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CITY TO VOTE ON WATERWORKS TUESDAY, JAN. 10

FROM THE EDITOR'S WINDOW

Our new year is in its beginning and likely most people have thought, "I wonder what it may bring to me?" The end of each year marks a turning point and to some last year brought perhaps illness of body and soul. As we come to the new year, wouldn't it not only be sensible but wise to take inventory of the causes and effects of our mistakes and sufferings? Many of them can be removed by our own efforts.

Some are afraid to make new year's resolutions. Isn't this admitting our own weakness? Personally we believe new year's resolutions should be made, for they can be kept. It would be nice for each individual to test his own strength by making a few resolutions. Maybe only one or two should be tried at first and if the individual stands the test then he can risk himself with others, for really whether the resolution is broken or kept depends upon the true desire of the heart.

The future must be met with courage if 1938 brings us peace, it must be met with faith and a cheerful optimism;—for what the new year will mean to us will depend upon our own strength guided by the ever present but unseen hand.

Keeping new year's resolutions and practicing them daily promotes self respect for the individual, without which we cannot expect respect from others.

Possum Hunt Enjoyed

A group of young people enjoyed a possum hunt Friday night, up and down the hollows of Battle Creek and Brown's creek. It is a mystery why they missed the fun of refreshments of roasted possum. Instead they enjoyed scrambled eggs and toast at the L. B. Williams home. Those present were Zada Williams, Willie Grace Pruet, Mary Lou Eubank, Mary Douglas Williams, Jack Everett, W. S. Jobe, Jno. D. Isenhower, Roy Lee Williams, Bennie Burns Williams, Doyle Lee Brown, and J. W. Harrison.

The First National Bank of Cisco presented their friends with lovely large pictures of fascinating scenes. Two of these pictures which have been framed are hanging in the window of Osborne's Studio and are worth a few minutes' gaze of any passer-by. They were framed by Mr. Osborne at a reasonable rate. The Osborne Studio is equipped for many things, one of the most important of which is the reproduction of tin-type pictures and birth records from the family Bible. These birth records are needed for some to obtain pensions and the Osborne Studio is one of the few studios in this section which can do this kind of work. They command a trade from several counties as a result of this feature. Cisco is indeed fortunate to have a studio of this class.

Leadership

(By Wright A. Patterson)

The editor must be the historian of today and have the vision to be the prognosticator of tomorrow.

He must be able to interpret the desires, interests and needs of his readers, and so provide for them a satisfying newspaper.

He must keep a close watch of the trends in his community and so direct them as to preserve and advance its every interest.

He must produce a satisfying newspaper at a cost which will enable him to sell it at a profit if the newspaper is to live.

These things are being accomplished by several thousand American editors each week. The small minority who are not capable, and who are not doing a satisfactory job, are gradually falling by the wayside, giving place to those who can do the job.

Each issue of every well-edited newspaper advances in some way and to some extent the interests of the community for which it is published. To measure that advance from day to day, or week to week, is practically impossible. If from year to year there is not some improvement which can be noted, both materially and spiritually, the newspaper has failed; the editor has not measured up to his job.

Reverend and Mrs. J. Morris Bailey were in Fort Worth Monday and Tuesday attending the conference council of the Central Texas Conference. Mrs. Bailey is director of Young People's work in the Cisco district.

Citizens of Putnam will vote on an issue of vital importance next Tuesday, January 10th, at the city secretary's office, which is the question of deciding upon proposed water system. The proposition is explained in another column of this issue of The Putnam News.

News Correspondent's Brother Dies

Oras Jobe of Tulsa, Oklahoma, brother of Mrs. W. E. Faires, correspondent for The Putnam News from the Scranton community, died suddenly at his home Christmas eve night from peritonitis. Mr. Jobe only suffered from 2:00 to 4:00 at night. Mr. Jobe was born in the Zion Hill community October 28, 1886, and lived there until grown. Afterwards he worked in Abilene and Sweetwater. He was married to Myrtle Larkin of Kansas about twenty-two years ago. They had made their home in Tulsa for about 20 years. Interment was in Rosehill cemetery there. His wife and the following brother and sisters survive: S. D. Jobe of Galveston, Mrs. J. E. Burnam of Abilene, W. H. Jobe of Sweetwater, Charnell Jobe of Lamesa, Mrs. M. F. Richardson of Abilene, Mrs. W. E. Faires and Miss Lou Jobe of Scranton.

Burial was Monday at 11:00. Funeral services were held from Moore's Memorial Chapel, with Reverend Webb, Baptist pastor, officiating. Mrs. Faires and most of the brothers and sisters attended the funeral. Mrs. J. E. Burnam of Abilene, who has been ill recently, was unable to attend. Mr. Burnam and son, Wayne, attended.

PRUET FAMILY HAS REUNION CHRISTMAS

The lovely home of Mrs. W. E. Pruet was the scene of a family reunion Christmas at which time all children with the exception of Mrs. H. L. Burnam of Spur, and many grandchildren were present for a 6 o'clock dinner, with Mrs. Pruet as hostess. The guest list included Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Pruet and children of Ranger, Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Pruet and children, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Pruet and son, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pruet and children, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Eubank and children of Putnam; Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Francisco and son, of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Pruet and sons of near Baird; Mrs. S. M. Eubank was later hostess in her home for an exchange of gifts from a beautifully decorated Christmas tree.

Serious Car Wreck East of Putnam

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Yeager, living three miles north of Dothan, has been to the show at Cisco Sunday night, and were returning to their home when near Dothan they met a car going east, with very bright lights. There was a car in front of the Yeager car with no light, driven by a Mexican. Mr. Yeager did not see the Mexican car on account of the blinding lights, and ran into it from behind, completely wrecking both cars. The occupants were picked up and taken back to Cisco, where they were treated at the Graham sanitarium. It is reported that one of the Mexicans is in a serious condition, but Mr. and Mrs. Yeager were not seriously injured; only bruises over the body. Mrs. Yeager was brought home Monday morning, and is confined to her room from bruises sustained from the wreck.

SEWING CLUB HAS BUSINESS MEETING

A business meeting of the Putnam Sewing Club was held in the home of Mrs. Virgil Wagley Thursday, December 29.

Officers elected for the next six months are as follows: President, Mrs. A. D. Everett; vice-president, Mrs. Lance Reid; secretary, Virgil Wagley; treasurer, Harold Brown; reporter, Clydine Wallace. The secretary read the constitution and by-laws. The block selected for the next quilt is Sky Rocket and is to be pieced of yellow, green and blue. Those present were Mmes. A. D. Everett, Lance Reid, Harold Brown, Virgil Wagley, Clydine Wallace, Altis Clemmer, J. D. Sprawls, Salas Lawrence, W. C. Simmons, Roy Speckle, Oma Wagley, Carl Kile, A. H. Nelson, and one new member, Mrs. G. W. Yeter.

COUNTY OFFICIALS TAKE OATH OF OFFICE

All county officers were sworn in Saturday afternoon. The official family of Callahan county will not be changed but very little, only two new county officers were elected. C. R. Nurdyke succeeded R. L. Edwards as sheriff and Raymond Young succeeded Mrs. Will Rylee as district clerk. Only one new commissioner was elected, Oliver Allen succeeding Pete King from the Putnam precinct. The commissioners' court is composed of the following men: L. E. Lewis, county judge; Bora Brame, commissioner from the Baird precinct, Beth Freeland from Cross Plains precinct, Grover Clare from Oplin precinct and Oliver Allen from the Putnam precinct.

COOK - DAVIS

Miss Juanita Cook, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cook of Putnam, was married to J. F. Davis of Victoria Christmas day in the First Baptist church with the pastor officiating. Miss Cook has been a beauty operator at Victoria for some time. The couple will make their home there where Mr. Davis is superintendent of the Oil Loan Company.

DAN HORN NEWS

Dan Horn school house burned Thursday night, Dec. 15.

We haven't any place for our Sunday school until the church is repaired.

Miss Anni, Ruth Laster of Dallas, en route from Snyder where she spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Laster, stayed Monday with her grandfather, J. P. Speegle.

Walter King is working at Moran.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Caranagh moved near Moran on the Myrick dairy Monday. Very sorry to lose these good people.

Mr. Warren and family moved here on the G. C. Daniels place, Monday. We are very glad to have these good people.

Baptist Calendar

Sunday school, 10:00.
Sermon, 11:00.
B. T. U. As'n. meeting at Admiral, 2:30.
B. T. U., 6:15.
Singing, 7:15.
W. M. S., Tuesday, 3:00.
Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7:15.
F. A. Hollis, Pastor.

Mrs. R. D. Williams and children and Bobby Clinton spent the week-end with relatives in Knox City.

Cathy McCool of Hobbs, New Mexico, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Herring, during the holidays.

OIL NOTES

The West-Brannan Harrell No. 1 on the hill 3-4 mile south of town ran pipe and resumed drilling operations Wednesday. Pay sand is expected at 700 feet. This is the same sand from which the Woods well produced to the northeast under the hill.

The Holmes well, 12 miles south of Baird on the Blakley land was started last week. They plan to drill 1,400 feet.

Stiles made another location west of first location, which was a dry hole, on the Clark land north of the new Warren pool. Production is expected at about 750 feet.

A depth of 2,800 feet has been reached in the center S. E. quarter of the N. E. quarter of survey 18, block 8, SP1R on the Yost Pendleton fee in the Oil States Exploration company block. This location is west of Clyde 1 mile from the Taylor county line. They will drill to 5,000 feet if necessary.

The Dobbs well, about 6 miles west of Putnam on the Finley lease near the highway, is drilling, having recovered all tools from fishing with the exception of one string of tools which they are drilling around.

Wittmer Oil & Gas Properties of Pittsburgh are drilling a 1,800 foot test in block 6, survey 301, northeast of the Mobley land, a considerable distance from the first test on the Williams land.

Bayou School Bus Plunges Into Creek

Three girls were injured last Monday afternoon when the Bayou school bus plunged into a creek in the Rowden community about 14 miles south of Baird. Those injured were Evaden Floyd, 15, Beatrice Coffey, 12, and Ellen Marie Hill, 19. The Hill girl was the most seriously hurt, suffering from a fractured ankle. Milton Shelton, driver of the bus, said the girls were injured when he jammed on the brakes in an attempt to keep the bus from toppling into a creek from which a highway crew had removed the bridge. The front wheels of the bus fell into the creek, but the machine did not overturn.

CARD OF THANKS

To my many customers and friends in Putnam and surrounding communities, words fail to express my appreciation for the support and business given me, and I hope I may continue to conduct my little business in a way that I will continue to merit your support in the future as in the past. It is my desire to serve you in a friendly and helpful fashion throughout the coming year.—W. A. BUCHANAN.

WATER ELECTION JANUARY TENTH

There will be an election held at the city secretary's office on January 10. J. R. Fark was appointed as presiding judge with Eva Moore and Frank Kennedy as assistants. Since the city's application was disapproved by the PWA it was necessary that arrangements to finance the proposition had to be made before we could go any further with the work.

We found that on account of the default of the tax bonds for about ten or twelve years, it was impossible to sell our revenue bonds for cash. The next thing was to find some one with pipe that they would trade for bonds. We found some parties with five miles of eight inch pipe, and they agreed to take our bonds at par and accrued interest, for the pipe and agreed to furnish us four thousand dollars in cash. The city council authorized the testing out of the Clinton springs, which has been done by the engineer, and we find there is plenty of good water and it is not what you would call hard water. Some say they would prefer a lake, but it is impossible to finance a lake that will furnish us a water supply sufficient to run the town.

The election is for the purpose of finding out the sentiment of the people and the question is whether to continue with the Clinton project or drop it and be content with what we have. The council did not feel like going ahead and putting in the supply from there without first letting the people pass on whether they wanted to go ahead with the project. The question will be on the ballot. For going ahead with the Clinton project and against going ahead with the Clinton project. It will just be for or against. Any person over the age of 21 and a resident of Putnam, will be allowed a vote.

BABY BORN

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Cunningham of Midland are announcing the birth of a son Saturday, December 31. This is the third son born to Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham. The baby is a grandson of Y. A. Orr, druggist of Putnam.

Methodist Calendar

Sunday, Jan. 8:
10:00 a. m.—Church school
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.
4:00 p. m.—Junior Epworth League.
6:00 p. m.—Young People's department.
7:00 p. m.—Evening worship.
Wednesday, Jan. 11: 3:00 p. m.—Woman's Missionary Society.
Tuesday, Jan. 17, 7:00 p. m.—Preaching and first quarterly conference. The date was changed due to Dr. Langston's illness.
J. Morris Bailey, Pastor.

WALTER CULWELL DIES IN WACO FRIDAY

Oliver Culwell received a message Friday morning stating that his brother, Walter Culwell, had died in the Veteran's Hospital at Waco. Mr. and Mrs. Culwell and children left immediately for Waco, with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Buford, to attend the funeral. The body was shipped to San Antonio for burial.

Mr. Culwell was the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Culwell of Putnam, and was married to Miss Alma Jeffers, formerly of Putnam. The couple moved to Dallas several years ago, where they lived until the past few months when Mr. Culwell became ill. He was placed in the Veteran's Hospital at Waco. He had several years in the United States navy. He is survived by his wife and one son, three brothers, and two sisters, who are Willie and J. Y. of San Antonio, and Oliver of Putnam. The sisters are Mrs. Bun Dunaway of Oklahoma, and Mrs. Amanda Buford of Putnam.

Callahan Sheriff Appoints Deputies

Clarence Nurdyke was sworn in as sheriff of Callahan county Saturday and will assume his duties next Tuesday. Mr. Nurdyke has been chief deputy for a number of years.

He appointed the following deputies to assist him in his official work for the next two years: W. J. (Bill) Ray was made deputy sheriff. He has been deputy for a number of years under sheriff Edwards, and was night watchman and deputy when Mr. Nurdyke made him chief deputy. Mr. Ray has plenty experience and no doubt but what he will make a good official.

Putnam Doctor Receives Honor

Dr. B. F. Brittain of Putnam was recently elected president of the Eastland-Callahan County Medical Society. The nominating committee was composed of Dr. T. E. Payne of Eastland, Dr. George Blackwell of Gorman and Dr. W. L. Jackson of Ranger.

Other officers chosen were Dr. L. C. Brown, Eastland, vice-president; Dr. C. C. Coghurn, Eastland, secretary-treasurer; Dr. Roy Cockrell, Baird, censor for three years. Dr. Brittain has served in the Putnam territory many years and has had a most unusually successful career. He is endeared to the hearts of many who congratulate him upon this honor. A large number of doctors attended the last meeting.

NEW YEARS PARTY IN HEYSER HOME

The Zion Hill Home Demonstration club enjoyed another new year's party in the home of Mrs. J. A. Heyser Saturday night. Mrs. Heyser's home is annually the scene of a new year party.

Guests assembled in the large living room, where a glowing fire burned in the fireplace. Young and old took part in the games. Among the games played were Pass the Scissors, My Father is a Merchant, Balloon race, etc.

Just before twelve, chicken sandwiches, cookies, hot chocolate and coffee were served to the following: Mr. and Mrs. Hicks of Wichita Falls, Virgil Hyser and son, J. V. Heyser, and Melvina Heyser of Cisco; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sprawls, Sr., and Mrs. John Shrader and children of Scranton; Mrs. Naomi Lydia of Baird; Fred Heyser, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Jobe, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Taylor and children, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Sprawls, Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Ramsey and son, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Paker, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Inman and children, Mrs. C. B. Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Hull, (Burl Clinton), Faye Weeks, Glover Johnson, Clydine Wallace, Stanley Hurst, James Bentley, Lavada Standridge, and Mrs. J. A. Heyser. Just as refreshments were finished the old year rang out and the new year in. After a few new year resolutions were made everyone bade the hostess good bye with the hope of enjoying another party at her home next year.

Reverend and Mrs. J. W. Price of Abilene spent Friday in the I. G. Mobley home.

PANTHERS RECEIVE AWARDS FOR SERVICE

(Oliver Davis, Sports Editor)

At a special banquet seventeen Putnam Panthers were awarded football jackets Tuesday night in the high school building, as a token of appreciation for their services put forth on the gridiron in honor of P. H. S. in 1938. While the school board, a portion of the faculty and the senior girls looked on, R. F. Webb, superintendent, presented jackets to the following boys: Captain Buster Roberson, fullback, senior; Co-Captain Newt Steen, halfback, senior; Halfback Doyle Gunn, senior; Quarterback Bennie Burns Williams, senior; Halfback W. S. Jobe, senior; End Dolpha Hull, senior; End Doyle Lee Brown, senior; Tackle Roy Lee Williams, senior; Tackle Oliver Culwell, senior; Tackle Herbert Sharp, senior; Guard Melvin Crawford, senior; Halfback Donald Allen, junior; Halfback Frank Sunderman, junior; Guard J. Nelson Williams, junior; Guard Curtis Armstrong, junior; Center J. W. Hammons, sophomore; Tackle Lennox Byrd, junior; Student Manager Stanley Hurst; Coach Clyde E. Dean, and Assistant Coach J. G. Overton, who was in a large way responsible for the team's fine work as he coaches them as juniors in ward school.

The fighting Panthers finished the conference race in third position, losing to Strawn in the opening game and Baird in the closing game. Never in the history of Putnam high has Putnam finished lower than third, finishing first last year and went on to the regional finals. The Panthers and Coach Clyde Dean deserve much credit for their splendid showing this past season and from this corner goes—congratulations!

During the program all the trustees spoke as did Mr. Byrd, Mr. Overton, and Coach Dean. R. F. Webb, superintendent, was toastmaster. The girls trio, consisting of Willie Grace Pruet, Sybil Bowers and Zada Williams, and the boys' quartet, consisting of Roy Lee Williams, Dolpha Hull, Edward King and Glen Burnam, rendered numbers on the program.

Mrs. Stanley Webb played two piano solos. The banquet was very beautiful and was an outstanding feature and a beautiful close of the 1938 football season.

Putnam Man's Cousin Passes Away

J. J. Roddy of Burleson, cousin of S. W. Jobe, and cousin to Mrs. W. E. Faires of Scranton, correspondent of the Putnam News, died last Friday, December 30th, at his home on his 50th wedding anniversary. His death was attributed to liver trouble. He was 82 years of age. Mr. and Mrs. Jobe, Mrs. Loren Everett and John attended the funeral Sunday. Mrs. John Cook spent from Saturday until Wednesday there.

Mr. Roddy had lived in the same community 62 years where he had engaged in farming. He has visited in the Putnam and Scranton communities many times.

WILLIE GRACE PRUET IS HOSTESS

Miss Willie Grace Pruet was hostess to a group of friends in her home Saturday night. Chinese checkers, sticks, and various games were played after which refreshments of coffee and cookies were served. Following entertainment the group saw the picture, "Frankenstein and Dracula," at Cisco. Those present were Zada Williams, Mary Douglas Williams, Mary Lou Eubank, La Juan Gunn, Willie Grace Pruet, Doyle Gunn, Doyle Lee Brown, Jack Everett, Roy Lee Williams.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heartfelt gratitude for the many kind deeds, kind words, various expressions of sympathy to us by our beloved friends during the time of the recent death of our loved one, Carl Richardson, who passed away Friday before Christmas.

May God's richest blessing abide with you.
Grandmother McCraver, and Grandchildren.

Truett Little, coach of Rotan high school, and Osborne Little, coach at Scranton, spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Little.

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tainments where admission fee or
other monetary consideration is
charged, will be charged for at
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STOCKS AND STORES

"Merchants enlarge their stocks,
but not their stores."

In those eight words, it seems to
us, Col. Leonard P. Ayers, the
Cleveland economist, has illumina-
ted the fatal defect in the theory
that pump-priming can bring perma-
nent recovery.

Like other economists, Col.
Ayers acknowledges that business
activity is increased by increased
government spending. But he
holds—and experience seems to
support him—that business activity
stimulated by this means falls
off again when the government
spending slows down.

Perhaps the real difficulty is
that human nature has learned
slowly and painfully, throughout
many generations, that the individ-
ual who persistently lives be-
yond his income is headed, not for
prosperity, but for bankruptcy.
The pump-priming theorists may
argue endlessly that nations are
not like individuals, not subject
to the same rules. They may even
be right about that. But we doubt
whether any human being ever is
quite convinced by their argu-
ments—ever fully persuaded that
a government can go on and on,
spending more than it takes in,
without coming to grief.

So, we believe, most people who
see a government begin to spend
beyond its income say to them-
selves, "This won't last; it can't."
And, at the same time they take
eagerly whatever profit they can
from brisker business, they try to
hedge against loss when business
slows down again.

The merchant enlarges his stock,
hoping for a quick turnover, but
he doesn't build a bigger store.
The manufacturer speeds up his
machines, but he doesn't place or-
ders for new machinery. The
wheels of business turn faster, but
the tires slip on the grease of
doubt and fear. — Fort Worth
Press.

Colonel Ayers is eminently cor-
rect in the above, as the situation
is just about summed up in the
above. We are all ready to admit
that government spending will in-
crease business, but we do not

agree what outcome will be every
time. The past five years has
demonstrated what pump-priming
will do as every time that govern-
ment spending has been increased
business got better and it appeared
to many that we were on our
road to recovery. But as soon as
the shot in the arm begins to dis-
appear, we go back into another
coma. The trouble with pump
priming is that when you begin to
prime the pump with government
money, entering every line of private
business, private business
wells begin drying up and when
we get the pump primed the wells
are dry. The pump priming has
extended to many classes of busi-
ness and no private business can
compete with government business
financed by government funds fur-
nished without interest, and pay-
ing no taxes, and setting nothing
aside for depreciation. Take the
Tennessee Valley Authority, sell-
ing electric power in the Tennes-
see valley for less than cost, in
competition with other utilities
companies. This was shown by
competent evidence produced by
employees of the TVA in last
week's hearing in Washington.
They said in their testimony that
a million or so loss on TVA was
not worth mentioning. A million
or so may not be very much loss
to a lot of government employees,
who are drawing several thousand
dollars a year to spend other peo-
ple's money. But it is worth
mentioning to private enterprises
that have to earn this money to
pay this loss, besides earn enough
to take care of depreciation, taxes
and other cost, that is not figured
in government operated busi-
nesses. Besides the big power
companies are made up of the citi-
zens of the country who took
stock in the corporation and are
just as much entitled to compensa-
tion on their investment as the
man who is employed as in many
cases the men that own the stock
have all of their savings invest-
ed, and no other income. Why
shouldn't the stock holder be pro-
tected as well as the laborer or
the consumer?

STATE TRAVELING EXPENSE
IN 1936-37 WAS \$1,192,000.

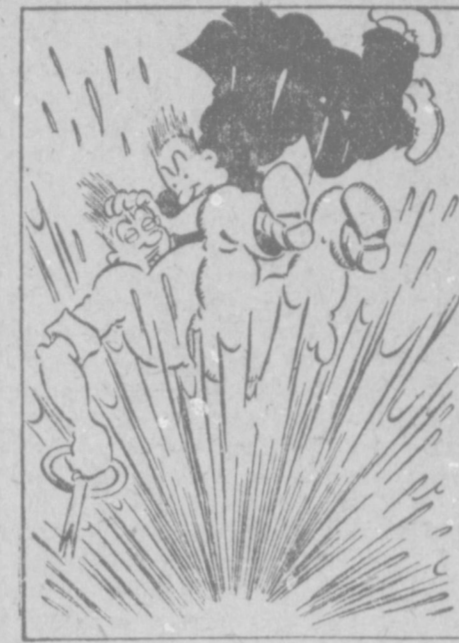
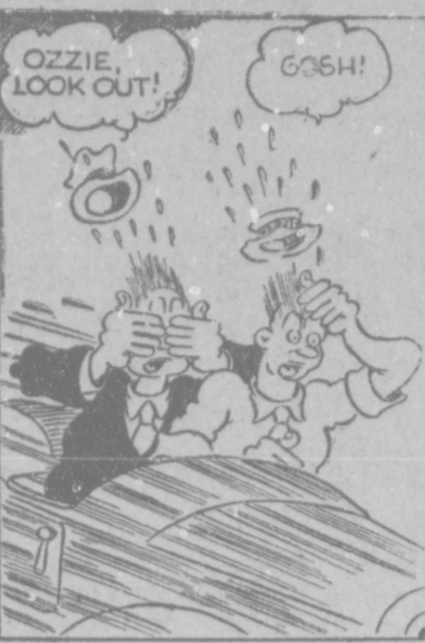
According to John T. Smith,
editor of the Tax Journal at Aus-
tin, the traveling expense increas-
ed the last year over the previous
year by \$619,495.00 and totaled
\$1,963,457.

Employees were paid \$1,192,187
in mileage for use of personal
cars, railroad and bus fares totaled
\$689,741. Employees spent \$280,-
084 for room rent and \$356,770
for meals traveling for the state.
Their incidental traveling expenses
added \$65,672.

NO AUTHORITY DECLARE A
DANCE HALL A NUISANCE

The court of civil appeals has
just recently held that neither the

THE ADVENTURES OF OZZIE



His Bluff Is Called

Scouting News

For the year 1938 troop 17 had
a total of 84 Scouts, one Scout-
master and one assistant, and six
troop committeemen.
The troop's advancement record
for the year is as follows: Nine
boys were awarded the rank of
Tenderfoot Scouts. Six boys were
awarded the rank of 2nd class
Scouts. Eight boys were awarded
the rank of 1st class Scouts. Four
boys were awarded the rank of
Star Scouts. Two Scouts were
awarded the rank of Life Scouts
which is next to the highest rank
in Scouting. Hugh V. Smith Jr.
was the only Scout to be awarded
the rank of an Eagle Scout, which
is the highest rank in Scouting.
Six courts of honor were held. One
week of summer camping at Lake
Cisco, four over night hikes, and
three hikes were taken that the
boys returned home after good bed
time.

For merit badges there was a
total of 122 passed. We started off
with 12 Scouts that have register-
ed, with several more that have
promised to pay their dues within
a few days. Mr. Overton will again
be the Scoutmaster with your
scribe as the assistant. The troop
will have six committeemen with
Mr. Hugh Smith as chairman of
the group. On Friday night, Feb.
10, the troop will hold its annual
parent and son banquet in the
high school building. All mothers
who have boys in the troop will
be asked to prepare the meal. A
program will also be given by the
troop. All parents of the scouts
have a personal invitation to be
present and help make the affair a
success.

A further notice will be given
the parents. A court of honor for
the local troop will be held next
Monday evening at 7:15 at the
Church of Christ. You are invit-
ed to come and help start the new
year right. We are planning sev-
eral over-night hikes and a week
of summer camping at Lake Cisco.

We are looking forward to a great
year of scouting in every phase of
the work.

Yours truly,
P. L. Butler, Scribe.

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FARMS

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grass land, priced right. Also for
good farms. We do not perform
miracles, but can sell your prop-
erty if price is right.

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CHRISTMAS

I have discontinued my Breck-
enridge office and will be in
Cisco all the time.

DR. W. I. GHORMLEY
1510 Ave. D. Cisco, Texas

RUSSELL & RUSELL

Attorneys and Counselors at Law
BAIRD, - TEXAS

L. L. BLACKBURN

ATTORNEY AT LAW
Baird, Texas

I GIVE YOU TEXAS
BOYSE HOUSE

There is a solemnity about the
death of an old year and the dawn
of a new one. It is a time for
taking inventory of ourselves, of
planning for richer accomplish-
ments and of hoping for greater
happiness. However, not just Janu-
ary 1 but any day can be the
start of a new year if we but will
it so. As Walter Malone said:
"Wait not for precious chances
passed away.
Weep not for golden ages on
the wane;
Each night I burn the record of
the day—
At sunrise every soul is born
again."

A statute or an ordinance is un-
constitutional when it seeks to
destroy a citizen's property right
by declaring the use of same to
be a nuisance, regardless of wheth-
er existent facts constitute such.

WHY RECOVERY LAGS

The Federal Reserve Board re-
ports that there is forty percent
more money in circulation at pres-
ent than there was in 1929, when
we had the greatest boom in his-
tory, and the national income
reached \$90,000,000,000, the high-
est in the history of the country.
After five years of regulation of
everything the income this year
will barely reach sixty billion dol-
lars, which would be much less in
terms of buying power compared
with 1932, that we have 25 percent
more money in bank accounts and
200 percent more gold than we
had in the most active financial
year in history.

Apparently we have plenty of
money, but it is not working, for
the Reserve Board adds that the
turnover of bank deposits is at the
lowest rate on record.

If we give the matter any
thought, it is pretty easy to under-
stand why our money won't work
when we consider that owners of
money will not take a chance in
the face of threats of more busi-
ness regimentation by government
mounting debt and higher taxes.
To properly work, people who
have money must have confidence
in the government. Active business
prosperity and unemployment all
await the restoration of confidence
in the minds of the people. What
is needed is not more experimenta-
tion, planned economy, and more
new fangled schemes from the pol-
iticians; but a return to American
sanity and common sense.

SENIOR B. T. U. PROGRAM
FOR SUNDAY, JAN. 8

- 1. Mrs. R. F. Webb.
- 2. Lucile Wood.
- 3. Dorothy Roberson.
- 4. W. S. Jobe Jr.
- 5. J. W. Harrison.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Buchanan
Mr. and Mrs. Ben Brazil and Niles
White visited Mr. and Mrs. G. W.
Thames at Woodsboro during the
holidays. They also visited friends
and relatives in Corpus Christi
while they were gone.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Culwell vis-
ited with Mr. and Mrs. Willie Cul-
well in San Antonio during
Christmas. Mrs. J. Y. Culwell re-
turned with them to be with J. Y.
who has accepted employment in
San Antonio.

Mrs. A. McIntosh spent the
Christmas holidays with her
daughter, Mrs. Robert Cooke and
family of Fort Worth. Mr. Mc-
Intosh and Elmer enjoyed a fish-
ing trip to the Texas coast.

Mrs. Mabel Carrio and Mr. and
Mrs. H. E. Sanders are spending
today at Sanitarium where Miss
Betty Mobley is located.

Another nomination in the
"oldest joke" contest is the min-
strel show favorite:
Interlocutor—Mr. Bones, who
was that lady I saw you with last
night?
Comedian—That wasn't no lady;
that was my wife.

Word artistry:
Presley Bryant, Fort Worth
newspaperman, after seeing the
straight up-and-down lines of the
Weatherford courthouse: "Geome-
try has done its worst."

Gordon Shearer, Austin corres-
pondent: "Casa Manana and the
Grand Canyon are the only things
I ever saw that lived up to the
claims of their press agents."

The late Cullen E. Thomas (a
candidate for the United States
Senate while the Klan was at its
height): "I am against any clan-
destine organization."
Then there was the man who
ran for mayor soon after a dam
had been built. The candidate
said: "We have a dam by a lake
site but we don't have a lake by a
dam sight."

Workers' Conference

Workers' Conference of the Cal-
lahan Missionary Baptist Associa-
tion will meet with the Denton
Valley Baptist church January 10,
1939, at 10 a. m.

10:00 a. m., Devotional song and
praise service.
10:10 a. m., Scripture reading
and devotional—Rev. R. S. Bright,
Potosi.

10:25 a. m., "Why We are Res-
ponsible for the Things of the
Spirit"—Rev. A. A. Davis, Baird.
11:40 a. m., "Our Responsibility
for the Spiritual Welfare of the
Present Generation"—Rev. C. E.
Poe, Cross Plains.

10:55 a. m., "Our Responsibility
for the Spiritual Welfare of the
Future Generation"—Rev. J. S.
Tierce, Clyde.
11:10 a. m., Announcements
music.

11:20 a. m., Sermon—Dr. N. A.
Moore, Bible teacher, Hardin-Simons
U.
Noon.

1:15 p. m., Devotional song and
praise service—Rev. Martin, H-SU
student, pastor, Admiral.
1:30 p. m., Board meeting; Re-
ports of Associational Sunday
school, B. T. U., W. M. U., Eran-
gelistic, and Mission, and Layman
work, done in the Association the
past month.

2:30 p. m., Inspirational address
—Rev. S. L. Tidmore, Abilene.
Benediction.
(Denton Valley is waiting to
welcome you).

ELECTION TUESDAY, JAN. 10

Shall we have a permanent wa-
ter system? Go to the polls and
give the city council a "Go
Ahead" Signal. Election will be
at Eva Moore's office.

MR. AND MRS. JETER VISIT
IN DENTON CHRISTMAS

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Jeter vis-
ited friends and relatives in Den-
ton Christmas, and attended a din-
ner given by one of Mr. Jeter's
brothers. The dinner was a kind
of a homecoming and Mrs. Jeter
stated that there were twenty-
nine people at the dinner. The
Jeters formerly lived there but had
not been back in a number of
years.

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Local Happenings

Joe Dickey of Albany enjoyed dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Brandon Sunday.

J. V. Tye of Fort Worth, long time friend of J. B. Brandon, stopped with Mr. Brandon Monday.

Miss Faye Warren of Eastland spent Saturday night in the home of her aunt, Mrs. J. A. Sharp and family.

Y. A. Orr spent Sunday and Monday with his daughter, Mrs. Claude Cunningham, at San Angelo.

Frank Maynard of Sweetwater spent several days in the home of his brother, L. D. Maynard and family.

Mrs. W. A. Harrison and grandsons, Donald and Billy Harrison, visited in the Elan Reeves home at Eastland Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Shackelford and sons, Gilbert and John, Franklin, visited relatives in Cross Plains Monday.

All kinds of Carpenter work, Painting or Repair work.—Charlie Davis, Putnam, Texas.

Mrs. W. B. Crawford and son, Melvin, spent Christmas day at Belle Plain with her sister, Mrs. Virgil Hughes and Mr. Hughes.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Tabor and sons of Clyde spent Sunday and Monday in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Nelson.

Mrs. J. O. Kirkpatrick and daughters, Leora and Mary Louise, spent the Christmas holidays in the home of Mrs. Kirkpatrick's mother in Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Merle Boaman of Cisco spent several days in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Maynard.

Gladys Lucile Farmer has been a victim of chicken pox this week. Nine other local cases have been reported.

Mrs. A. C. Dodson, Miss Marilyn Hill of Abilene; Miss Rena Ball of Sterling City, and sister, Mrs. Foster, visited Mrs. E. C. Waddell Friday.

John Franklin Shackelford, student of Texas University, spent the Christmas holidays in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Shackelford.

WANTED, REPAIR WORK—Carpenter work, painting, papering and any kind of repair work including watches and clocks.—C. T. DAVIS.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. De Shazo and son, and Mrs. Lucile Wood visited Mrs. De Shazo's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clark of near Tuscola Sunday. They also visited in the Kidd home.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Cox of Tyler, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Roberson and daughter, May Ann, of Dublin, and Reverend and Mrs. H. D. Blair of Cisco were guests of Reverend and Mrs. F. A. Hollis during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Cook and children of Albany, Mr. and Mrs. George Baker and children of Eunice, New Mexico, Mr. and Mrs. Malcom Hayes of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ruyle and Miss Lillian Cook of Dallas spent Christmas day in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Cook.

Miss Viola Teague spent several days with Mrs. B. J. Snoddy of Scranton this week.

Gerald Wayne Plach of Coleman spent several days in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cook this week.

R. F. Webb, superintendent of the Putnam public schools, spent the Christmas holidays in the home of his parents at Miles.

Jodie Isenhower, student of Texas University, spent the Christmas holidays in the home of his mother, Mrs. Ruth Kostris.

R. D. Brown, who is attending A. & M. College, spent the Christmas holidays in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Jackson and baby, Nancy, of Abilene spent Christmas day with Mrs. Jackson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Rogers.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cook enjoyed dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Cook of Scranton Friday.

Morris Harper, who is a student at Hardin-Simmons University at Abilene, spent the Christmas holidays in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lem Harper.

Reverend and Mrs. F. A. Hollis spent Thursday night and Friday with Mrs. Hollis's sister, Mrs. Horace Roberson and family of Dublin.

Wyatt Gilbert of Gainesville and Tige Gilbert of Austin visited their sister, Mrs. Joe Shackelford and family this week. Wyatt Gilbert plans to be located in Austin in the near future.

Chesley and Royce Pruet, who are attending Texas Technological College at Lubbock, spent the Christmas holidays in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Pruet.

Mrs. Carl Wallace of Tyler spent from Tuesday until Friday in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Yeager. Mrs. Wallace is rural school supervisor of Smith county.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bowers of Del Rio spent the Christmas holidays in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Park. Mr. Bowers is high school coach at Del Rio.

Guests in the Wiley Clinton home Christmas day and night were Mrs. Clinton's sister, Mrs. J. F. Clary and Mr. Clary of Sweetwater, and her brother, Ray Willis, Mrs. Willie and son, of Knox City.

Guests in the home of Elmer Harrison and his mother, Mrs. W. A. Harrison, Christmas Day were Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Rogers and children, Mr. and Mrs. Clovis Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. John Swinney and baby boy of Merkel, Mr. and Mrs. Lynward Harrison and children of Trent, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Reagan of Big Spring, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Harrison and son of Gorman.

Wayne and Dwight Triplitt of McCamey spent from Sunday to Tuesday visiting friends in Putnam. Wayne is employed at a service station at McCamey and Dwight begins employment in the oil industry at Mertzon Wednesday. Cecil Triplitt is employed at McCamey. The young men are formerly of Putnam and all are graduates of the Putnam high school. They have many friends here.

Mrs. J. E. Heslep was a Cisco visitor Tuesday.

Mrs. J. M. Cribbs and Mrs. Pierce Shackelford made a business trip to Eastland last Friday.

Mmes. J. E. Heslep and W. W. Heslep and W. W. Everett visited relatives in Baird Wednesday.

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Mrs. Claude King is able to be up after a continued illness of several weeks.

Mrs. B. F. Brittain is able to be out again after being confined to her room for the past several days.

Miss Wilna Pruet, teacher in the Clyde public schools, spent the holidays in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pruet.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Freeman and daughter, Doris Ann, of Lueders spent Christmas day in the home of Mrs. Freeman's mother, Mrs. Ruth Kostris.

Jack Everett, who is a student of Rice Institute at Houston, spent the Christmas holidays in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Everett.

Miss Velma Eubank left Saturday for Fort Worth where she expected to visit friends a short time before returning to San Antonio, where she is teacher in the Harlandale school.

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cook were Mr. and Mrs. H. Flach and children of Coleman, H. B. Cook of Menard, and Mrs. C. K. Peek of Crane a short time.

A lovely monument of gray granite was placed at the grave of Mrs. Melvin G. Farmer in Ross cemetery at Baird a short time before Christmas, sold by the Putnam News.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Holly and baby daughter, Shirley Lou, of Spur, spent part of the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Holly's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Barron and Mr. Holly's parents at Cottonwood.

Mrs. O. W. Green, aunt of Mrs. L. B. Williams, of Amarillo, and son, H. L. Green and children, who are attending an academy at Abilene, spent the Christmas holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Williams.

Mrs. C. K. Peek of Crane is visiting relatives in Putnam. Mrs. Peek plans to remain two or three weeks longer. The Peek family formerly lived in Putnam. Mr. Peek is associated with a grocery establishment at Crane.

Oliver Davis, Roy Lee Williams, Mrs. Lucile Woods, Dorothy Roberson, Freble Stewart, Mary Lou Eubank, Mrs. S. M. Eubank, saw the picture, "The Young In Heart," at Cisco Tuesday night following a business meeting of the senior B. T. U.

Fredalyn Cook has been confined to her home several days suffering from chicken pox. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cook. Fredalyn is going to school her first year and is fortunate to have this disease during the holiday season.

Miss Crysta Kennedy, who teaches in the Bracketville public schools, spent the holidays in the home of her mother, Mrs. Ella Moore of Goree, another daughter, spent several days in the Kennedy home also.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Stephens had as their guests during the Christmas holidays, Mr. and Mrs. Claus Stovall of Hobbs, New Mexico, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Roe of Brownwood, Mrs. Wade Andrews and small daughter, Anna Beth of Waco, Miss Willie Mae Stephens who is attending Howard Payne College.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Brandon had as their Christmas guests Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Brandon of Crane, who spent from Friday until Tuesday, Mr. and Mrs. Alolph Brandon and children of Potosi; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brandon of Abilene; Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Brandon of Gorman, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Brandon and family of Putnam.

Miss Ova Lee Farmer returned to Big Wells Thursday, where she is teacher in the public schools. She made the trip by automobile in company with Mr. and Mrs. Ben Comalander. Mr. Comalander is superintendent of the Big Wells schools. He is well known in Putnam having assisted his father, who was formerly pastor of the First Baptist church. The Comalanders visited her parents in Abilene during the holidays.

INTERMEDIATE B. T. U. PROGRAM SUNDAY, JAN. 6

- Part 1—Dorothy June Selley.
- Part 2—Glenn Burnam.
- Part 3—Frances Lunsford.
- Part 4—Wanda Wood.
- Part 5—Zada Williams.
- Part 6—James Kennedy.
- Part 7—Mrs. F. A. Hollis.

W. M. S. HAS BUSINESS MEETING

The Women's Missionary Society of the First Baptist church had a business meeting at the church Tuesday afternoon at 3. Mrs. E. G. Scott, president, presided, and led the devotional reading from the 23rd Psalm. Business reports were heard from chairmen. A church total of \$48.00 was reported for the Lottie Moon Christmas offering; and the apportionment for the year was paid to date. Those present were Mmes. John Cook, H. E. Butler, W. A. Ramsey, W. M. Crosby, W. E. Pruet, G. P. Gaskins, Ben Brazil, S. M. Eubank, W. M. Tatom, E. G. Scott.

Miss Ruth Mobley left Sunday for Gorman where she is engaged in the professional nursing.

Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Gaskins and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Willard Gaskins at Abilene.

Mr. Exal McMillan of Kilgore is spending some time in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Gaskins.

L. E. Park returned to his home before Christmas after visiting his daughters, Mmes. R. D. Williams and R. L. Clinton.

Miss Lera Fleming, who is employed at Abilene, spent several days with her mother, Mrs. Lula Fleming, during the holidays.

Miss Erlene Pruet, who is attending college at San Marcos, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pruet, during the holidays.

Several Faye Weeks is spending several days in the home of Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Brittain. Mrs. Brittain has been on the sick list.

Mrs. Roy Williams and sons, Bennie Burns, J. Nelson, and Stanley Neil, visited relatives in Scranton this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fisher of Cotton Valley, Miss., spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Fisher.

Melvin Smith, senior in A. & M. College, visited Miss Myrline McCool during the week-end. Mr. Smith's home is in Stephenville.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. White and children of Merkel spent from Thursday to Sunday in the home of Mrs. White's parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Teague.

Cluck Barr, accompanied by Mr. Wegley of near Putnam, spent the Christmas holidays at his home in San Diego, California.

Jack Scott, editor of the Cross Plains Review, and Elliott Bryant of Cross Plains stopped a short time Friday for a friendly visit in the office of The Putnam News.

Miss Vella Sandlin has been on the sick list several days being confined to her bed. Vernon Sandlin of Big Spring, visited in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Sandlin during the holidays.

Guests in the home of Mrs. W. H. Norred Sunday were Ray Hill and Miss Verna Lee Carson, Mr. and Mrs. Jarres McComie of Abilene, Miss Elaine Norred and Bruce Long of Wichita Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cooke of Fort Worth spent Monday in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. McIntosh. Mrs. Robert Cooke Sr. of Winters met them here and returned with them for an extended visit.

Mr. and Mrs. John Jenkins and son, Louis, of Seagraves, spent Christmas night and Monday morning with Mrs. Mary Guyton of the Mission Hotel. They visited Mrs. Jenkins' Mother, Mrs. W. J. Biggerstaff, and sister, Mrs. D. C. Lambley.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Williams and son of Stanton, Mr. and Mrs. Nat Williams and children of Baird, and Garland Morrison of Odessa were guests in the home of Mrs. Louie Williams and Lewis A. Williams and family during the holidays.

Miss Eloise Norred left Sunday for Wichita Falls, where she is teacher in the public schools. She attended a banquet at the First Baptist church Saturday night in company with Bruce Long of Wichita Falls. Mr. Long is an electrician.

COUNTY AGENT'S COLUMN

With practically all economists and the United States Department of Agriculture predicting a better year in 1939 than in 1938, it is encouraging to note that, based on past predictions, they are correct nine times out of ten.

Morris Edwards of Denton who last year filled 4 new trench silos with 750 tons of sweet and grain sorghums reports that he has started feeding some steers silage, barley and cottonseed meal and that he has never seen steers do as well as these have. He also reports that his milk cows have given one-third more milk since he started feeding them silage.

It is encouraging to see men building self feeders for hogs and preparing to make this a regular part of the farming program in a little bigger way than heretofore. Lester Farmer of Eula, D. C. Foster of Atwell, and R. W. Robinson of Iona report that new self feeders for hogs are being used. Mr. Robinson reports that the job of feeding is much easier and less trouble. All he has to do is to fill up the feeder and keep out water. Another advantage of a feeder is that it is not necessary to grind feed because hogs soon realize that there is plenty to eat and are in no hurry about eating consequently chew the feed even though it is not ground up for them. The above is findings of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Stations.

The week of January 8-15 has been designated as soil conservation week in Texas. With 4,640 acres of land terraced or laid off on the contour in 1938, which is more than 1000 acres greater than has been laid off in any previous year, it might not seem as though very much more of that kind of work would be needed. However there are thousands of acres more of land in the county it would pay big dividends to the owners to terrace. And farmers of the county are still terracing as is shown by the fact that requests are on file for lines to be laid off on 780 acres.

Oven Bains and Leo Tyler are putting up their cured hams, shoulders, and sides of pork in reined cottonseed oil. Meat stored in this manner will not dry out and has the added advantage of keeping sweeter and then again there is no worry from skippers and other insects. Meat stored in oil does not become rancid and strong near as quickly as when treated in the ordinary way. They plan to cure the meat, then smoke it, wash and dry it, then pack tightly in a can or crock and cover the meat with the oil for about 1 inch, then cover the container and store it away in the coolest place possible.

The 1939 sign-up for club boys has just started. To date the following cards have been received: Atwell club, D. C. Foster, Roy Dyes, Milton Sessions, Roy Neil Tatom, Coleman Pillins, J. B. Riffe and Deibert McWilliams; Cottonwood club, Roy Lee Champion, Pat Baker, Floyd Weaver, Orvan Peavy, Everett Neil Strahan; Denton club, J. O. Connell, Edgar Connell, Donald Boston, Ralph Wood, and Jake Merrill.

Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Browning and five children and Mr. and Mrs. George Conner and family of Fort Worth were guests in the home of Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Brittain during the holidays.

MILDRED YEAGER NOTARY PUBLIC Putnam, Texas

THE DOCTORS ARE RIGHT

Women should take only liquid laxatives

Many believe any laxative they might take only makes constipation worse. And that isn't true. Do what doctors do to relieve this condition. They use a liquid

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A cleansing dose today; a smaller quantity tomorrow; less each time, until bowels need no help at all.

laxative, and keep reducing the dose until the bowels need no help at all. Reduced dosage is the secret of aiding Nature in restoring regularity. You must use a little less laxative each time, and that's why your laxative should be in liquid form. A liquid dose can be regulated to the drop. The liquid laxative generally used is Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. It contains senna and cascara—both natural laxatives that form no habit even with children. Syrup Pepsin is the nicest tasting, most acting laxative you ever tried.

ATWELL

Mrs. Travis Purvis and children from Wink visited relatives here during the holidays.

Woodrow Jones has been real sick with pneumonia but is doing nicely at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Mercer and children from Kilgore visited Mrs. Mercer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Brashear Christmas week.

Miss Linnie Brashear returned home with her sister for a few days. A large crowd of relatives and friends gathered at Mr. S. N. Foster's Saturday, Dec. 31, to celebrate Mr. Foster's grandfather's 94th birthday.

Uncle Wiley, as he is called by all that know him, seems to be in very good health and enjoys his birthdays very much.

A bountiful dinner was served to about 125 people. Mrs. Ben Riffe and children spent Christmas with her sister, Mrs. Alexander, who lives in Lampasas.

Miss Opal Pillans from Ranger, is visiting with homefolks this week.

Mrs. Sherman Pillans and sons, Lawrence, John Mack and little daughters, spent Christmas with relatives here.

WOMAN'S STUDY CLUB MET IN WADDELL HOME

The Woman's Study Club of Putnam met in the home of Mrs. E. C. Waddell Monday afternoon at 3, with Mrs. Waddell hostess. Subject for the program was "The Thralldom to the Soil. The People of Southern Culture—Culture in the South was discussed by Mrs. R. L. Clinton; The Farmer and His Future—Culture in the South, by Mrs. S. M. Eubank.

Mrs. R. L. Clinton, vice-president, presided for a short business meeting. Roll call was answered with current events. The following officers were re-elected for next year:

President—Mrs. H. A. Pruet. First vice-president—Mrs. R. L. Clinton. Second vice-president—Mrs. L. E. Cook.

Treasurer—Mrs. E. C. Waddell. Recording secretary—Mrs. L. B. Williams.

Corresponding secretary—Mrs. W. H. Norred. Parliamentarian—Mrs. Mark Shurwin.

All officers were re-elected following a year's service. Those present were Mmes. Mark Shurwin, L. B. Williams, S. M. Eubank, John Cook, L. E. Cook, Wiley Clinton, R. D. Williams, Lynn L. Williams, Fred Farmer, G. S. Pruet, R. L. Clinton, Miss Mildred Yeager.

BARGAIN DAYS EXTENDED

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram Bargain Rates are extended to January 10th. Without Sunday, \$6.45. With Sunday, \$7.45. The Abilene Reporter-News through January, without Sunday \$3.95. With Sunday, \$4.95.—The Putnam News.

Miss Mary Sue Mobley of Cisco spent several days in the I. G. Mobley home during the holidays.

THINK THIS OVER

The fellow that says prosperity is just around the corner, forgets to tell you the building is round.

Bringing back prosperity is not a question of war, peril, or breaking up old codes and social organizations, but the distributing of the agricultural and manufactured products of our country.

What you make, makes you. Good or bad.

I wonder why New Year's eve makes a fellow look wishy-washy around the eyes.—L.G. Bell, Cisco.

ELECTION TUESDAY, JAN. 10

Shall we have a permanent water system? Go to the polls and give the city council a "Go Ahead" Signal. Election will be at Eva-Moore's office.

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Youngest donors to the fund for a campus chapel at Texas State College for Women, Denton, are Misses Anita Lee Voelkel, 3 years, and Patricia Sue Voelkel, 8 months, who sent contributions of one dollar each. Prospective students of 1952 and 1955, the two small philanthropists are daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Kermit E. Voelkel of Austin and nieces of a present student at the college, Miss Minnie Mae Voelkel.

The chapel will be about fifteen years old when she attend TCCW.

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Today's Thought—think it over seriously: The cost of living doesn't have much affect on its popularity.

SENIOR NEWS

By Willie Grace Pruet
 Here we are back again greeting the new year with a smile and new resolutions. Climbing the ladder to success and happiness, we are starting the new year by studying harder and enjoying each moment that the coming year holds in store for us. Somehow we believe the following year will be better to all of us than the former year because it is starting right and going along smoothly so far. We are going to do our best to make it one of the best years known to us since we have been in school. Before this new year is over our class will be divided. There will be a few attending colleges and universities; few will be working in various places and few will be staying at home. We are hoping that each senior may attend college somewhere and someday. Each senior may attend some college if they have the determination and willpower which it takes to do anything in life. Seniors, luck to you during the coming year.

The Seniors' New Year Resolutions
 Mildred—I resolve to stay at home more.
 Zada—I resolve never to break another promise.
 Sybil—I resolve never to talk out during study period.
 Willie Grace—I resolve to keep

my locker cleaner.
 Roy Lee—I resolve never to be angry at certain people.
 Bennie Burns—I resolve never to be lost again.
 Doyle Lee—I resolve to be more serious.
 W. S.—I resolve to be better in all ways.
 J. W. Harrison—I resolve never to chew gum during classes.
 Oliver Culwell—I resolve to eat Wheaties every morning for breakfast.
 Buster Roberson—I resolve to study harder.
 Doyle Gunn—I resolve never to play hookey again.
 The Senior Class—We resolve to be a better class, cooperation at all times, and study harder during the following year. We also resolve to improve ourselves as individuals.

FAMOUS LAST WORDS
 You incur no obligation when you mail the coupon—La Juan Gunn.
 Barbers everywhere recommend it—Mildred King.
 Pull over to the curb—Bennie Burns.
 Please pay the cashier—Doyle Lee.

Would you care to leave a message?—Mr. Overton.
 Thirty days free trial—Sybil Bowers.
 Must you go?—Zada Williams.
 Guess who this is—Mr. Webb.
 How many minutes till the bell?—Buster Robinson.

Post Scripts.
 Flattery is 90 percent soap, and soap is 90 percent lye.
 As one girl put it, "Everything I want to do is either illegal, immoral, or fattening."

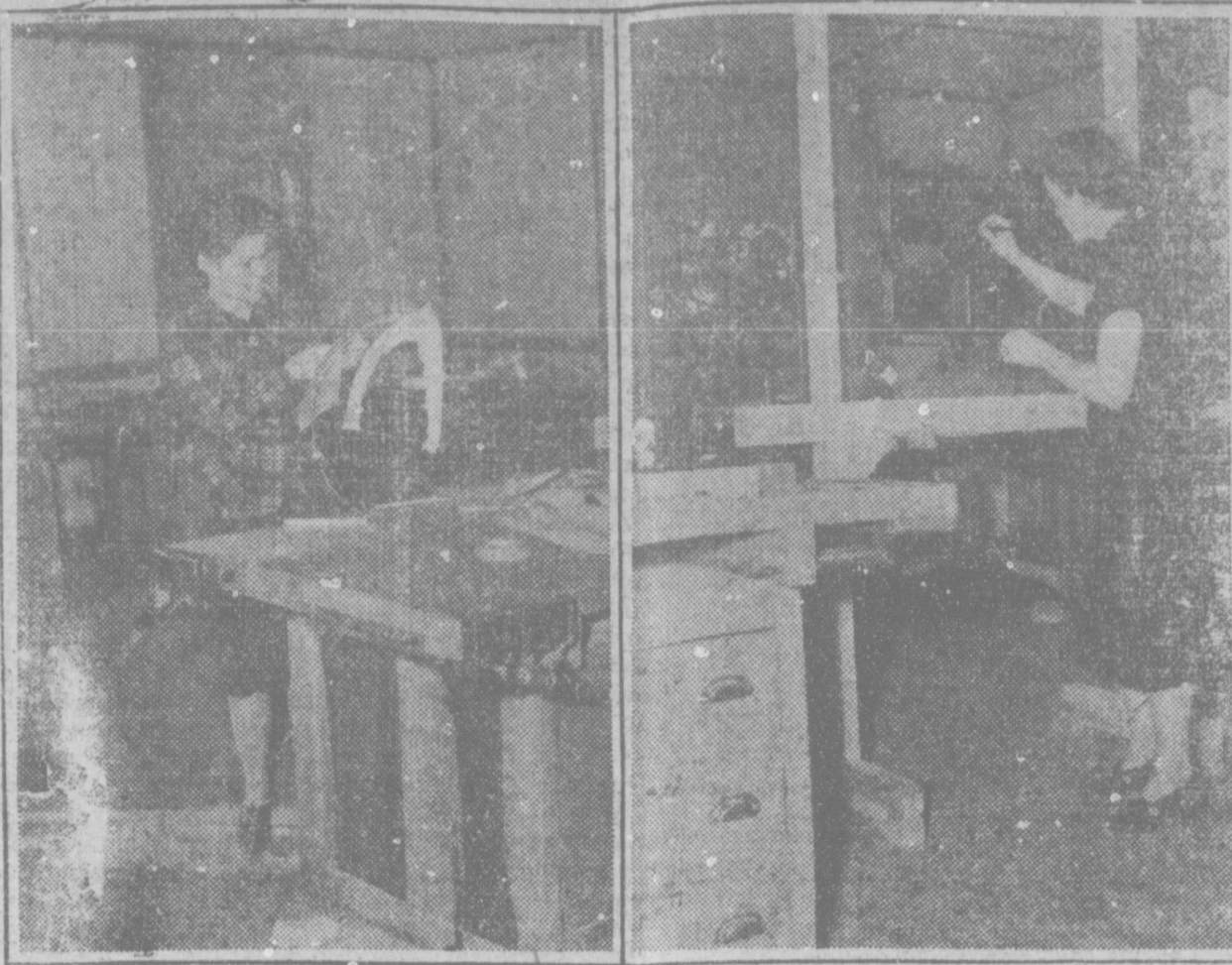
JUNIOR CHATTER
 A cherry "hello" to all of you. Was Santa good to you? We hope he was, because he was very good to us. We are proud that we have been good, because we were rewarded for our goodness at Christmas.

As we have approached the end of 1938, let us review the happenings of this year. Of course we have made mistakes, had disappointments and happiness, and with all this we think that it has been a pretty successful year. Let us enter into the new year with renewed efforts to profit by our mistakes we made in the old year. Let us enter into this new year with courage and strength to do the right things, and to accomplish our righteous goal. The junior class resolves to make more progress this year than last. May all of you make that resolution.

All In Fun (Don't Get the Wrong Idea)
 Boys will grow up.
 This is what each class member says when he goes out at night.
 Freshman: "Mamma, may I go out tonight?"
 Sophomore: "Going out tonight, Mother. Home at ten."
 Junior: "Going out tonight, Dad."
 Senior: "G'night, Dad, I'll bring in the milk."

Live and Learn—
 Lennox is so dumb about cars he thinks that you have to strip the gears to cool the motor.

Collegiate Artists Substitute for Experts In Designing Windows and Lights for Chapel



Two young Texas artists have suddenly found themselves entrusted with one of the largest and most unique tasks ever attempted by students—the design and construction of stained glass windows and hand-wrought metal furnishings for a campus chapel at Texas State College for Women. Miss Sammy Tate (left) of Ennis will create the metal fixtures, and Miss Beatrice Paschall, Amarillo, is working on the windows. Few original designs have been used for church windows anywhere in Texas, this work usually being left up to craftsmen in large factories.
 Miss Paschall is shown as she works on an experimental pattern, trying various pieces of colored glass in the light. Miss Tate begins with a spherical wire frame on which she places strips of cardboard to determine the design. The finished product will be a metal frame around a frosted globe. The Chapel, on which construction will be started this spring, will be located on a wooded hilltop back of the college.

Definition of a farm: A portion of land entirely covered by a mortgage.
 We have found out that our janitor had rather sleep than heat.
 Well, folks, we have had enough foolishness for this week so we will just have to say goodbye.

SOPHOMORE GOSSIP
 Christmas holidays are gone with all their joys.
 And the sophomores are back at school without any toys—Hello, folks!
 How did you like that poetic start that we gave for this bright, shiny new year? Anyway we thought that it was kinda cute for the occasion. We aren't really concerned but we do feel our importance in this great institution of learning.

We know you all are happy about the grand holidays and as for us we are glad to be back in school again.
 We are sure you have made resolutions and we hope that they are good ones. In the year of 1939 the sophomore class hopes to accomplish much and even more than in previous years. We hope that you Mr. Public, will have a happy and prosperous new year.

FRESHMAN GAD-ABOUT
 After the whirlwind of hurry and bustle of the holidays the little freshmen were left standing with their eyes wide open in amazement! Well, any way we had a good time during Christmas. We hope that each of you had a very enjoyable Christmas and as equal enjoyable New Year's celebration.
 Now that we have had the holidays and a good rest, we have resolved to study harder and especially for our mid-term examinations.

Our class will miss Jerry Abbott very much since she has moved away.
 Not much this week so I guess we will have to close, but we faithfully promise that next week we will have something new. Good-bye until next week!

Panthers. Remember Santa's Visit in '37

Oliver Davis, Sports Editor
 It is very unusual for that jolly old fellow called "Santa Claus" to visit before December 25, but just that unusual incident happened to the "good little boys" last December. These "good little boys" were the gallant Putnam Panthers, all dressed clean and bright in Putnam's immortal blue and white.

Since their high school was the smallest in the district, the Panthers knew that Santa just couldn't stop here, but some kind old gent told the Panthers that if they were good boys that Santa would not overlook them. So the Panthers with this encouragement began to click and be good under the guidance of Santa's helpers. Coach Clyde E. Dean and Superintendent R. F. Webb. The Panthers were very naughty at Throckmorton last year before they knew that they would have to be good. So on successive week-ends this gallant little band of Panthers either visited or were hosts to Strawn, Clyde, Moran, Rising Star, and May. At each visit the boys were better and better and everyone began to admire these little fel-

lows from a small school which many fans had never before heard.
 Then came the excitement. Santa promised the little Panthers a very big gift and would give it early if they continued to be nice, and especially when they visited the highly touted Bears in Baird. So with this in mind Coach Dean carried his "boys" to visit the Bears and the Panthers remembering Santa's promise, were so "nice" they made 13 points while the disappointed Bears were so jealous they could only make 6 points. So when Santa opened his book, he noticed that the Panthers had given him 13 points compared to Baird's 6. Santa was overjoyed at this kind deed and he placed an honor on the Putnam Panthers which no school the size of Putnam has ever witnessed and ever will, unless the Panthers repeat.

Santa invited the boys from Nacoma and the Panthers to meet each other in Cisco, and proving their supreme power the Panthers again made 20 points while Nacoma kept all of theirs and took them home. This was enough to convince this kind old gent so he came to Putnam high on December 3 and awarded Coach Dean and his gallant band of boys "The Bi-District Championship," and said, "boys you have won honor for yourselves, your school, and your loyal supporters. Never in my life have I done this before, but since the school is so small and you have done so much, take this Bi-District and cherish it the remaining days of your life, for there will never be another team in this district to accomplish this feat, unless you boys do it again."

With the bi-district theirs Coach Clyde Dean, Superintendent R. F. Webb and Jack Everett, captain, Franklin Shackelford, Oliver Davis, Newt Steen, Billie McMillan, Roy Lee Jobe, Keith King, Glenn Elzay, Doyle Gunn, J. W. Hammons, Oliver Culwell, Buster Roberson, Stanley Hurst, Bennie Burns Williams Melvin Crawford, W. S. Jobe, Doyle Lee Brown, Curtis Armstrong, Herbert Sharp and Manager Roy Lee Williams looked on smiling and with admiration for this great honor, which no other school, not even "Big Baird," would ever equal in a decade, "Bi-District Champions."

Baird Tries It in '38
 The Baird Bears thought they would try to do what the now famous Panthers of '37 did, make Santa visit them early. But they were unable to even near the record of the Panthers, being stopped at the district. So the Bears found out that Santa and the fans were not going to bestow honors upon them, they begin to "heap honors upon themselves" and buy big trophies to show to visitors. However with all their big shows, some visitor found the little Putnam high school and after seeing what these youngsters did under the leadership of Coach Dean, overwhelming the big school of Laird, they forgot the self-boasting Bears and took the fans' choice—the small but ever fighting Putnam Panthers and their immortal achievement—A BI-DISTRICT TEAM FROM A HIGH SCHOOL OF ONLY 40 BOYS.

Miss Ova Lee Farmer, who is teaching in Tom Green county, visited with her aunt, Mrs. Lula Dixon, and Mrs. Bishop during the holidays.

SNODDYS MOVE BACK TO SCRANTON

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Snoddy moved to Scranton Friday after having lived in Putnam a little longer than a year. The Snoddys formerly lived at Scranton. They were outstanding citizens of Putnam and made many friends during their stay who regret their departure. Mr. Snoddy has been suffering from a severe ailment recently but is reported improved at the present time.

W. N. BLACK FAMILY HAS REUNION

The home of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Black of Scranton was the scene of a family reunion Sunday, December 25th, at which time their children and families were present. The list included Mr. and Mrs. Granville Black and children of Austin, Orville Black of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. F. Y. Cook of Putnam, Mrs. Brown of Cisco, mother of Mrs. Black; Hoyt Brown, brother to Mrs. Black, Mrs. Brown and children of Austin; Mr. and Mrs. Chester Brown and children of Llano were also present. A lovely dinner featuring turkey and venison was served.

FORMER PUTNAM MAN VISITS IN PUTNAM

Titte Gilbert of Austin, former Putnam man, visited his sister,

Mrs. Joe Shackelford, a short time this week. Mr. Gilbert holds a position with the Board of County and District Road Indebtedness at Austin. He was formerly in the grocery business in Putnam. Mrs. Gilbert was an expression teacher in the Putnam public schools. They have two sons and one daughter.

Miss Mary Douglas Williams, a student of Hardin-Simmons University spent the holidays with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Williams.

Dr. M. C. McGowan

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ELECTION TUESDAY, JAN. 10

Shall we have a permanent water system? Go to the polls and give the city council a "Go Ahead" Signal. Election will be at Eva Moore's office.

Mrs. Walter Hayden of Cisco spent Christmas day with her sister, Mrs. Fred Cook and family.

JACKSON ABSTRACT

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