

\$300 Fine; Jail Term Given 2 Brothers for Circus Fight

Two Abilene brothers on trial in connection with a fight at the Shrine Circus in Abilene's Blue Sox Stadium last September 18, were found guilty Monday of aggravated assault.

They had been charged with the greater offense of assault with intent to kill.

Each of the two brothers, Jeff and Gilbert Buyer, was given five months in jail and fined \$300.

The case went to the jury here in 42nd District Court at 7:20 p. m., Monday. The jury returned its verdict at 8:45 p. m.

District Judge J. R. Black presided at the trial.

Alleged victim of the Buyer's attack was J. T. Talent, Abilene car dealer. The fight was witnessed by several thousand persons attending the circus.

150 Spectators
The trial began here Monday morning, Dallas Scarborough and John Crutchfield of Abilene represented the defendants. Wiley Caffey, 42nd District attorney, Abilene, was assisted by Felix Mitchell, attorney for Callahan County, in the prosecution.

About 150 spectators were in the courtroom during the afternoon. The two defendants sat with their attorneys. Gilbert Buyer had a wound on his forehead received about a week ago in an auto accident north of Abilene.

The state's star witnesses were Mr. and Mrs. Talent. Talent was knocked down and allegedly cut in the fight with the two Buyer men.

The Talents testified that the Buyer brothers and their mother came and took seats in the bleachers to the rear of the box they occupied. They were boisterous, abusive and cursing, both testified. Jeff Buyer, they said, had threatened to slap Mrs. Talent. When he did, they testified that Talent remarked:

"Buddy, you'd better not do that."
The fight started shortly thereafter when Jeff Buyer allegedly came back, stepped into the box with a knife. Talent said he sought to get into the next box but was hemmed in and then used his knife when the Buyers struck him.

Jeff Buyer, on the stand in his defense, said that he, his brother and mother disliked the bleacher seats because their view of the circus was obstructed by a large light pole. He said he had had a friendly conversation in the box with Talent before. As he rose to leave he said he put his hands on the railing back of the Talent box and that Talent slashed his hand with a knife, severing an artery and causing blood to spurt.

Gilbert Buyer said he then knocked Talent down and they went out onto the baseball diamond to fight. He alleged Talent slashed him with a knife before they left the box. Out on the field he said he received seven or eight knife wounds, one in his chest.

Jeff said that after Talent slashed his hand he sought to get a small pen knife and use it but his arm was too weak to hold it.

Numerous witnesses testified that the Buyer brothers were pursuing Talent out onto the field, to home plate and first base and back. In the tiff Gilbert said he knocked Talent down four or five times. Once when they were down and Talent was "cutting my leg with his knife, I kicked him in the nose," Gilbert said.

A photograph was exhibited showing Gilbert with eight knife wounds on his body.

Defense Witnesses
Testifying in behalf of the Buyers were their mother, Mrs. S. R. Buyer, Abilene; Mrs. C. L. Washburn, Liberal, Kansas, sister of the Buyer brothers; and a deposition was read from Mrs. C. E. Lutton who is in Hendrick Memorial Hospital as a result of a car accident a few days ago when Gilbert Buyer was involved.

The mother testified that her sons did not use abusive language, did not use a knife, and were not intoxicated. Previously the Buyer brothers testified they had drunk some beer before coming to the circus.

Jeff said Talent slashed his hand as he laid it on the rail. Gilbert said he rushed to the rescue of his brother but had no knife. Both denied making any threats against Talent.

O. E. McMahon, 142 Ross St., Abilene, testified that Jeff sat down beside his daughter when the Buyers came in, though there was no room. He said after Jeff went to sit in the box he heard one of the boys later say to the other, "Let's get him (Talent)." The fight started soon afterward. He said Jeff was the aggressor. After the attack Talent, he said, stepped into the next box and the Buyer brothers set upon him.

Witnesses Listed
Among the state witnesses who testified during the long afternoon session were:

John Dumas, former deputy sheriff; A. H. Frankenberg, grocery manager, 2749 Buffalo Gap Road; S. H. Gray, Abilene fireman; O. T. Foster, printer; R. N. Foster, his son; Carl H. Bonner, Austin, who was attending the circus; Sgt. Homer Bailey, State Highway Patrol; C. E. Davis, 850 EN 11th St.; Garland Bishop, worker at Blue Sox Stadium; J. E. Greely, cab company director; E. B. Cox, 1250 Poplar St.; Hubert Northcutt, 330 Cedar St.; Jack Banks, 2325 Jeanette St.; Adolph Lang, 834 South 18th St.; J. A. Turner, 901 Westridge Dr.; J. B. Jackson, Abilene; W. T. Hays, 810 Lilius St.; Julian McDaniel, 642 EN 16th St.; Charles Berry, Route 4, Abilene.

These were eye witnesses to most of the affray from bleacher or grandstand seats. Frankenberg quoted Gilbert during the melee as saying to Jeff, "Let's kill him." He testified Jeff hit Talent to set off the fight. "I saw Talent then cut Gilbert," he said.

Greely first thought it was part of the circus. He said he saw Gilbert knock Talent down, then again and stab Talent. Greely said he sought to stop the fracas and Gilbert threatened him if he didn't turn him loose. "I'll kill you, too," he said Gilbert threatened him.

Saw Fight on Field
Most of the witnesses saw the fight after it continued out on the baseball diamond. They all said that Talent was being backed up with the Buyer boys as the aggressors.

On the jury were Buster Hatchett, Baird; Frank Monroe, Clyde; Clinton Waddell, Route 4, Cisco; H. F. Hutchins, Route 4, Cisco; H. W. Need, Cross Plains; O. H. Warren, Baird; John Purvis, R. F. Joy, both of Cottonwood; H. T. Sandlin, Putnam; B. Crow, Baird, Star Route; Franzel Odom, Cross Plains; S. N. Dunlap, Jr., Baird.

All are farmers except O. H. Warren and S. N. Dunlap, who are in the oil field business.

Luncheon Club Spikes Road Aid

Leslie Bryant, first vice president of the Callahan County Businessmen's Luncheon Club, presided at the regular meeting on Wednesday at the Methodist Church in the absence of President Glenn Rockey.

Ace Hickman presented his guest, Ev Hughes, president of the Callahan County Sheriff's posse.

The Luncheon Club's road committee was instructed to meet jointly with a like committee of the Baird Lions Club to petition the county commissioners' court at its meeting next Monday, to take action on the promised paving of the Baird-Admiral farm-to-market road.

Edwin Reese and C. E. Brandon reported a successful boxing tournament held at the Baird High School last week end, when Baird carried off the coveted trophy.

Dist. F.F.A. Banquet Held in Abilene

Baird F. F. A. Chapter was well represented at the annual district banquet held in Abilene last Thursday evening. The banquet took place in the dining hall of McMurtry College.

The sweetheart contest was one of the high lights of the banquet. In this contest sweethearts from twelve chapters in the Abilene District competed for the district honor.

Officers from the local chapter attending were Don Roots, president; Billy Stroope, vice president; Floyd Lee Woods, treasurer; Frankie Carroll, reporter; and Charles Brame, secretary.

Guests of the local chapter were Curtis Sutphen, school board member; Pleas Scott, Baird Star editor; C. E. Brandon, high school coach; Virgie Stephenson, chapter sweetheart; and Edwin L. Roose, adviser. Approximately 155 members and guests attended.

Notice To Heavy Truck Drivers

The Texas Highway Department will have men here on March 9th to assist any one in getting his truck registered for the proper weight, and answer questions pertaining to same, so if you think you will need information be at the tax collector's office on the above date.

JOE PIERCE, Tax Collector.

W. H. Fortune of Cross Plains was a business visitor in Baird on Tuesday.

The Baird Star

Our Motto, "Tis Neither Birth, Nor Wealth, Nor State, But the Git-up-and-Git That Makes Men Great."
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BOOST BAIRD IN 1953

C. W. Bruton, 79, Dies At Baird

Charlie Wright Bruton, 79, died Sunday at about 4:30 p. m., at the Callahan County Hospital here after a brief illness.

Bruton suffered a heart attack at his home early Thursday. He was removed to the Callahan County Hospital Thursday morning where he was found to have a cerebral hemorrhage and paralyzed on his right side.

Funeral was held at 3:30 p. m., Monday at the Wylie Funeral Home. Officiating Minister was Rev. Charles Lutrick, pastor of the Baird Methodist Church. Burial was held at the Belle Plains Cemetery near Baird.

Mr. Bruton was born February 16, 1874, in Claiborne Parish, La. He was a member of the Baptist Church and Masonic Lodge. He was married to Myrtle Kanady April 12, 1926.

He had lived here about 61 years, and was a retired farmer.

Survivors include his wife, of Baird; one son, Walter R. Bruton of Belle Plains; one sister, Mrs. Inez Williams of Abilene; one brother, Webb Bruton of Baird; and one niece, Mrs. Dorothy Cheek of Abilene.

Humble Station Changes Hands

J. B. Coats, who has owned and operated the Coats' Service Station here at Spruce and E. Highway 80 for the past 53 weeks, sold his interests to Tom Barton, Baird bulk agent for the Humble Oil Company, this week.

Mr. Coats has enjoyed a goodly share of the local service station and highway transient business since opening his new Humble station early in 1952. His growth in patronage can be attributed to his courteous and efficient care of his customers' needs.

When asked what he intended doing now, Mr. Coats replied: "Don't exactly know. You see this deal came up awfully sudden and was consummated before I made up my mind."

Tom Barton, the new station owner, is no stranger to Baird nor to the gasoline business. He is a native of Clyde and has lived in Baird for several years.

After his graduation from North Texas State Teachers College in 1940, Mr. Barton taught school for one year. Then followed five years of service in the U. S. Air Force.

In 1946 Barton opened the dealership for Humble Oil Company products in Callahan county and will continue to serve the county from his bulk station here.

Barton married Miss Frances Baulch of Clyde in 1942. They have two children, Ann, 7, and Tommy, 5. They reside at 325 Callowhill Street, Baird.

Robert Neal Rites At Dudley Wednesday

Funeral for Robert N. Neal, 90, of Dudley, who had lived in Taylor and Callahan counties for the past 50 years, were held at 3 p. m., Wednesday at the Dudley Baptist Church.

The Rev. W. C. Ashford, Baptist minister, officiated. Burial was in the Dudley Cemetery under the direction of Elliott's Funeral Home.

Mr. Neal died at 4 a. m., Tuesday at Wichita Falls. He had been in a hospital for some time and had been critically ill since Friday.

He was born in Temple February 23, 1863. He was a retired farmer.

Survivors are six sons, W. L. of Baird; C. A. and E. J., both of Dudley; J. T. of California; R. A. of Fremont, and Calvin of Abilene; 10 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Neal died in 1926.

Pallbearers were Jimmie Crenshaw, Cecil Caperton, Phillip Preston, all of Abilene; Otto Betcher, Finley Cobern, Claude Wilkerson, all of Dudley.

Rule Rebekah Lodge conferring the degrees and installing the officers. Members attending from Baird were Mrs. Hazel Johnson, Mary Kehrer, Bessie Mae Borden, Lorene Kerby, Alice Crutchfield, Katherine Hinds. The meeting took place March 3, 1953, at Rotan, Texas. Those attending were: Rule, 22; Abilene Lodge 89, 10; Rotan, 25; Baird, 6.

Baird Reworks Storage Tank; Water Supply OK

The 40-year-old city water storage tank in southwest Baird is being rehabilitated at a cost of about \$2,600.

"When we began repainting scaling the inside, we found we didn't have a reservoir that would hold water," James Asbury, city secretary said.

"Strangely all the rivets which held the tank sheets together had rusted out, so we had to re-rivet and re-weld the seams."

Ed Lambert, an old timer, recalls that he helped haul the steel used in construction of the reservoir.

The reservoir has a capacity of 60,000 gallons, which will be kept as reserve continuously in case of big fires, Asbury said.

Connelly Fruit, superintendent of Baird municipal utilities, water, light and power and sewer, said that Baird's new municipal lake contains enough water to supply the city into the summer without rain. The lake on Mexico Creek, was finished after the last big rains, but caught enough in one flash flood to run the city for many months.

Meanwhile Baird continues to use some of the water from its wells atop the mesa to the west. This water is somewhat "harder" than that supplied by the lake.

Several months ago the municipality took possession of T&P Lake, in the southeast city limits. It was built by the T&P Railroad about 10 years ago at a cost of \$75,000, to supply the roundhouse and steam locomotives at this division point. Now it has no use for it. So the city acquired it for \$10,000, half of which will be paid back by the railroad through purchase of city water for domestic purposes.

The T&P lake will ultimately be developed into a recreational and park spot and fishing will be permitted. Presently its supply of water is being sold to the Premier Refinery, east of Baird. In case of emergency, its water could be purified for use for drinking purposes.

Plans Complete For Baird Rodeo
Plans have been completed for the fifth annual Sheriff's Posse Rodeo to be held here April 30, May 1 and 2.

Seats, fences, chutes and all have been painted and fixed up for opening.

Bob Estes, local boy and rodeo producer, will furnish the rodeo stock again this year. Bob claims to have the best stock of his career to present to local rodeo fans.

All Callahan County Sheriff's Posse members are urged to pay their dues before rodeo time, so as to be able to take part in the barbecue and rodeo.

Baird Lions See Safety Film

Highlight of the Baird Lions Club meeting of Monday evening, March 2 was the showing of the film "A Day In Court."

After the regular meeting session and dinner at the Presbyterian Church, the group of 31 members and guests adjourned to the Baird elementary school building for the showing of the picture.

This film, "A Day In Court," was brought to Baird by J. Ross Kemp, safety officer with the Texas Department of Public Safety, and was enthusiastically received by the members of the Lions Club group. The film was also viewed by the students at the Baird schools on Tuesday.

Another visitor at Monday night's meeting was Lion Dub Cook, president of the Clyde Lions Club.

The Rotan Rebekah Lodge No. 214 was instituted with Katherine Hinds, Division Supervisor of Division 13 Instituting Officer; Edna Downing, Vice President; Marie Loofborrow, Secretary. Other institutional officers were Mrs. Hines, Rule; Mrs. Conder, Rule.

The Baird Star Publisher Buys Clyde Enterprise

C. M. Isenhower, publisher of the Baird Star, announces the purchase of the Clyde Enterprise, Clyde, Texas, from Mrs. Irma Willis.

Pleas Scott, editor and business manager of The Baird Star, will also serve the Clyde Enterprise in the same capacity.

E. F. Butler, former publisher of the Enterprise, will be the office manager and Mrs. Sam McIntosh will continue as society and news reporter.

The Enterprise, now in its forty-first year of serving the Clyde community, will continue to be published in that city.

March, 1953, Is Red Cross Month

By The President of The United States of America

A PROCLAMATION
WHEREAS the American National Red Cross, chartered by the Congress as a voluntary agency through which the people of this Nation may answer the call of their fellow Americans in distress, continues to face unprecedented peacetime demands upon its resources; and

WHEREAS the Red Cross, as a recognized auxiliary of our armed forces, must continue to meet the needs of servicemen, veterans, and their families for help with their problems, at home and overseas; and

WHEREAS the organization in the fiscal year 1951-1952 helped 32,000 disaster-stricken families with food, shelter, medical care, and rehabilitation, making its largest expenditure for disasters in more than a decade; and

WHEREAS the Red Cross, as an adjunct of the Federal Government, is training hundreds of thousands of Americans in health and safety skills so that they may protect themselves and their families in time of emergency; and

WHEREAS the Red Cross, as the national coordinating agency for the procurement of blood for defense, is collecting the vast quantities required for military and civilian use and, in addition is expanding its program to make gamma globulin available for the prevention of paralysis from poliomyelitis; and

WHEREAS the Red Cross is appealing for \$93,000,000 in voluntary contributions as the minimum amount required to help those in need of special assistance throughout the Nation in the year ahead;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, President of the United States of America and Honorary Chairman of the American National Red Cross, do hereby designate March, 1953, as Red Cross month; and I urge every American to respond as generously as possible to the appeal for funds for this humanitarian cause.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this twentieth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-three, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and seventy-seventh.

Declamation Contest At Baird High School Friday, March 6

The following contestants of Baird School will take part in declamation contest at Baird High School this afternoon, Friday, March 6:

Helen Walker, Marjorie Curtis, Ann Dennis, Sherry Fugitt, Pat Jeter, James Tyson, Buddy Spence, Martha Payne, Janice Brown, Ruth Walls, Louanna Ault, Artie M. Stokes, Mary Ross, Barbara Snyder, Fayette Faircloth, Willie Belle Bruce, Mary Jo Goolsby, Carolyn Nichols, Virgie Stevenson, Joy Lattimer, Tommy Sue Hopkins, Lonnie Lawrence, Mary Brown.

NOTICE
Will be in Oplin Thursday, March 12 to register cars and trucks. Bring your title with you.

JOE PIERCE, Tax Collector.

Baird Boxing Team Wins Tourney For Second Time in Three Years

Baird boys, sparked by knockouts and technical knockouts, won the prized trophy for 1953. The fifteen-inch award will go to remind athletes of today and tomorrow of feats accomplished. This is the second time in three years of competition that Baird High School has won its own tournament. We failed to win two fights last year or it would have been three in a row.

Things started off with a bang at eight o'clock last Friday with a bout between Curtis Allphin and Ev Woods. This was an exhibition fight without a decision rendered.

J. West, Baird vs. Terry, Abilene—West won the K. O. route.

Nickels, Baird vs. Williams, Breckenridge — K. O. went to Nickels.

D. West, Baird vs. Connally, Moran—D. West by decision.

Stroope, Baird vs. Brunson, Abilene—Brunson by decision.

Koegl, Abilene vs. Harbor, Moran—Koegl won the decision.

Myatt, Abilene vs. Rogers, Abilene—decision went to Myatt.

Gunn, Baird vs. Futrell, Abilene—Gunn won by decision.

Jenkins, Breckenridge vs. Pointer, Breckenridge — exhibition.

Callahan Trustee Elections April 4
Two county school trustees and several district trustees will be named in the April 4 election. L. C. Cash, Callahan County School Superintendent, has announced.

Two county board members whose terms expire this year are Elmer Vestal, Cross Plains, trustee at large; and Roy Armour, Commissioners Precinct No. 2, whose area takes in Oplin, Denton, part of Baird and Cross Plains school districts.

District trustees whose terms expire and successors will be chosen at the April 4 election are:

Eula; Pete Wallick, Loy Jackson, Dick Savor.

Putnam; John D. Isenhower, A. B. Hutchinson, Arnold Regenstein.

Denton; George Cranse, Hollis Windham, recently appointed to fill the unexpired term of Harley Sikes.

Cottonwood; John Purvis, Norman Coffey and Levi Bennett.

Oplin; Clarence Breeding, Lucian Pierce and Ernest Gwinn.

Cash said that Oplin district becomes two years dormant this year and the district will be annexed to one or more schools. This action can be authoritatively done by an election in the district or by the County School Board taking action. Presently pupils from the Oplin district go to Novice, Lawn, Denton and Clyde.

Baird School Board Re-elects Teaching Staff For One Year

At a meeting of the board of trustees of the Baird Independent School District on Monday evening, March 2, 1953, the entire teaching staff of the school was re-elected for another year.

The meeting was held in the elementary school building and was presided over by president of the board, H. W. Ross, Jr. Other board members present included Roy Higgins, vice president, and R. B. Shelnett, secretary, who have filed for re-election at the forthcoming school trustee election April 4: C. W. Sutphen, W. C. Edwards, M. L. Hughes and C. B. Snyder, Jr., and Superintendent K. N. Rowland.

Mr. Rowland, who signed a three-year contract in 1951, has

Saturday Night
Finals for Saturday night are as follows:

EXHIBITION—Boyd, Breckenridge vs. Grounds, Breckenridge—no decision.

Lambert, Baird vs. Browning, Breckenridge—Lambert won.

Jones, Baird vs. Pointer, Breckenridge—no decision.

Schlaefli, Breckenridge vs. B. Moore, Putnam—draw.

FEATHER WEIGHT—Nickels, Baird vs. West, Baird—West by a close decision.

LIGHT WEIGHT — J. West, Baird vs. no opponent.

MIDDLE WEIGHT — Koegl, Abilene—Koegl by decision.

LIGHT HEAVY WEIGHT — Gunn, Baird vs. Sawyer, Breckenridge—knock out by Gunn.

HEAVY WEIGHT—F. Woods vs. Gandy, Breckenridge—Gandy by decision.

Officials for Friday night were C. C. Poe, Caldwell; Leslie Bryant and Moore of Putnam. Saturday night's officials were Jimmy West, Red Meadows, C. C. Poe and Moore. Dale Glasson handled the microphone. Pop Whitacre and his music makers furnished the music for the intermission Friday night.

Had Your Car Scotchlited?

The Safety Committee of the Baird Lions Club began on Wednesday a program of attaching "Scotchlite" tape to the bumpers of automobiles as a traffic safety measure.

Lion J. B. Coats, chairman of the committee, has been a busy boy this week when he would first solicit the motorist, explain the program, then with sponge, bucket of water and wiping cloths would go to work cleaning the bumper before attaching the luminous tape.

The "Scotchlite" glows in the dark when headlights are shown on the car and may prevent countless accidents where parked cars might otherwise be unnoticed.

Charge for this service is one little ole dollar which goes into the Baird Lions Club activity account.

Have your car "Scotchlit!"

FORMER BAIRD MAN ON RADIO PROGRAM

C. V. (Red) Jones, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Jones, formerly of Baird, and Jerry Green, Specialty Recording Artist will appear on Slim Willet's Big State Jamboree, Abilene, March 7th. Jones is associated with K. V. E. T. Austin, Texas, where he has two disc-jockey shows a day; 3 to 5 in the afternoon and 8 to 10 at night. Jones and Green have recently made appearances on the famed Louisiana Hayride, Shreveport, Louisiana. C. V., Jr., is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. V. F. Jones and the nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Jones, all of Baird.

CPL. JIM CLARK HOME FROM GERMANY

Cpl. Jim Clark is home with Mr. and Mrs. Claude Johnson after spending two years in the Army. He spent 11 months overseas in Germany. He received his discharge at Fort Hood, Texas, March 3, 1953.

Re-elected at Monday night's meeting were Miss Sibyl Myers, first grade; Mrs. Ruth Bowlus, second grade; Mrs. Roberta Ross, third grade; Miss Isadore Grimes, fourth grade; Mrs. Lucille Hall, fifth grade; Mrs. Gladys Webster, sixth grade; John Shrader, eighth grade and principal of elementary grades.

C. E. Brandon, coach and high school principal; Mrs. Irma Crow, commercial subjects; Earl Ellis, mathematics; Mrs. Helen Ellis, homemaking; Mrs. Maurine Nichols, English and Spanish; Mrs. Mary White, social science and librarian; D. L. Pippin, band director and English; and Edwin Reese, vocational agriculture.

Notes . . .

from the
PUBLISHER

It was a pleasure this week to drive around over Clyde and see the many attractive new homes. I was amazed at how many there were. Stopped in and had a nice visit with Homer Swafford, whom I had met once before and had heard a great deal about from Pleas Scott.

While on the subject of visiting, I enjoyed my first session with Tom Barton. As he is a native of Clyde and both of us being sport fans, we quickly got around to Jimmie Taylor's remarkable showing in spring training at Baylor University. We had many mutual acquaintances in sports who came from Clyde and Baird about the time Tom and I were in college. Donald Melton and Alvin Chrisman, who were part of a world famous track team at North Texas State Teachers College; Bruce and Hayden Pyeatt, Dub Baulch and the late Johnnie Connell, who attended Abilene Christian College. There were more, in fact, there has been a large number of good athletes from the two towns.

I wonder how many of my readers are familiar with the extent of the boom at Putnam

in 1910. Although I grew up there, the story is new to me. The Memory Lane Column caused me to read some of the old issues of The Baird Star. There were more than twenty homes under construction at one time. The brick hotel, bank building and two more brick business houses were also being built. It was not uncommon for as many as 15 carloads of freight to be unloaded in one day. There was a development company which was selling lots right and left to investors from all over the country. The Mineral Water Company was shipping a considerable amount of the mineral water. It is an amazing story and an interesting one.

There is quite a bit of discussion in the papers about the bill introduced in the legislature to control the distributing of indecent books and magazines. It is my opinion the cure is not in a law. We ordinary people create the market. The purchaser always decides what the market will be. We are supplied with what we demand. I know you have gone into a store and been told by the clerk about having stopped stocking an article because there was no demand for it. The best things, in case of no demand, will be dropped out of stock. On the other hand, the worst things will be kept if we demand them.

We can all remember when we couldn't find a good by-word in a book. Some of the current best sellers would shock a sailor. The

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reason such books are printed is because we buy them. Each time we buy an indecent magazine at a newsstand, we are helping to keep that magazine going. If we demand only clean magazines, the newsstands will stock only clean magazines. It is we ordinary people who decide whether we shall have good literature or bad literature, good schools or bad schools, good motion pictures or bad motion pictures and yet, whether we have good churches or poor churches. By demanding only good things the future will contain only that which is good.

Mr. Floyd Wood, who is in the Veteran's Hospital in Big Spring, where he is under treatment for burns which he received while burning pears on the R. L. Griggs ranch, January 8, is reported improving.

Rowden Round-Up

Marjorie Mauldin
Community Activities Reliably
Reported by The Star Reporter

The Baptist Intermediate Training Union Class enjoyed a dinner Sunday given in the home of their sponsors, Mr. and Mrs. Oran Bains. Those present were Danny Myrick of Cottonwood, Dean Gibbs, Roland and Marjorie Mauldin, Pearly Smedley, Thelda and Velda Bains, Cardella and Sonny Bains, Mr. and Mrs. Odie Smedley.

Mr. and Mrs. Odie Smedley and Pearl visited Mr. and Mrs. Gene Mauldin and family Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Jones and Kay of Abilene visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Jones, Tuesday.

Mrs. Billie Rose and Bruce visited Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rose and Grandmother Miller Saturday.

Those visiting Mrs. Lelia Gibbs Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. Ed Tucker and son, Mr. Granvel Gibbs of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. John Miller of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. N. V. Gibbs and Judy.

Mrs. Adie Smedley and Mrs. John Adair visited Mrs. Bill Hazel Thursday afternoon.

Mr. C. E. Stephens, who suffered a heart attack Monday of last week, has returned home from the hospital, feeling much better.

Mrs. Oscar Tyler and children visited Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Stephens Sunday.

George Sadler, Jr., visited Dan Mauldin Wednesday evening.

Week end visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pleas Scott and family were Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Chamberlain and daughters, Malzy and Edwina, and son, John; Bubba Wilson and Jim Ehrler, all of San Antonio, and Mr. and Mrs. Albert D. Scott and family of Odessa.

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Down Memory Lane

March 4, 1910

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Brightwell were in town the first of the week.

Mrs. C. B. Snyder left Saturday for Brownwood, Goldthwaite and other points to visit relatives.

Mrs. Gussie Surles, teacher of the Primary Department of the Public School, has been quite sick for several days. She was reported some better yesterday. Mrs. Langston is teaching in Mrs. Surles' place.

Judge B. L. Russell and son, Olborn, Dr. H. E. Ramsey, W. R. Ely and Bob Norrell made an auto trip to Cottonwood Saturday.

The Baird physicians now in automobiles. The buggy is too slow these days, but in wet they are the surest.

The State School Board has purchased the Baird Independent School District Bonds, \$20,000. Also Common School District No. 5. (Fish School). Bonds, \$600.00. Notice of the above sales were published in the daily press Wednesday. Nothing should no longer delay the commencement of the building.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Hall and Mr. and Mrs. Parker of Vineta, Oklahoma, are spending a few weeks at Mr. Hall's ranch on the Bayou.

Tom Windham and son, John, Pete Fulcher and others, of Opalin, were in town, Monday.

Miss Winnie Windham, who is attending the public school here, visited her parents at Opalin, last Saturday.

The weather is fine and we are now beginning to need some rain. Some of the oats went through the bad weather all O. K. while some froze out.

Andy Rutherford's horse became frightened at an auto a few days ago and ran only a short distance and demolished three wheels of his new buggy.

Uncle Jack Kirby bought a nice bunch of cattle for the spring grazing.

Look out for building boom in Baird when the twenty thousand dollar school house starts soon.

Plans have been announced at Putnam for a large new Baptist Church.

March 3, 1933

J. C. Neal of Clyde, was in Baird on business yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bradley of Rowden were Baird visitors yesterday.

Miss Ethelyn Clark spent last week end in Dallas with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Jarrett visited their daughter, Mrs. John Finto in Ranger last week.

Miss Earlene West of Tarleton Station spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. West.

Mrs. Harold Ray is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. C. Lee, in Fort Worth this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Meadows and Garland Bennett, returned yesterday from Dallas, where Mrs. Meadows and Garland attended the Spring School for Hair Dressers. Mrs. Meadows always attends these schools so that she can keep up with the new trend in hair dressing.

Joe Shackelford and Charlie Conner of Putnam visited in Cottonwood Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Warren and son of Abilene, visited Mr. Warren's parents last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Bates Baulch and daughters, Polly and Janis, of Brownwood, visited friends and relatives over the week-end.

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a member of the reserves was recalled in November of that same year.

At that time he was stationed at Camp Chaffee, Ark., where he remained as instructor of recruits in the 5th Armored Division until he received his orders to the Far East Command in June, 1952.

Foy has been on Okinawa, in the Pacific, since July last year. At the present time he drives a 5-ton wrecker removing debris resulting from World War II. He is with the 8116 Army Unit.

During his leave, in 1948, Foy was married to Miss Bobbie Brandon of Putnam. They have one son, Larry Dean, age 18 months.

Mrs. Jobe and Larry plan to join the sergeant on the island in the very near future to make their home until such time as the Army returns him state side.

classical music. The public is cordially invited.

Burt Moore thinks that he won't try to catch the 12-pound shot putt any more. He had to have three stitches taken in his upper lip Monday evening. Tough luck Burt. By the way, he got a black eye along with a split decision last Saturday night at the boxing matches at Baird. We just wonder if his girl didn't do that.

This is visitation week at the school and a number of programs have been planned.

Sorry to hear that Scranton and Clyde were eliminated in the regional play off at Brownwood. We wish the Eula girls good luck down there this week end.

Rodolfo visited in Abilene Sunday.

By the grammar school grapevine we hear that Madge Reed, Nancy Hutchinson, Carroll Taylor and Dan Reed attended the show at Cisco. It is not hard to tell who is courting who.

We also hear that Vernetta thinks that burr hair-cuts are sooooo cute.

Who was skating hand-in-hand when the seventh and eighth grades went to Cisco last week.

A fellow just feels safer in a cellar in time of a storm.

Well time to feed the chickens and gather the eggs, so be seel'n' you next week.

ALONG THE SCOUT TRAIL

F. L. BUTLER

Perhaps most of you remember the organization of the first Boy Scout troop in Putnam under the leadership of the Rev. Johnny Price. You recall the trip some of the boys made to Galveston in 1926-7. Those of you who attended could never forget the barbecue given at Cunningham's the night before the Scout's trip to New York.

After Rev. Price left, Charles Day was Scout Master. Then in the year of 1929 the pastor of the First Methodist Church, the

Rev. Cecil Fox, was selected for Scout Master and P. L. Butler as assistant. The troop committee members were Pete King, L. B. Williams and R. L. Clinton. If my memory is right, 16 boys were registered as Boy Scouts that year. A few months later, P. L. Butler was advanced to Scout Master and the Rev. Fox was assistant.

The troop number was 17, and it continued in active service until the year of 1940 and from that year until 1947 there was no scout troop in Putnam. During the last six months of 1947 the troop was reorganized with Billy Mac Jobe as Scout Master. E. K. Bell, who was section foreman for the T. & P. Railroad, was selected the same year to lead the troop but quit in a short time and P. L. Butler was again registered as Scout Master.

He continued in active scout work until about the middle of 1952, then he resigned.

The Rev. W. L. Milner, pastor of the First Methodist Church, is now leading Troop number 17.

CLUB NEWS

Mrs. E. V. Ramsey was hostess to The Lone Star Study Club Monday evening, March 2, in the home of Mrs. Dale Wirt.

Mrs. A. B. Hutcheson, guest speaker, spoke on parliamentary procedure. The president, Mrs. Bill West, called the meeting to order and a brief business session was conducted.

Roll call was answered with an ex-governor of Texas.

Following the business session refreshments were served to Mmes. A. B. Hutcheson, Dean Bennett, W. D. Fleming, Wilburn Williams, Gladys Walls, B. E. Rutherford, guests, and the following members: Miss LaVerne Rutherford, Mmes. M. H. Sargent, W. P. Reed, H. E. Wagley, W. C. Barron, Boyce Bolick, Bill West, W. V. Donaway, Dale Wirt, and hostess, Mrs. E. V. Ramsey. The club will meet with Mrs. W. C. Barron, March 16.

SCHOOL NEWS

HOMER TAYLOR

Burton Moore has become interested in law within the last week. He was a business visitor over there last Thursday morning at 10:00 a. m., along with some more boys of the area. This all took place in Eastland.

Who escorted Terecia to school sometime last week? I heard that it was a "47" Chevy that went out that way. Terecia hasn't told us about this.

Who was the visitor under the school building on Wednesday morning? Some of the boys have been going out of the city to trap but now, there should be a lot of choice trapping right here in the city limits. Ray, "Daniel Boone" Green was the brave boy that set two huge traps for the "vermit."

Mr. Putnam is surely disappointed that Jammie's birthday didn't come on a school day. By the way, it was on Saturday, February 28. Happy birthday, Timer.

Putnam boys and girls took their last conference basketball games from Denton two weeks ago. The game was played in the afternoon to allow the players to go to the play-off between Eula and Clyde.

Putnam was host to the Scranton boys and the women's basketball club and the Putnam men's volleyball club on the night of February 26. Our high school girls played the women in basketball and won. The boys played Scranton and lost and then played the men in volleyball and won two games in succession. This was for the benefit of the Athletic Fund.

The annual senior play practice will resume sometime within the next two weeks I have been informed. The profit from this play will be taken in for the Senior and Junior classes to go in on the planned trip at the end of school.

Hall Green, Carl White, and Clint Rutherford went to the regional play-off tournament at Brownwood on Friday, the 27 of February. They are Clyde fans like the rest of us they say.

Hubert was really glad a certain girl got to play the other night at the benefit games.

The Junior and Senior classes of Putnam High School are happy to present to all who are interested, the Cisco Junior College Choir from Cisco, Texas, on the night of March 5, 1953. There will be a small admission fee. This group will give a program of popular, semi-classical and

1st AND 2nd GRADE NEWS

By GAYLE BURNAM

The first and second grades are having visitors this week.

Mr. Weldon Isenhower and Mike Pruet have been in to see us. We hope all mothers will visit us this week.

Diane Wagley is still talking about the nice birthday party he had last week. His mother brought a beautiful cake decorated with candles. Dorris Lee helped his mother serve cake and ice cream to the first and second grade children.

Billy Wagley went to the show at Cisco to see "The Stars are Singing." He visited with Linda after school last week but he did not want to play dolls. This week he decided he would visit with Dorris Lee and play cowboy.

Marvin Wayne Henry and Gayle Burnam enjoyed seeing the same show that Billy saw.

Ricky is staying with his grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. Dock Isenhower of Cisco, while his mother is visiting in Oklahoma with relatives.

Mary Joe Brazil visited her cousin Sunday. He is being sent over seas and she wanted to see him before he left.

Gary, Kennie and Ronnie Mitchell came to see Linda Sunday evening.

3RD AND 4TH GRADE NEWS

By BILLIE MOORE

The fourth grade science class has been studying about the planets. During the study the class drew a large mural of all the planets in the sky on the front board with colored chalk.

The third grade science is doing an experiment with an Irish potato finding out how much water the potato contains.

We are looking forward to having our parents visit us this week. We have our work on display for our parents to see.

We are beginning our softball practice. We have some good players but some are still afraid of the ball when it is thrown very hard.

Joe Cherry had two of his uncles from Abilene to visit him on Sunday.

Carolyn Sue, Billie, George and G. G. went to the show during the week end.

L. C. visited Duane Saturday night.

James helped dehorn cattle Saturday. His cousins from Snyder spent Saturday night with him. They had their picture made on the horses.

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VEDA YARBROUGH

We had a little rain out this way Monday night, about one-fourth of an inch. We were very thankful for that much.

Mrs. Lucille Kelley and daughter, Joeceal, of Cisco and Mrs. Eugene Wood of Lubbock visited in the Mark Buman home Friday night.

Mrs. Floyd Buchanan spent the week end in San Antonio.

Mrs. Mark Burnam, Mrs. Lucille Kelley visited Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Odessa Kelley at Baird.

Mrs. Willie McCollum visited with Veda Yarbrough Wednesday morning. Then in the afternoon they visited Mr. N. L. Bailey and Mrs. Bud Booth of Moran. Also visited in the home of Mrs. Bill English of Sedwick. The Bud Booths have recently moved to Moran and have a real pretty home. They bought the Bell Waters home and remodeled it.

Chesley Pruett of El Dorado, Arkansas, visited the first part of last week with his father, G. S. Pruett and Mrs. Pruett. Chesley has quite a bit of oil holdings in and around here and several other states. Chesley flies his own plane.

Jim and Veda Yarbrough and Mrs. Mary Ramsey of Putnam visited in Cross Plains Saturday. Mrs. Ramsey visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Bishop. Mrs. Bishop is a sister of Mrs. Ramsey. The Yarbroughs visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Yarbrough.

Well the gardening and flower planting fever is spreading these warm days. Davie Pruett has been putting out onion plants and planting potatoes and some flower seeds. Guess I will have to plant some, too.

Visiting in the Jim Yarbrough home Sunday were: Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Wood, Mary Dell and Treva, Peggy Brown, Mary Abbott, May Abbott, all of Cisco. The Yarbroughs were not at home but they made themselves at home. Cooked dinner and washed all the dishes and spent the rest of the day. They left a note saying they had a good time and enjoyed the day very much. Sorry we were gone. The Yarbroughs were spending the day with the Mable girls in Putnam. Come again girls, but let me know so I will be home.

Gayle Burnam is back in school after being out last week with the pink eye.

Retha Burman spent the week end in Cisco with Joeceal Kelly and attended a good show also.

Mr. and Mrs. Burnette Ramsey visited in the home of Mrs. Mary Ramsey Sunday night.

We got our beans and potatoes planted and are now waiting for a good rain which we hope comes soon. Folks, it is most time for spring storms, so better see if the cellar is ready to duck into if and when you see one of them things coming.

Putnam Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Wort went to Glenrose Saturday to visit relatives.

Miss Gladys Riggs spent the week end visiting relatives in Lubbock.

Mrs. Bud Fleming was shopping in Baird Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Hicks visited her mother, Mrs. J. A. Heyser, the past week.

R. N. Cluck of Cisco has been elected president of Ranger Junior College. Mr. Cluck is a former superintendent of the Cisco Public Schools. His wife is now teaching in the Putnam school system. From their many friends of Putnam come congratulations to Ranger Junior College and best wishes for Mr. Cluck and his good family.

Ellen Shackelford cut her hand last week. I think she was washing the dishes for Jiggs. Three stitches fixed it up fine.

The Church of Christ will have a guest speaker for the next two Sundays. Brother Justis will be away until the Fourth Sunday.

The local pastor for the Baptist Church of Putnam has not been announced yet.

Fred Heyser, I. G. Mobley and John D. Isenhower spent Thursday of last week in Austin. They were on their way into the capitol to see Tige Gilbert and they met him coming down the walk. Fred stopped him and asked where they were. Tige asked Fred where they were from and he said they didn't know. Tige was pretty serious until he looked over and recognized I. G. Every one had a big laugh about it. Judge Meade Griffin came along and every one had a nice visit. Judge Griffin is an old Callahan County boy. He was a roommate with Shields Heyser when they were attending the University law school.

They enjoyed visits with Joe Nelson of the bond department in the Highway Building and with Olin Culberson in the Tribune Building. Mr. Culberson is a member of the Railroad Commission. They also enjoyed a visit to the office of Senator Wagoner from our district. If you are ever in Austin do not fail to call on him. We believe that we have an excellent senator in Mr. Wagoner.

We received a notice from the First Armored Division Headquarters Command that Pvt. Billy Jim Everett has arrived at North Fort Hood, Texas, where he will be assigned to the famed First Armored Division for basic training. Famed as a combat division in World War II, The First Armored Division was reactivated in 1951 under Major General Bruce C. Clark and is at present under going combat training at Fort Hood, Texas.

T/Sgt. and Mrs. Cecil Rutherford left Monday for the west coast, where they will visit with relatives before Cecil boards ship for Hawaii where he is being transferred. Mrs. Rutherford will return to Pittsburg, Pennsylvania to await her post call.

Mr. and Mrs. Warlick Jones and children of Moran visited

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FOR SALE - Seven-room house on Race Street. Write Mrs. T. V. Anderson, 370 Bluebonnet Blvd., San Antonio, Texas. 9-4-c

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Troy Lee Smith, Defendant.

Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable District Court 42nd Judicial of Callahan County at the Court House thereof, in Baird, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 30 day of March A. D. 1953, then and there to answer Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court, on the 28 day of January A. D. 1953, in this cause, numbered 10827 on the docket of said court and styled Fannie Smith, Plaintiff, vs. Troy Lee Smith, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to wit:

Plaintiff asks for divorce on grounds of cruel treatment and for custody of Troy Lee Smith, age three, and Anthony James Smith, age 16 months, and for child support in the sum of Seventy-five and no/100 (\$75.00) Dollars per month and for one half of the community property, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Baird, Texas this 16 day of February A. D. 1953.

(SEAL)
Attest:
Mrs. Corrie Driskill, Clerk, District Court, Callahan County, Texas.

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CARD OF THANKS

I want to thank each one for flowers, cards, and visits while I was sick. Also the Drs. and nurses for their kindness. God bless you all.

Hiram Cook.

Oplin Observations

By Mrs. Daphne Floyd
Odds and Ends Opportunity Offered in Open Order

A most sincere "welcome home" is extended to Harlan Turner, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Turner, who arrived home last Saturday from Korea.

Oplin is justly proud of another of its native daughters, Miss Shirley (Pinky) Nobles. Shirley has been awarded the DAR Guild Citizenship of District 10 at a luncheon of the Captain William Buckner Chapter in Coleman. Shirley is a senior at Novice Higs School, being a transferee from the Oplin district.

Mrs. Herman O'Shields was complimented with a "pink and blue" shower in the recreation room of the school house last Saturday evening, February 28. Relatives, friends and former classmates were responsible for the nice shower of gifts. Mrs. O'Shields is the former Clara Dean Breeding. The hostesses were Mrs. L. E. Turner, Mrs. J. B. Pierce and Mrs. Etta Poindester.

The "Little Sunbeam" class of the Baptist Church welcomed their teacher, Miss Freida Straley, back with eagerness last Sunday. Freida has been on the sick list, having undergone surgery a few weeks past. Miss Freida expressed her desire, through our bit of local news, to thank each and everyone of her many friends for their prayers, visits, books sent to be read, cards of cheer, etc.

Mrs. Buddy Wilkerson and daughters of Coleman visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Smallwood last Sunday. The girls, Jeanette and Deanna, attended Sunday school at the Baptist Church, also.

Mrs. Lucille Mason and Sonny of Ozona visited the first of this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. McWhorter.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Windham left last Friday for a trip to the State of Missouri.

Friends are sorry to learn that the Smallwoods, Aunt Angie and Cliff to their friends, have really sold their home here in Oplin. It is understood that the dwelling will be moved and that the Smallwoods have purchased a home in Baird.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Duncan and son, Dwain, of Snyder visited in the J. B. Keeler home part of last week end. The sister's father, Joe McKinley, also accompanied them. It was nice to know that Mr. McKinley was able to be up and about.

The junior boys and girls basketball team of Lawn met Denton Valley's junior boys and girls at Oplin Monday night. Lawn was the victor in both games. The community boosted two of its own girls, Nancy McIntyre and Reba Ann Durham, who play on Lawn's team.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to each and every one for the lovely floral offering, the food, also the one who sat up at the funeral home, the Eastern Star Chapter for the burial services at the cemetery, and any one who helped in any way for our beloved Mother, Alice Terry.

The Terry Family
Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Hinds

Methodist Memos

Members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service met in the home of Mrs. W. H. Parks Monday afternoon. Twenty members attended. Mrs. Eunice Brock talked on her European trip of last summer.

The Family Night-Fellowship Supper was held at the church fellowship hall on Wednesday evening this week. Program consisted of song service, a showing of a film strip on the "Local Church Organization" with discussion, and a statement from the pastor about the plans and program between now and May 24, date for Annual Conference, which meets this year in Abilene.

Sunday Services
At the morning hour a special solo by Miss Sue Holder of Abilene. She will sing "Were You There When They Crucified My Lord?"

Again a layman will speak in regard to the pension fund drive and the offering for that fund will be made at that time.

The pastor will preach at the morning and evening services.

Sunday School attendance continues to increase. The Los Amigos Class had a record of 31 in attendance Sunday morning.

Mrs. M. D. Bell and Mrs. C. M. McGowen met Wednesday afternoon with primary class children for singing and fellowship.

The juniors meet each Sunday evening at 6:15 with leader Mr. Lutrick.

McMurry Celebrates 10 Years of Progress

About 5,000 visitors are expected at McMurry College March 10-12 for the combined Wills on lectures-conconvocation celebrating ten years of progress under the administration of Dr. Harold G. Cooke.

Prominent figures representing the Methodist Church and Christian education including four bishops and two university presidents, will be featured on the program. Bishop W. Angie Smith of the New Mexico-Oklahoma area, will be the main speaker for the event, delivering five addresses.

Bishop Paul E. Martin of the Arkansas-Louisiana area is also scheduled to speak, along with Bishops Charles C. Seecaman and H. A. Boaz, both of Dallas. Others to appear on the program are: Dr. Humphrey Lee, president of Southern Methodist University; Dr. C. Q. Smith, president of Oklahoma City University and Dr. John O. Gross, executive secretary of the Board of Education of the Methodist Church.

McMurry's Board of Trustees members explain that during the past decade under Dr. Cooke's direction, McMurry has grown physically, academically and spiritually. The total value of the college has jumped from \$545,655 to nearly four million dollars. It has received national accreditation. The size of the student body has tripled. The quality of its faculty has greatly improved.

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Mr. and Mrs. Wylie Attend NSM Meet

Mr and Mrs. W. O. Wylie, local funeral directors, have just returned from a regional conference of the National Selected Morticians. The regional meeting, which is held annually, took place this year on March 2 and 3, at St. Anthony Hotel, San Antonio, Texas.

Meeting with fellow morticians from this area, Mr. and Mrs. Wylie participated in many discussions of trends in today's funeral service, and the responsibilities of funeral service during the present national emergency. National Selected Morticians, of which Wylie Funeral Home is a member, is an international association of representative funeral service firms located throughout the 48 United States, its territories, in Canada, and many countries abroad. It is a fact-finding and research organization devoted to the public interest through education of its members to higher standards of service and management procedures. Membership is by invitation only. The qualifications include the highest business and moral standards, complete funeral home facilities, and observance of a strict code of ethics.

The Cottonwood and Turkey Creek News

Mrs. W. A. Burton

Mr. and Mrs. John Purvis entertained the E. O. Duke family of Ervin and the U. I. Spivey family with a chili supper and quilting party one night last week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Peavy of Abilene visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sandifer, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Bowman and W. C. spent the week-end with their daughter and family, the V. I. Spiveys. The Bowmans live in Paint Rock.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Burton visited in Hawley Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Montgomery.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Roberts and children of Midland had supper with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Burton and family Monday night.

Mrs. Earl Archer is a patient in the Baird hospital. The Archers have a new baby son.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Dunn attended the funeral for little Carolyn Sue Edwards at McBee cemetery at Lawn last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Talmadge Green and Catheryn had a party at their home Friday night for Franklin Wilcaken, who is home on leave from the Army.

Office ruled forms. The Star.

Christian Science To Air New Program

Beginning March 7, a new series of 15-minute live-talent Christian Science programs, originating in Dallas, will be broadcast over Station KRLD, 1080 kilocycles, on Saturday afternoons at 3:00 o'clock.

The programs will include religious talks on pertinent subjects, vocal music, and selections from the Bible and Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the healing brought about through Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy, as well as testimonies of healing brought about through the practice of Christian Science.

G. A. Notes

The Estelle Freeland Girls' Auxiliary met at the First Baptist Church Monday, March 2. Due to a funeral in Baird the Estelle Freeland Girls' Auxiliary met with the Anna Veneziano Girls' Auxiliary and the R. A. Chapter. Mrs. Fugitt was our leader.

The program was on the different kinds of work done through the Anne Armstrong Home Missions' offering and week of prayer.

After singing two songs the following girls answered roll call: Jenice Brown, Jane Davis, Janis Abernathy, and Martha Payne. The meeting closed with a prayer led by Martha Payne.

The next meeting is from the World Comrades. — Martha Payne, secretary and reporter.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Landers and daughters, Joyce and Janis of Wichita Falls, Texas, visited Mrs. B. L. Russell, Sr., Sunday.

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Lt. H. L. Brame and Mrs. Brame, who have just left for Salina, Kansas, where Lt. Brame will report for duty after spending two weeks with his family and friends. Lt. Brame has just spent five and a half months in Korea.

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Baird, Putnam Couple Are Wed

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Brown of Putnam, are announcing the marriage of their daughter, Shirley Jean, to E. J. Boyd, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Boyd, Sr., Baird.

The double ring ceremony was read in Lovington, New Mexico, at 2:30 in the afternoon, February 27.

Mr. Boyd, who has been in the U. S. Army for the past five years, has recently received his discharge after serving twenty-

six months in Okinawa. The couple will live at 604 East First Street in Baird.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for your kindnesses shown during Mr. Latimer's illness and at his death.

Mrs. J. R. Latimer and Family

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cagle and Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Hood of Eula were business visitors in Baird Tuesday.

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Clyde Thursday Club Meets February 26, Mrs. Ben Wilson, Mrs. Grady Barr, Hosts

On Thursday, February 26, the Thursday Club met in the Community Center of Clyde with Mrs. Ben Wilson and Mrs. Grady Barr as co-hostesses.

A short business meeting was held with Mrs. P. H. Patton presiding. The house was called to order a bit prior to the regular hour as a children's band was to come for the program. The secretary, Mrs. J. C. Snow, checked the roll and read the February 12 minutes which were approved.

Communications were given by Mrs. W. A. Cook with special emphasis laid on spending committee reports soon.

Mrs. Paul Shanks gave the treasurer's report, making special comment of the Food Sale held February 14. The sale brought us over \$40.00. The club wishes to thank the community for its fine support of the sale.

The civic committee completed the details for the "Hobby Show" held March 4 at the H. S. auditorium from noon on until P.-T. A. All pupils are invited to enter the show. Thursday Club members being hosts for the occasion to emprise "Visit Your School Week," March 1-7. Refreshments were served after P.-T. A. by the club's social committee.

The Counselor's report was sketched by Mrs. E. M. Parks. Mrs. Patton, Mrs. Parks and Mrs. John Berry attended Sixth District "Workshop," Brownwood, February 23. The meeting was most instructive on "Press and Publicity" for club work.

For the entertainment hour the Rhythm Band of Baird was presented by their director Mrs. Sidney Foy. The tots, attired in western regalia, entered with a precision drill. Mrs. Foy gave insight of how the band's technique was developed. Master Tommy Barton was announced. Besides the greeting and drills the fourteen youngsters played "Cuckoo Waltz," "Naughty Waltz" and "Glow Worm." These were enthusiastically received by the Thursday Club members and guests.

The little folks were the first invited to the refreshment table where a cherry theme was carried out. The hosts were assisted in serving by Mrs. Weldon Edwards and Mrs. Snow. Plates of sandwiches, nuts and cherry red or hatchet-shaped cookies were served them with a cherry drink. For the adults there was coffee as well.

As a surprise the Band was given pastel ribbons to draw, each child receiving a sack of small candies attached.

Sixteen club members enjoyed the program as well as four guests from Clyde: Mrs. Minnie Geas, Mrs. E. J. Thomas, Mrs.

J. E. Burdick and Vicki Sue Wilson. Attending from Baird were: Mmes. Foy, Tom Barton, J. D. Couch, J. S. Carrico, C. S. McGowen, Frankie Crow, J. T. Loper, Cubelle Sorrels, J. B. Coats and C. W. Sutphen; Ann Barton, Freddie Foy and members of the Rhythm Band (three failed to register) Richie Crow, Stanley McGowen, Carley Green Carrico, Patsy Thompson, Sidney Sue Foy, Tommy Barton, Richard Windham, Wallie Sorrels, Bobo Coats and Mack Sutphen.

Seeing these children develop a love for "American Music," theme of the meeting—the graciousness of Mrs. Foy in presenting the children made our by-line even more fitting "Love is Friendship Set to Music."—Pollock.

Baptist Youth Feted At Fellowship Meet

Members of The Choral Choir Fellowship and their guests were entertained at the Baptist Church, Friday night from 7:30 to 9:30.

Games were directed by Bro. David Whitaker, assisted by Mrs. B. H. Freeland.

Refreshments of cookies and punch was served to the group by Mrs. A. V. Curtis, Mrs. Glen Curtis, Mrs. J. E. Dennis and Mrs. B. H. Freeland.

Those present were: Dolores Flores, Sarah Hatchett, Brenda Hughes, Beverly Curtis, Margaret Murphy, Sherry Fugitt, Patricia Jeter, Edwina Reese, Helen Walker, Bessie Jewell, Linda Sue Denny, Dolores Shelnutt, Ann Dennis, Sandra Brumbough, Patricia Ann Joy, Bobby Curtis, Gary Gilliland, Billy Cummings, Mickey Fugitt, Lyn Payne, Michael Hughes, Joe Lynn Ault and Don McBride.

that the Santa Gertrudis was able to flick its muscles and move its hide as does a horse in warding off flies, which is another great advantage of the breed.

The Agriculture Committees of the Congress are giving consideration to the decline in farm prices and those of us from the agricultural areas of the country have called upon Secretary of Agriculture Benson to give the matter his immediate attention. The Secretary has had laid before him the proposition that the farmer cannot purchase manufactured products, which includes a lot of very high priced farm machinery, unless he receives a decent price for what he raises. When the farmer cannot buy these items, it will put people out of work in the Northern and Eastern industrial areas. When that happens, a depression is pretty well on its way. It is as simple as that, and it is time that something be done.

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Corinne Blackburn Wednesday Club Has Regular Meeting

Corinne Blackburn Wednesday Club met in regular meeting Monday evening, March 2, with Mrs. Charles Lutrick as hostess. Meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. C. M. Peek, and Mrs. Charles Lutrick gave the invocation.

After the business session Mrs. Lutrick was in charge of the meeting.

This being our Texas Day program the following program was presented J. Frank Doble, Mrs. Roland Nichols; Chester Nigittz, Mrs. Horace Elliott.

Refreshments were served to Mrs. Eunice Brock, D. C. Cox, Juanita Danielson, N. L. Dickey, Jack Gilliland, Eddie Konczak, A. A. Manion, Roland Nichols, C. M. Peek, Coney Pruitt, Margie Ray, G. E. Rockey, Terrell Williams, L. L. Blackburn, Horace Elliott, C. S. McGowen, Pleas Scott.

Misses Burma Warren and Edith Bowlius.

The club will meet March 16, 1953, with Mrs. G. E. Rockey and Rowland Nichols as hostess.

A coke party was given in honor of Mrs. H. L. Brame February 24, 1953, in the home of Mrs. Charles Sammons. In assisting Mrs. Sammons was her sisters, Mrs. Cecil Stroop and Mrs. Sonny Betcher. About 30 guests were present.

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Double Ring Ceremony Unites Emogene Orr Bunkley and James Franklin Johnson

Emogene Orr Bunkley, daughter of Mrs. M. D. Hoover of Dallas, formerly of Baird, became the bride of James Franklin Johnson of Jonesboro, Arkansas.

In the Sunset Presbyterian Church of Dallas, in the afternoon of February 21, 1953, Rev. Howard Moatman read the double ring ceremony.

Given in marriage by her brother, Leslie E. Hoover, the bride wore a lovely white Irish linen dress trimmed in rhinestones and white beads. Her corsage was of tiny yellow rosebuds. Mrs. Harold Gannon, sister of the bride, of Dallas, attended her as matron of honor. Mr. Gannon served as best man. The wedding dinner was served buffet style with Mrs. Sam Moody as hostess.

Mrs. Johnson teaches in Pasadena Senior high school where

Mr. Johnson was a former teacher. They will reside in Pasadena, Texas.

Mrs. Johnson attended Baird Public School. She is a granddaughter of the late Mrs. W. L. Henry, niece of Mrs. Lee Estes and Larmar Henry.

Mr. J. H. McClendon, of Wichita Falls, Texas, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John McClendon, over the week end.

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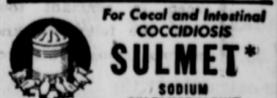


OMAR BURLESON
Congressman
17th District

Attending a banquet the other evening given by the radio and television newscasters, I sat at a table with Lowell Thomas, H. R. Baukhage, H. V. Kaltenborn, and several other commentators and news announcers with whom most of you are familiar. At the affair were Gabriel Heatter, Fulton Lewis, Jr., Cedric Foster, and about everyone else in the business. The subject of Tideland's arose and being the only Texan at the table, I found myself in the minority favoring State ownership. Mr. Baukhage turned to me and said that although we disagreed on this subject, he thought we could discuss the development of Santa Gertrudis cattle without any argument.

Mr. Baukhage told me he had purchased several head from the King Ranch for a place he has in Florida. Incidentally, few of them knew that the Santa Gertrudis is the only breed of cattle wholly developed in this country.

Neither did any of them know, except Mr. Baukhage, that these cattle have sweat glands which enables them to do well in a very hot climate. My distinguished and learned associates on that occasion also did not know



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Texas leads the nation in the number of certified tree farms.

Texas leads the nation in tree farm acreage.

Texas leads the nation in the number of tree farmers added during the past year.

A total of 441 persons or organizations now holds 3,229,789 acres under the certified American Tree Farm System. Last year 102 Texas Tree Farms were certified, the largest unit increase in the nation.

Leadership in tree farm acreage, according to American Forest Products Industries, national coordinator of the program, has been held by Texas since early in 1951. During the past year, however, the Lone Star state overtook Alabama in total number of tree farmers.

The Tree Farm System in Texas is sponsored jointly by the Texas Forest Service, the Texas Forestry Association and the East Texas Chamber of Commerce. The Southern Pine Association also provides assistance. The Texas program was launched in 1944.

The 1952 tree farm progress report was issued by James C. McClellan, chief forester for American Forest Products Industries, national spokesman for the nation's lumber, pulp and paper and other wood-processing industries. He reported tree

farm acreage throughout the nation increased more than 11 percent during 1952 with the addition of 724 new units, totaling 2,857,802 acres. Two new states joined the program last year bringing to 35 the number with tree farms.

Ninety Seconds Is Average For Tests

Air raid warning test calls from 33rd Air Division Headquarters to key point warning centers in Texas can now be completed in an average total time of 90 seconds.

William L. McGill, state coordinator of civil defense, announced that nine test alerts, in addition to a routine check each 1,000 hours, were made during the past month. The results made for the fastest average time recorded over that period of time since the State's civil defense system was set up.

The air division headquarters is located at Tinker Air Force Base in Oklahoma City, Okla. With the exception of El Paso, all of Texas is included in the 33rd Air Division.

There are four key point warning centers in this State manned by Texas Department of Public Safety personnel, in cooperation with State Division of Defense and Disaster Relief Headquarters.

Mrs. C. D. Leon and daughter, Sandra, of Abilene, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ray, Friday February 27.

Miss Bea Hickman of Big Spring, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ace Hickman, last week end.

PUTNAM NEWS . . .

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with Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Eubanks last week. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Griffin of Lubbock, were also visitors in the Eubanks home last week. The Griffins visited friends and relatives in Moran.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Francisco and son, Jack, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Reed Francisco of Grand Prairie.

Mr. Edward King drove down from Fort Worth last week to visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pete King.

Mrs. Ernest Waddell visited with his brother, John Waddell, who has a Chevrolet dealership at Winters.

Pvt. and Mrs. James H. (Sonny) Taylor visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Taylor last week. Pvt. Taylor is stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., and his wife is living at Woodson. Visiting in the Taylor home last week also, was their daughter, Patsy, who is teaching at Rankin, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Mac Jobe and daughter, Irene, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jobe last week. They also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Homer Pruet.

Mrs. Homer Pruet visited her sister, Mrs. Hodge Bone, of Moran last week. Mrs. Bone has just returned from Temple where she had a check on her health. The doctor stated that her condition was good.

Those attending the George Washington Birthday Celebration at Baird was Mmes. V. L. Lowry, Boyce Bolick, Miss Vella Sandlin, Mrs. J. O. Taylor and son, Carrol, and Dan Reed.

Carrol Taylor and Dan Reed went fishing Sunday evening and Dan caught a big fish. Carrol did not have any luck. He was very serious as he said, "I guess the reason I did not catch a fish was that I went fishing on Sunday."

Mr. and Mrs. Benton Pruet and son, Craig, of Baird, were dinner guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Pruet, Sunday.

We love to meet new friends but we are happy that we have our old friends. Vernon (Robertson) had occasion to meet and chat with a friend of the past last week when she and her daughter were visiting in Austin. They went to see Mr. and Mrs. Renfro. The Renfros are well remembered by quite a few people here. Mr. Renfro requested that "The Baird Star" be sent to him for the sole purpose that it had the Putnam news in it.

We were surprised to hear that Edgar Deal is in Cisco. He is with the Vogue cleaners. His brother Lawrence will be remembered by a few here.

Mrs. Lulu Isenhower from Cisco visited in the homes of several of her friends and relatives here last Friday.

Charles Isenhower of Valley Mills was a business visitor in Baird and Putnam last week-end.

Mrs. H. C. McGowen of Abilene, visited in the home of Mrs. John McGowen, Friday, February 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Works and Patsy of Baird spent the week end in Dallas and Keellen.

Governor Shivers Presents General Revenue Picture To the Citizens of Texas

(NOTE: Following up a discussion of the plan for raising the money to increase teachers' salaries the Governor of Texas has prepared a brief article outlining the general revenue picture facing the 53rd Legislature, now in session.)

By Allan Shivers
Governor of Texas

Texas' budget is a billion-dollar baby.

But it doesn't have much spending money.

The State budget for the next two years is around a billion dollars.

But five out of every six dollars already have been promised one way or another.

The Legislature can spend only the money in the general revenue fund, or in sight during the next two years, which now is about \$176 million. Because of decreasing oil production, it may drop sharply in the next few weeks.

What happened to the other millions?

They are either in special funds, for special purposes, or already allocated for specific State services.

The trend in financing our State government in recent years has been toward the emphasis of the special funds and allocations, with the result that the general revenue fund has dwindled.

In a recent series of articles I discussed two of these special funds: (1) the available school fund, which is paid out to school districts on the basis of school-age population and (2) the Gilmer-Aiken or minimum foundation fund, which supplies enough money to guarantee every child in Texas a minimum standard of schooling.

There is an allocation of \$35 million a year for assistance to the old people, the blind, and to dependent children.

Another \$15 million goes into a special fund each year for farm-to-market roads under the Colson-Briscoe program.

We have a large—though not large enough—State highway fund.

The money for teachers' retirement also comes by special allocation.

So the general revenue fund has been shrinking in proportion to the State's total budget, because many allocations have first access to the tax money collected by the State.

Out of the present modest portion—176 million or less—the Legislature must cover all general services of the State.

Higher education, including all State-supported colleges, universities and junior colleges, must be paid for out of the general revenue fund.

The money for upkeep of State hospitals and special schools must come out of that same \$176 million.

So must the funds for operation of the courts, from the district level on up.

The same is true of any capital improvements, such as State

hospitals—that is, hospital building costs above the \$5 million a year provided by a special tax.

Even the expenses of the Legislature must come from the general revenue fund.

The financial tasks of the Legislature are further complicated by the fact that the government of Texas is now operated on a strict pay-as-you-go basis. This policy rigidly limits appropriations to anticipated revenues.

The Texas Constitution, Section 49a, Article 3, sets forth this requirement in detail:

"It shall be the duty of the Comptroller of Public Accounts in advance of each regular session of the Legislature to prepare and submit to the Governor and to the Legislature upon its convening a statement under oath showing fully the financial condition of the State Treasury at the close of the last fiscal period and an estimate of the probable receipts and disbursements for the then current fiscal year. There shall also be contained in said statement an itemized estimate of the anticipated revenue based on the laws then in effect that will be received by and for the State from all sources showing the fund accounts to be credited during the succeeding biennium."

The Constitution goes on to require that, "save in the case of emergency and imperative public necessity and with a four-fifths vote of the total membership of each house, no appropriation in excess of the cash and anticipated revenue of the funds from which such appropriation is to be made shall be valid."

When the Comptroller finds that an appropriation bill exceeds the estimated revenue he must return it to the house where it originated and in such a case the Constitution prescribes that "the necessary steps shall be taken to bring such appropriation either by providing additional revenue or reducing the appropriation."

The Comptroller has estimated that there will be available during the next biennium, about \$176 million in the general revenue fund. The Legislature must bring all general service expenditures within this figure—or find more money.

That is why, when the public school teachers requested a \$600-per-month increase that would cost the State approximately \$67 million in the next biennium, I raised the question of where to find the money. That \$67 million would represent nearly 40 percent of the entire general revenue fund.

It is the Legislature's responsibility and prerogative to determine how much we shall spend for what, and who shall pay for it. It is the Governor's responsibility to recommend a program and a plan of financing it.

In my message to the 53rd Legislature when it convened January 14, I made these specific recommendations of expenditures: State departments—\$41,618,484; higher education—

\$72,896,438; State hospitals—\$44,313,692; the judiciary—\$6,976,050.

I also suggested that funds in addition to those already earmarked for State hospital construction be provided, on an emergency basis, for a tuberculosis hospital building program costing \$6,725,000.

At that time I pointed out that these items, totaling \$172,529,664, plus legislative and other necessary expense, would virtually wipe out the general revenue fund.

Naturally there may be some inclination to cut these figures I have suggested—but my recommendations themselves represent a considerable paring from the amounts the agencies concerned would have liked to have.

The main source of the general revenue fund is the omnibus tax. Of it, the major portions are from production taxes on basic material like petroleum, natural gas, and sulphur and from special sales taxes on automobiles, beer, liquor and cigarettes.

I have suggested that, if the Legislature decides to seek additional revenues to finance State government, it consider levying more taxes on "long-line" natural gas transmission lines.

The people of Texas have shown so much interest in the financial operation of the State that I thought a detailed report on some of the problems your Legislators and your Governor are facing would be of interest.

A fast growing population, a rapidly expanding economy, and the general pressures of world and national events are challenging our State.

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Offer 42 College Scholarships In Five 4-H Programs

Five national 4-H award programs highly important in training rural boys and girls in farm and home projects are being continued in 1953, the State Club Office has announced.

The programs and donors are: Canning, Kerr; Clothing, Spool Cotton, Food Preparation, Kelvinator; Garden, Allis-Chalmers; and Home Improvement, Sears-Roebuck Foundation.

Based on latest enrollment figures, it is estimated that more than 1 1/2 million club members — both boys and girls — throughout the nation will participate this year in the five programs, in which they will make or remodel 2 1/2 million garments, plan and serve 13 million meals, can and freeze 8 1/2 million quarts and 2 million pounds of foods, and make 430,000 articles to improve 115,000 rooms in their homes.

Incentives for top records of achievement in each of these programs are honor medals, trips to the annual 4-H Club Congress in Chicago, and \$300 college scholarships to county, state and national winners, respectively.

County Extension Agents will furnish complete information on any of these programs, all of which are supervised by the Co-operative Extension Service.

'The Iron Mistress' Coming To Baird

"The Iron Mistress," Warner Brothers' picturization in color by Technicolor of the popular novel, comes to the Plaza Theatre Sunday and Monday. Allan Ladd and Virginia Mayo play the lead roles.

A romantic action yarn set in the early 1800s, the story is of a backwoods lad from the bayou country of Louisiana who comes to New Orleans where he falls in love with a Creole belle. Amidst the glittering elegance of the old city, Jim Bowie, as he is played by Ladd, becomes a polished gentleman who must fight with rapier as well as his fists to compete with the town's cutthroats. He develops a weapon of his own—the Bowie knife—and it is with this iron mistress that he evens matters with one particular band of accomplished swordsmen.

Ladd, whose action films have brought him to the front rank of Hollywood's rugged stars, has the top role while Virginia Mayo, fresh from her latest hit film, "She's Working Her Way Through College," changes pace for this one as the unscrupulous society beauty. Joseph Calleia, Phyllis Kirk, Alf Kjellin, Douglas Dick and Ned Young round out the cast. Gordon Douglas directed for Warner Brothers.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Owens and family of Livingston, New Mexico, visited friends over the week end.

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START SIMPLE TAX RECORDS NOW, SAVE FUTURE HEADACHES

There is no time like the present, while the great battle of Form 1040 is still upon us, to start a procedure that will aid you with next year's income tax calculations. That is to maintain a record of your income and outgo. Such a record can be simple and brief but it may save you tax dollars.

The average man who works for a wage or salary doesn't have to concern himself about keeping books and records — at least so he thinks. His employer keeps a reliable record of his earnings and Uncle Sam looks primarily to the employer for information on his earnings and for the withholding of various taxes out of his wages.

But whether or not you run a business of your own, you have a partner who each year is claiming a substantial interest in your personal income. And the law requires that you keep books for him in case he ever asks for an accounting.

Perhaps you own your home or are paying it out in installments. It's likely that some day you may sell that house. When you do you'll want to be able to prove whether you realized a gain or a loss on that sale. If a gain in capital resulted, it probably will add to your income tax. If a loss was suffered, it probably will reduce your income tax.

You may have made certain capital improvements on the house while you lived in it, but unless you can show what out-of-pocket expense you incurred while making them, you may not get credit for them in your cost basis so as to prove that you had no capital gain or that you had a loss.

Or perhaps you received that little summer cottage on the lake as a gift from your father. If you ever sell it, you should be able to show Uncle Sam not only the cost of improvements you made on it while you owned it, but also what its fair market value was at the time Dad gave it to you.

It may be that you are receiving an annuity on an insurance policy. If so, do you know how

Rheumatic Fever Preys on Youth

AUSTIN.—Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, commenting on the seriousness of rheumatic fever, declared that this disease is recognized as one of the greatest killers among young people. Between the ages of 10 and 15, rheumatic fever causes more deaths than any other disease, the State Health Officer said, and in persons between the ages of 15 and 24, it is out-ranked only by tuberculosis.

Dr. Cox stressed the fact that deaths in childhood from rheumatic fever have not decreased in a satisfactory manner during the past decade, and warned the parents of children to pay particular attention to the care and treatment of such predisposing diseases as tonsillitis and other upper respiratory infections.

"The diagnosis in this disease is not always easy," Dr. Cox stated. "Any child with suspicious symptoms should be under the prolonged supervision of a physician since along with a general involvement of the body, the heart is practically always involved. The symptoms consist only of pallor, loss of weight, easy fatigue, unusual sweating, loss of appetite, and sometimes fleeting muscular pain, and a little joint stiffness and a rapid beating of the heart. The more severe cases may show repeated nose bleeds, extreme nervousness, stiffness and pain in the joints, swelling of the joints, fever and pain over the heart."

According to Dr. Cox the majority of children who experience rheumatic fever suffer more than one attack and each may last months or even at times one to three years. The final result depends on the amount of heart damage incurred. Closely supervised bed rest throughout the entire period of infection is essential in order to minimize this danger.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Brownings of Keller and Mr. and Mrs. Garland Sampson of Clyde visited in the Altie Foller home last week end. They all visited in Cross Plains and Cottonwood on Saturday.

much that policy costs you and how much of that cost you have recovered tax-free to date?

Baird Churches

The Baird Star extends an invitation to all Baird churches to participate in this column to make public their announcements.

Episcopal Church
Afternoon Service 3:30 p.m.
Each second and fourth Sunday of each month.

The First Methodist Church
Rev. Charles E. Lutrick, Minister
SUNDAY:
Sunday School—9:45 a. m.
Morning Worship—10:55 a. m.
M. Y. F.—6:15 p. m.
Evening Worship—7:00 p. m.
M. Y. F. Fellowship—8:00 p. m.
THURSDAY:
Choir Practice—7:15 p. m.

Church of Christ
Merle King, Minister
Phone 370
SUNDAY:
Bible School—10 a. m.
Worship—9:45 a. m.
Young People's Bible Class—6:30 p. m.
Worship—8:30 p. m.
TUESDAY:
Ladies' Bible Class—3 P. M.
WEDNESDAY:
Bible Study—7:30 p. m.

First Baptist Church
Rev. Riley Fugitt, Pastor
Rev. David Whitaker
Associate Pastor
Bonnie Thompson, S.S. Supt.
SUNDAY:
Sunday School—10 a. m.
Morning Service—11 a. m.
B. T. U.—6:30 p. m.
(Depts. for all ages)
H. B. Terry, Director
Evening Service—7:30 p. m.
MONDAY:
W. M. S.—3:15 p. m.
Mrs. J. T. Warren, Pres.
Sunbeams—3:15 p. m.
Mary Walker, Leader
Junior G. A.'s—4:15 p. m.
Mrs. Riley Fugitt, Counselor.
Int. G. A.'s—4:15 p. m.
Mrs. Reese, Counselor
R. A.'s—4:15 p. m.
Rev. Riley Fugitt, Counselor
WEDNESDAY:
Sunday School officers and teacher's meeting—6:45 p. m.
Rev. Fugitt, teacher.
Prayer Meeting—7:30 p. m.
Choir Practice—8:30 p. m.

First Presbyterian Church
Leroy Blackburn, Pastor
SUNDAY:
Sunday School—10 A. M.
Morning Worship—11 A. M.
Evening Worship—7:30 P. M.
WEDNESDAY:
Choir Practice—7:30 P. M.

GOOD FARM MANAGEMENT HELPS PROFITS

Low production — increased costs — inefficient management; these factors are among the biggest causes of unsatisfactory profits for the Texas farmer.

There is an answer. It lies in more efficient operations which include cutting costs, producing more crops per acre, more meat per animal and more work per hour. Of course, it is easier said than done but—

What are the highest crop yields in your area on your type of soil? By planting better varieties of certified and tested seed perhaps you can bring your crop yields up to standard. Or a change in rotation plan, plus making good use of fertilizers might mean the difference. Your county agent has a wealth of material available for study, upon request.

While striving to get more meat or other production per animal, it's a wise practice to keep track of what's new in feeds and feeding practices. Rid your herd of low producers and slow weight gainers. Sires should be used which have proved their ability to produce quick-gaining offspring of the type best suited to your needs. By controlling diseases, parasites, injuries and death losses, you can cut your animal production costs a great deal.

Getting more out of the hour just involves doing some straight thinking. Doing the job "the hard way" gets it done—but the time and labor costs are high. Efficiency studies show that even a simple re-arrangement of chore routes may save you hundreds of miles of walking in a year. There are new profitable and practical ways of using power and improved machinery, of cutting and storing hay and silage—of feeding livestock—of doing practically all types of farm work better.

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75 Vets in Callahan Vocational Classes

Seventy-five veterans attend classes in Cross Plains and Baird these days. B. C. Chrisman, co-ordinator and instructor, said.

The Callahan County Vocational School has been officially approved for the training of Korean veterans under Public Law 550 and is now enrolling trainees, Chrisman said. All veterans who served 90 days in the service are eligible. The schooling tenure is one and a half times the period of enlistment. The

proof of their value is measured in terms of whether or not you end up with more per acre, per animal and per hour.

Lower production costs, achieved through efficient operation, has the same effect on net profits as an equal rise in price of products sold. There isn't too much the farmer can do about the selling price, but he can do something about lowering his own production costs.

vets may learn farming, auto mechanics and management.

Chrisman, the co-ordinator, teaches five nights at Cross Plains. He teaches management in the Cross Plains Review building. He has a class of 11 veterans there.

Jack Scott, former Cross Plains Review publisher, teaches management at Baird. Richard Purvis teaches agriculture at Denton Valley. Gilmer Hughes teaches auto mechanics at Baird. Ferrell Newton is combination third and fourth agriculture instructor at Cross Plains.

Chrisman is a former Callahan County school superintendent.

Mrs. Justin Anderson, Mrs. Jack Sims, Cheryle and Bobby Sims, visited relatives in San Antonio the past week-end. Mrs. Anderson visited Mrs. Reba Flowers and Mrs. Sims and children with Mrs. Mary Sims, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Michnar. Mrs. Flowers is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Anderson of Baird.

Mr. Farmer - - -

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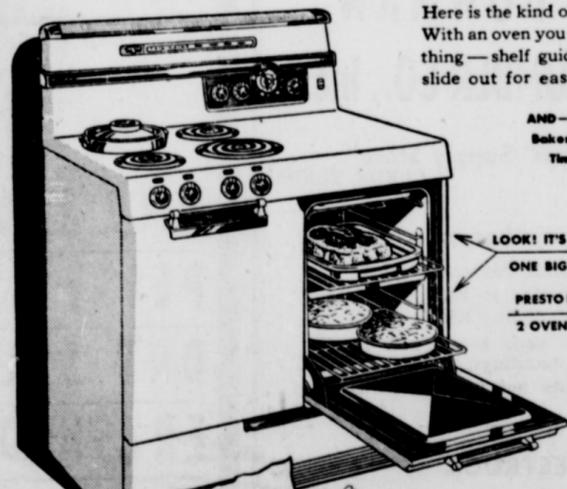
4-H Club work is a community affair . . . widening out across the nation for the betterment of all. These 4-H young people and their adult leaders are ours . . . and we feel that 4-H Club Week, March 7-15, is a good time to say to them: "We're proud of you and your progress."

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T&P Asks to Close Station at Putnam

Putnam rail patrons await Texas Railroad Commission decision in the proposal of the Texas & Pacific Railway to close the railroad station here. The commission conducted a hearing in Cisco City Hall February 17. Putnam business interests presented facts to show the railroad company was using a prolonged drought period as a focus to secure consent of the commission to close the passenger and freight station here. The station has been in operation for more than 50 years.

Putnam was represented at the hearing by Major John D. Isenhower, County Commissioner. G. M. Mobley, Mrs. F. P. Shackel-

ford, W. A. Canafax, general chairman of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers, and others. The T&P was represented by its General Freight Agent G. D. Tatum, J. G. Tucker, assistant superintendent, and several others.

Mrs. Charles Goble was hostess to the Sunshine Club on Wednesday P. M., February 25, 1953. Six members were present. After devotional and business meeting a delicious plate luncheon was served and a social hour enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Cotton of Clyde, and Jimmie Cotton of Valmeyer, Ill., left last week for a visit in Phoenix, Arizona, with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cotton and family.

Kin of Local Resident Dies

E. K. Dickerson, 71, passed away at his home in Gainesville on March 1, 1953. He was a native of Gainesville, Ga.

Survivors include his wife, three sons, Roger of Monahans, Harry of Midland and Bus of Snyder; three daughters, Miss Delpha Dickerson of Gainesville, Mrs. E. L. Chelf of Baird and Mrs. Mary Huffacre of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Chelf and daughter, Toby Barton, attended the funeral at Gainesville on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy West and son of Bay Town, Texas, spent a few days with relatives and friends.

Taylor-Callahan Induction Call

Fifteen men have been called for March 17 induction into the Armed Services.

They are: Malcolm Leon Tooms, Jr., Merkel; Paul Thomas Landers, Allen Keith Greathouse, James Noward Ice, George Hamilton Ledbetter, John Madison Griswold, Jimmy Lee Smartt, Donald Wayne Hamm, Harry Brandley Hildebrand, II, (volunteer), Abilene; Winston Ray Aldridge, Santa Anna, Texas; Edward Foy Teague, Buffalo Gap; Lenard Knight, Calvert, Texas; Howard Barton Robinson, Blackwell; Bobby Joe Strickland, Clyde; Donald Ray Daughtrey, Big Spring.

Visiting in the G. A. Gwin home Sunday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Gwin and Sylvia and Mrs. Dee Peavy of Abilene. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Gwin and Maurine, John Hubert Gwin and wife, all of Coleman. Mr. and Mrs. Delman Smith of Lawn. Mrs. W. E. Milleorn and children, Bettie Mae and Clarence of Eula. They came to celebrate Mrs. Gwin's birthday. The granddaughter, Bettie Mae, brought a nice cake trimmed with red cherries and green leaves. Mrs. Gwin received many pretty gifts and cards.

The Chas. Lutrick family made an overnight trip to Lubbock Thursday and Friday to visit with Mrs. Lutrick's parents. Linda spent the night with Nancy Rowland.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: Fred G. Mosley, Defendant, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable County Court of Callahan County at the Court House thereof, in Baird, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 18th day of April A. D. 1953, then and there to answer Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court, on the 12th day of February A. D. 1953, in this cause, numbered 1391 on the docket of said court and styled A. E. Stevenson, Plaintiff, vs. Fred G. Mosley, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit:

Plaintiff sues for the sum of \$153.15 for repairs to a 1946 Nash Automobile belonging to defendant, said repairs having been made by plaintiff at the special instance and request of the agents and employees of defendant and ratified by defendant, \$1.70 for telephone calls made by defendant to plaintiff, collect, and storage at the rate of one dollar per day from the 13th day of December, 1952, all of which is past due and unpaid, and for foreclosure of plaintiff's lien upon said automobile as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of Said Court, at office in Baird, Texas, this the 25th day February A. D. 1953.

(SEAL)
 Attest:
 Mrs. Chas. L. Robinson,
 Clerk, County Court, Callahan County, Texas.
 (Published in The Baird Star, Feb. 27, March 6, 13, 20, 1953.)

Mrs. Ed Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Bates Baulch visited Miss Marguerite McClendon Sunday afternoon in Abilene.

Tax Information To The Public

Be sure you include all your business income and all your business expenses when you prepare that 1952 income and social security tax return. This reminder was given today in a statement issued jointly by H. C. Broadus, Division Chief, Bureau of Internal Revenue, and Ralph T. Fisher, Manager of the Social Security Administration office in Abilene.

Most self-employed people are now covered under the old-age and survivors insurance provisions of the Social Security Act, and receive credits toward retirement payments and survivors payment just as do employed persons. The self-employed person makes his social security report and pays his social security tax, along with his income tax return. This applies to all self-employed persons who have a net profit of at least \$400 for the year, except for farm and ranch operators, and certain professional people.

Particular caution should be used by persons whose income is low to be sure that the tax return is filed if due, and to be sure that credit is taken for all business expenses. For example a self-employed person who has two dependents and a gross income of less than \$1200 may not think it important to include all his business expenses, since he obviously will owe no regular income tax. It is important that the amount be figured accurately, though, as he will owe social security tax is his net is as much as \$400, and this tax should be paid on the correct amount of earnings.

If not all business income is included, or if not all business deductions are taken, the return may be questioned by the Director of Internal Revenue, or the social security credits may be questioned by the Social Security Administration. Such investigations represent loss of time for the taxpayer and the Government, and can be avoided by careful preparation of the tax return.

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BLACK'S RECIPE OF THE WEEK
 By Mary Lee Taylor
Tuna Biscuit Ring
 Broadcast: March 7, 1953

1 1/2 cups biscuit mix 7-oz. can tuna, broken in pieces
 1/2 cup Pet Milk 1/2 cup sliced, pitted ripe olives
 2 teaspoons Pet Milk
 1 can mushroom soup 1 1/2 cups canned peas, drained
 1/2 cup Pet Milk

Put biscuit mix into a bowl. Stir in with a fork a mixture of 1/2 cup milk and the water. Turn out on lightly floured board and knead lightly 10 times. Roll 1/2 inch thick. Cut into 12 rounds with floured 2-inch cutter. Place close together on greased baking sheet to form a ring. Brush tops with 2 teasp. milk. Bake 10 minutes on rack slightly above center of hot oven (425), or until brown. While biscuits bake, mix rest of ingredients. Put biscuit ring on warm platter and serve hot tuna mixture in center. Make 4 servings.

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