# The Talco Times

COMPLETE NEWS AND ADVERTISING COVERAGE OF THE GREAT TALCO OIL FIELD

### NINETEENTH YEAR

## **TRUCK CRASHES TRAIN AND** DRIVER INSTANTLY KILLED

Alvin D. Sutton of Mesquite in @ Dallas County, was killed almost instantly at 1:40 a. m. Wednesday morning when the large cattle truck he was driving crashed into a Paris & Mt. Pleasant freight train at Talco.

The accident occurred where U. S. Highway 271 crosses the P. & Mt. P. tracks in Northwest Talco. The train was headed southeast toward Mt. Pleasant and Sutton had carried a load of cattle from Oklahoma to Mt. Pleasant and was returning for another load with the empty truck and trailer with cattle frames.

His truck struck the twelfth ar from the engine, which was an empty oil tank car being returned to the American Liberty Refinery at Mt. Pleasant. The impact derailed and turned the oil car over. The thirteenth car Fire Destroys caught the truck and dragged it about 40 feet, according to Sheriff Loyd Sinclair. Sutton's body was thrown from the cab and crushed between the engine and radiator until it was first thought a blow-torch would be necessary to extricate it.

The train was in charge of Conductor R. L. Burke with Engineer Calvin and Ralph Setzer, who Ed Walker at the throttle.

Sheriff Sinclair, who took Justice Grover Ard to Talco for an inquest.

A Smith-Bates Funeral Home ambulance carried Sutton's body was notified.

There were no tire marks on highway, Sheriff Sinclair he highway, Sheriff Sinclair Ad this reporter, and evidently Has Beens Win utton did not see the train in time to apply his brakes. The time to apply his brakes. The truck was demolished. The Over Faculty wreck was cleared about 5 o'clock Wednesday morning.

Sutton, who was only 20 years old, worked for Curtis Porter, Tyler livestock dealer. His driver's license and other papers listed him as a resident of Tatum, N. M., but his father, J. L. Sutton of Mesquite, said the boy's home was in Littlefield, 38 miles northwest of Lubbock. Besides his parents, he is survived by his wife and one child, Patricia Ann.

Smith-Bates funeral directors, carried the body to Littlefield where final rites will be held.

### **Bill Is Adopted** Adding Judge In East Texas

lived in Tyler nine years. The House and Senate have approved a bill allowing East Wednesday in the First Presby-Texas an additional federal terian Church of Tyler, rites conjudge.

ducted by Rev. J. Sherrard Rice, The legislation, which provides with burial in Rose Hill Cemefor twenty-one more permanent tery. federal district judges, and three more circuit judges, now goes to his wife; a daughter, Miss Janice the White House.

Lamar Cecil of Beaumont, has Methodist University; his mobeen reported the favorite of ther, Mrs. B. E. Vardaman of Texas Republican National Com-Fortson, Ga.; a sister, Mrs. M. V. mitteman H. J. Porter for the Matthews of Columbus, Ga., and new East Texas judgeship. brother, B. C. Vardaman of



A fire which destroyed the Frank Setzer home southeast of Bogata Saturday night, was thought to have caught from de- Jim Rollins. fective wiring in the attic of the kitchen. When discovered by **Jodie Baxley Dies** live alone and were playing dom-Deputy Sheriff J. S. Hobbs of inces, the roof was ready to fall Talco was notified and he called in. Having no phone and their After Long Illness neighbors being away from home, there wasn't time to turn in an

alarm for help. only a new radio and one or two Wednesday. His death was atto Mt. Pleasant and his father other articles saved. Insurance tributed to the effects of asthma carried partly covered the loss. complications.

Talco Has-Beens eked out a his health. Survivors include a 41 to 40 cage victory over Talco brother, Lester Baxley, a sister, faculty members on Monday Miss Thelma Baxley; one halfnight, but they played some brother, John Bivins and a half younger men who had not arrived at the has-been stage. Men who had not played basketball in a long time took on that "trembly" feeling and none Income Tax Man to of them wanted to be slapped on the back

Proceeds of the game went to the Year Book fund.

### TALCO, TITUS COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1954

### C. W. Vardaman Will Open Bids On **Road Building Dead at Tyler**

Clyde M. Vardaman, 50, assistbids on Feb. 16-17 include: ant division superintendent of Hopkins County-State 11, 1.9 production for Humble Oil &

Refining Company, died Tuesday miles of grading structures and of age who are not required to in a Tyler hospital. An empoyee base from near Delta County buy a poll tax to vote — should of Humble for 31 years, he had line to near Franklin County line bring the figures up to around At Cuthand in a Tyler hospital. An empoyee base from near Delta County buy a poll tax to vote - should by sections. Funeral services were held

Titus and Upshur counties -Farm Road 127 and 556, 5.5 miles Road 21; from the end of Farm at Monticello southwest to Farm Thomas.

## his wife; a daughter, Miss Janice Vardaman, student at Southern TALCO TIMES HAS BIRTHDAY, **ENTERS 19TH YEAR THIS WEEK**

day this week. Last week's edi-Mr. Vardaman was superintendent in the Talco district in year and under the masthead it she gave public thanks to the 1944-45. Among those attending with the date line will be found: late Will G. Cross of the Mt the funeral service from Talco "Nineteenth Year, Number 1." were Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Ander-

son and the latter's sister, Mrs. George Keiter; Frank Tietz, A. W. Compton, D. E. Ferris and publisher, and it has not missed an edition since that time.

It was on Friday, Feb. 7, 1936, that Talco was thronged with excited people, the day after oil The next Friday, Feb. 14, the first issue of The Talco Times appeared.

Size of the paper has ranged Jodie Baxley, resident of Titus County most of his life, passed from four to forty-four pages. first newspaper. The house was a total loss, with away in his room at Owens Court Amount of advertising patronage always governs the number of for that hand-set newspaper propage

Aside from the first edition there have been three high points Mr. Baxley was 62 years old and recently moved back to Mt. in The Times' career which are 000 to \$25,000. Harry Moore and oustanding. Pleasant after having lived for several years in West Texas. He was born and reared in the Green Hill community and lived there until he moved west because of When its first birthday anni-

issued the following year; sister, Mrs. Lutler Allen, all of Titus County.

Mr. Vardaman is survived by

Fortson.

**Assist Tax Payers** 

Bethel F. Holmes, Internal Revenue Agent with office in tra copies were sold. Paris, will be at the Talco post-

**Nearly 5,000** Projects upon which the State Titus County citizens bought Highway Department will open 4,400 poll taxes, according to Tax Assessor-Collector Jimmy Bar rett. That with the exemptions

**Titus Co. Voters** 

-men and women over 60 years Bury Crash Victim ing a mile west of Deport, on U. 5,000

at Cuthand. had

The Talco Times has a birth- | discovered at Talco.

We have the first edition of tion completed our eighteenth that newspaper in our files. In landing in the boat plant yard. Pleasant Times, who assisted her First edition of The Talco in getting her newspaper plant Times appeared on February 14, set up and the Record establish-1936, with Sam Holloway as its ed on the rough sea of journalism in a town that was much smaller than the present Talco.

All the type had to be set by hand, the paper printed a page at a time, folded by hand and the was discovered in the Carr No. 1. subscribers names and addresses written in long hand. Miss Moore is still a resident of Talco and deserves much credit for the hard work she put into Talco's

> Her investment for equipment bably did not exceed \$1,000.

newspaper plant for a weekly newspaper now costs from \$20,-Eris Houchin assisted Miss Moore

When The Talco Times scooped in publishing her newspaper. state daily newspapers in an-Printers were paid \$10 and \$12 nouncing the bringing in of the a week in those days. Now they discovery well on March 14, 1936; make from \$70 to \$100 a week. Some changes since The Talco versary edition of 32 pages was Record issued its first edition in 1922.

Then came the best journalis-In the oil-drilling boom days tic job this publisher ever did no one gave a darn who you were when he issued on March 3, 1938, nor from where you hailed and a school edition of 44 pages upon strangers did not speak. After the occasion of the formal open- eighteen years, everybody knows ing and dedication of Talco's everybody and his dog or autonew half million dollar school mobile, and strangers are greetplant. Engravings in that edition ed by townfolk as is the practice cost more than \$150, and 1000 ex- in small Texas towns.

The publisher is deeply grate-The Talco Times has had sev- ful to people of the Talco area A son, Michael Lynn, weighing office on Feb. 15 and 16 from eral editors. First there was for their friendship and their pounds and 10 ounces, was born 8:30 a. m. until 5 p. m. for the Frank Dannelly, followed by patronage. We have made of The



A bad auto and truck crash occurred early Wednesday morn-S. Highway 271, near the Mt. Pleasant church, that sent three people to Grant Hospital, two of them seriously hurt.

NUMBER 1

Funeral of George Lee Tucker, A. H. Symcox, 88, has a broken 55, former Clarksville man, who hip, and his wife, 81, is sufferof grading, structures, base and Road 556 at Camp County line, was killed when a jet plane ing with brain concussion, acsurfacing from Farm Road 127 southwest to Farm Road 752 at crashed at a boat-building plant cording to Dr. Jack King. Their at Grand Prairie, was held daughter, Mrs. Beulah Hunt, who Thursday of last week at Cut- was driving, suffered shock. They hand. Rev. Buddy Burgess had are all residents of Cordell, Ok., charge of services at the church and were returning home after a visit with their daughter and

Slagle, 51, of Trenton.

He married Miss Oma Lee Tom-

lin at Argo, Dec. 14, 1919.

Fort Worth.

Mr. Tucker, with his family sister in Florida. They had spent moved from Red River the night at Hughes Springs and County to Arlington, for employ- were driving a 1950 Ford that was practically demolished. ment at the Lone Star Boat Co. He was one of two employes kill-Elmer McMikel, driver of a

ed when the plane made a crash truck owned by the City of Deport, suffered back injuries. In The other victim was William H. the truck with him at the time and assisting him. in patching Son of Joseph B. and Susanna holes in Deport's streets, was Billy Rodgers, who was not hurt. Tucker, Mr. Tucker was born in The truck was badly wrecked. Red River County, June 19, 1898.

The accident occurred when the City truck started to turn left off the highway to go to the city

Surviving besides his wife are lake and pick up asphalt. these children: Clifford O. Tuck-McMikel had stopped to permit er, Mrs. Georgia Lee Eudy and an east-bound car to pass and Mrs. Sybil Matlock, all of Arwas turning when struck by the lington; eight grandchildren and Ford, which then veered to the these brothers and sisters: John right and was heading into a deep Tucker and Mrs. Renie Patton in ditch near a culvert before it California; Frank Tucker of turned over and stopped just a Clarksville, W. C. Tucker of Arfew feet from water in the ditch. lington, Mrs. Ida Garmon of Bo-It had crashed into a big boisd'arc gata, and Mrs. Maggie Crabtree, tree before turning over.

"I had no control of the car after the crash," Mrs. Hunt told

Because they failed to report this reporter. "It appeared the their grades, two high school stu- steering parts were broken," she dents were omitted from the honadded. or roll last week: Miss Carolyn

Ryan, mid-term graduate and Jimmy Ayers of Sabine, visited Evangeline Stewart, a freshman. friends here the past week end.

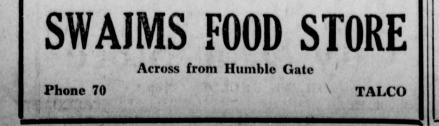


automobile crashed into a motor grandparents and Mr. and Mrs. charge for this service. passenger car then being operat- Alva Blackerby of Sherman, are ed by the P. & Mt. P. paternal grandparents.



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> **BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR** DONNA BETH MITCHELL

Miss Donna Beth Mitchell was entertained at her home on Monday afternoon with a birthday party, celebrating her 2nd birthday. A lovely birthday cake and punch were served as refreshments. Whistles and gum were given to the following playmates who attended the party: Chuckie and Ann Seabaugh, Robert Joe Turner, Mike Marshall, Charlotte Rothwell, Allen Carter, Don Gibson, Marlene Martin, Lydia

Orr and Jeane Winchell.

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to establishment of The Talco in some measure to judge the fu-Times. Talco's first newspaper ture, we shall continue to do was called the Talco Record. It those things in the future that was established by Miss Kather- have characterized the past. ine Moore on July 13, 1922 and printed on a big job press until service to people of the Talco

publication was suspended in area that their understanding 1935, just a year before oil was and co-operation will permit.

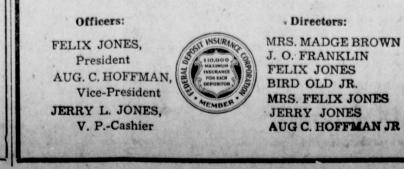
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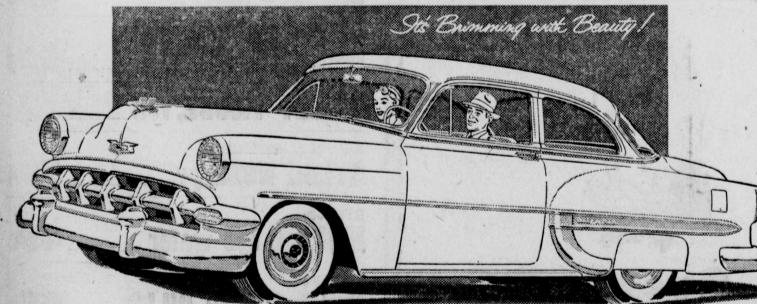
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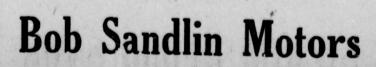
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