearer the French border, was said to have started a mass trek of women, children and old men on foot. Roads to the north were choked with traffic that forced refugees off the highways. Every available vehicle had been taken over by the government for round-up of all able-bodied to build emergency fortifications.

Other information reaching the French frontier indicated the city's hundreds of thousands faced a famine.

Impeachment of Mrs. Perkins Is Demanded

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 25 (AP)—A formal demand in the house for impeachment of the first woman cabinet member brought from Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins Tuesday a request for "an immediate hearing."

In impeachment resolution, aimed not only at Miss Perkins but also at James L. Houghteling, immigration commissioner, and Gerald D. Reilly, labor department solicitor, accused the trio of "high crimes and misdemeanors" in failing to continue deportation proceedings against Harry Bridges, west coast CIO leader.

Representative Thomas (R-N.J.) introduced the measure, which was turned over to the house judiciary committee.

Miss Perkins issued a statement asking for the hearing so congress and the public "may be fully acquainted with the true facts of the deportation proceedings in the Bridges case and the reasons why they have been held in abeyance temporarily."

Chairman Summers (D-Tex.) said the judiciary committee would meet in a day or two to decide what course to take on the resolution.

In the background was a long-standing dispute over the Bridges case between Miss Perkins and the house committee on un-American activities. Thomas was a member of that committee.

He cited testimony before the committee that Bridges was an alien and a communist and contended the communist party advocates overthrow of the government by force and violence.

Federal law provides, he contended, that any alien who is a member of such an organization must be deported.

But, Miss Perkins said, the case of Joseph Strecker, now pending in the supreme court, involves the question whether an alien member of the communist party is deportable on a charge of "membership in an organization advocating the overthrow of the United States government by force and violence."

WOODS REPLIES

AUSTIN, Jan. 22 (AP)—Dr. L. A. Woods, state superintendent of public instruction, asked to comment on charges of "waste and extravagance" in his department, said "let them prove their charges."

EX-CISCOAN TO HAVE CHARGE FISH HATCHERY

W. C. Harper Goes to Medina County Near San Antonio

A former Ciscoan will come to Cisco on February 1 to assume charge of the state fish hatchery, succeeding W. C. Harper, who goes to Medina county hatchery, near San Antonio, after three years here. The new superintendent is Walton Baum, a nephew of Victor B. Gilbert, former state representative now with the interstate commerce commission.

Mr. Baum and his wife and two children will arrive February 1. Mr. Harper and his family will leave the following day to take up residence at Devine near which the Medina county hatchery is located. Mr. and Mrs. Harper have a daughter, Nancy Jane, 9, and a son, Dan, 7.

Mr. Harper came to Cisco from Dundee hatchery near Wichita Falls, succeeding S. B. Wright.

Mr. Baum, who has been with the state game, fish and oyster commission for eight years, is being transferred from the Jasper hatchery.

No Charge for P-TA Program Thursday

There will be no charge for the West Ward P-T. A. program at the high school Thursday evening at which Dr. L. H. Moore, of Texas State College for Women at Denton, will speak, it was emphasized in a statement by P-T. A. officials today.

On the contrary, the meeting will be open to the public and a special invitation to all who are interested in the work of the schools is being extended, it was announced.

Dr. Moore, associate professor of philosophy and education at T. S. C. W., will speak on "The Citizen Goes to School."

The program will begin at 8 o'clock.

Marines Seek Recruits Far From Seaboard

A few years ago the United States marine corps conducted its recruiting along either the east or west coast, but it is now seeking replacements for its personnel far from any seaboard. Postmaster Luther McCrea said here today. Thus he indicated that the marine corps is reaching out to points remote from the sea to gather its necessary quota of replacements, a policy which is fully justified by the fact that about one-third of the corps' enlistments during the recent fiscal year were obtained from inland states. For a while Chicago was the only centrally-located city where applications for the marine corps were considered, but an office is now operating in Dallas.

When two battalions of marines were authorized in 1775, congress stipulated that "no person should be appointed to office or enlisted into said battalions, but such as are good seamen, or so acquainted with maritime affairs as to be able to serve to advantage."

Modern conditions have greatly modified this rule, and nowadays a knowledge of the sea is not required of marine recruits. Marines are especially trained for sea duties; all of the corps' important posts are near the sea; and most of the marines when they are not actually assigned to duty aboard battleships or cruisers, make numerous voyages during an enlistment, the postmaster said.

REPORT DENIED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25 (AP)—President Roosevelt described as another pipe dream a report Secretary Wallace was about to resign.

BACK TAXES

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25 (AP)—Representative Martin Dies (D-Tex.) said government agents had investigated him and found he owed back taxes.

Many Senators Speak, But Few Listen



It may have been pictures like this, showing a majority of senators absent from their desks during debate on confirmation of Harry L. Hopkins

as secretary of commerce, that caused senators to wonder if they had not made a mistake in permitting candid camera shots to be made of their de-

liberations. Whatever the reason, you probably won't see any more, as permission to make photographs in the senate chamber was withdrawn.

Ciscoans Attend Moran Get-Together Banquet

Ranger School Man Addresses Annual Meeting

With Bob Taylor, Cisco chamber of commerce secretary and formerly of Moran, presiding, the Moran Luncheon club held its annual booster banquet at the Moran Legion hall last night, with guests present from Cisco, Abilene, Albany, Stamford and Ranger. Seven Ciscoans, besides Mr. Taylor, attended. They were S. H. Nance, president of the Cisco chamber of commerce; Edward Lee, W. E. Dean, R. I. Haley, Garland Nance, E. L. Jackson and W. H. LaRoque.

About 75 were present for the dinner which was addressed by Supt. W. T. Walton of the Ranger public schools. Society, the Ranger superintendent said, has largely lost the human touch and has become mechanized. "We are in a rut," he said. "Our relationships are not personalized enough. We have lost much of the real value of living."

He urged a "humanizing" of relationships in business and social life.

The banquet was purely a get-together affair, without business of any character.

Martin Through With CIO Body

DETROIT, Jan. 25 (AP)—Homer Martin, whom the CIO refused to recognize as president of the United Automobile Workers union, indicated he wished no further relationship with the UAW's parent body.

Martin, who frequent reports have said would attempt to lead his UAW adherents out of the Congress of Industrial Organization into an independent setup or renew affiliation with the American Federation of Labor, commented crisply:

"(The CIO's action) simply means that the CIO is leaving us. I shall make no appeal to stay within their good graces. I have no desire to appeal."

Patman Denies He Received \$18,000

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 25 (AP)—Wright Patman, Texas representative, denied he had received \$18,000 from McKesson and Robbins, New York drug firm involved in the recent Coster-Musica scandal, but told the house he received \$5,000 in one year for a series of speeches. Patman said McKesson and Robbins sponsored one of his speaking tours, through a New York speakers' bureau, in 1937.

Toastmaster



Bob Taylor, new secretary of the Cisco chamber of commerce, who was toastmaster for the annual Boosters banquet of the Moran Luncheon club at Moran last night. Mr. Taylor came to Cisco from Moran.

W. H. LaRoque Talks on Lions Education

Lion Smitty Huestis, program chairman, presented W. H. LaRoque in a Lions education talk at the noon luncheon today. At the conclusion, two Lion cubs, Bob Taylor and H. T. Huffman, were given the initiatory ceremony by Lion LaRoque, President Jack Anderson, assisting.

Rotary Sutton Crofts, a guest of Lion Nevill, and who is local chairman for the President's Birthday Ball, made a short talk on plans for the event. Lion Charles Kleiner, county chairman, also told of plans being prosecuted for making the charity ball a county-wide success. Lion Kleiner went at length into details of the importance of financial planning and use of the money to be raised.

Directors went into a huddle after the luncheon program to discuss plans for rebuilding the soft ball stadium.

PERKINS REPORT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25 (AP)—Secretary of Labor Perkins reported an increase of approximately 200,000 in employment in non-agricultural industries during December.

SHERIFF HERE TODAY

Sheriff Loss Woods was in Cisco today on business in connection with district court sessions at Eastland.

Airliner Crash Probe Started by Ministry

NEW YORK, Jan. 25 (AP)—The British air ministry Tuesday began an investigation into the mysterious power-failure crash of the 19-ton Imperial Airways flying boat Cavalier, with the loss of three lives at sea, as the captain of the lost plane said "definitely" the tragedy was not caused by icing.

"The Cavalier was equipped to combat ice," said 31-year-old Capt. M. Rowland Alderson, who was rescued with nine others. "At no time did I have the slightest fear of ice formation—either on the wings or clogging the carburetors. . . . The whole thing is a mystery to me."

Haggard from their 10-hour ordeal of clinging together in the gulf stream, off the Maryland coast, the five women and five men survivors were able to give more coherent accounts of the tragedy than when they arrived late Monday on the rescue tanker Esso Baytown.

But none knew the answer to the question:

What happened to the giant sky-liner, silencing its four motors and necessitating a forced landing on the choppy seas midway between New York and Bermuda?

Without elaboration, Radio Engineer Patrick Chapman, critically suggested some strange "unseen force" may have played the role of destroyer.

"Just before I sent out the SOS," he said, "I saw a dirty patch ahead and started getting static. We had been flying in cold, clear skies."

"It was not normal static, such as you get on your radio. It was a terrific rush—an outburst of static that created quite a charge in the plane."

Ranger Bulldogs Lose Fast Go to Lobos 29-20

The Cisco Lobos advanced a step nearer the county league basketball title in a spirited game here with the Ranger Bulldogs last night which they won 29 to 20.

Ranger presented a much improved team from previous games and the crowd saw some of the fastest action that any game played on the local court has presented. Results of the contest leaves Gorman and Carbon alone with a chance to head the Lobos and take the county flag. Gorman is rated particularly strong this season.

SOLONS SEEK REACTIONS TO TAX PROPOSAL

Transaction Tax Was Surprise, Letter Declares

In an open letter to the people of their districts, the 106th and the 107th, Rep. P. L. Crossley and Omar Burkett today invited their constituents to study the tax proposals of Gov. W. Lee O'Daniel and to write them their reactions.

When the governor's proposal was submitted to the legislature, they wrote, the "entire body was completely dumfounded and a knocked off its feet" by the plan for a transaction tax which is "stream-lined, twin-motored, pyramided or multiplying sales tax."

Their open letter was: In line with our promise to the people that we would, from time to time, give them our version of the happenings in the legislature and around the capitol, we now wish to make this brief report covering the first two weeks of this session.

On January 10, the first day of the session, Hon. Edward Clark, secretary of state, called the house to order, and, after presenting Governor Allred to the assembly, proceeded to call the roll of the house first by district number and then in alphabetical order, and administered the oath of office to the house members. The secretary of state then appointed temporary officers and announced the election of a speaker. Hon. Emmett Morse (uncontested) was elected speaker of the house, who, after having taken the oath of office proceeded with the organization of the house, along temporary lines only, as it required a lot of time and detail work to get the house properly organized in all its phases.

The second day was devoted to the address of Governor Allred—the house and senate being in joint session. Governor Allred's address was in many respects a masterpiece, in that it portrayed the true conditions of all phases of our state government. For two and one-half hours we listened with interest to the accomplishments of our state government during the past four years, and to his version of the real needs of the people, as regards all branches of our government and state life, not particularly singling any one need. To all who did not read this address in the papers, we think you could not spend the time more profitably than to read it, and one would not be wasting his time to read it again.

Organization Work

The rest of the first week, and until Thursday noon, was taken up with further organization work and the reading and adopting of many resolutions, dealing principally with the naming of mascots, queens to the mascots, king to the queens, etc.—much of which could have been eliminated with blanket resolutions, and at great savings to the state of Texas, as it takes a lot of time to get these matters out of the way. Many good, timely and fitting resolutions in memoriam have been introduced on the deaths of former members, members of their families and distinguished personages throughout the state.

The second week was given almost wholly to the further organization of the house, and mostly to the inaugural ceremonies, which presented a most pleasing and inspiring spectacle. Texas has never inaugurated a governor with so much pomp and ceremony, and the city of Austin possibly has never seen or tried to entertain so many people before in its history. You are familiar with the radio reports and newspaper reports in regard to it, so it will not be necessary to go into detail here.

On Wednesday, January 18, Governor O'Daniel made his opening address to the joint houses, and to an over-packed house and gallery. We also commend you to a very close study of this address, which deals almost wholly with the social security programs and principally to old age assistance. In view of the fact that we had, throughout the campaign and on up until the address, been told

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BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Lead hear my voice; let Thine ear be attentive to the voice of my supplication. Thy saints shall shout for joy.—Ps. cxxxix, 2.

I think of my faithful immortal
And my being expands like a rose.

A glorious song of rejoicing,
In my inmost spirit I hear;
And it sounds like Heavenly voices,
In a chorus divine and clear.

—ANON.

Let us each cultivate carefully and jealously the portion of soil Providence has committed to our care.—Gold Dost.

Politics Goes on Forever

THE record of the first week of Gov. W. Lee O'Daniel's administration is a sobering demonstration of the fact that men may come and men may go, but politics goes on forever. Everybody, of course, wants a business administration at Austin, but nobody is willing to yield anything to get it. Thus the great game of government resolves itself in this administration as in others into a question of the survival of the fittest. As we recall Gov. O'Daniel as a candidate promised very little. He said he favored paying old age pensions to everybody over 65 and that his platform was the Golden Rule and the Ten Commandments. But his pension promise and his platform were not the issues which elected him. His promise to get rid

of the professional politicians and install a business administration at Austin was the big thing that made him governor. That was the main reason which 75 per cent of those who elected him gave for supporting a man utterly unknown to politics and unlettered in the arts and arcana of that field. "Anything for a change. We want to get rid of the politicians. We want a business administration."

NOW, let us see what are the results of the first week. With startling frankness and courage the governor has recommended a transaction tax to raise funds for operating the state government and paying pensions to those in need. He has recommended abolition of the state ad valorem tax. His program would put the state on a cash basis, extend social security and old age pension benefits to all entitled to them under state and federal law. So far he has not been able to induce any member of the house to introduce it, while throughout the state controversy rages over the proposal.

He has ignored politics and nominated ability to state offices. Immediately uproars against his nominations develop, not because he has named incompetency, but because he didn't name appointees with the proper connections.

MR. O'DANIEL may be a bit bewildered by it all. But the brutal truth of the matter will, perhaps has already dawned upon him. Politics isn't business. Politics is a problem of pleasing the people. The individual who can do that successfully can get by with almost any old program. But the business man, trained to think and act mathematically, rarely ever makes a good politician.

Hawaiian police investigated a nude tattooed on a man's arm as an indecent exposure case. Better roll down your sleeves, sailors!

The castor oil bean plant which has grown to nine feet is not as high as little Willie can climb when trying to escape a dose of the fruit of the same plant.

The new mechanical man that can scream, hiss and shout louder than anybody arrives on the scene a little late for the fall elections, when he would be most useful.

While it is difficult to find any good in a thief, it must be admitted that the subway guards who stole \$1,300,000 in nickels were persistent and patient.

While there were no great earthquakes in 1938, the people quaked enough so that it really didn't matter.

ALLY OOP By Hamlin



JOHN T. FLYNN

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NEA Service Staff Correspondent

If you will look at a chart of business activity—not just production activity—you will see that the general tendency was down from the beginning of January, 1937, until around April, 1938.

This in spite of that Dun and Bradstreet report that building costs rose all through 1937 right up to September, the end of the building season. They have declined since.

One of the very serious things the matter with us is the rigidity of building costs—both material and labor. Labor costs, of course, are controlled by union wage scales. Building material costs are controlled by agreements among manufacturers and collusion of all sorts among contractors and subcontractors.

The fact that the country could move down in a serious depression

for nine months chiefly because the building industry refuses to get going and yet all that time building costs should rise, is complete evidence that these costs are controlled.

Nothing much can be done about this until and unless the department of justice moves with ruthless activity against price and production agreements, express and implied, among material groups and against collusive activities of contractor groups.

This is one spot where a swift and relentless warfare against violations of various anti-trust laws will perform a potent service for recovery.

But this will not be enough. There will remain the labor costs. These are dominated by the American Federation of Labor.

The building trades unions have slowly, by drastic cutting off of apprenticeships, cut down the amount of available union labor. They have raised wages scales and work terms in such a way as al-

most to make profitable building impossible.

No man can make a single argument against organization of building workers into unions or against union efforts to protect working conditions and rights against employer exploitation. There is no doubt that the character of the building industry has made it difficult for building workers to make a decent living without comparatively high daily wages. They do not work enough days in the year. But as they have raised the daily wage and imposed other restrictions they have still further cut down the number of days because they have helped to reduce building.

(They are not alone to blame for

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About Our Friends

By STEP A. LONG

A group of Ciscoans went up to Moran last night to show them their hometown boy, Bob Taylor, since he had become the Cisco secretary of the chamber of commerce. Bob was toastmaster at the Moran Boosters Luncheon club banquet last night. Must have been given just for the privilege of showing off Bob since there seemed to be no other business transacted and Bob was the whole show. Well, not quite. There were a few others who got in a word or two between Bob's introductory remarks.

Superintendent Walton, of the Ranger school system, which includes their junior college, was supposed to be the main speaker of the evening. . . . and would have been had not it been for the fact that Bob was the hometown boy come home to receive the plaudits of his constituency. . . . But we won't be too hard on Bob. . . . He did acquit himself with glory with his impromptu wit and humor. . . . He kept the meeting alive and on its toes. . . . His home town and the group of Ciscoans who went up there to help show him off, were well satisfied with his behavior.

Back to the main speaker. . . . Mr. Walton made a splendid talk. . . . "The Personal Touch," his subject, was handled well. . . . snappy stories were interspersed to keep your attention at its keenest. . . . We would pronounce him one of the coming young after-dinner speakers of this section.

Some of the Cisco live bunch were there. . . . Steve Nance, whom Bob forgot to introduce as the president of the chamber of commerce. . . . and for which he will probably pay dearly in some way. . . . Garland (Pete) Nance was there of course. . . . Dizzy Dean, who seems to be everywhere rustling business. . . . and Ray Hakey for the same company, Edward (Red) Lee with his shining countenance

. . . and of course, Step A. Long, who was there to view Bob's success from the sidelines. . . . And Stonewall Jackson, who made a good speech with plenty of good jokes. . . . Fact is each one of the Ciscoans made talks that seemed to be appreciated.

Quite a number of Cisco merchants and sales people attended the style shows in Dallas, and the national style exhibit in Fort Worth this week. . . . H. S. Dr. Wright is in attendance for Garner store. . . . M. Shein for the Boston store. . . . S. Altman, F. B. Altman, Miss E. Altman and Mrs. Myrtle Anderson, of Altman's Style shop, and Mrs. Vida Stephens of the J. C. Penney company, have returned from the showings. . . . Naturally we will expect everything to be up to the latest moment. . . . if not later. . . . in women's wear.

Does people good to get about and see what is going on. . . . makes them broader in vision. . . . nothing educates like travel. . . . and seeing other places than our own little circle. . . . A year of travel is said to be of much more value educationally than a year in the best university of the land. . . . provided the travel is supervised and properly guided.

Steve Nance has a cat. . . . Its name is Midnight. . . . so you can guess the color without undisturbance on the imagination. . . . This cat acts as an alarm clock waking him up at the proper hour each morning. . . . and of course there is a lot of other smart things Midnight does, but we'll let you hear him tell it.

Murders declined, burglaries increased, in the first nine months of 1938 compared with the similar period in 1937.

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OUR POLLUTION PROBLEMS

The game, fish and oyster commission of Texas is charged with the duty of the enforcement of the anti-pollution laws of Texas so far as pollution affects the aquatic resources of the state. Of course, the major source of pollution in Texas is the salt water and oil from the

oil fields. Since there are oil fields on most of the water ways of this state, this problem is one of considerable importance and magnitude. In most cases in the oil fields the wells will eventually burn to pumping salt water, and in the case of independent operators with small capital usually are the ones that are less careful with the control of this harmful pollution, and in this case cause much more trouble than the larger operators. General conditions and effects on aquatic resources will be dealt

with in the remainder of this column.

Sources of Pollution

In the counties of Brown, Coleman, Comanche, Callahan, Eastland and Erath there are approximately 3,000 oil wells producing about 8,000 barrels of oil daily. Many of these wells will produce as much as 15:1 ratio between salt water to oil. Much of this water will be three times as salty as the ocean water, believe it or not. Now, for example let me show you by citing an actual case of an oil well operation and try to show the reader the extreme importance of pollution from our Texas oil fields. One well produces 11 barrels of oil daily and is making eight barrels of salt water per barrel of oil. This makes 88 barrels of salt water daily, 2,640 barrels monthly and 31,680 barrels yearly. This lease has other wells that are making about the same amount of oil and water. From this, one can see that it would be a problem for the oil operators to control this volume of water in reservoirs as required by law, but it is being done. When the salt water does leave a lease the salinity of the receiving body of water is continuously increased till no fish or vegetation can exist in the stream. Wastes from cities produce another major pollution problem. It would be surprising to the average citizen, if he knew the amount of oil, carbide, salt water and other polluting substances that go down the storm sewers of our cities. All this goes down the streams and here it is to be used for drinking water and for the use of livestock. Factories, manufacturing plants and refineries contribute much to the pollution of our streams.

Effects of Salt Water on Fresh Water Fish

It would be rather foolish to say that fresh water fish are caught in the oceans, because everyone knows that this is impossible. If fresh water fish cannot live in the oceans, how does one expect fresh water fish to exist in water that is three times as salty as the ocean water? However, this is what is expected of many of our streams in this country, especially smaller streams that used to produce a large volume of our fresh water fish before oil fields were discovered in certain areas, and are now

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THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



IN HUMBOLDT VALLEY, NEVADA IN 1906-08, FIELD MICE ESTIMATED AT 12,000 PER ACRE, SWARMED OVER THE FIELDS AND DESTROYED 18,000 ACRES OF ALFALFA.

THE LARGEST LAKE IN SOUTH AMERICA, LAKE TITICACA, LIES 12,500 FEET ABOVE SEA-LEVEL.



FINLAND ONCE WAS A PART OF RUSSIA SWEDEN?

ANSWER: Both Russia and Sweden. Finland became a part of Sweden about the last of the 12th century. In 1809 it became a part of Russia, but gained its freedom and became a republic after the fall of the Czar.

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Miss Caldwell Complimented on 14th Birthday

Miss Mary Caldwell was complimented Tuesday afternoon with a party given in celebration of her fourteenth birthday by her mother, Mrs. W. P. Caldwell, and sister, Miss Frances Caldwell. The afternoon was spent in playing games of table tennis and checker chess, after which refreshments were served from a table decorated in a pink, green and white color scheme. The centerpiece for the table was a large white birthday cake, topped with pink candies and decorated with green frosting.

The guest list included the honoree and Misses Polly Ann McDaniel, Ruth Roach, Lois Coates, Golda Marie Warren, Gladys Berry, Bettie Mae Davis, Freda Fern Erwin, Doris Jamison and Josephine Miller.

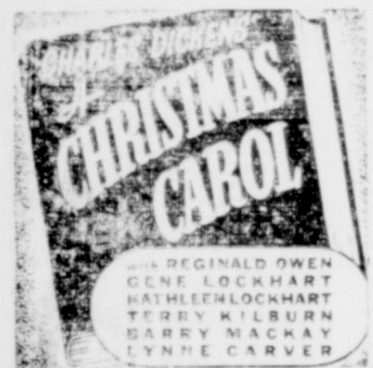
Methodist WMS in Bible Study

Ladies of the First Methodist W. M. S. met at the church Tuesday afternoon for the first monthly Bible study of the new year. Mrs. John Shertzer was program leader and introduced Rev. J. D. Hendrickson, who spoke interestingly on "Exploring the Bible." Approximately 21 were present for the meeting.

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Miss Sybil Holder Honored on Birthday

With members of the Euzelean Sunday school class of Cisco First Baptist church as guests, Miss Geneva Fenley of Eastland entertained informally in her home Monday evening honoring Miss Sybil Holder on her birthday. The dining table was laid with lace and centered by a white cake with tiny white candles. Dinner was served from small tables.

Those present were Mrs. O. H. Dick and Misses Holder, Velma Smith, Letha Estes, Willie Frank Walker, Lucille Harper, Jeanne Hageman, Frances Coldwell, Mayme Estes, Cathryne Russell, and the hostess, Miss Fenley.

Mrs. Farnsworth Is Circle Two Hostess

Circle Two of the First Baptist W. M. S. met Tuesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. M. P. Farnsworth for discussion of plans for the forthcoming workers' conference soon to be held in the Cisco church. Mrs. O. J. Russell, chairman, presided over the meeting. Mrs. Lee Elkins led the opening prayer and the lesson, taken from the eighth chapter of Acts, was taught by Mrs. O. L. Mason.

Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting to Misses R. M. Bates, O. J. Russell, O. G. Lawson, M. W. Robbins, Marion Smith, A. C. Green, J. J. Butts, A. D. Estes, Lee Elkins, W. C. Deane, A. C. Poe, O. L. Mason, and the hostess, Mrs. Farnsworth.

Auxiliary Has Business Session

Immediately following an executive board meeting at 2:30, the auxiliary of the First Presbyterian church met Tuesday afternoon in business session and foreign mission study. Mrs. P. R. Warwick presided over the meeting during which a nominating committee for the election of new officers was appointed. Misses F. D. Pierce, Abbie C. Daniel, and C. H. Fee make up this committee. An entertainment committee, composed of Misses W. W. Wallace, E. P. Crawford and Alex Spears, was also appointed.

Mrs. John Jones was in charge of the missionary program and those taking part were Misses F. D. Pierce, Alex Spears and John Jones.

Workers Conference Plans Discussed

Detailed plans concerning the First Baptist Workers conference, scheduled to be held here next week, were discussed at the meeting of Circle Five with Mrs. Leon McPherson Tuesday afternoon. The meeting was presided over by Mrs. F. W. Snyder. Mrs. C. S. Surles brought the lesson, taking as her text the eighth chapter of Acts.

Those present were Misses C. S. Surles, F. W. Snyder, A. B. Cooper, C. A. Farquhar, Fred Grist, R. D. Jones, Gayle Moore, Barton Philpott, John Smith, F. E. Shepard and Leon McPherson.

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Mrs. Wilson Honors Son on 9th Birthday

Mrs. R. L. Wilson was hostess at a party Tuesday afternoon given for her son, Bobbie, on his ninth birthday. The guest list was made up of Bobbie's classmates, including Melvin Sandler, Jimmie McCanlies, Edwin Jackson, Billy Ed- dieman, Robert Edleman, George Boyd, Billy Swofford, Jay Warren, Jack King, Jim White Patterson, Johnie Barnard, Gene Parma, Harvey Haynie, Leonard Tipton, Teddy Dean, Bobby Joe Lawrence and Jimmie Farnsworth.

Mrs. Moore Council Group One Hostess

Group One of the First Christian Women's Council met Tuesday afternoon, with Mrs. Rex Moore, Mrs. Oscar Cliett presided and Mrs. J. F. Benedict brought the devotional. Routine business was transacted and the meeting was adjourned.

Those present were Misses Oscar Cliett, Edward Lee, J. T. Scott, W. L. Harrell, J. E. Benedict, Miss Theresa Westington and the hostess, Mrs. Moore.

Mrs. Wilson Hostess to Council Group 2

Group Two of the First Christian Council met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Roy Wilson for a brief program and miscellaneous shower honoring Mrs. James Haynie. Mrs. W. F. Bruce brought the devotional and Mrs. J. E. Elkins gave a reading. At the close of the program refreshments were served to Misses W. J. Armstrong, W. F. Bruce, Huestis, A. S. Nabors, C. R. West, C. B. Powell, James Mobley, H. R. Garrett, Roy Wilson, James Haynie, H. J. Woodridge, J. F. Benedict, J. E. Elkins and Miss Jessie Smith.

Mrs. Warwick Is Honored by Club

The Birthday club complimented Mrs. P. R. Warwick with a luncheon in her home Monday with Mrs. S. E. Hittson as hostess. After lunch the afternoon was spent in needlework and games.

Members and guests present included Misses Warwick, Hittson, Abbie C. Daniel, Elizabeth McCracken, John E. Walter, R. C. Hayes, Sam Kimmell, A. Sand-

The Notebook

Wednesday The Music Study club will meet at 10 at the clubhouse.

Thursday The Thursday 42 club will meet with Mrs. William Reagan at 3.

The West Ward P.-T. A. will meet at the high school auditorium at 8 p. m.

Friday The Twentieth Century club will meet at the clubhouse at 3.

Wild Life-- (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)

non-productive and vegetation gone from the streams, and much of the land near the streams. A. H. Wiebe, J. G. Burr and H. E. Faubion of the Texas game, fish and oyster commission made the following statements about affects of salt water on fresh water fish: "It increases the osmotic pressure and has direct toxic effect." "Fish that are used to water with a low salinities such as occur in the appreciable increase in salinity without suffering. The Pecos river is an example of this situation, but fish that are used to soft water as in this country and East Texas cannot survive when suddenly subjected to salinities such as occur in the Pecos river or that result from addition to the streams of large quantities of salt water from the oil fields."

Kill all wild house cats.

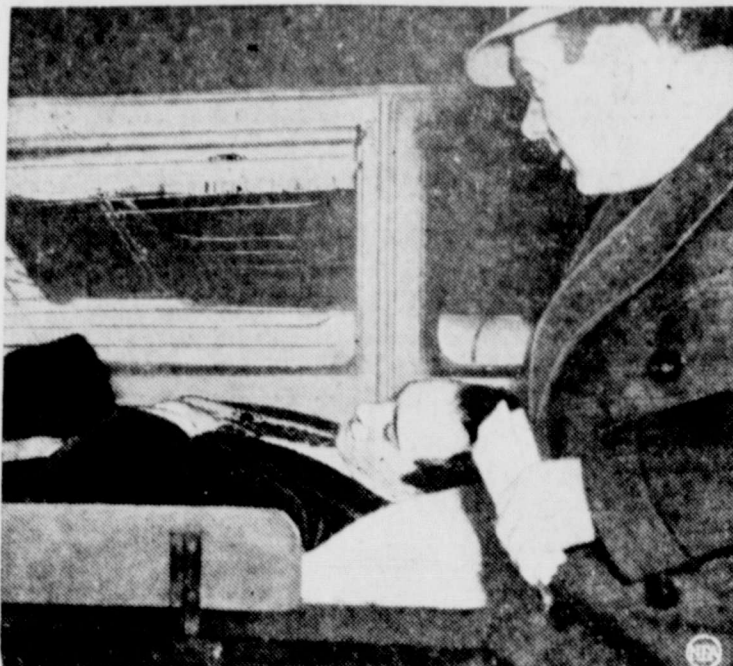
Life and death of Benito Mussolini caused uproar at the 1939 Fortune Telling competition in April. M. Leon Lafon predicted the death of the Duce during the year and was violently contradicted by Mme. Luce Vidi. Both were expelled from the meeting.

New processing equipment developed at the University of Tennessee's engineering experiment station is credited with making possible an increase of 45,000,000 pounds in the south's annual cottonseed oil production.

American butter stocks in November, 1938, were estimated at 193,000,000 pounds, 75,000,000 pounds above normal.

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Electric Chair May Give Him Life



Incurable diabetes victim Philip Chaleff, shown lying in an ambulance, may recover through a surgical miracle never before achieved. Doomed to execution in Sing Sing prison, N. Y., he has agreed to have his diseased pancreas replaced with the healthy one of an electrocuted fellow-murderer.

Hundreds of Infantile Paralysis Victims in Texas Seek Treatment

DALLAS, Jan. 25 (Sp.)—Texas has hundreds of little children, victims of infantile paralysis, knocking on hospital doors for treatment. This fact was revealed here today in a letter to George Waverly Briggs, state vice chairman for the celebration of the President's Birthday, January 30, from J. J. Brown, director of vocational rehabilitation, Austin.

The actual count shown in the summary of all counties shows that the state has a listed total of victims seeking treatment of 816 children. Seventy-one counties out of the total of 254 of the state re-

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that any form of sales tax would be disfavored, the entire body (both houses) was, for a while, completely dumbfounded and knocked off its feet in the proposal of a transaction tax, which, as generally regarded, is not only just a sales tax, but is a streamlined, twin-motored, pyramiding or multiplying sales tax. The opinion here is divided, with the opposition in the majority on this matter, and we are very much interested that you let us know just what your reaction to it is. Please study the addresses of both governors, keeping in mind at all times the needs of all the people and the thing that would be for the best interests of all the people, and then please do not hesitate to

attached list gives you by county the number of children on the waiting list ready to be sent to the hospital, but no money is available to send them! This statement by Mr. Brown shows conclusively how essential this drive for funds is, and I consider it a challenge to every Texan."

let us hear from you. We are spending the major portion of our time studying this matter, along with the abolition of the ad valorem tax, and other matters mentioned, to the end that we may be able to do the right thing, and the thing that, down through time will be for the best interest of the people throughout Texas. A view of the fact that we are trying to study these matters fully and especially reserving our action on these issues, especially the transaction tax, we court advice. May we say, too, that this time we are not favorably abolishing the ad valorem tax, would possibly favor raising from \$3.00 as it now is, to \$4.00.

Many bills have been introduced and of course many more will be introduced, and we shall discuss the most important of them from time to time as time will permit. Please address your letters either or both of us, care of Representatives, and we will greatly appreciate it. Yours in service, P. L. CROSSLEY, Representative, District 10, OMAR BURKETT, Representative, District 10.

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Advertisement for Conoco Zig-Zag reading method. Features a man in a Conoco cap holding a sign that says 'Zig-Zag'. Text describes the benefits of the method and includes a 'Zig-Zag Tournament' section with a table for tracking scores.

Advertisement for Altman's clothing store. Features 'Final Clearance' on dresses and blankets. Text includes 'DRESSES \$5.00', 'DRESSES \$2.00', and 'Blankets 50c ea.'.

Advertisement for Penney's clothing store. Features 'BARGAIN PRICED!' and 'SCRIM' nets. Text includes 'Beginning 9 A. M. Thursday While Quantities Last. Be Here!', '700 Yards', 'SCRIM', 'The grandest assortment ever. Novelty nets in solid colors and figures. Real buys at this low price', 'Solid Color BROADCLOTH', 'A fine count fabric 36 in. wide in all popular plain colors. 3 Yards for Also white. Many uses for this big value', 'Reduced!! Blankets', 'Size 70 x 80 Cotton Blankets; colorful plaids. Plenty cold weather coming. Buy several', '50c ea.', and 'PENNEY'S'.