

From The Editors Window

According to a report sent out from Washington we find that 23 Texas counties are listed among the 100 leading peanut growing counties in the United States.

Comanche county was given as Texas' leading peanut county in 1946. Last year Comanche county had 68,623 acres in peanuts followed by Eastland county with 50,000 acres.

These two counties are well adapted to the cultivation and production of the peanut and we are glad to see them ranking high in the industry.

The Agriculture Department has announced that it will purchase 13,000,000 pounds of lard for shipment to Germany. They said this purchase should have very little effect on our domestic lard supply since the amount represents only about 10 per cent of current storage stocks, or about 40 per cent of the weekly production rate of Federally inspected plants in our country.

It is reported from Moscow that a new shipping line is being opened from the Baltic Sea by way of Murmansk to the United States and will be ready for use in the very near future.

It was recently announced by Lieutenant Colonel Vernon P. Jaeger of Port Townsend, Washington that the first shipment of 60,000 Bibles printed in the Korean language is now due from the American Bible Society.

Enrollment at the University of Texas on June 10 had exceeded 10,000 for the summer session. Registration was still in progress. There were 8,116 students registered for both terms of the session and 1,948 had paid their dues for the first term only.

It is said Lord Inverchapel, British Ambassador to the United States is vacationing on an Iowa farm, and he said he hopes to be allowed to operate some farm machinery and milk some cows.

The Ambassador visited Gov. Robert Blue at the state capitol in Des Moines before embarking on the new venture of milking cows etc. on the farm of his friends, Mr. and Mrs. Frances Newburn near Eagle Grove, Iowa.

A man who had been saved from conviction of horse stealing by the powerful plea of his lawyer, after his acquittal by the jury, was asked by the lawyer, "Honor bright, now, Bill, you did steal that horse, didn't you?"

"Now look-a-here, Judge," was the reply. "I allers did think I stole that horse, but since I heard your speech to the jury, I'll just declare I don't believe I did. I shore has my doubts about it."

Customer (calling laundry): "I want it distinctly understood among your laundry workers that I am not a celebrity."

Laundry Manager: "I don't understand, sir."

Customer: "Well, I am always missing parts of my shirts."

It is said adults have about as much fun as the children, riding a miniature train at a park in Kansas City.

The city council learned not long ago that 100,041 tickets for children were sold in 1946 and for the same period 79,582 tickets were sold for adults.

A report states that people frequently ask Gabriel Heatter where he gets the inspirational stories which are dramatized Sunday nights on his radio program, "A Brighter Tomorrow." He makes no secrets of the source but explains that small-town newspapers are rich in stories with heart appeal.

Mr. Heatter is said to read as many as 200 papers per day, both because he is looking for material

It is said a unique law suit has been filed in Montana, where there is supposed to be wide open spaces, to clear title to a strip of land two and a half inches wide and 140 feet long. The strip lies between a theatre and a store.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Harwell of San Diego were visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Weeks this week.

S. M. Eubank made a business trip to Cisco Tuesday morning.

Safety And Caution Needed If Traffic Slaughter Is Halted

Mrs. S. P. Long Dies At Her Home Friday After A Brief Illness

Mrs. S. P. Long, 76, prominent Cross Plains lady and resident of this area for nearly 50 years, died at her home on North Main Street here Friday morning shortly after eight o'clock following an illness of several weeks. Funeral services were conducted from the Church of Christ tabernacle here Saturday afternoon at three o'clock and interment was made in the Dressy cemetery beside the grave of Mr. Long who died in 1928.

Mrs. Long sustained a broken arm and severe bruises in a fall several weeks ago, however, after hospitalization she was returned home and was believed to be recovering normally until her condition took a decided turn for the worse early Friday. Death was believed to have resulted from an exhausted heart. Three of her children and a nurse were present when the end came peacefully to the beloved lady and head of one of the oldest families in this section.

Mary Hattie Brooks was born in Polk County, Arkansas, September 8, 1870. She came to Texas at the age of five. She was married to Sam P. Long in 1888, who preceded her in death 19 years. To this union were born 11 children, eight of whom survive. They are: Fred and Norrel Long, both of Cross Plains; Mrs. P. W. Payne, Mrs. W. C. Klutts, Mrs. Bill Weiler, Mrs. Joe B. Sharrock, all of Cross Plains, and Mrs. H. F. McDaniel, of Wichita Falls, and Mrs. Johnnie Henderson, of Burkett. Other survivors include 14 grand-children, 10 great grandchildren, two sisters and five brothers, as well as a great host of friends.

Grandsons acted as pall bearers at the funeral and interment services.

Coal Miners Asking Large Wage Increase

Reports of new demands by the United States Mine Workers Union on the soft coal mine operators, involving higher wages, more overtime, and other benefits, makes one wonder how competitive industry can survive if its operating costs are continually jacked up.

The principal cost of mining coal is labor, and any further wage increases will naturally be reflected in the price charged the consumer for coal. Coal is in direct competition with as a fuel, with gas and oil which has sources of energy such as oil and gas. The industrial users of these fuels, who absorb the bulk of the total production, naturally seek that which they can buy for the least money. If the cost of any fuel rises out of proportion to its competitive value, its market will inevitably diminish and employment will diminish with it.

The workers' zeal for money is understandable but higher wages will certainly not benefit him if the pay envelope continues to go down. No group of workers has received greater gains than the coal miners. And to continually demand more, regardless of the economic consequences to the industry, is hardly the part of wisdom.

In the long run, the workers' productive power must largely determine his wages. This is true in all industry. We can have prices with high wages only as production per worker increases.

CHURCH OF CHRIST TO BEGIN MEETING FRIDAY, JUNE 27th

See the advertisement by the Church of Christ which appears on another page of this issue of the News. They are beginning a protracted meeting on June 27 and it is to run until July 6th. They have secured Harry Payne, an evangelist, to do the preaching. Every one in town is invited to attend these services.

Lee Howell of Conroe was visiting in the home of Mrs. Cleora Brown and Mrs. Benton Brown Wednesday.

R. C. Yarbrough of the Union community was in Putnam Saturday afternoon and stated that the hail had combized his wheat about a month ago.

New York Times Thinks Existing Powers Too Great

In a long editorial on the senate labor bill, the New York Times said: "The history of this country has demonstrated that ever so often one group or another has attained under existing laws powers which threaten the preservation of our society, and that the conditions have been rectified by revising the rules of the game.

There are two outstanding examples of that. Many years ago it became apparent that certain segments of American business had obtained monopolistic powers which threatened the general welfare of the American people. The people, acting through their local and national governments, corrected this through a long series of laws, beginning with the antitrust statutes.

The second example is the headlines today. Labor is in much the same position as was capital at the beginning of the century. A small number of labor leaders have obtained powers which are direct and growing threat to all the people of the country, including the workman himself. A democratic country must correct these abuses.

Railroad Crossings Should Be Watched

Railroad crossings are very dangerous, and every person driving an automobile should be very careful when reaching a crossing.

In many cases people driving cars never look up or out in crossing a railroad and rush ahead in front of a train to be killed. When driving a person should look each way to be sure there is no train coming before trying to make a crossing. The writer has known of persons being killed at railroad crossings when trains could be seen for a half mile each way but the driver was in too big a hurry to stop and look to see if a train was approaching.

A few statistics for 1945. Failure to stop, look and listen during 1936 resulted in 3,017 grade crossing accidents, 1,493 persons killed and 3,323 persons were injured.

During 1945 68 persons were killed at crossings protected by closed crossing gates. 90 persons were killed at crossings protected by watchmen. 217 were killed at crossings protected by audible and visible signals. 69 were killed at crossings protected by audible signals. 315 killed at crossings with visible signals and 1154 killed in all other crossing accidents.

Practically all of these accidents were caused by carelessness on the part of the driver who was in too big of a hurry. Many people driving cars do not show any regard for the rights of themselves or anyone else. Many people go through the main streets of Putnam at a speed of sixty miles per hour and some of them with no business whatever, just driving and disregarding all traffic rules.

WHEAT SUPPORT PRICES FOR 1949

The Agricultural Department announced last week it would support grower prices on wheat at a nation wide average of \$1.80 during the rest of June.

The level at which the department would support wheat for the period beginning July 1st until the 1949 crop becomes available will be announced early in July.

The department is required by law to support prices at not less than 90 percent of parity price of the grain at the beginning of the marketing year. July 1, parity can not be determined until after that date, the department announced an interim support program for wheat which is being harvested this month in the southwest.

Prices will be supported by loans on wheat and by government purchase agreements. The interim loan rates at principal markets include Number 1 hard winter wheat at Kansas City \$2.00 and at Omaha \$2.08 and at Galveston \$2.05.

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Mrs. M. H. Sargent and Mrs. Pannel, her sister, were in Baird Wednesday visiting with Mrs. John Allen Pruet, who is in the Baird hospital.

Review of Putnam High School Progress By Supt. R. Lee Snider

Miss Dorothy Estes and Wilburn Carico Married In Baird On Friday, June 20th

Cisco's Homecoming Event On July 3, 4 & 5

Cisco, our neighboring city to the Northeast, will celebrate its second homecoming event, July 3, 4 and 5, with a bathing revue and Oilbel Varieties show on July 4, at eight o'clock in the evening. Young women of surrounding towns will enter the revue and evening-gowned veranda party contestants, to be judged by a team of three judges whose identity will remain unknown. Cross Plains has been invited to enter a contestant.

Talented entertainers throughout the Oilbelt territory will participate in the variety show, the background for which will be a replica of a plantation colonial home in the 1860's. The show will take place on the veranda. On the evening program will be a concert by the Cisco high school band, followed by the Cisco and Rising Star drum corps and the Cisco bugle corps, which will give the call to colors, the national anthem and flag raising. A trio of young women from Albany will sing their own arrangement of several popular songs, the trio is known as the Three J's and have given several radio performances. Piano selections, solo numbers, and piano and violin duets from Ranger artists will also be presented followed by a minstrel show staged by the Eastland Quarterback Club.

Frank T. Bailey Buys Clyde Funeral Home

L. F. Patterson of Clyde, who has been in the funeral home business for many years, is retiring because of ill health. Frank T. Bailey has purchased the business from Mr. Patterson.

Mr. Bailey is the son of the late Dr. J. H. and Mrs. Bailey and was reared in Clyde. He attended McMurry college and was graduated from the Dallas School of Embalming in 1938. He was with the Kiker-Warren funeral home in Abilene prior to entering the armed forces in February 1941. He returned to Kiker-Warren after his release from the army.

Error Made Last Week Is Corrected

In last weeks issue of the News an article was carried regarding the First National Bank in Cisco. It contained several errors. In fact we could not have gotten any more in there than were pointed out by the bank unless the story had been longer. The president pointed out about four errors in a three inch story.

First, the Saturday, June first meeting was an error. Meeting of the stock holders on January 10, 1948. A large amount placed in the surplus fund and fourth, deposits of \$1,000,000.

The News received the following letter from Mr. Speer, president of the bank:

"What is this? Please correct this jumbled statement. Our meeting is scheduled for June 25th and we will make a statement at that time."

First National Bank Cisco, Texas

Thanks Mr. Speer, the News stands corrected and glad you called our attention to same. Errors are easy made and we will gladly correct them when pointed out.—Editor.

Mrs. Jack Ramsay and son, Geo. Lee, returned this week from a two weeks visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Sills, at Franklin.

Miss Ila May White is spending her summer vacation with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cunningham, at Jal, New Mexico.

Low Bid Taken On U. S. 80 Job

Low bids were tabulated on two highway projects in the Abilene district by the state highway commission at Austin yesterday, the Associated Press reported.

Low bid of \$111,463 for grading and structures on 4.62 miles of U. S. 80 from one mile east of Abilene to the Callahan county line was submitted by M. E. Worrel, Austin, and Shilling Brothers, Clinton.

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Highway Accidents Reduced By 6,500

Highway safety in the United States took big strides forward in the last twelve months, but there still remains a tremendous, nationwide job of traffic law enforcement, safety education and engineering before conditions can be considered notably better.

The Action Program adopted in May 1946 by the President's Highway Safety Conference and distributed throughout the country as a pattern for reducing traffic death frequency, has been utilized in whole or part by many States and communities, but uniformity and standardization still are lacking in large sections of the country.

A national task still remains and can be most effectively accomplished by more literal and widespread support of the Action Program for highway safety and its principles by every community in the land.

The findings summarize a study of reports submitted by the 48 States and the District of Columbia to the action group of the President's Highway Safety Conference which meets in Washington, June 18, 19 and 20 to review results to date and to plan for future action.

Each State submitted an analysis of the extent to which recommendations of the Action Program have been adopted and the reports were studied and evaluated by a group of conference experts.

Travel by motor vehicles reached an all time high in 1946, yet deaths on the highway were reduced by 6,500 as compared with 1941, the year which held the previous record for motor vehicle travel. In 1946 there were 9.8 deaths per million miles traveled. Approximately 1.2 million persons were injured.

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Notes From H. D. Agent

Evelyn Wieland

Jobs for Soda

From the U. S. Department of Agriculture household specialists come some tips for homemakers on the use of baking soda for cleaning jobs around the house.

You can use soda, say the specialists, as a gentle scourer for stains on china, pottery, glass or cooking utensils made of enamelware or glass that would be scratched by rougher scouring materials. For example, tea or coffee stains on china cups may be removed by rubbing with a damp cloth dipped in soda. Don't however, rub soda on gilt decorations on china.

Soda will also help soften food particles that have scorched on enamelware or glass—and it's also good for washing the refrigerator or rinsing out vacuum bottles.

Brightening silver is another use to which soda can be put, the specialist say. For a flat silver cleaning chore, fill an aluminum kettle with water containing salt and soda—one teaspoon of each to a quart of water. Bring the water to a boil, lay in the silver and continue boiling for just two or three minutes. Then remove and wash it. Some housewives keep an aluminum cup of hot water containing soda beside the dishpan when doing breakfast dishes. Into this cup go spoons or forks discolored by breakfast eggs or any food. By the time the dishes are done, the soda has made the silver bright again.

For Next Years Spring Garden

Right now, weeds, lawn clippings and other types of growth around the house are plentiful—and these can be put to a good use if you'll put them all together in a compost pile to use in your garden next spring.

Compost you know is a decayed mixture of soil and plant or animal matter, and it can come in handy as a means of improving the physical condition of your garden soil in growing seedlings for

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Whooping Cough Thought To Be At Alltime High Now

A statement released today by Dr. George W. Cox, State Health Officer, indicates that the incident of whooping cough in Texas is at present almost three times as high as the seven year median.

"Prevention and control of whooping cough, especially among infants and small children, may be accomplished through use of approved vaccine and convalescent serum," Dr. Cox asserted, "and it is important that such measures be taken to protect them. Neglecting to do so, and allowing the young child to suffer an attack of this disease, may seriously impair his future health."

"The infectious agent or germ of whooping cough, is transmitted by droplets expelled in coughing, sneezing, or speaking," Dr. Cox said. "The discharges from the nose and throat are dangerous to susceptible persons; the need for early recognition and careful isolation of whooping cough is obvious."

The first sign of this disease is usually a dry cough, which persists day and night and tends to become increasingly worse. The disease is fully developed when vomiting of food and whooping accompany the paroxysm of cough. Dr. Cox stresses the fact that children who have whooping cough should not attend school and should be isolated so that they will not come in contact with other children until three weeks after the appearance of typical signs of the disease.

Miss Gladys Riggs, who is employed by Mrs. J. A. Heyser, left Saturday morning for Lubbock where she will spend a week or ten days visiting before returning to Putnam.

Family And Friends Honor Lee Champion

Lee Champion was honored by relatives and friends at the City Park here with a picnic luncheon on the occasion of his seventy eighth birthday.

Those present included: Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Champion, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Champion and sons, Glen and Claude Leo, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Woody and Billie and Margaret, Mr. and Mrs. T. Y. Woody, Billie Ruth and Alice, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Woody, Nelda and Minnie Lois, Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Woody and Allen, Mrs. M. A. Woody, Mr. and Mrs. U. F. Casey and children, Mrs. Sub Peavy, Mrs. T. E. Nordyke and grandson, Larry

Nordyke of Houston, Mrs. Elbert Franklin also of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Cowan and Wanda, Willie Champion, Miss Cherrie Woody of Merkel, Miss Doris Dean Clark, Miss Margaret Ralston, Miss Bobbie Nell Joy, Nancy Sue, Buel and H. T. Peavy.

Wauric Jones of the Pueblo community was in town Sat. morning and stated he had shipped one car of wheat and had another car about half loaded when the rain came Friday afternoon. He and his brother, Birt, have several hundred acres in grain this year.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Nelson were in Putnam Saturday afternoon visiting and looking after business interest.

Mrs. Pete King made a business trip to Cisco Saturday.

E. K. Bell of Olden and family have moved to Putnam. Mr. Bell coming here as section foreman for the Texas & Pacific railroad. The people of Putnam welcome Mr. and Mrs. Bell to our town.



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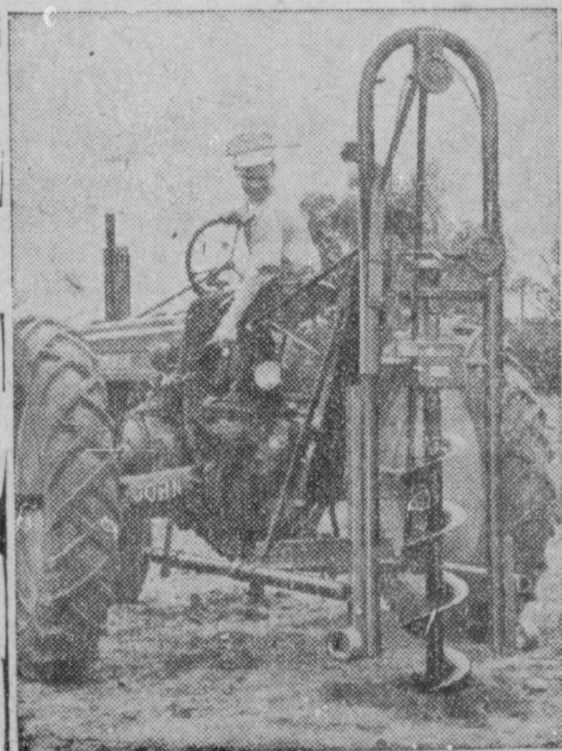
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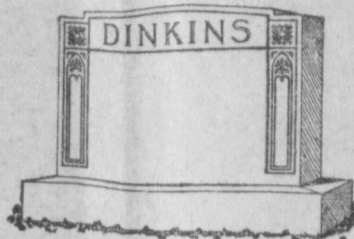
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Mr. and Mrs. Carl Tyler of Clyde were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Weeks Sunday.

Mrs. R. L. Clinton and Mrs. U. Lowry were shopping in Cisco Friday morning.

Atwell News

By Mrs. Ben Riffe

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Maxwell and Mr. and Mrs. Trutt Holly of Abilene spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Goble.

Mrs. Truet Foster and children and Mr. and Mrs. Arden Strahan of Cross Plains visited Mr. Foster in San Angelo last Sunday. They spent two nights on the river enjoying fishing and outdoor camping.

Rev. and Mrs. Maurice Treadwell of Fort Worth visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Purvis, last week.

Messrs Alton and Roy Tatom and families spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Tatom in Putnam.

Mrs. Sam Jones spent Saturday night with Mr. Jones Mother, Mrs. J. M. Jones, of Cross Plains. Mrs. Jones is in the Graham hospital in Cisco suffering with pneu-

monia. Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Porter and Janice of Brownwood spent Sunday in the Ben Pillans home. Glenn Ray Pillans returned with them for a weeks visit.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Matthews and Jimmy of Putnam spent the third Sunday in the Robert Brashear home.

Ruby Nell Trimble is spending this week in Brownwood with Betty Bennie.

Mr. and Mrs. Oren Elliott of Moran spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Clint Brashear.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Fuster of Houston are on an extended visit in the home of his parents.

Mrs. Arden Strahan of Cross Plains spent Saturday night and Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Truet Foster and family.

T/Sgt. and Mrs. Eual Wilson and son returned to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lovelady, after spending last week with his parents at Spring Town.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hewes went to the Brownwood lake Saturday to have their motor boat repaired.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Riffe and J. B. Mr. and Mrs. A. Faucett of San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Purvis and Diana and Mr. and Mrs. Keelon Riffe, Dorothy and Joyce enjoyed a picnic supper and swim at the Cisco lake Saturday evening.

Mrs. J. F. Golson has returned from a three week visit with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Trippett, of Arkansas. While there they visited in Tennessee, and Missouri. They visited the Ozarks, Eureka Springs, Hot Springs, Van Buren, Pine Ridge, Russellville, the birthplace of their mother, Mrs. W. M. Crosby. They also visited the great White river dam which took five years to build.

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By Boyce House

Many years ago when Tom C. McKae was running for governor of Arkansas, one of his opponents was assailing him. McKae's only comeback was, "A wise hunter doesn't waste ammunition on a dead duck." McKae was elected and made a great chief executive.

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And a speaker can be humorous without being vulgar.

Touring Texas: At Guthrie, a big rock house enthroned on a hill is visible for miles. The castle-like mansion is the main ranch house of the 6066.

On west is Red Springs. I didn't see the springs but in nearly every yard were red flowers that looked like tulips.

It is a scenic drive. To one side is broken country which is the divide of the Wichita River. Then there is picturesque Blanco Canyon. And in Plainview is a "honey house", a store where nothing but honey is sold. And a little ways north of the town is a row of trees, half a mile long, beside the highway. One house is surrounded by trees taller than it is and the house is two stories high. I can remember when it was said that trees wouldn't grow on the Plains. Now, they have big nurseries up there.

Between Abilene and Coleman during May there were several miles of hills and valleys clad in solid sheets of light yellow flowers.

Hollywood has its Brown Derby—and Bangs has its Sombrero, a little cafe built in the shape of a Mexican hat.

And approaching Brownwood on the highway from the west your car drops down on the city almost as though you were coming in on an airplane.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Jordan of Del Rio were visiting in the home of Mrs. Jordan's parents over the week end.

Bob Brown of Comanche visited in the home of Mrs. Cleora and Mr. and Mrs. Benton Brown Sunday.

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Fred Farmer of the Eula community was in Putnam Saturday morning and looking after business interests. He said most of the grain had been harvested.

The three quarters inch rain last Friday afternoon interfered with the grain harvesting. It rained hard for a few minutes but did not produce much water in the lakes.

Randall C. Jackson
ATTORNEY AT LAW
County Courthouse (Basement)
Baird, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. George Weeks are back in Putnam after a stay in Washington state of several months. Mr. Weeks said the wages in Washington were not sufficient to make ends meet.

STATEMENT BY SUPT. SNIDER

(Cont'd. from page 1)
The visiting supervisor appreciates the friendly cooperation of the Superintendent during his visit.
Recommendations: "Teachers with substandard academic training should be replaced, unless academic standards are compiled with, at the earliest possible date."
G. D. Holbrook, Deputy State Superintendent, District Number 8, Date 10/1/46
To the Putnam PTA and school sponsors, had I not had your cooperation we could not have had the progress as we view it with new stoves and a full set of modern equipment in the Lunch Room and activity room equipped as well as any you will find in the State of Texas. From the cooperation of the units mentioned something over \$500 each year has been added to our school, and the best of it all is we are out of debt and playground equipment is a worthy cause that has been inaugurated in the items of growth of our school. At least the world has learned that we can not live and move and have our beings without the cooperation of our neighbors. We are our neighbors keeper.
I have accepted a teaching post in the Ranger Junior College for the ensuing school term, and wife and I have purchased us an excellent home in Ranger near the college so come and see us and we shall be happy to talk over the good days spent with you good people the past four years as your superintendent.
R. Lee Snider, Mathematic
Ranger Jr. College 1947-48

Cottonwood News

By Hazel Respass

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Alexander of Sweetwater and Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Alexander of Mineral Wells were week end visitors in the home of their mother, Mrs. L. W. Banta. They returned Friday via Sweetwater where A. B. and wife will visit for a short while before returning to their home in Mineral Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. L. I. Sudderth are spending a few days here. Prof. Sudderth has been teaching on an Indian reservation in New Mexico. He plans to teach in Texas this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Dyess of Brownsfield and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Collier visited in the home of Mr. W. B. Allen. Mrs. Dyess and Mrs. Cecil Collier are daughters of Mr. Allen.

Mr. W. E. Carpenter has been quite ill this week and still very sick at this writing. Her children, Mr. and Mrs. Less Yarn and children of Lampassas, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Green and daughter Vonelle of Belton, and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Carpenter and family

STILL IN LOVE

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Steel, of Houston, recently celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary in the Christian Old People's Home in Houston. The Steels came to Texas in 1896 from Pennsylvania and operated a farm in Harris county until old-age overtook them. "After 66 years of marriage together we are still much in love," Mrs. Steel said.

of Santa Anna have been visiting here.

Miss Gracie Lee Smith of San Angelo visited her aunt, Mrs. Wade Smith, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Bray and girls of Lubbock visited the K. B. Robbins home Sunday. Mrs. Bray is a sister of Mrs. Robbins.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Cooper and children of Cisco visited in the V. C. Lassiter home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Tobey of Chino, California visited his sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Sam A. Moore, last week.

Joe Roy Whitaker of Anson is visiting his sister, Mrs. J. A. Robbins, and family.

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Small tanks with exceptionally good catches were slightly replenished with stock water Friday, however, the fall was insufficient to be of material benefit to most tanks and lakes. Stockmen are still in need of water to refill basins which have not been filled in more than 24 months.

Young peanut crops were the principal beneficiaries of the recent rain. All, however, forage crops and pastures will also profit immeasurably. Most small grain in the Cross Plains area had already been harvested, however, that which remained uncut was believed to have suffered only negligible damage.

Rainfall thus far this year: January 1.38, February .20, March 2.26, April .80, May 2.79 and thus far in June 2.14.

C. K. Odom has been in New Mexico for the past several days on his vacation visiting with friends and relatives. He will probably be here the last of the week.

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