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FROM THE EDITOR'S WINDOW

It has been almost a universal policy of recent years to overlook the man who is growing old and employ younger men in most lines of business. During the years of depression many of the older men were placed on the shelf, so to speak, with the earnings of their lifetime consumed in some manner because of the depression policies. Because of scarcity of employment many employers turned to younger men. It is not so however with Henry Ford, one of the nation's most outstanding men of industry. The Ford Motor Company maintains a good, most practical, and sensible employment policy. They regard employment in this manner. With one blind one to every 6,000 men of employable age in the country, the Ford Motor Company holds that it should have at least one blind man for every 6,000 employees. The same practice is followed with regard to age. A cross section of age groups in the community must be represented on the payroll, and as a consequence men of almost every age are hired when suitable jobs are open.

The Ford Motor Company has prospered and carried on high ideals as everyone knows. Employers would do well to consider the fact that no large business can do without the ability, experience and judgment which comes only with the years, and to have these qualities it needs its quota of older men.

Help to Backseat Drivers
Exhibited at Boston's University school of theology was an automobile device that:

Flashes a white light on the dashboard when a car is going 15 miles an hour.

Flashes green at 25 miles per hour.

Flashes red at 40 miles an hour. And plays "Nearer My God to Thee" on a music box at 60 miles an hour.

It seems that this device if put into common use would be of greater assistance to back seat drivers, as they could go by the signals and be able to better discern at what rate of speed the car was traveling. It is a little hard sometime to be able to tell the rate of speed from the back seat, as some of our high powered cars travel so easily a high rate of speed is not noticed. All in all, the signs are good ones and every front seat driver should observe his speedometer carefully, as a person can hardly control a car if a blow out occurs at a moderate rate of speed. We hope the new year does not record the number of injuries and fatalities that the past year can never erase. Many of the accidents were due to fast driving.

Gus Brandon is the owner of a brand new Ford this week purchased from Burnice Andrews of the Earl Johnston Motor Company of Baird. The new Fords are classy and pretty and really get you there and bring you back. Mr. Brandon's car is a blue coupe. Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Hull are also driving a brand new red Ford coach with fancy wheels. The Hulls always drive pretty cars.

R. W. Calvert for Attorney General

R. W. Calvert, speaker of the House of Representatives, who is a candidate for the office of Attorney General, has many qualifications which make him eligible to serve the people in this important capacity. The Hill County (his home county) Bar Association by a unanimous vote has endorsed Mr. Calvert in the following manner: "We, the members of the Hill County Bar Association, unqualifiedly endorse Honorable Robert W. Calvert of Hillsboro, Texas, for the office of Attorney General of Texas. His integrity, stability, determination and ethical conduct mark him as a man of high character.

"In his practice we know him as an ardent student and an able advocate a welcome colleague and a worthy opponent, and we commend him to the people of Texas as thoroughly fit and qualified to discharge the duties of the office of Attorney General, with credit to that high office and to himself."

The News editor had the privilege of knowing Mr. Calvert personally as speaker of the House of Representatives, while serving as secretary in the House during the recent session of the Legislature. We knew him to be very fair, broad minded and conscientious in all his rulings.

The House of 150 members, often torn with strife, gust, tumult

NAOMI BUCHANAN MARRIES BEN BRAZIL

Miss Naomi Buchanan and Ben Brazil of Putnam were united in marriage Saturday evening at 9:20 at the Baptist parsonage with the pastor, Reverend F. A. Hollis, reading the ring ceremony. Mrs. Brazil was wearing a dress of navy blue with white trimmings made along tailored lines with a hat of blue straw and blue accessories. Mr. Brazil was groomed in gray. Attendants Mr. and Mrs. Willard Gaskins of Abilene. Other present were Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Buchanan, Mrs. Horace Roberson and daughter, Mary Ann of DeLeon, Mrs. F. A. Hollis. Mrs. Brazil is a graduate of the Putnam high school and has been reared in Putnam. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Buchanan of Putnam. Mr. Brazil has lived in Putnam a few years. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Brazil. The couple has been prominent in church and other activities. They will make their home near Putnam where Mr. Brazil will engage in farming. The News extends congratulations to this worthy couple.

Luncheon Sunday
Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Buchanan honored the couple with a luncheon in their home Sunday at 12:30. Enjoying the well served edibles were Mr. and Mrs. Willard Gaskins of Abilene, Miss Ariene Grace of Moran, W. P. Everett, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Buchanan, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Brazil, Reverend F. A. Hollis, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Buchanan, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Brazil.

6:00 O'clock Dinner
Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Brazil honored the couple with a 6:00 o'clock dinner in their home Monday. Various luxurious courses were served. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Ushery of Ranger, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Buchanan, Miss Lucy White, Reverend F. A. Hollis, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Brazil, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Brazil.

BAPTIST TEACHERS TAKE STUDY COURSE

Teachers and officers in the Sunday school of the First Baptist church completed a study course, "When Do Teachers Teach?" taught by the pastor, Reverend F. A. Hollis, last Thursday evening. Those who will receive awards are Mrs. Ben Brazil, Mrs. E. G. Scott, Mrs. Irene Kelley, R. L. Buchanan, superintendent, Reverend C. L. Ruschen, Mr. Elmer Butler, Mrs. Fred Golsen, Mrs. F. A. Hollis, Mrs. John Cook, Mrs. S. W. Jobe, Mildred Yeager.

WOMAN'S STUDY CLUB MET

The Woman's Study Club of Putnam met in the home of Mrs. G. S. Pruet Monday afternoon at 3, at which time Rome, Italy, was studied. Mrs. R. D. Williams, president, presided for a short business meeting. Roll call was answered by mountains and lakes of Italy. Mrs. L. B. Williams read a most interesting paper entitled Rome, Yesterday and Today. Mrs. John Cook discussed Women Under Roman Dominion and Mrs. W. H. Norred, Saint Peter's Church.

Those present were Meses. Fred Cook, John Cook, Mark Shurwin, W. H. Norred, L. B. Williams, L. E. Cook, H. A. Pruet, R. D. Williams, R. L. Clinton, Lynn L. Williams, J. N. Williams, G. S. Pruet.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Pruet and children of Ranger and Mrs. Francisco and son of Abilene spent Sunday in the home of Mrs. W. E. Pruet.

and conflicting interests, points of order, involved almost every conceivable legal and constitutional question raised day after day promptly and quickly he made his decisions. His rulings have been respected, none have been appealed, and never has he been overruled by a vote of the House.

Mr. Calvert was reared in the State Orphan's Home at Corsicana, Texas, and graduated from that school. He had a boyhood ambition to become a lawyer and to serve his state, so he ran an elevator, served as night watchman, and worked part time in state departments in order to attend the University of Texas where he graduated from law school. Since graduation he has been engaged in the practice of law. At present he is a member of the firm of Morrow & Calvert. He was elected to the House of Representatives from the 60th District composed of Hill and Navarro counties in 1932 and re-elected in 1934 and 1936 without opposition. We feel that Texas could not have a better Attorney General than R. W. Calvert.

Forty-Two Parties For Benefit Schools

There will be a forty-two party in the home of Mrs. R. D. Williams Friday night, with the public invited to attend. Admission charges will be 15c per person and proceeds will be used to help pay for the high school piano. Those planning to attend should telephone Mrs. Williams before Friday night.

Another forty-two party will be held in the same manner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Pruet of Union. Bridge or forty-two may be played at either place. Hostesses at Mrs. Williams' will be Mrs. Williams, Mrs. John Cook, and Mrs. J. N. Williams. Mrs. H. A. Pruet will assist Mrs. G. S. Pruet. All proceeds will be used for the school piano.

MITCHAM CATTLE SALE

G. P. Mitcham and Son held their first sale of hereford cattle at their ranch about ten miles northeast of Putnam Tuesday. They have purchased what is known as the old Qualls ranch in Eastland and Callahan counties, also the Dyer ranch in Callahan and Eastland counties near Pueblo. These men were joined by prominent hereford breeders and curious spectators from several adjoining counties which made a crowd of more than 1,500 people.

The sales were quite snappy with about sixty head of cattle being sold. The average price was \$109.50. Several attended from Putnam and reported that they had a nice bunch of cattle.

Elmo Cook, Eastland county agricultural agent, says the largest tank built in that county during 1937 under the range conservation program was one on the G. P. ranch. There are 12,000 yards of dirt in the dam.

REPORTS CATTLE IN GOOD CONDITION

Everett Williams, a prominent rancher of Putnam, reports that cattle in the Putnam section are in good condition and will go into the summer in much better condition than they were last year. He states this is because of the fine winter grass. He says cattle are really getting fat and calves are putting on plenty of weight in this section. He thinks there will be little trading until spring.

Baptist Church

Sunday school 10:00. Goal, 125 attendance. Everyone help reach the goal.

Preaching, 11:00.
B. T. U., 6:30.
Singing, 7:30.
Everyone urged to attend all services.

EVENTS IN OLD TESTAMENT HISTORY

(C. C. Andrews, Baird, Texas)
"To whom was it said, 'In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it thou was taken; for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.' And what was the occasion?"

LOCAL COUPLE MARRIED AT EASTLAND

Miss Alene Dunaway and Coly Maynard of Putnam were married in Eastland last Thursday night. Miss Dunaway has been attending the Putnam high school and residing in the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Kelley. Mr. Maynard was graduated from the Putnam high school with the class of 1936. Mrs. Maynard is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dunaway of near Cisco. Mr. Maynard is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Maynard.

John T. Edwards Passes Away Monday

John T. Edwards, one of the early settlers of Callahan county and one of the most prominent stock raisers and farmers in the county and father of Sheriff Bob Edwards of Callahan county, died in Baird Monday. He was 83 years old. Funeral services were held at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the Methodist church at Eula. The rites were read by the Rev. George Parks of Roscoe, formerly pastor of the Eula Baptist church of which Mr. Edwards was a member at one time.

University Employs Oil Company Set-up

AUSTIN.—In connection with the leasing of its land for oil and gas production, The University of Texas maintains a regular oil company set-up, with principal offices at Midland. The employees consist of scouts, petroleum engineers geologists, surveyors and statisticians. It keeps in constant touch with drilling and leasing operations through West Texas upon University as well as privately-owned lands.

The institution receives its revenues in the form of lease bonuses, annual rentals and royalties on production. From these sources it has received \$25,512,456 since the first well was completed on its land in the Big Lake field in April, 1923, nearly fifteen years ago, to January 1 of this year. All of this money has gone into the University's permanent fund, and has been invested in approved securities.

The University's corps of surveyors has been making a resurvey of the more than 3,170 sections, each of 649 acres, comprising the land endowment of the institution. There remains more than three hundred sections to be surveyed to complete the enormous job, which includes the erection of markers. This survey has been in progress for the last nine years. One of the interesting discoveries which has been brought to light was that the Texas & Pacific Railroad had a mile of its own measurement. In making the survey of the thousands of acres granted it by the legislature as a subsidy for constructing the railroad, the chain used by the engineers had an extra link on it, which made the Texas & Pacific mile longer than the usual mile, thereby giving it more land, it has been revealed.

Program for Workers' Meeting

Program for the Callahan Baptist Workers' meeting to be held with the Baird church Tuesday, Feb. 15th:
10:00 a. m., Song and praise.
10:30, Our Associational Program—J. S. Tierce.
11:00, Our District Program—Bob N. Shepherd.
11:30, Sermon—Bro. Tidwell, pastor at Potosi.
12:00—Lunch.
1:00 p. m., Devotional.
1:30, Womens' Program and board meeting.
2:00, business.
2:30, Closing address or sermon—C. E. Poe, pastor at Cross Plains.

EAST ZONE B. T. U. MEETS NEXT SUNDAY

The East Zone of Callahan county B. T. U. will hold its monthly meeting at Scranton Baptist church next Sunday, Feb. 13, 3:30 to 4:00 p. m. Cross Plains B. T. U. will furnish the program, assisted by Putnam and others.

WILEY CLINTON RETURNS HOME SATURDAY

Wiley Clinton, who has been spending the past several months in Kerrville recuperating, returned to his home here Saturday. Mrs. Wiley Clinton and Burl Clinton made a trip to Kerrville Saturday at which time he returned with them. Mr. Clinton stood the trip fine and is very glad to be home again. He has many friends here who rejoice to have him back.

METHODISTS MEET AT EASTLAND THURSDAY

Thursday, February 10, was a day of earnest and deep spiritual search for the leaders of the Methodist churches in the Cisco district. On this day many of the ministers and laymen of the district met in a spiritual retreat at the First Methodist church, Eastland, in an Aldersgate Institute. The emphasis of the all-day meeting was one of personal and vital religion, the experience of the warm heart.

Mesdames R. D. Williams, B. E. Herring, R. L. Clinton, and J. Morris Bailey represented the Putnam laymen in the meeting. Rev. J. Morris Bailey, minister of the local Methodist church, also attended. A group of laymen of the Twelfth Street Methodist church, Cisco, joined the local group at Cisco.

J. Morris Bailey, Pastor.

Methodist Calendar

Sunday, Feb. 13:
10:00 a. m.—Church school.
4:00 p. m.—Intermediate Epworth League.
6:30 p. m.—Young People's Epworth League.

Monday, Feb. 14, 7:30 p. m.—Epworth League St. Valentine's day party at the Methodist parsonage. Miss Billie Byrd, director of recreation, will be in charge.

Tuesday, Feb. 15, 7:00 p. m.—Cisco dist. banquet, laymen's program, First Methodist church, Eastland.

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New Ca-ow Hand



HOLLYWOOD... Guess which perennial Yankee first baseman roams a local movie lot in this cowboy regalia? You're right, Pard, 'tain't none other than Buck Gehrig, otherwise known as Larrupin' Lou, portraying a regular two-fisted, gun-totin' cowboy hot on the trail of a gang of rustlers.

Tennis Teams Make Clean Sweep Tuesday

The Putnam high school tennis teams defeated Cross Plains last Tuesday afternoon at Cross Plains. The matches did not effect the county meet. The following are the results:

Oliver Davis defeated S. R. Jackson in senior singles, 6-0, 6-3; Donald Allen defeated Earl Strong in juniors singles, 6-2, 6-3; Newt Steen and Doyle Lee Brown defeated Billie Davidson and Harold Barclay in senior doubles, 6-3, 4-6, 7-5; J. W. Hammonds and Frank Sunderman defeated Elliott and Anderson 6-2, 6-3.

CROSS PLAINS WELL IS GOING DOWN

Drilling started this week on the offset of the former Vestal well 3 miles north of Cross Plains. They will drill to the Ellenberger lime.

PEP CLASS HAS BUSINESS MEETING

The Pep Intermediate B. T. U. of the First Baptist church held a business meeting in the home of Billy Gaskins Thursday night. Lewis Williams, president, presided. Opening song was, "I Love to Tell the Story." Douglas Kellie led prayer. Programs were made for the month and other business discussed. Various committees held meetings and gave reports. Following business a contest was entered into by Lewis Williams and Calvin King, who designed spring dresses on La Verne Burnam and Wanda Woods as models. The dresses were designed of newspapers and pinned on the models. Lewis Williams won the prize. Another game of spearing the ground hog was played after which refreshments of sandwiches, punch, and chocolate mints were served. Those present were Wanda Woods, Lewis Williams, Betty Woods, LaVerne Burnam, Douglas Kelley, John Davis, Junior Sharp, Calvin King, Mary Alice Burnam, Billy Gaskins, Mildred Yeager, leader, Mrs. G. P. Paskins, sponsor, and Kenneth Gaskins.

A NEW INDUSTRY STARTED

From the Kilgore Herald:
A new industry has sprung up in our country, a cat hatchery. Will Young has a special breed of cats that are the greatest mousers and ratters known. He rents them out to the neighbors to rid the place of rats and the demand has become so great he is having to increase his stock. He charges one cent per mouse and three cents per rat. A cat is required to work eight hours a day, with every other night off to visit the neighborhood cats. This could develop into a profitable business if the rats don't get the idea of birth control.

UNION HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB

The Union Home Demonstration club met in the home of Mrs. W. C. Allen Wednesday, Feb. 9.

Miss Clara Brown gave a demonstration on candlewick spreads and tuffing.

There were three visitors present. They were Mrs. E. N. Hull of Putnam, Mrs. Otis Tatum and Mrs. Floyd Buchanan.

There were nine new members joined. They were: Meses. Luriette Ramsey, Eric McColum, W. R. Jones, O. H. Garlitz, J. E. Johnston, D. R. Jackson, Monte Gunn, J. W. Booth and Mrs. Emitt Woods.

Mrs. Guy Steen resigned as secretary and treasurer and Mrs. J. E. Johnston was elected.

The program committee was appointed by the president, Mrs. J. A. Yarbrough. Mrs. W. C. Allen, chairman, and Mrs. Montie Gunn and Mrs. D. R. Jackson are her helpers.

The recreation leader is Mrs. Burette Ramsey.

Those present besides new members were: Meses. J. A. Yarbrough, Guy Steen, Erwin Warren, Fred Yarbrough, George Jeter, Carl Gunn, Miss Clara Brown and hostess.

The club adjourned to meet with Mrs. J. W. Booth Feb. 23.—Reporter.

J. E. Heslop spending the week at Baird with relatives.

ROAD MEETING TO BE HELD AT BAIRD WED.

There will be a meeting of road people along the north and south road from Coleman to Albany at Baird Feb. 16 in the interest and to encourage the building of the road through from Coleman to Albany. Judge, R. L. Russell authorized the News to state that Putnam had been invited to send four delegates of their own selection.

The meeting will be held at the Methodist church and the ladies of the church are planning a banquet at 12 o'clock and four plates had been reserved for the Putnam delegation. Delegates have been invited to attend from every voting box in the county.

Judge Harry Hines of the Texas Highway commission will be the principal speaker, however there will be a number of other speakers present from different places.

This road is of considerable interest to Callahan county and it will in no way interfere with Putnam's interest and our people should attend this meeting and assist Baird in any way possible to further construction of this road and if for no other reason it should be supported from the standpoint of employing the people of Callahan county who are out of employment.

CALLAHAN COUNTY BIRTHDAY RECEIPTS

Callahan county birthday contributions amounted to \$224.88 to the crusade to stamp out infantile paralysis in the recent celebration of President Roosevelt's birthday. Baird led the county in the amount contributed, with a contribution of \$90; Clyde second with \$25.25, and Putnam \$11.

METHODIST WORKERS RECEIVE CREDIT

The local Methodist church was represented at the recent training school for church workers of the Cisco district. The study course was held at the First Methodist church of Cisco. Two workers in the Putnam Methodist church received credit in the school. They were Miss Billie Byrd and Mrs. J. Morris Bailey. Those attending two or more of the class sessions were Mrs. R. L. Clinton, Miss Myrtle McColl, Miss Dorothy Jean Williams, Miss Louise Lambiey, Bobby Clinton, Rev. J. Morris Bailey, Mrs. Lucile Kelley.

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BAPTIST MEMBERSHIP INCREASING

The First Baptist church of Putnam has had several additions to the church recently and Sunday school attendance also is improving. One hundred and three attended Sunday school last Sunday, with a larger crowd for church. A greater interest is being manifested in all phases of the church work. Those joining Sunday were O. L. Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Allen, Inez Allen, Margaret Lawrence, Herschel Lawrence, by letter; Mrs. Willard Baskins, Mrs. C. B. Kennedy, James Kennedy, candidates for baptism.

W. M. S. HAS MISSION STUDY

The Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist church met at the church Tuesday in regular meeting and had mission study. The devotional was led by Mrs. Elmer Butler, reading from the 40th Psalm. Mrs. W. M. Crosby led prayer. Mrs. S. M. Eubank taught the mission lesson which was pertaining to mission work in Brazil. Those present were Meses. S. M. Eubank, Fred Cook, W. M. Crosby, Fred Golsen, Elmer Butler, E. G. Scott.

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Cards of Thanks, Resolutions of Respect, and any kind of entertainments where admission fee or other monetary consideration is charged, will be charged for at regular advertising rates.

THE COST OF BUILDING ROADS IN TEXAS

It is a bit amusing to hear some people talk. They talk as though any one who would oppose a road bond issue or a school bond issue was against roads and schools; but far from that fact. There are many voters who are in favor of good roads and good schools that believe that economy should and could be practiced in public affairs such as schools and the building of state highways as well as anything else. In an editorial by C. A. Jay in the Texas Weekly some staggering information is furnished. "It is often said that people in Texas want good roads, highways and, therefore we need never look to expenditures within this field as a source of economy. Those who make this statement overlook the fact that economy may be effected in either of two ways. Spending less or in spending the same amount; but getting more for what you spend. The Texas highway system (and in referring to the Texas highway system I am including only that portion of the highway system which is directly a part of the state system. I am not including the local or lateral highways) comprise a total of 20,798 miles; 4,442 miles of concrete roads, 8,765 miles asphalt or oil treated road; 50 miles of brick road, 2,334 miles of gravel and shell road, and 5,224 miles unimproved road or graded road. From the date of its creation up to August 21, 1936, the State Highway Department has received \$476,880,742, this money coming from gasoline taxes, automobile registration fees, federal aid, county aid and depository interest. In addition counties have spent \$159,100,789 on roads now a part of the state system, which means that the grand total cost of maintaining and constructing the state highway system has been \$635,981,531. To state it another way, the cost of construction and maintenance of Texas highway system has been \$30,578 per mile, and still 2,334 miles are only sand and gravel, and 5,224 miles are either unimproved or only graded. I think the opinion is universal that Texas has been extremely fortunate in the type of men who have directed the highway work in this state, but to assume that it is beyond reasonable possibility to improve the efficiency of highway building in Texas is to close our eyes to obvious facts."

From the above figures it appears that there are only some twelve thousand miles of finished road in Texas with an expenditure of around \$700,000,000 up to the present time since the figures quoted by Mr. Jay are only to August 21, 1936, and since that time there has been more than fifty million added to the \$635,981,000 mentioned above.

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CLYDE REFINANCES THEIR BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

The city of Clyde has just finished refinancing their bonded indebtedness with new funding bonds. They have made a considerable saving in both interest and principal. According to a report published by the secretary of the city of Clyde they owed outstanding bonds in the amount of \$58,000 which has been paid with funding bonds amounting to \$37,000, besides they had nine thousand dollars in warrants outstanding that they paid off with \$4,500. Old issue was carrying an interest rate of 6 per cent while the new bonds are only bearing 2 per cent for the first ten years and graduating up to 4 per cent in five and ten year periods, one half of one per cent increase per period, while all of the old issues for which they were exchanged 6 per cent interest straight through to maturity. The new bonds are made in denominations of \$650.00 each.

They had outstanding sewer bonds to the amount of \$5,000 and outstanding warrants to the amount of \$4,000, making a total of \$9,000 which was exchanged on a basis of 50 cents on the dollar. The total outstanding bonded indebtedness for the city is \$41,000. This is quite a saving to the citizens and tax payers of the city of Clyde and is evidence what can be done in Putnam with our bonded indebtedness and it is only a question of getting behind the move and putting it over. There are some that argue that the bonds were voted in good faith which is correct and that we should pay the full amount of the bonds without asking for a reduction. These bonds were voted when everything was inflated and the property valuations have deflated until it is not worth more than twenty-five per cent of what it was worth when the bonds were voted, and we have been informed that the courts have held that the value of the bonds decreases in the same proportion as the decline in the value of the property they are issued against. Why not have a meeting and outline some plan of action and get this matter adjusted and fix a reasonable tax rate that people can and will pay. As everyone knows there are very few tax payers who are paying any city tax, but if this continues it will get worse and worse and become more complicated as this tax debt will be piled up against the real estate and will have to be paid some time or there will be a long drawn out law suit. This is a condition that is not satisfactory to the taxpayer nor to the bond holder. Any person holding securities had rather have his bonds reduced and get the money on the reduced bond than to have the old bond and getting nothing.

THE ROLE THAT ECONOMISTS PLAY

The economist plays quite a different roll to the ordinary business man or citizen, as practically every business man that you meet and begin questioning along business lines, will answer from his own personal standpoint. If his business is good he will say that everything is O. K. and will not pay much attention to figures and statistics because he thinks that if his business is good everybody else ought to have a good business. The man that is getting his salary every week or month as the case may be is hard to believe that there is anything wrong because he is doing well. All during the depression there were millions of people who had the best jobs of the country were in better condition than they ever were from the fact that they drew their wages and many of them with a very small cut and because they were doing well they could not see why everyone else was not doing the same and could not see why the rest of the people should complain. But the economist in figuring out conditions and forecasting the future are in quite a different role as they have to take into consideration so many different angles of business conditions and figure the average of them all before making any prediction of the future business. For instance Babson or Forbes, when they commence to make chart as the past and future business they specialize in analyzing and forecasting business trends and study such factors. They will commence with clearing house receipts such as the amount of cash checked out in one week with the past week or for the same period a year ago, the amount of brokerage, and bank loans, freight or loadings; the number of business failures, price of commodities, stocks and bonds, sales of farms, auto, electric output, coal and petroleum products; foreign trade and the unemployment situation, besides many other things enters into the economic situation of the country. The condition of business in each of these divisions must be determined by complicated methods. Then, using 1925 or any other year as equaling 100 as a compar-

ative index of condition may be determined. These conditions checked against corresponding figures a week, month, and five years ago, show whether business trends are upward or downward. If we have been keeping up with all of the above conditions we might be able to forecast the future action of business as does Mr. Forbes or any other economist.

THE WAGE AND HOUR BILL

If Congress puts through the administration's wage and hour bill and it becomes a law, the probabilities are that in another year there will be new steps going forward beyond the establishment of minimum wages. Efforts will be made to establish standards of wages all along the line. When this comes where will the labor unions find themselves? What employe will feel it necessary to pay dues to a union when he can get what he wants from a government bureau, or he thinks he can? This is much like the anti-lynching bill that is before the Senate. It just centralizes more and more power in Washington and destroys state rights.

TODAY AND TOMORROW
Frank Parker Stockbridge

UNIFORMS for dress
The officers of the United States Army are to have new dress uniforms, which they will be required to wear in the evening after "retreat" has sounded, and on social occasions when off duty at other times. The new uniforms will have dark coats, with lapels turned back, light blue trousers with gold stripes down the seams, and blue caps, all embellished and decorated with the insignia of rank. We changed our Army uniforms from blue to khaki between the Spanish War and the World War. The dusty brown is undoubtedly better for service wear but every man wants a change to "dress up" in. With the mechanization of the Army, the working garb of our soldiers in the next war might well be plain denim overalls.

I like to see soldiers look gorgeous. There is something about a brilliant uniform which inspires respect for the service in which men stand to lose everything and gain nothing but glory. SERVICE in highest sense I once heard Woodrow Wilson, long before he was President, point out the difference between civilians and soldiers, and why we erect public monuments to soldiers and preserve their swords and muskets as family treasures, rather than hang a tailor's yardstick over the mantel.

"The tailor's occupation is not less honorable than the soldier's," he said, "but he labored for gain, for the support of his family. The soldier risks everything, including his life itself, not for money or reward but in the service of his people and his country."

My observation of the American Army, which has been considerable, makes me feel that nothing they want is too good for them. I am speaking now of the professional soldiers and the West Point officers, who are fully imbued with the spirit of Democracy and recognize that they are the servants of the people, not their masters.

SPEED increased Eight years ago I predicted in this column that some day airplanes would be built capable of flying around the world with the sun, starting from New York at noon and crossing every point on the round trip at noon. That would take a speed of only about 600 miles an hour, flying several miles above the earth.

Science and invention are bringing that time closer and closer. One by one obstacles to fast flight in the stratosphere are being overcome. The upper air has been explored and its wind-currents studied. The shaping of an airplane to fly with the least resistance has been worked out. The use of oxygen to enable the pilot to breathe and the engine to function eight or ten miles above the ground has been demonstrated. Speeds of more than 400 miles an hour have been made.

All that remains is to find more economical methods of carrying fuel for a world-round, non-stop flight.

FIRE flying bogey The greatest hazard in flying is fire. Many airplane crashes would not result fatally but for the ignition of the gasoline tanks. The great airship "Hindenburg" was destroyed, with most of its passengers, because the hydrogen gas on which it floated caught fire. Fireproof flight is coming. The new big German airship will be filled with helium gas, from Texas gas wells, which the United States is selling for that peaceful purpose. Except for the "Hindenburg" catastrophe, no passenger's life was ever lost in a non-military air-ship. The Zeppelins use diesel engines with non-inflammable fuel oil instead of gasoline. Airplanes have been flown in this country with

diesel engines, and now one of the big motor companies has brought out a new light-weight diesel engine. The airplane of the future, like the air-ship of the future, will be fireproof.

EDUCATION of public

I am not greatly concerned about the future of the nation so long as there is no restriction upon public discussion of economic and governmental questions, in the newspapers and elsewhere. I have thought a good many of the experiments which have been going on in Washington in the past few years to be rather silly and based on half-baked theories. So long as the people at large were willing to stand for them, there was nothing to do but to let time work its inevitable changes. Now I think I see less popular enthusiasm for new schemes which don't work.

What has been going on in the past five years is a process of education. More people understand the laws of economics and the impossibility to make everybody happy and prosperous overnight. And that is a distinct gain.

THE REST OF THE RECORD
By JAMES V. ALLRED
Governor of Texas

An enlarged picture of the Land Commissioner's policies emerged last week from the maze of testimony developed before the Senate Investigating committee.

Evidence was brought out to show that one group, which has been very successful with their bids before the land department, had secured leases for small sums of money, usually a dollar an acre, with an agreement from an oil operator to pay them three dollars an acre for part interest where they paid the state only one dollar for the whole. This group of bidders was headed by two men from Burkburnett, another from Oklahoma City, and several others from various parts of Texas.

These successful bidders got one of their own employes a job in the land office during the time the bids were being received and granted; in fact, he was the receiving clerk. After it was all over, he quit and went back to work for the bidders. They have cut him in on a one hundred thousand dollar oil deal.

One of this group of bidders admitted that they were carrying somebody out their books for a 25 per cent interest. He testified the party was a man by the name of Dawson, but the Senate committee never has been able to locate Dawson. No written record has been introduced, however, to show that this interest was carried for Dawson.

Some of the newspapers have editorialized that perhaps after all in the award of these leases it was just a question of judgment; that is, whether high cash bids should be accepted, or bids calling for high royalty. These editorials have missed the point entirely.

In private oil business, no one ever turns down high cash payments in favor of high royalties except where it is known positively that oil is present and there is an agreement for immediate development. In nearly all the leases made by the land commissioner neither of these elements has existed. That is, we have not known whether or not there was oil; and, with one exception, there has been no immediate drilling and development. As pointed out before, only one well has been commenced on state land although some of these leases are over a year old. Thousands of acres have been leased in a number of counties.

It is only necessary to look at a map to see what has been done with these leases. For example, one tract which was leased for \$310 (and on which a well has never been drilled) is offset on one side by actual oil wells and circled on other sides by leases which the land commissioner sold for a total of \$458,000 in cash and \$371,000 in oil. The land commissioner turned down over a thousand dollars an acre cash for this one tract of land in favor of a bid for \$310 and three-sixteenths royalty.

Thus has the picture emerged from the testimony, with further enlargement due as the committee continues its investigation.

Has Right to Be Concerned
A man living in a village outside Paris during the French Revolution met a friend fresh from the city and asked what was happening. "It's awful," was the reply, "they're cutting off heads by the thousand."
"Good heavens! Surely not heads," he cried. "Why, I'm a latter."

Tessie—"Christy says she keeps all men at arms length."
Roberta—"Well, from what I saw in the back seat last night she had awfully short arms."

W. A. Price left last week for Wichita Falls to remain indefinitely.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jobe and family are moving into the C. V. Martin house in southeast Putnam this week.

Mrs. L. R. Hamm of Dallas is spending the week with her aunt, Mrs. George Biggerstaff and Mr. Biggerstaff.

Mother-in-law—"Why don't you and Nellie stop scrapping? A man and his wife should be as one."
Hankins—"But we really are 10."

Mother-in-law—"How's that?"
Hankins—"Well, in Nellie's mind she's the one and I'm the naught."

ELECTION NOTICE

The State of Texas, County of Callahan.

To the Resident qualified Electors of Callahan County Road District No. 3 who own taxable property in said Road District and who have duly rendered the same for taxation:

TAKE NOTICE THAT an election will be held in Callahan County Road District No. 3 on the 5th day of March, 1938, on the proposition of issuing the bonds of said Road District in the amount of \$50,000.00, pursuant to an election order passed by the Commissioners' Court on the 24th day of January, 1938, as follows, to-wit:

AN ORDER
Calling an election on the proposition of issuing \$50,000.00 of Road Bonds of Callahan County Road District No. 3. WHEREAS, there has been presented to this Court the petition of W. C. Allen and 64 other persons, resident, qualified voters who own taxable property in Callahan County Road District No. 3, praying that this Court order an election in Road District No. 3 to determine:

"Whether or not the bonds of said road district shall be issued in the amount of Fifty Thousand (\$50,000.00) Dollars, bearing interest at the rate of not to exceed Four and One-half (4½) per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and maturing at such times as may be fixed by the Commissioners' Court, serially or otherwise, in not to exceed thirty (30) years from the date thereof, for the purpose of the construction, maintenance and operation of macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes or in aid thereof, throughout Road District No. 3 of Callahan County, Texas; and whether or not taxes shall be levied on all taxable property in Road District No. 3, sufficient to pay the interest on said bonds and to provide a sinking fund sufficient to redeem said bonds at their maturity."

Which said petition was heretofore filed in this Court; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of a Special Act passed by the Second Called Session of the Forty-Fifth Legislature, which adjourned October 26, 1937, it is not necessary for said Court to have a hearing on said petition; and

WHEREAS, it is found by the Court that the said petition is signed by more than fifty legally qualified electors who own taxable property in Callahan County Road District No. 3, and who have duly rendered the same for taxation; and

WHEREAS, the Court has determined that the proposed improvements would be for the benefit of all taxable property situated in such Road District, and that it is desirable and necessary to issue the bonds of said Road District in the amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) to construct said improvements, and that said election should be ordered; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners' Court further finds that the amount of said proposed bond issue, together with all outstanding bonds of the same nature heretofore issued on the faith and credit of Road District No. 3, will not exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of said district; and

WHEREAS, said Road District No. 3 has heretofore been legally created by a Special Act passed by the Second Called Session of the Forty-Fifth Legislature, which adjourned October 26, 1937;

THEREFORE, Be It Ordered by the Commissioners' Court of Callahan County, Texas:
1. That an election be held in said Callahan County Road District No. 3 on the 5th day of March, 1938, which is not less than thirty days from the date of this order, to determine:
"Whether or not the bonds of said road district shall be issued in the amount of Fifty Thousand (\$50,000.00) Dollars, bearing interest at the rate of not to exceed Four and One-half (4½) per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and maturing at such times as may be fixed by the Commissioners' Court, serially or otherwise, in not to exceed thirty (30) years

from the date thereof, for the purpose of the construction, maintenance and operation of macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes or in aid thereof, throughout Road District No. 3 of Callahan County, Texas; and whether or not taxes shall be levied on all taxable property in Road District No. 3, sufficient to pay the interest on said bonds and to provide a sinking fund sufficient to redeem said bonds at their maturity."

2. The metes and bounds of Callahan County Road District No. 3 as created by the Legislature are as follows, to-wit:

Beginning in the north boundary line of Callahan County, Texas, at a stake in the east boundary line of Section No. 68, Block 11, T. & P. Ry. Co. land;

THENCE south along the east boundary line of Section 18, 17, and 16, E. T. Ry. Co. Lands, and Sec. 141, 142, 143 and 144 BBB & C. Ry. lands, through Sec. 4 W. C. Powell Survey, continuing south along the east boundary line of Sec. 183, Anthony Bates Survey and Sec. 3, C&M RR. Co. and Sec. 145 and 146 BBB&C. RR. Co. lands to the S. E. Cor. of said Sec. 146, BBB & C. Ry. Co.;

THENCE east through Sec. 2 J. W. Jones Sur. to point in east boundary line of said Sec. 2;

THENCE south along the east boundary line of said Sec. 2 and east line of the B. F. Barnard Sur. and I&GN Ry. Co. Sur. No. 2 and I&GN Ry. Sur. No. 1 to N. E. Cor. of the J. C. Crutchfield Pre. continuing south to the S. E. Cor. of the J. S. McClendon Pre.;

THENCE west along the south line of said J. S. McClendon Pre. and south line of S. P. Ry. Co. Survey No. 18 Blk. 5 to the S. W. Cor. of said Sec. 18;

THENCE south with the W. B. Line of Sec. 17, Blk. 5 S. P. Ry. Co. to its S. W. Corner;

THENCE east to the S. E. Cor. of said Sec. 17, Blk. 5;

THENCE north to the N. W. Cor. of the S. 1-2 of Sec. 10 Blk. 5, S. P. Ry. Co. land;

THENCE east to the middle of the east line of said Sec. 10 and the middle of the west line of Sec. 9, Blk. 5, S. P. Ry. Co., continuing east to the middle of the east line of Sec. 9;

THENCE south to the S. E. Cor. of said Sec. 9;

THENCE east to the S. E. Cor. of Sec. 8, Blk. 5, S. P. Ry. Co.;

THENCE north to the N. E. Cor. of said Sec. 8;

THENCE due east to the east boundary line of Callahan county; THENCE north with the east boundary line of said Callahan county to the northeast corner of said county;

THENCE west with the north boundary line of said county to the place of beginning.

held under the provisions of Chapter 3, Title 22 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended, including the provisions of Chapter 16, Acts of the First Called Session of the Thirty-Ninth Legislature;

4. All persons who are legally qualified electors of this State and of this County who own taxable property in the district and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, shall be qualified to vote, and all such electors shall vote in the election precinct of their residence and all voters desiring to support the proposition to issue the bonds shall have written or printed on their ballots are words: "For the Issuance of Bonds and the Levying of the Tax in Payment Thereof."

And those opposed shall have written or printed on their ballots the words: "Against the Issuance of Bonds and the Levying of the Tax in Payment Thereof."

5. The polling places of said election shall be at the following places within said district, and the following named persons are hereby appointed managers thereof, to-wit:

At the School House in the town of Admiral, Texas, with Lee Coats as Presiding Judge; A. W. Beasley, Judge; George Eubanks, Clerk, and Ernest Higgins, Clerk.

At F. P. Shackelford Bldg., in the town of Putnam, Texas, with Marvin Eubank as Presiding Judge; Neal Moore, Judge; Willie Kennedy, Clerk, and Will Jobe, Clerk.

At Green's Residence in the town of Erath, Texas, with Eugene Greene as Presiding Judge; J. H. Owens, Judge; J. W. Booth, Clerk, and T. J. O'Dell, Clerk.

At the Church House in the town of Hart, Texas, with J. O. Taylor as Presiding Judge; Oma Wagley, Judge; Dick Ames, Clerk, and Oren Warren, Clerk.

6. The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the General Laws of this State regulating general elections when not in conflict with the provisions of Chapter 16, Acts of the First Called Session of the 39th Legislature, hereinabove cited.

7. Notice of said election shall be given by publication of a copy of this order in a newspaper published in Callahan County Road District No. 3 for three successive weeks before the date of said election. And in addition thereto, there shall be posted copies of this order at each of the voting precincts hereinabove set out, and one at the Courthouse door of the County for three consecutive weeks prior to said election.

8. The County Clerk is hereby ordered and directed to post said notices and to cause same to be published as hereinabove directed. Further orders by this Court are reserved until the returns of said election, executed by the duly authorized election officers, are received by this Court.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 24 day of January, 1938.
L. B. LEWIS,
County Judge, Callahan County, Texas.
Attest: MRS. S. E. SETTLE,
County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk, Commissioners' Court.

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BEFORE BUYING MONUMENTS

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PUTNAM NEWS OFFICE
Putnam, Texas

Local Happenings

Miss Lois Kennedy was a Baird visitor Wednesday.

E. A. Gass of the Cisco Hatchery was in Putnam Wednesday transacting business.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn L. Williams and children were visitors in Stamford and Knox City Saturday and Sunday with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Jeter and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Allen of Union attended the Mitcham auction of cattle at their ranch near Cisco Tuesday.

F. W. Altman of the Altman Style Shop of Cisco was in Putnam a short time Tuesday en route to Abilene, Mr. Altman called at the News office.

Dr. Jim Thompson and Dr. Payne of Kerrville visited Wiley Clinton Wednesday. Mr. Clinton has been their patient these several months. The doctors attended a meeting at Eastland the same day.

Several members of the J. R. Burnam family have been victims of influenza this week. Mrs. Burnam has been quite ill.

Mrs. Bill McMillan was transacting business in Baird Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Emerson of Clyde spent Sunday in the home of Mrs. Emerson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Armstrong. Miss Frances Armstrong of Abilene was also a visitor in the Armstrong home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Hollis made a trip to DeLeon Wednesday at which time Mrs. Horace Roberson and daughter, Mary Ann, returned to their home after spending several days in Putnam. Mrs. Roberson is improved after an illness of several days.

Reverend H. D. Blair of Cisco stopped in Putnam a short time Wednesday with Reverend and Mrs. F. A. Hollis as he was en route to Sweetwater to attend a two day workers' conference and Lueders Encampment committee meeting.

BABY CHICKS—We are equipped to hatch 8,000 chicks per week. We have high quality chicks at \$6.00 and \$6.50 per hundred.—**STAR HATCHERY**, Baird, Texas.

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Baird, Texas

Betty Lou Hudson has been quite ill at her home this week.

Doyle Knight of Moran was a Putnam visitor Sunday.

Mrs. Burt Underwood and son, J. T., spent the week-end with her mother at Woodson.

Burt Underwood left Monday for Graham and Brison to be gone several days on business.

Mrs. Gertrude Short and Mrs. B. F. Brittain were business visitors in Baird Thursday.

FOR SALE—One Fordson Tractor.—Shackelford Petroleum Co., Putnam, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Olen Phillips of the Hatchett lease near Admiral were business visitors in Putnam Monday.

E. L. Park of Knox City is in Putnam for a visit of several days with his daughters, Mmes. R. D. Williams and R. L. Clinton.

Mrs. Bosworth and Mr. and Mrs. Ray moved into the Davis home this week in northwest Putnam.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren of Eastland spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. J. A. Sharp and family.

Milton Heslep of Olney spent the week-end in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Heslep.

Mr. and Mrs. Buel Everett of Baird spent Friday night in the home of Mr. Everett's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Everett.

Miss Lucile Cooke of Fort Worth spent last week in the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. McIntosh.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Gaskins of Abilene spent Saturday night and Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Gaskins.

Mrs. Joe Burnam and son, Billy, of Cisco spent a part of Thursday with Mrs. Burnam's sister, Mrs. Pete King and family.

Mrs. A. B. Everett and Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Everett spent Sunday in Cottonwood with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Coffey and family.

Mrs. Claude Cunningham and children left Saturday for their home in Midland after spending several weeks in the home of Mrs. Cunningham's father, Y. A. Orr.

Mrs. Horace Roberson, who has been ill for the past several days, has been removed from De Leon to the home of her sister, Mrs. F. A. Hollis.

We have a Special on All Our USED CLOTHING, priced to sell. Don't wait if you want to get the Bargains.—Crawford's Used Furniture Exchange, Cisco, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Waddell and children, Clinton and Aura Frances, visited Mr. Waddell's mother, Mrs. J. F. Waddell, of Abilene Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Malcom Hayes of Hobbs, New Mexico, are spending the week in the home of Mrs. Hayes' parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Cook.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Cook and daughter, Mrs. Julia Bryant and baby, Mrs. Sarah Nell Cook and child, of Baird, and Mr. and Mrs. Scoggins of near Putnam were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. McIntosh Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jones and daughter of Cisco, Route 4, were in Putnam Monday transacting business. Mr. Jones called at the News office and left a renewal of his subscription.

Mrs. Flora Adkisson of San Antonio is spending a few days with Mrs. Claude Cunningham and family of Midland. She will return to Putnam in a few days and remain in the home of her brother, Y. A. Orr, several days.

Fred Farmer, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Howard Farmer of Baird, spent the week-end in Fort Worth where Mrs. Farmer and Gladys Lucile Farmer are located. Gladys Lucile has been undergoing special treatment in the Methodist hospital. She will likely be removed home the latter part of the week.

ATWELL

The call session of the Callahan County Singing Convention met at Atwell Sunday afternoon.

The church was packed and many were on the outside that couldn't get seats. The singing was very fine.

Miss Ruby Pillans from Cisco spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Pillans. Mr. Don Lavender and family have moved this week to Eastland. Mr. Lavender has charge of the Gulf filling station there.

Mrs. Lewis Griffith and baby girl from Fort Worth visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Black, this past week.

Leo Purves, a student at Howard Payne in Brownwood, visited home folks this week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jones and daughter visited Saturday with Mr. Jones' sister, Mrs. Ben Riffe.

Miss Opal Pillans returned home Sunday from a two weeks visit with her sister, Mrs. Geo. Morgan, in Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Foster of Cross Plains spent the week-end with Travis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Foster.

J. S. Yeager was a business visitor in Fort Worth Saturday.

Mrs. Jim Baulch of Clyde spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Lula Fleming.

Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Cook spent from Thursday until Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Cottle of San Angelo.

Mrs. Fred Cook, Mrs. Mark Shurwin, Mary Ann Shurwin and Fredalyn Cook were Cisco visitors Saturday.

Editor and Mrs. E. F. Butler of Clyde were guests in the home of Mr. Butler's mother, Mrs. J. F. Butler, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cooke of Fort Worth spent Saturday night and Sunday in the home of Mrs. Cooke's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. McIntosh.

If you pick up a dog starving and make him prosperous, he will not bite you. This is the principal difference between a dog and a man.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

by Charles E. Dunn
CONSERVING THE SABBATH FOR MAN

Lesson for February 13th. Mark 2:23; 3:6. Golden Text: Mark 2:27.

Jesus stood for a humane Sabbath that placed the needs of men ahead of legal punctilios. Our Golden Text, "The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the sabbath," is one of the most memorable declarations of independence ever uttered.

We have had a conflict of a similar character in the modern era. The old New England Sabbath was marred by excessive restrictions. In New London, Conn., in the latter part of the 17th century, a fisherman was fined for catching eels on Sunday. In 1670 two lovers were brought to trial for "sitting together on the Lord's Day under an apple tree in Goodman Chapman's Orchard." Unnecessary walking and travelling on the Lord's Day was strictly forbidden, and it was definitely stated that no one should "ride violently to and from meeting." What would our forefathers say if they saw our speeding motor cars? Sunday visiting, now so common, was severely punished. Attendance at public worship was compulsory. Captain Dennison, one of New Haven's finest citizens, a popular and respected person, was fined 15 shillings for absence from church.

Ministers were careful to observe all the rules rigidly. The day began, be it remembered, on Saturday evening. From sunset on Saturday until Sunday evening clergymen would not shave, would not have their rooms swept, nor the beds made, nor food prepared, nor cooked dishes and tableware washed.

No doubt, in our revolt against these antiquated blue laws, we have swung to the other extreme. Sunday today is too much of a mere holiday devoted to personal pleasures. If Jesus were here now he would not frown upon wholesome recreation on Sunday, but would magnify also the importance of corporate worship, the personal life, and the home. He would insist that Sunday should be the richest, most rewarding day of the week.

FARM NOTES

(Ross H. Brison, County Agent)

Terracing—Terrace lines were marked off on 365 acres of land for the following Callahan county farmers during the week of January 31st to February 5th: J. C. Brashear, J. C. Foster, and J. R. Morgan of Atwell community; J. R. Gibson and Jim Edwards of the Eula community; R. L. McKinney, Putnam; W. A. Brock, H. H. Cooksey, and Mont Jones of the Cottonwood community; H. W. Caldwell of the Denton community; and J. N. Harris, and J. W. Rogers of Clyde.

This makes a total of 1,140 acres of land that has been marked off with lines preparatory to constructing the terraces, since January 3rd. Requests are on file in the office for assistance in marking off 1,450 more acres of land. It is expected the greatest part of February will be spent in doing this work.

In addition to the above terracing work Commissioner Grover Clare reports Clint McIntyre marked off terrace lines on 45 acres of land operated by C. L. Rainbolt of Oplin.

Atwell 4-H Club Organized—Fourteen boys of the Atwell community and Mr. Leo Varner, principal of the school, met Tuesday, February 1st, in an organization meeting and organized a boys' 4-H club. The following officers were elected: President, Senate Pillans; vice-president, Charnel Hutchins; secretary, Truman Foster; reporter, C. H. Lovelady.

Those attending were: Jim Hutchins, Benja Pillans, Eugene Lavender, D. C. Foster, Keelan Riffe, John Coleman Pillans, Delbert McWilliams, Leonard Pillans, Roy Sykes, Senate Pillans, Charnel Hutchins, Truman Foster, and C. H. Lovelady, Jr.

Mr. Leo Varner was elected club sponsor and the club officers were impounded to select a local man to serve as their 1938 club leader.

Early Chicks Mean Extra Profits—Extension Poultryman Says—Poultry flocks over the state will be increased by some 40 million baby chicks during the next few months, according to Geo. P. McCarthy, poultryman of the Texas A. and M. College Extension Service.

Purchasers of baby chicks can realize extra profits by buying early and by securing chicks from nearby hatcheries, McCarthy said. Early hatched chicks are usually in a higher priced bracket than those hatched after March 15, but the difference in price is more than made up by other benefits. Early chicks grow off faster and cockerels from this group find a better market as fryers. There is also usually less loss from disease, especially in the case of coccidiosis.

Pullets from early hatched stock come into production earlier and lay more during the late summer, fall, and winter when eggs are relatively high, he pointed out. Many Texans feel that they can purchase chicks of higher quality if they order from distant states. It is far better to buy chicks from hatcheries whose products are known than to depend on the reputation of out of state operators, according to McCarthy.

"It is perhaps an old thought that the farthest pastures are the greenest, but in reality we find these at our very door," McCarthy pointed out. "I say this because Texas breeders and hatchery men are producing and selling chicks that are of as high quality as can be found anywhere."

The importance of preparing for the chicks was stressed. The brooder house should be cleaned and disinfected and the brooder stove set up and adjusted before the chicks arrive, he warned.

A. A. A. News—S. O. S. O. S. O. S. Calling all farmers! Now is the time for all farmers to render aid to the county in securing work sheets on all farms not covered by 1937 work sheet.

From the report of committees sent to each community to assist in filling out the work sheets it seems the people do not realize how important it is that we have a 1937 work sheet on every farm in the county. The information obtained on these work sheets will be used in establishing 1938 soil depleting goals and it is highly important that these goals be established before planting time.

If anyone in his community knows of a farm that has not been covered by the 1937 work sheet he would be rendering the county a great service if he would see that this farm was covered by a 1937 work sheet. In explanation—suppose there are 100 or 200 farms in this county not covered by work sheets. The county goal would be short all the crops grown on these 200 or 200 farms. This would seriously handicap the county, therefore every farmer in the county is urged to do his bit in obtaining the best possible goal for Callahan county. (By A. L. Cook, Asst. in Agricultural Conservation.)

ADMIRAL NEWS

Several from here attended the ball games at Bayou Wednesday evening. Our boys won over Dresssey and lost to Midway.

Mr. and Mrs. Sim Smith and Mr. Freeman were Abilene visitors Thursday.

B. C. Chrisman was in Admiral Thursday.

Jackie Street, Lillie Belle Smith and Maurine Eubanks were visitors in the Lee A. Coats home Tuesday night.

Several from here attended the ball games at Bayou Thursday night.

Mrs. C. W. Whittle and Maurine Eubanks were in Rowden Wednesday.

Miss Frances Sprawls spent the week-end in Baird with her mother.

Mrs. Alvin Barnes spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Eubanks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Higgins and family spent Sunday evening in Denton visiting Mr. and Mrs. Willie Higgins.

Truett and Truman Black of Abilene spent the week-end with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Eubanks.

The Forgotten Man Is Past Forty

AUSTIN—The "forgotten man" of 1938 is the man past 40 who finds himself unemployed, S. B. Parsons, chairman of the Veterans Employment committee of the American Legion, Department of Texas, said this week in announcing plans for a state-wide campaign to take the man past 40 out of the ranks of the unemployed.

"The man past 40 and who is unemployed," Parsons said, "presents a serious economic problem which must be tackled and solved. The man who has reached his 40th birthday is still in the prime of life. There are years and years of gainful labor ahead of him. In many instances he is the head of a family, owns his own home and is a real asset to the community in which he lives. To discriminate against this man is not fair."

Parsons has enlisted the aid of every American Legion post in Texas in his campaign to find jobs for the unemployed veterans past 40. Committees from these posts are registering all unemployed veterans and every business house and industrial firm is being canvassed for jobs.

In many instances these committees have encountered opposition to employment of men past 40. Many manufacturing plants have a maximum age for employment and that age, according to Parsons, is either 35 or 40. In such cases the committees attempt to sell the employer on the worth and ability of the man past 40.

The drive in behalf of the "forgotten man of 1938" was touched off last December when President Roosevelt called upon the American Legion to help him find jobs for the man past 40. And as the average age of the World War Veteran is now 45, the American Legion lost no time in responding to the President's plea for help.

Within a few days Daniel Doherty of Boston, National commander of the American Legion, will visit several Texas cities and discuss the problem of the unemployed veteran past 40.

Citizens of Texas can help this campaign by co-operating with the American Legion in finding jobs for the man past 40.

"If you know of a job, call the American Legion commander in your own community and tell him about it," Parsons said, in explaining that the average World War veteran does not want sympathy or charity but an opportunity to make his own living at honest labor.

Mr. Roosevelt appointed a good citizen and a good lawyer to the Supreme Court the other day, thus spiking the rumor that he was going to follow the appointment of Klansman Black by the appointment of Charlie McCarthy.

That Complicated Matters

Lawyer—"Well, Rastus, so you want me to defend you? Have you any money?"

Rastus—"No, suh. I ain't got no money, but I got a 1922 model Ford car."

Lawyer—"Well, you can raise some money on that. Now, let's see—just what did they accuse you of stealing?"

Rastus—"A 1922 Ford cah."

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ZION HILL NEWS

S. F. Ingram and W. S. Jobe were business visitors in Baird Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Sprawls visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Truett Holder at Scranton Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Ramsey visited at Scranton Saturday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Trtom and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Altis Clemmer spent Thursday night with Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Clemmer.

M. L. Tatom spent Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Ramsey.

Mrs. Clydine Wallace and daughter spent from Thursday until Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Ramsey.

Miss Mary Lyn Taylor, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Taylor, visited Janice Wallace in the home of Mrs. E. V. Ramsey Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Ramsey are on the sick list this week.

BUSINESS AND GOVERNMENT

In the address he delivered before the Beaumont Chamber of Commerce, Governor Leche of Louisiana said: "All industry wants is what it pays for." There are perhaps a good many people in this country who will disagree with the governor's statement. Yet his experience in attracting new industries to Louisiana by a policy intended to create confidence among business men and to provide them with some inducement to invest capital in Louisiana, qualifies him to speak with some degree of authority on what business expects.

Governor Leche is no doubt right in concluding that the 10-year property tax exemption Louisiana grants to new industries "is probably our least attraction." After all, 10 years is not a long time in this history of an industry which plans on many years of continuous operation—provided that it receives a square deal from the politicians and the public.

As Governor Leche says, good faith means more to business and industry than a relatively short period of tax exemption. It means the assurance that industry will be permitted to develop normally and not be subjected to confiscatory taxation in the future or to government regulations which will prevent profitable operation.

Capital will not be put to work unless the owners of the capital feel that they can make at least a reasonable return, and capital will not be released for productive enterprise as long as the fear exists that such enterprise will be hamstrung by government regulation.—Beaumont Enterprise.

Not So Good

Traveler—"Can I get anything to eat in this dump?"

Negro Waiter—"Yes, sah, yo' sho' kin."

Traveler—"Such as what?"

Negro Waiter—"Such as it is, suh."

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The News has been instructed to carry the names given below as candidates, subject to the Democratic Primary in July:

For Sheriff: C. R. NORDYKE, W. A. PETERSON, J. W. McMILLAN.

For Tax Assessor-Collector: OLAF HOLLINGSHEAD.

For District Clerk: MRS. WILL RYLEE.

For County Clerk: MRS. S. E. SETTLE.

For County Treasurer: MRS. WILL MCCOY.

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 3: PETE KING, J. F. RAWSON.

For Representative, 107th Dist: T. S. ROSS.

Mrs. B. F. Brittain spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Fort Worth with her daughters, Mrs. W. I. Browning and Mrs. George Connor. She also visited Gladys Lucile Farmer at the Methodist hospital. Gladys Lucile is getting along nicely after undergoing surgery.

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SENIOR HIGHLIGHTS
 Well here we are again after being absent for a few weeks. The senior class seems to be doing as good as could be expected, and that is pretty good. Our debate teams are warming up for the tournament that is coming in the near future.

This morning (Tuesday) the football boys received their jackets for service rendered during the past season. I am sure that I express the sentiment of the whole town when I say that they really deserved them.

Our English class is studying hard as usual and they are learning things every day (month).

In English we are studying the English Novel and correcting papers with some good grades on them.

In public speaking we are making speeches for special occasions such as speeches of presentation, speeches of acceptance, and after dinner speeches.

Typing is as exciting as usual (dead) with a speed test every day that lasts 15 minutes.

Those who take chemistry are still trying to discover who the teacher is and whether he is an element or a compound or both.

So long till next week when we will be back with the news of the senior class.

THE JUNIOR CORNER
 Hello everybody, the juniors have been gone from this part of the paper so long that we hardly know how to act but we believe in time we will get accustomed to the present environment that we now encounter, as for the present we continue with our daily trials and hardships (so we think).

For the past two weeks we have been studying the tragedy of Macbeth in English and incidentally this was written by Shakespeare, the greatest literature genius ever known, and you can imagine the enjoyment that we received from the intense study we put forth on this masterpiece.

We are studying circles in plane geometry with a show rendered now and then by Miss Sybil Bowers whom we have named Miss Sybil (Gracie Allen) Bowers.

History would be the same old snap (if someone would study once in a while) so Mr. Dean says and everyone agrees with him un-animously.

The commercial geography class has been making exhibits for the past few days of the five economic stages of development. Some of the other students seem to think that we have begun in primary again but you see they don't understand the situation.

We have been studying hydro-

carbons in chemistry which seems hopeless sometimes.

Well, folks, I guess we will have to say good-bye until next week, but don't be disappointed if we do not come but we will put out all effort possible to make the rounds. So long.

RADIO CLASS ORGANIZED
 A radio class has been organized in the Putnam high school which will be a half year course in radio work. To each student who meets all the requirements goes one-half credit. The instructor is Mr. Overton, high school principal.

Who knows, Putnam high may have some Gables, Youngs, Benny Allen's and others whose talent has not been discovered.

Wonder why Miss Found's looked guilty at W. A. when he announced her name as "Ruby" Jo he announced her name as Ruby Pounds over K. R. B. C? Why personally Miss Pounds, "Ruby" is a name that is in "dark." No constellations, Miss Pounds!

MR. FORTNER PRESENTS PROGRAM
 Mr. Fortner who visited the Putnam high school two years ago and presented a wonderful program, returned last week to present a new program for the approval of the students.

Mr. Fortner is totally blind and has been since birth. His program was splendid, including various piano solos, accordion solos, interesting talks, amazing exhibits and various other numbers. His program made a hit with the students as it did two years ago.

As he did before he closed his program with a poem expressing "Never say I can't."

Ask Miss Pulley about her "cottonhead" rabbit.

HONOR ROLL
 There were eight students on the high school honor roll for the third six weeks. Incidentally all were seniors and sophomores. The honor students were: Keith King, Mary Douglas Williams, Mary Lou Eubank, James Kennedy, Carolyn Elzay, Allen Nelson, Glenn Burnam and Oliver Davis.

A medal will be presented to each student who has the highest average in their class at the close of the school year. Leaders at mid term were: Seniors, Oliver Davis; juniors, Mildred King; sophomores, James Kennedy, and freshmen, W. P. Yarbrough.

SOPHOMORE CHATTER
 Hello, everybody.

Here we are again after a week of absence. We all managed to struggle through our mid-term examinations.

We have started studying Julius Caesar in English. Mr. Webb is teaching it in an interesting way and I am sure everyone in the class is enjoying it.

In algebra we are still struggling along. Mr. Overton told us our daily averages for last six weeks. Some were good and some were bad. We still have arguments in algebra and as usual Mr. Overton is on the boys' side.

Some Advice
 Mr. Webb: "Destroy all old letters that are useless, but be sure and make carbon copies first."

Mr. Dean (talking to Mr. Overton): "What do you think would go well with my purple and green golf socks?"

Mr. Overton: "Hip boots."

Miss Pulley: "Give me a definition of 'capital punishment'."

Edward King: "Being locked in an ice cream or candy factory for a week-end."

Mr. Overton: "Do you mean to say there's just one course for dinner tonight? Just cheese?"

Mrs. Overton: "Yes, dear. You see when the chops caught on fire I just used the soup to put them out."

JUNIORS WORKING ON PLAY
 The junior class is working on a three act play, entitled "Under the Western Skies," which will be presented in the near future. By all indications it will be a grand play, especially will those enjoy it who are fond of typical western scenes. The play is under the direction of Mr. J. G. Overton, class sponsor.

BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT
 The Callahan county basketball tournament will be held at Denton this week-end. Putnam will enter both boys' and girls' teams. The winners will participate in the district meet to be held in Abilene next week.

CROSS PLAINS BOYS, ATWELL GIRLS FAVORITES
 (Oliver Davis, Sports Editor)
 The Cross Plains high school boys and Atwell high school girls loomed as favorites to capture the county championship in basketball this week-end at the Den-

ton high school gymnasium. This will be the first time the county tournament has been staged at Denton and it will be disappointing to them if they don't win in one division, but the odds are greatly against them.

The Cross Plains boys are loomed as heavy favorites but will find opposition from both Oplin and Atwell. But it will be safe to pick Cross Plains in the boys' division.

The Atwell girls appear to have the edge in the girls' division with heavy opposition from Cross Plains and Bayou.

The winners of the boys' division will enter the district tournament at Abilene next week-end.

Panthers Receive Jackets
 The Putnam high school Panthers received their jackets in chapel exercises Tuesday morning.

Coach Dean and Mr. Webb presented the jackets to the players, twenty in all including the manager. Before the jackets were presented Brother Bailey and Brother Hollis spoke a few words congratulating the Panthers on the splendid work through the entire season.

The first jacket presented was to Coach Clyde Dean by the high school principal, Mr. J. G. Overton. Mr. Webb also was presented a jacket. The following boys received jackets: Captain Jack Everett, Franklin Shackelford, Oliver Davis, Newt Steen, Roy Lee Jobe, Keith King, Glenn Elzay, Billy McMillan, seniors; Oliver Culwell, W. S. Jobe, Doyle Gunn, Mevin Crawford, Bennie Burns Williams, Roy Lee Williams, Buster Roberson, Reese Sharp, Stanley Hurst, juniors; Curtis Armstrong, sophomore, and J. W. Hammonds, freshman.

THE FRESHMAN CLASSROOM
 The freshman class has not visited you in a long time because of mid-term exams. But now I will try to be regular.

We have started studying business in junior business. The last half of the junior business course will be much more interesting than the first.

We are studying literature in English. We have studied the "Freshman Pullback" and are now studying "The Elephant Remembers."

In math percent is our main thought these days.

In general science we have finished the unit on "Medicine" and are now on the one taking up "Heat."

Jokes
 Calvin: "My mother asked me to take our old cat off somewhere and lose it. So I put it in a basket and tramped out in the country for about eight miles."

Mr. Overton: "Did you lose the cat?"

Calvin: "Lose it! If I hadn't followed it I'd never have gotten back home."

DAN HORN NEWS
 There was a large crowd attended Sunday school and preaching Sunday. Rev. Brown will be here again Sunday, Feb. 12, to fill his regular appointment.

Mrs. N. J. Carver visited her mother, Mrs. Bellman, in Cisco Saturday afternoon.

Sam Bisbee is on the sick list. James Heath of Eastland visited his sister, Mrs. W. M. Weed and son, Earnest.

Mr. and Mrs. Dobbins and children of Cottonwood were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Cavanaugh Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Horn and daughter, Miss Stella, visited in the Jim Dillon home in the Reich community Saturday night.

Mrs. Burt McElreath and daughter, Clara Fay, spent Saturday afternoon with Aunt Betty Alvey.

Misses Willie Weed, Eva Ervin and Choice Speegle of Cisco spent the week-end with homefolks.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Starr and daughter, Margaret Ann of Eastland, visited Mr. Starr's parents Sunday.

Miss Lucinia Parks of Pisgah spent Sunday with Mrs. T. T. Horn.

Mrs. W. M. Weed and son, Ernest, and Miss Willie, visited in the homes of Marvin Weed and family of Union and Mrs. R. C. Speegle and family of Dothan Sunday.

Jack Whitehead recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Jessup.

Dr. Lee was called to see Wayne Speegle's son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Speegle, Friday.

Clyde Douglass, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Douglass, is ill.

Mrs. Warren Jessup spent Friday with Mrs. J. W. Speegle.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Owens of West Texas moved to the G. C. Daniels place Friday.

Mrs. J. F. Hselep of Cisco is visiting her daughter, Mrs. M. D. Speegle and family.

A. W. Brooks and Lester Horn attended singing at Atwell Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Alvey visited Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Tarver Sunday morning.

Mrs. Luke Pippins of Dothan made a business trip here Monday.

SCRANTON

Harold Lee Holder with a number of his little friends celebrated his 6th birthday with a party Friday afternoon in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Truett Holder.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Huff were business visitors in Cisco Friday. B. T. Leveridge, Earl Ray, A. L. Gattis and W. J. Bush attended an American Legion meeting in Abilene Tuesday night.

P. M. Ray has been suffering the past week with a carbuncle.

Mr. and Mrs. Eliud Easter of Loveland, Okla., spent several days of last week visiting relatives here. They were accompanied home Friday by Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Brummett, mother and step-father of Mr. Eastes. Mr. Brummett has been in very poor health for the past few weeks and he thought maybe the change would help him.

Mrs. A. S. Reese returned from Houston Wednesday where she had been for the past several weeks attending her daughter, Mrs. Knox Walters, who had been seriously ill. Mrs. Walters accompanied her mother home and hopes to remain until she regains her usual strength.

The Cross Plains B. T. U. are planning to give a program at the local church here Sunday afternoon at 2:30 in interest of the associational B. T. U. work. We would urge all who can to come out and hear this worthwhile program.

Raymond Sprawls, superintendent of the Baptist Sunday school requests as many members as can to be present at the regular church conference Feb. 12th to discuss matters pertaining to the maintaining of a standard school.

Charges Politics Being Played With Gas Industry

Charges that the Texas Railroad Commission is playing politics with the gas industry were made by L. B. Denning, president of the Lone Star Gas Company, in replying to the commissioner's offer to fix rates in incorporated cities and towns.

"The commission's statement," said Mr. Denning, "is misleading and deceptive and apparently issued for political purposes."

"This is a political year and the Railroad Commission is starting early to use the gas industry for its own political ends, since the gas industry is the only public utility in Texas under state regulation."

"We deny that the Railroad Commission has the authority to exercise any original jurisdiction in incorporated cities and towns. Originally jurisdiction over gas rates is vested in the cities and towns by statute. The commission can only exercise appellate jurisdiction in such cases. This proposition has been definitely settled both by statute and judicial decisions in Texas. The procedure suggested by the commission will result only in extravagant litigation and useless waste of the funds of both the taxpayers of the state and the gas consumers."

"The commission's investigations into the rates of the companies comprising Lone Star Gas System have in many instances resulted in increased rates. In some instances the increases were put into effect pursuant to court orders and in others by the commission itself."

"In all cases where the commission has attempted to reduce the company's rates, extended litigation has resulted. Only three cases have been tried to date. In one, the Federal court held for the company. In the other two, juries in the district court at Austin found the orders of the commission unjust and unreasonable."

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Tithing To Politicians

I am a preacher and not an expert on taxation. I am concerned in legislation involving moral issues, and I consider any tax measure or program that is unsound, unjust and discriminatory as being highly immoral. I have concerned myself in such matters because I have learned from experience that high and burdensome taxes are interfering with activities of the churches and hampering denominational programs in many States and communities.

Your church and my church can obtain their sustenance only in contributions from whatever surplus the donor may have on hand after taxes have been paid. Under the present system of taxation, or rather the lack of a tax system, the taxpayer can seldom accumulate a surplus, and as a result religious activities are retarded. Many of those who once supported the church in an adequate and substantial way have been forced to curtail religious contributions. They are now compelled to tithing to the politicians instead of to the Lord's work.

In many states preachers are becoming tax-minded. They frankly discuss tax problems with legislators. Largely because of this influence a recent session of the Texas legislature adjourned without levying any more taxes although it was called to raise fifteen million dollars.

The very sources from which the churches must derive their revenue are being taxed out of existence by National, State and local agencies. Any man or woman who ever served on a church finance committee knows full well that "burdensome taxes" is too often heard as a reason for failure to adequately meet these obligations. A church cannot balance its budget by "seeking the rich." The politicians have preempted that field to a point where they are now "sucking the churches."

The National Congress and many of the State Legislatures have found it impossible to evolve a program of taxation adequate to produce revenue to equal present expenditures and at the same time permit business, large and small, to survive. There is so seeping the economic rule that excessive taxes inevitably result in inadequate compensation to workers. There is a definite and distinct relation between the tax roll and the pay roll of industry.

The time is not far distant when those who pay the taxes and those who direct the religious activities of America will come to an understanding and correct these deplorable conditions.—Rev. J. Earnest Black, Editor The Christian American.

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 3rd part—Douglas Kelley.
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 1st part—Frances Lunsford.
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February 27th
 1st part—Calvin King.
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 3rd part—Wanda Woods.
 4th part—Estelle Lunsford.
 5th part—Stella Mae Ramsey.
 6th part—Lewis Williams.
 7th part—Junior Sharp.

Misses Mildred and Lera Fleming and Miss Polly Roos of Abilene spent the week-end with Mrs. Lula Fleming. Miss Lera Fleming is now teaching typing at Gail Business College, attending the college, and is employed at the Hendrix Memorial Hospital as PBX operator.

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