

## From The Editor's Window

**FROM THE EDITOR'S WINDOW**  
Easter Sunday for this year will be on April 25 which, according to our encyclopedia, is the latest date in any year on which Easter Sunday can occur.

So we had just as well get rid of the urge most of us have had to get out and plant our spring gardens. The old custom for planting most garden seeds is on Good Friday, the Friday before Easter Sunday. We have been told that the reason for such a custom was to have the seeds in the ground, but not up, in order to miss the cold spell which usually makes its last appearance, supposedly, just before or just after Easter Sunday.

Forest fires in the pine woods of East Texas have broken out again after a strenuous week of hard fighting. Many fires scattered throughout the area were finally stopped, but not until the merciful rains came and put out 145 dangerous blazes for the weary fighters.

This week more than fifty new fires have been discovered in Tyler and Polk counties and others have been reported from Angelina, Cherokee, Nacogdoches, Anderson, Cass, Harrison and Bowie counties.

Forest service agents have placed the blame on persons who sought to combat insect damage to crops and livestock, or to promote early spring pastures.

Heavy damage to the older pine trees and almost utter destruction of young growths of pine have been reported.

From all over north and central areas of Texas come reports of extensive damage since March 1 to young gardens and fruit trees. The mercury's low mark in most of these regions was ten degrees. It is reported that all early fruits and vegetables have been killed. In some areas the late fruit is said to be uninjured.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek has written a book entitled, China's Destiny, which will shortly be published, according to reports.

The book, it is explained, will be divided into three main divisions—China's past history, her present struggle, and the political, military, economic and reconstruction plans for her future.

Executive:—"Young man, my time is worth exactly \$100 a minute, but I believe I can spare you a ten minute interview."

College Grad:—"Make it five minutes, sir, and I will just take the for the other five minutes."

Lomax:—"Your hair will be gray if it keeps on."

Case:—"If it only keeps on, I don't care what color it becomes."

Witness:—"I am not guilty. My wife can prove a lullaby."

Judge:—"Alibi, you mean."

Witness:—"Begging your pardon, it was a lullaby. At two o'clock on the morning in question I was walking the floor with the baby."

David Lloyd George, England's leader during the first World War, has been ill for the past several days at his home in London. The aged veteran was suffering from the effects of a severe chill and on advice of his physician is remaining close within the confines of his home. Mr. George has now reached his four-score years and considerable anxiety was at first felt concerning his recovery.

Eight Roman Catholics, three priests and five Sisters of Charity, have arrived safely at Colon after a dangerous five months journey from China enroute to the United States. The men of the company readily gave their names but the women refused to reveal their names fearing Japanese reprisals against those who had aided them in their escape. The refugees said they were glad to reach America again and all seemed fatigued after the long hazardous journey.

## Elliott Sublett Died at Dothan Thursday Night

Elliott Sublett, age 65 years, died at his home near Dothan Thursday night after an illness of several weeks. Mr. Sublett was a farmer and stock raiser and died on the same farm where he was born 65 years ago, and in the same house.

Mr. Sublett was married to Frances White in 1902 and seven children were born, six of which are living. They are as follows: Leonard, Jake, Joe, Bill, who is missing some place in the Pacific. Hoopce and Russell, but it was impossible to get their addresses.

Funeral services Saturday and the burial was in the Dothan cemetery where his brother and other relatives were buried.

The survivors are his wife and the six children mentioned above. The Wylie Funeral Home of Putnam and Baird was in charge of arrangements.

## DR. STEPHENSON, CISCO GETS APPOINTMENT TO OSTEOPATHIC BOARD

Dr. G. M. Stephenson, osteopathic physician and medical practitioner for twenty years and well known throughout all West Texas, has been nominated by Governor Coke Stevenson for a six year term on the board for the place held by Dr. P. H. Russell of Fort Worth, who will have completed his twelfth year at the expiration of his present term April 13. Dr. Stephenson is a graduate of the Kirville, Mo. College of Osteopathy and surgery, and has taken several post-graduate courses since his graduation, including one from the Denver Polyclinic and post graduate College of Denver.

## C. A. BOWMAN BURIED IN ROSS CEMETERY SUNDAY AFTERNOON

C. A. Bowman of Clyde, age about 75, died at his home Saturday evening after an illness of several months. Mr. Bowman once was a prominent banker of Clyde, but during the depression the bank was liquidated, and since that time he has been looking after his own business.

Mr. Bowman owned several hundred acres of land around Clyde, and since his retirement from the bank, he has been in the farming and livestock business until his death. He was buried Sunday afternoon in the Ross cemetery at Baird.

## WEST TEXAS UTILITIES ASKS PERMIT TO PURCH ASE PREFERRED STOCK

The West Texas Utilities company asked the SEC Friday to permit the company to acquire for cancellation a maximum of 14,251 shares of its 6% cumulated preferred stock at \$70.17 a share from American Public Service Corporation.

American in a joint application with West Texas, then seeks to purchase up to 10,000 shares of 5% preferred stock of Public Service Company of Oklahoma to assist in liquidating and dissolving Southwestern Light and Power Company.

It is reported that Rubber Director Jeffers has promised civilians of this country that they will be able to buy synthetic tires for their cars by the end of this year. He also promised that the grade of tire will be much better than at first believed.

Experiments with synthetic passenger car tires now being conducted in Texas and California give basis for the promising outlook on the quality and quantity, Mr. Jeffers said.

Dr. Charles A. Davis of Hobbs, New Mexico was in Putnam visiting his sister, Mrs. Sam Jobe over the week-end, returning home Sunday afternoon. He was reared in and around Putnam, but moved away from here a number of years ago.

Mrs. G. P. Gaskin, Bill and James of Fort Worth, were visiting in Putnam Sunday.

## GARDEN INSECTS CAN BE CONTROLLED WITH POISONINGSKILLFULLY

The mortality of destructive insects will keep pace with the vast increase in home gardens in 1943 if sprays and dusts are used skillfully. Old hands will know what to do when the bugs move on their corn and beans, but the amateurs with the hoe and fork need guidance to get the best results from their investment in liquid and solid poisons. To help these, W. M. Meador, county agent, offers these tips in using insecticides.

Always use soap or some other activator with nicotine sulphate spray. Use a good grade of hydrated lime with nicotine sulphate when used as a spray. Nicotine sulphate dusts are more effective if applied when plants are moist. Pyrethrum of pyroicide dusts should be applied in the late afternoon. Sunlight deteriorates them rapidly. Poison baits should be put out early in the morning or late afternoon in the form of flakes, not lumps.

Never use lime with cryolite or rotenone, or combine cryolite or rotenone with any other insecticide which has lime in it. Never use sulphur or any sulphur mixture on squash, cucumbers, melons, etc.

To remove arsenical residues from fruits and vegetables wash in acid solution. To remove flourine residues, wash in alkaline solution. Never use lead arsenate on any other arsenical substances on stony fruit such as peach and plum without adding lime.

Never apply a dormant spray just before a freeze.

## MISS STELLA RAMSAY MARRIED TO MIKE HUGHES FEBRUARY 4

Miss Stella Mae Ramsay became the bride of Mike Hughes Jr., February 4, at the home of Rev. Royce Gilliland in Baird.

Mrs. Hughes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Ramsay, and is a graduate of the Putnam high school, and attended Abilene Christian College this last semester and is now an employe of the First National Bank of Baird.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hughes of Baird. Mr. Hughes attended Abilene Christian College for the past three and one-half years, and is in the Army Air Corps now and stationed at Kessler Field, Mississippi.

## BIGGERSTAFF HEIRS SELLS OLD HOME PLACE TO HOLLIS MCKINNEY

W. J. Biggerstaff heirs sold the Biggerstaff estate of 310 acres, to Hollis McKinney. Consideration about \$10,800. Sale price was about \$35 per acre. Bill Biggerstaff has been living on the estate for the past several years and managing the business. Mr. Biggerstaff is moving to El Paso this week, and stated he expected to buy a small farm out there in the irrigated district where he could make a crop every year.

## PURCHASE CERTIFICATES MAY BE HAD FROM CO. RATIONING BOARD

It will be necessary to have certificates from county farm machinery rationing committee for purchase of one row horse-drawn riding cultivators, the Texas USDA war rationing board, announced this week.

County quotas are now being established and this type of machinery will be handled similarly to other quota items.

Texas farmers also were advised that the Department of Agriculture no longer will control distribution by manufacturers of garden planters and of two row or larger horse-drawn riding cultivators.

Purchase certificates, needed to buy rationed farm machinery and equipment, are issued by county farm rationing committees on approximately 75 types of farm machinery.

## PUTNAM WATER USERS SHOULD TAKE NOTICE OF RATES OTHER PLACES

Water users of Putnam should take notice of water charges in other places, for instance, Sweetwater: "As an encouragement to victory gardening, the Sweetwater city commission has voted a special reduction on water rates.

The minimum under the new rate will be 7,000 gallons instead of 10,000 gallons. The gross rate or the minimum will be \$3.60, as compared with \$4.80 for the former 10,000 gallons minimum. The previous summer rate on water above 10,000 gallons was 13 cents a thousand gallons; the new summer rate above 7,000 gallons will be 12 cents per thousand gallons. Under our rate 7,000 gallons would cost the consumer only \$3.50.

## O'DANIEL MAY HAVE EIGHT IN WHAT HE SAID IN CAMPAIGN

Our good friend E. E. Booth of Moran was in the News office one day last week, and in talking of conditions and particularly on farm control, he said a short time ago the head of the farm organization control board wrote him to come in and see about his allotment. But he did not pay it any mind, and in a few days he had another letter in which was stated he would be penalized if he did not come in and get his allotment.

When he went in the director inquired of him how much sorghum cane he was going to plant and he told him 50 acres. The agent said well your allotment is only 20 acres but we will pay you \$8 per acre for all you plant in excess of the 20 acre allotment which would be \$8 per acre on thirty acres or \$240 benefit payments. Mr. Booth thinks this is silly to pay him \$8 per acre to plant something that he was already intending to plant. This puts the writer in the mind of what Senator O'Daniel said during the senatorial campaign in 1942. Quote: "Washington is the only insane asylum in the world that is operated by its own inmates."

## TAX COLLECTORS ARE REMINDING CAR OWNERS TO BRING CERTIFI- CATE OF TITLE TO GET LICENSE

The tax collectors are calling attention to motor vehicle owners of the various counties to the law which requires them to present their certificates of title in order to register a car or truck.

Mrs. Briscoe, tax collector and assessor of Callahan county, is calling attention to this fact in another place in this issue of the News, and asking that motor vehicle owners have this certificate for presentation when application is made to purchase the tab for 1943. You will also need your 1942 registration receipt when you appear at the collectors office to pay the 1943 registration fees.

The 1943 license tabs are on sale now and may be placed on the vehicle anytime. Your 1942 license plates will remain on the vehicle and the 1943 tabs will be attached to the old tag.

## HERMON ROBBERSON AND FAMILY GO TO CLAI- RETTE FOR FUNERAL

Hermon Roberson received a message from Clairette late Tuesday afternoon that his father, Louis Roberson, had suddenly died of heart failure after an illness of more than two years.

Mr. Roberson was well known in and around Putnam, having bought cotton in the Putnam territory for two or three years several years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Roberson and children left immediately to attend the funeral at Clairette Wednesday afternoon.

## April 15th Last Date to File for Cotton Insurance

Insurance at cost is proving popular with the Texas cotton farmers for the second successive year. Reports in the state office March 3, indicate the 6,633 cotton farmers already have assured themselves of a minimum crop this year by signing cotton crop insurance contracts.

Under the Federal Crop Insurance cooperation program, either 50 or 75% of the farm's average yield is insured against all unavoidable hazards, such as wind, drought, rain, boll weevil and other insects, frost and storms.

It takes money to expand war crops and cotton insurance as a source of credit that can be used to expand production and at the same time lessen total risks farmers must carry. State crop insurance supervisor said in pointing to enormous Food for Freedom goals which Texas farmers are being asked to produce this year.

Due to the largeness of the state, four closing dates are applicable in Texas. First deadline was February 1 for four Rio Grande Valley counties, while the second closing date is March 1 involved other southern counties. Other closing dates in the state are March 15, April 1, and April 15, depending on locality. The applications must be made before cotton is planted or before the final date for receiving applications in the county.

## LT. R. A. WEBSTER JR. WEDDED TO MISS FAYE RAGLAND AT BAIRD

LT. R. A. Webster Jr., a son of the late Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Webster of Clyde, was married to Faye Ragland, sister of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Jones, Monroe, Louisiana, Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Methodist church. The Rev. W. B. Hickes, reading the service. The bride attended Ouachita Parish high school and was graduated from St. Frances Nursing School at Monroe.

Mr. Webster was educated in the Clyde high school and the University of Texas. He is stationed at Selmansfield, Monroe, La.

After a honeymoon trip to Houston and Southwest Texas points, the couple will return March 10 to Monroe, Louisiana to live at 231 Howard street.

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PUSHING THE HUMPHREY BILL NO. 7

The West Texas Chamber of Commerce, joined by affiliates, is calling on the 48th Legislature to take positive action toward giving Texas a modernized system of fiscal control. Asked the passage of House Bill No. 7 by Representative Humphrey of Abilene, which passed the 47th lower house but did not reach a vote in the Senate.

A regional chamber statement said the Humphrey bill "makes effective what the members of the Legislature said they stood for when they ran for office, namely efficiency and economy." The bill provides for complete financial reporting and planning, budget making and fiscal control through one state agency instead of 100 agencies and funds. "Seemingly," said WTCC "some of the department heads at Austin don't like the bill and it is being sidetracked for that reason. We feel it is time now for the Legislature to speak on this matter instead of the departments."

A message was received in Putnam Thursday that Tom McCrackin had died of heart failure in Mineral Wells. Mr. McCrackin is the man that married the widow of the late Dr. Allen Shackelford, who also died of heart attack several years ago. This is the second man Mrs. McCrackin has lost from heart attack.

## Simplified Peanut Program Explained By County Agent

This year's simplified peanut program, operating under a one-price system, was laid before state AAA officials and cotton seed crushers at a statewide meeting in Dallas last Friday.

Explaining the new program were I. W. Duggan, director of the Southern Division of the Agricultural Adjustment Agency, and W. H. Jasspon, consultant of the Commodity Credit Corporation. Both are from Washington.

Duggan stated the one price system was based on 85% of parity and would include peanuts for the edible trade as well as peanuts produced under this year's Food for Freedom program. At current prices, this approximates \$129 per ton for No. 1 Spanish peanuts.

"I hope every oil mill will handle seed this spring and buy the crops this fall," Duggan said in explaining that plans were underway for establishing seed distribution and purchasing centers in each area of Texas where peanuts are grown.

Representing CCC, the organization designated to handle seed peanuts and purchase this fall's crop, Jasspon explained that mills will not have a market risk because of the price supports which already have been announced.

Other highlights of the new program include: (1) elimination of marketing quotas and the \$1.10 per ton AAA payment announced previously; (2) elimination of red tape; (3) a simplified seed distribution program; (4) a cash market in every peanut county; (5) incentive payments of \$30 per acre for each acre over 90% and up to 110% of the farm goal.

A series of instructional meetings will be held by members of the Callahan County War Board on the following dates:

Eula (school), Monday, March 22, 8:30 p. m.

Clyde (school), Wednesday, March 24, 8:30 p. m.

Denton (school), Friday, March 26, 8:30 p. m.

Oplin (school), Monday, March 29, 8:30 p. m.

Putnam (school), Wednesday, March 31, 8:30 p. m.

Cottonwood (school), Thursday, April 1, 8:30 p. m.

Cross Plains (school), Friday, April 2, 8:30 p. m.

Baird (Court House), Saturday, April 3, 2:30 p. m.

The following farm practices will be discussed:

Farming peanut land; improvement of range land; temporary pastures; soil and seed treatment; building and maintaining fire guards; cooperative purchasing of seed; strip cropping.

## MAYOR C. P. MICHAM TO HAVE OPPONENT AT APRIL ELECTION

Mayor C. P. Micham of Cisco is to have an opponent at the April election. Mr. Micham announced Thursday he would ask for a second term and the announcement Friday of Edward Lee to oppose him was made by Mr. Lee. Mr. Lee is a former member of the city council of Cisco and served one or two terms and retired. He is about 35 years old and a son of the late Congressman R. Q. Lee from this district who died while serving his first term in the national congress.

## PUTNAM WAR FUND QUOTA RAISED UNION DEMONSTRATION

Thanks to the people of Putnam, our quota of \$350.00 is over the top and some to spare. Since the program in school this week, the work will continue through the week and we will have the complete figures next week, with few exceptions everyone has given gladly showing their patriotism and desire to aid in the relief of distress the world over. Thanks to everyone who helped in any way.

Mrs. Ennis Qualls was trading in Putnam Friday morning. She stated that they had about finished their new home and would be ready to move in a short time.

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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.

**FIRST AID CLASS BEING TAUGHT AT SCHOOL BLDG MON. AND WED. NIGHTS**

A first aid class is being taught at the Putnam high school library on Monday nights and Wednesday nights. The class is being taught by Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hall of Baird. The present enrollment of the class is thirty-two, consisting of high school pupils and adults of the community.

March is the month for taking the school census. If the census for your child or children have not been rendered, please inform H. L. Gay in regard to the matter. All children who are or will be 6 years old by the 1st of September, 1943, and those who have not reached their 18th birthday on or before September 1943 are eligible for census enrollment. This is a very important part of the school program and each and every parent in the Putnam school district are urged to see that every eligible child is put on the census roll.

A. D. Everett made a business trip to Abilene Friday morning to see his step-son who is being inducted into the army soon. He was in the newspaper business at Eden, and had to close his plant and lock the building up for the duration, as no one was available that could operate the plant.

**ATTENTION! JUNIOR PLAY**

Do you want a good hearty, hilarious laugh? Do you want to hear witty, clever dialogue? If so, the opportunity awaits you Friday night, March 19, when the Junior Class presents the comedy "Hello Prosperity," at the high school auditorium. Mrs. Clark is the director of the play. The cast consists of:

- Mrs. Gertrude Bartlett—a widow—Nalda Leigh Lowry.
  - Bruce Bartlett—her son—Junior Tatom.
  - Grace Bartlett—her older daughter—Ellen Williams.
  - Alma Bartlett—her younger daughter—Marian Damon.
  - Thatcher Bartlett—her brother-in-law—Louis Harper.
  - Lynn Milham—Bruce's fiancée—Mary Alice Brown.
  - Benny Milham—Lynn's brother—Max Kennedy.
  - Amy Leslie—Grace's girl friend—Mamie Ruth Weeks.
  - Bill McGuire—an iceman—Wesley Rutherford.
  - Mrs. Peter—a laundress—Gertrude White.
  - Olivia—a maid—Laura Sue Maness.
  - Mrs. Hansen—the grocer's wife—Edna Earl Barron.
- There will be a short Negro skit between acts worth the price of admission alone. The price of admission is 10-15 and 25c. No one can afford to miss this great laughing treat. Its guaranteed.

**MORE THAN 75 FARMERS WILL PARTICIPATE IN GROWING HYBRID CORN**

More than 75 Callahan county farmers will have hybrid corn demonstrations on their farms in 1943. These demonstrators are located in almost all communities where corn is grown.

All demonstrators will plant high producing native varieties as a check against the hybrid varieties. Thereby giving the entire county a chance to observe the results. Farmers who have previously planted hybrid corn have increased their corn yields by 25 to 35%.

**THE WAR DEPARTMENT WILL PURCHASE ALL GOOD SHOT GUNS**

The following has been sent out by the United States War Department: If you have a good used shot gun, the War Department needs it. Guns needed are 12 gauge guns, hammerless, pump, double barrel, pump action repeaters or automatic, W. L. Ledbetter of the St. Louis Ordinance District, Dallas suboffice, said Thursday.

The War Department will pay up to \$30 for a double barreled gun, and up to \$42.50 for repeating and automatics. The guns are needed immediately to train men in wing shooting, for guard duty and actual combat. Guns may be taken to the American legion at Baird, where they will be packed and forwarded to the government. Owners may allow the government to appraise the guns or may set a price.

If the price set by the owner is too high, the government will write its offer, which the owner may accept or reject and ask for his gun back. The payments will be made promptly for accepted guns.

Owners were asked not to send single barrel guns with Damascus twists, steel barrels, guns with choking device, broken guns, guns made by manufacturers not in existence, bolt action repeaters or double-barrel hammer guns. Guns can be delivered to Fred Cook, in Putnam.

Mrs. C. F. Thomason of Arlington was in Putnam the first of the week looking after business interests in Putnam.

**EVERETT WILLIAMS GIVES INFORMATION TO TIRE APPLICANTS**

Everett Williams, a member of the tire rationing board, was in the News office Wednesday morning and advised the News on the following: That it would greatly relieve the work of the board if applicant for tire sizes 17-18-19 and 20 would locate where they can get tires before making application, as the numbers mentioned above are getting hard to find and this method would eliminate going through a lot of red tape and then possibly not getting any tires.

He stated the ration board has only 30 passenger car tires for the remainder of this month, and has on file more than 300 applications for tires yet unfilled. Unless motorists stop all nonessential driving, care will be set up by the scores when the weather begins to get hot.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Buchanan left Tuesday for Galveston, where they expect to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Bill West and make their home there for a while at least. Mrs. West is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan.

Mrs. E. C. Wadell participated in a gift party given in the home of Miss Charitye Gilliland in Baird Tuesday evening of last week. A musical program was given by Mesdames V. E. Hill, Olaf South and E. C. Wadell.

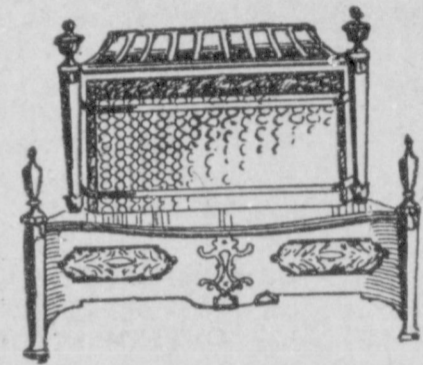
Mrs. Claud King and daughter, Maxine, were shopping in Cisco Saturday afternoon.

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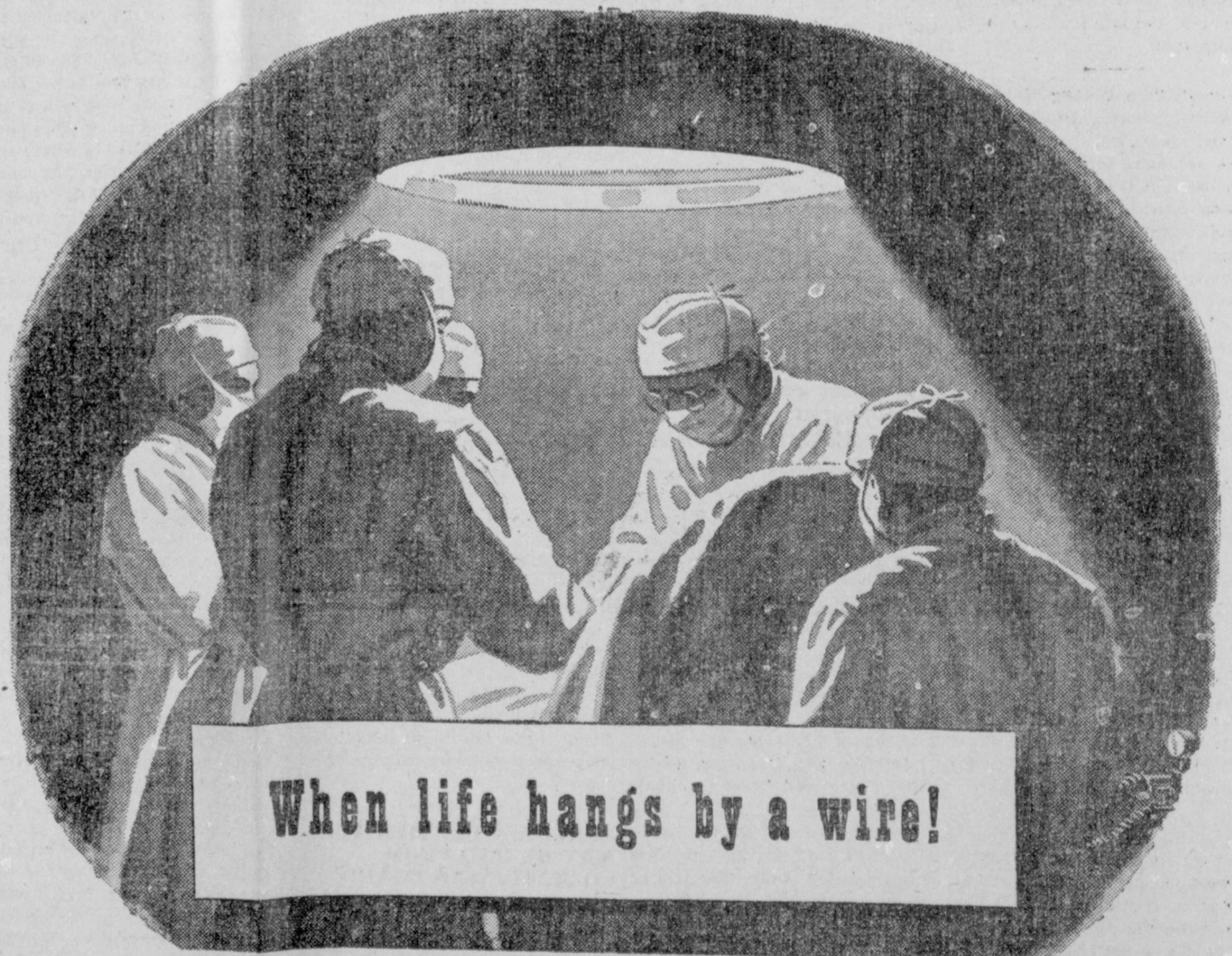
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**West Texas Utilities Company**

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# MORAN AND COMMUNITY

**My Column**  
MRS. C. C. CADY

The Moran Red Cross teams are combing the community for funds to aid in winning the war. The cold weather has held up the drive for a few days but good work is being done and the drive is going forward with interest and enthusiasm.

Shackelford county has furnished more boys for the armed forces than most of the counties in Texas according to population and Texas leads the nation in the war effort. The community should respond in the same manner, to the call for funds to take care of our boys in home training camps and on the foreign fields. Workers should not hurry through but take time to get acquainted with persons from whom they solicit funds and be sure they understand the great need for Red Cross aid. We must all understand that this is a war fund drive and contributions should not stop with the dollar-per-member contribution as we have done in former years.

The Moran clubs are doing good work. The Study club met March 9, and for that meeting they turned in \$27.00, with \$2.00 of the amount contributed by the club and \$25.00 as the gift through the club, of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Snyder. The school is also doing fine work where a goal of 100% from each grade has been set. Our town and community must raise its part of the coun-

ty quota and this will be much easier to do if every individual does his, or her best.

One of our good stock farmers living out seven miles east of town is very loyal to our Defense Guard unit. He farms 300 acres of cotton, corn and feed, without help, using two tractors for different purposes on the farm. When his day's work is done on Tuesdays, he is not too tired to come in to drill practice. His record for 1942 was probably unexcelled, as he missed only two meetings during the year, and has not missed a meeting this year.

Moran was grieved and saddened by the death of one of the old timers, James L. Balliew, who had lived in the Deep Creek community before moving to Albany last year. The funeral was held at the Moran Baptist church Sunday afternoon where his former neighbors and many friends paid their last tribute. The beautiful flowers characterized the love and esteem in which he was held. All his children were present for the funeral.

Uncle Billie Garrett was in town today (March 11) shaking hands with friends who declared he was as young as ever, despite the fact he is celebrating his 96th birthday. We wish Uncle Billie many happy returns of the day.

Mrs. D. C. Lambley was visiting in Putnam and looking after business interests in and around Putnam over the week-end.

## CHEMICAL WARFARE DISCUSSED HERE BY SAFETY MEN

Civilians and members of Texas Defense Guard, as well as the faculty and student body of the Moran schools, and the ladies of the Moran Study Club and the Delphians, put in a busy day Tuesday, attending lectures and demonstrations on chemical warfare and high explosive bombs. Laurence Jay and Curly Hays of Abilene, industrial safety engineers, who have been appointed by the War Department to teach this vital phase of civilian defense, conducted a series of talks and demonstrations, which began at the high school at 10:30 a. m. to 12:15 noon. They also appeared before the Moran Luncheon club, which had voted to have the regular weekly luncheon on Tuesday for the week only, in order to hear this special program. After noon, similar talks were made before the grammar school. At 3:30 in the afternoon, the Delphians and the Moran Study Club met in the basement of the Methodist church, where they heard these men tell of the devastating effect of the Battle of Britain, and also more about chemical warfare.

At 8:00 p. m. the Texas Defense Guard marched to the Moran gymnasium, and heard very interesting lectures and witnessed demonstrations of high explosive gases, and various types of bombs. The men were high in their praise of Moran, and the splendid manner in which they cooperated in putting on the program. Many nice compliments were passed on our little city and, the men were heard to remark that they had never performed before a more attentive group of children, which, as a rule, become somewhat restless on such occasions.

They also said that, judging from the way the Moran Luncheon club served, it didn't look as if food were scarce here, and it certainly was like Mother's cooking.

## STUDENT COUNCIL PREXY ONE-JOB MAN

The following clipping was received by Mrs. John Pritchard and tells of the honor recently received by her grandson, Byron Grisham, graduate of the Moran high school: Byron Grisham, recently elected president of the Student Council, needs no formal introduction to the student body, for he has frequently M. C. in assemblies. He came to San Marcos in August of 1941 from Moran, Texas.

"Barney," as he is called by his friends, has the reputation of being dependable. Soon after his arrival he obtained a job at Miller's. In fact, he is a one-job man, having held that position ever since.

Barney has the qualities of a leader and his classmates were quick to recognize these qualities. He was the vice-president of the Junior Class and the Interscholastic League representative.

Byron's main interest lies in public speaking. He hopes to be a narrator in the near future.

Barney's familiar, friendly smile adds much to the school activities.

## JUNIOR PLAY PLEASURES LARGE AUDIENCE

The Galloping Ghost presented last Thursday evening by the junior class of the Moran high school was well received by a large audience. The three-act play was directed by Miss Weaver, who presented the following in the cast:

Mildred Montgomery, James Cottle, Betty Allen, Floyd Hagar, Berna Dean Harris, Estier Ames, Lucille Midkiff, Ola J. Schooler, Donald Hudman, Marion Ballard, Cleo Pettit.

The opening number was given by the band. Miss Barbara Jean Brooks directed the toy symphony which rendered music between acts. The monologues, Miss Weaver and Miss Morrison, were so true to life as to be well worth the price of admission. The citizens were well pleased with the performance and proud of the junior class and director, Miss Weaver and Miss Austin. The ticket receipts totaled \$84.90.

The next big attraction will be the senior play, It Happened in June, and will be presented April 1. Better make your plans now to attend.

## SNAKE HUNTING

Ten men joined in a rattlesnake hunt on the Snyder ranch Sunday where a den yielded a good sized catch. Thirty snakes were killed in the raid.

Miss La Juan Gunn stated Monday morning she had a letter from her brother, "Chunk" who is in training camp in Florida, was ill with pneumonia and had been confined to his room several days.

## USDA Urges Farmers Ranchers Use Simple Soil Conservation

The Callahan County USDA War Board is asking farmers and ranchers of the county to use simple conservation measures as a means of increasing the yields of crops and livestock. Measures recommended are those that require very little use of machinery and power, practically no extra labor and little or no technical help. Practices recommended are as follows:

### For Peanut Land

1. Strip crops. Four rows of peanuts and four rows of strip on bad blow land; eight rows of peanuts and four rows of strip on land with slight to moderate blowing.

2. Cover crops. Abruzzi rye planted in late August or September. It may be necessary to plant the rye before the peanuts are harvested, one and a half bushels per acre is the recommended planting rate. Strip crops and cover crops work well together.

3. Stubble mulch. This is the use of field residues or trash such as dead grass and weeds, feed stalks, pea vines and other litter to cover the ground. Where peanut land goes into the winter with a good cover of such litter, the War Board recommends that it not be plowed until after April the first.

4. Seed and soil treatment. Inoculate all planting peanuts. Apply all manure produced on the farm to the peanut land. Use 100 to 200 pounds of phosphate fertilizer per acre.

### For Range Land

1. Stock the pastures to make the most profitable use of the grass produced.

2. Produce enough home raised feed and grow enough Sudan and small grain for temporary grazing to make it possible to rest the native grass when it needs resting. The War Board believes this is a good practice on practically all farms and ranches in the county.

3. Protect grass land from fire. General

1. Farm on the contour.

2. Have a home garden.

Guide sheets telling the benefits to be had from these practices and how to do them, have been prepared. They can be had by asking

for them at the office of the county agent or the AAA.

Meetings will be held in all parts of the county during the last half of March to discuss these practices and guide sheets will be handed to all who want them.

The schedule of meetings is published in this paper. The County War Board is urging all farmers and ranchmen to attend one of these meetings in order to plan for the greatest possible use of simple conservation practices to increase production in the county.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Nelson and Miss Lillie Nelson, who has been visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Nelson here and Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Nelson of Abilene and Mrs. Clark Ta, born of Clyde, all visited Allen Nelson Jr., who is in training camp at Wichita Falls Sunday.

Jessie Jacobs of the Hart community, was in Putnam Monday afternoon and while here made the News office a short visit.

Mrs. J. A. Williams was shopping in Baird Monday morning.

## Palace Theatre---Cisco

SUN.-MONDAY, MAR. 21-22

HUMPHREY BOGART BERGMAN HENREID  
CASABLANCA  
WAL. B. WALLIS PROD. WARNER BROS. HIT!  
CLAUDE CONRAD SYDNEY PETER RAINS VEIDT GREENSTREET LORRE  
Directed by MICHAEL CURTIZ  
Screen Play by Julius J. & Philip G. Epstein and Howard Koch • From a Play by Murray Burnett and Joan Alison • Music by Max Steiner  
STAMPS BUY! BONDS On Sale In Lobby!

## What You Buy With WAR BONDS

The Women's Auxiliary Volunteer Emergency Service, more familiarly known as the WAVES, has been established as a part of our Navy. They are doing a great work and relieving many men from office to active service.



## Palace THEATRE—CISCO

TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY MARCH 23-24

THE GREATEST PICTURE EVER MADE  
GONE WITH THE WIND  
FULL LENGTH! UNCUT!  
Continuous Showings  
3—Shows Daily—3  
12:15—4:15—8:15  
Prices Matinee  
Adults ..... 40c  
Children ..... 17c  
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Adults ..... 50c  
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You'll rate a rave from the Navy—a salute from the Army—and a Marine guard of honor. That's Trudy's idea in doing cute things with sleek washable rayon jersey. It brings out every-thing wonderful about you! \$10.95

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See our beautiful line of Evening Dresses just received. Just the thing you want for graduating exercises.

## GRAY'S STYLE SHOP

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'35 Chev. Pickup  
A Bargain at only \$115.00

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A Steal—\$125.00

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Checked over and ready to go  
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Get this bargain only \$165.00

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Only—\$125.00

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A little rough, but lots of  
service, only \$150.00

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Overhauled and ready to go.  
CHEAP.

**Retailers Should See  
Local Ration Board  
For Additional Goods**

Some retailers are complaining that they were unable to restock their shelves during the last week of February, when they might have bought processed foods without restrictions, because their wholesale suppliers were out of certain lines of canned foods, or through misunderstanding refused to sell retailers. We would like to make it plain through the month of March, those retailers and wholesalers as well, may obtain emergency supplies where their present stocks of processed foods are not adequate.

Emergency adjustments are in effect; a retail grocer may apply to the local War Price and Rationing Board, while wholesalers and those who operate stores at both the wholesale and retail levels should apply either to the State OPA office in Fort Worth or to the nearest OPA district office, which in Texas are located in Lubbock, San Antonio, and Houston.

The retailer's application to the local board should estimate the grocer's total estimated dollar sales of processed foods during January 1943. The board multiplies this dollar value total of his January sales by 100, then subtracts from the total of that of his net inventory of processed value points at the time his application is filed. The board may issue a point certificate to him for the difference.

For example, if a retailer's January dollar sales of processed foods totaled \$1000, the board would multiply 1,000 by 100, which would equal 100,000 points. If the grocer's physical inventory of processed foods at the time of his application for emergency relief totaled 25,000 points, he had 3,000 points in his ration bank account and 2,000 points undeposited, plus 8,000 points sent to a supplier, these would total 38,000 points. This would be subtracted from 100,000 points, thus leaving 62,000 points, the amount he could be granted on an emergency certificate during March to replenish his inventory. See your rationing board for further information.

Mrs. Frank Maher has accepted employment in Moran.

**SENATE APPOINTS  
ITS OWN POST WAR  
PLANNING BOARD**

The last round between the President and the legislative branch of the government came Friday with the chief executive morning press conference, as he did a month ago. He took congress to task for not appropriating for the board or arranging otherwise for post war planning.

The senate promptly acted but in a legal way by passing an appropriation bill short of the \$200,000 for the planning board the chief executive had set up with his uncle, Fredrick Delane as chairman, and set up a special committee of its own on post-war planning.

Vice President Wallace appointed on this committee: Senator George, (D-Ga.) as chairman of the committee. Other members are Senators Barkley (D-Ky.), McNary (R-Ore.), Hayden (D-Ariz.), O'Mahoney (D-Wyo.), Lucas (D-Ill.), Pepper (D-Fla.), Vandenberg (R-Mich.), Austin (R-Vt.), and Taft (R-Ohio).

It is up to congress to appoint or establish such boards and congress had passed no law authorizing any planning board and therefore they were justifiable in refusing to allow an appropriation of \$200,000 or any other amount to carry on a work that they had not authorized.

**EVERETT SUNDERMAN  
TOOK PART IN RECENT  
NEW GUINEA BATTLE**

A resolution passed by the House of Representatives at Austin of the Texas Legislature of Texas, that for the great victory won over the Japs in the battle north of New Guinea, we express our deepest gratitude to our sons of Texas who are fighting in the storms and above the clouds, contributed so much to a victory that means so much to the future peace and well being of free people of the world.

The following Texas boys were in the New Guinea battle: Lieutenant Everett, Putnam, Corporal Max Scoggins, Shamrock, Lieutenant James Hale, Bangs, Corporal Charles Giddings, Munday, Captain Daniel Cromer, Jasper, Lieutenant James Harcrow, Waco and Lieutenant Joe Hirsh, Austin, Texas.

**CLUB MEETS WITH MRS.  
FRANK W. MOORE APR. 1  
FIRST AID CLASS BEING**

The Union home demonstration club met in the home of Mrs. Carl Gunn March 10, for an all-day meeting.

Mrs. Carl Gunn, our food demonstrator, gave a demonstration on food preservation and gave out some leaflets on the food preservation plan, and helped each one of us fill out a family budget for one.

The District Texas Home Demonstration Association will meet in Coleman May 11, 1943. Mrs. Carl Gunn was elected as a representative to represent our club at the April Council.

Three delegates were chosen to represent the county at the Coleman meeting. The members present at this splendid all-day meeting were as follows. Mesdames Maggie Dyer, Jim Yarbrough, Gene Green, Carl Gunn, Wesley Wagley, and F. W. Moore.

There will be another all-day meeting April 1, which is to be held in the home of Mrs. Frank W. Moore, and all members are cordially invited to attend.

**AUSTRALIA FIGHTS  
Coughs**

Due to Colds or Bronchial Irritations

It's extra fast for Dad—yet gentle and mild for Mother and the Kiddies.

This means that those nasty irritating coughs—due to colds or Bronchial irritations—that so often disturb a man's sleep—get amazing fast relief.

Almost instantly you get the surprise of your life—coughing spasms ceases—right away. It loosens up thick choking phlegm—opens up clogged bronchial tubes—makes breathing easier.

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Get Buckley's "Canadiol" the Cough Mixture that outsells all others in Australia, New Zealand, Canada and many other countries on merit alone; all druggists.

Y. A. ORR, DRUGGIST  
Putnam, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Clinton visited their son, Bobby, who is in training at Wichita Falls. They reported he was getting along fine.

**CAR REGISTRATION**

1943 car tabs, which are to be attached to 1942 tags, must be on cars by April if they are to be used on the highways.

REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR CERTIFICATE OF TITLE.

The office will make every effort to accommodate late registrants by remaining open after the usual closing hour.

MRS. T. W. BRISCOE  
Tax Assessor-Collector.

**FOR SALE**

Burkett Pecans, Lombard Popular, Red Bud, roses and all other kinds of shrubs.

J. H. BURKETT  
Clyde, Texas.

**FOR SALE**

I have a number of good milk Jersey Heifers from 6 months to 18 months old. See

R. E. CLARK, Putnam, Texas.

ATTENTION: All news items must be in by Wednesday at noon to be sure it will appear in the following paper. This is on account of the mail situation out of Cisco going to Albany.

**L. L. BLACKBURN**  
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW  
BAIRD, TEXAS

**FOR HAY FEVER**

Dr. La Mond's prescription for Catarrh, Asthma, Hay Fever and Head Colds will positively refund your dollar if not satisfied with results after using one entire box according to directions.

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**W. D. BOYDSTUN AND  
OTHERS HAD NARROW  
ESCAPE FROM INJURY**

W. D. Boydston who purchased the second car that was purchased in Baird in 1909, and has been driving cars ever since, was in a car wreck near the Gates lake this side of Baird Wednesday evening. Mr. Boydston, M. G. Farmer and Charlie Ramsay were coming home from Dallas where they had been to market and had gotten back to the Gates lake coming home, when they met a truck on a narrow bridge just east of the lake. Mr. Boydston was driving and pulled to right to miss the truck on a narrow bridge, and ran into the concrete rails and two tires were blown out and fenders badly torn up so that the car had to be hauled in by a wrecker. None of the men were seriously injured, only bruised a little.

Grady Pruet was in Putnam Saturday and while here visited with the News force. Grady is one of the biggest livestock traders in the territory and has several sections of grass land leased where he has cattle and sheep, but he remarked that he was out of the sheep business.

Raymond Clark has accepted a position as manager of a large ranch at Mineral Wells, and he and family moved to Palo Pinto Wednesday where they will make their future home. Mr. Clark was manager of the Clark ranch here until they recently sold it to C. A. Dittmore of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Brooks of Moran were in Putnam Saturday afternoon and while here visited the News office for a short while.

**Dunn's Produce Co.**  
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DUNN'S AND YOU WILL BE SURE  
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