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"When The One Great Scorer Comes To Write Against Your Name He Writes Not If You Won Or Lost But How Yor Played The Game"

Putnam Cemetery In Bad Condition From The Editor's * Should Be Cleaned Window

The Putnam cemetery. This is everybody's business; but if you er is excellent at present and he Thanksgiving Day for the year 1941 has come and gone. Really there were two of them and a part has been no ones business. There centage gain in "wages" over June, of our people chose to observe is really no one to blame since 1939, is as follows: Thursday, November 20, according every body paid little attention and to previous arrangements, while deft it for some one else.

others decided to wait until the last If you haven't been out there Thursday in the month which is the traditional day with most of us. grown up in grass, weeds and This year the date fell on the brush of every kind, with grass per cent, non-durable goods industtwenty-seventh of the month. Next burs thrown in until it is in a de- ries, hourly earnings 3.7 and weekly year there will be only one. Thanksplorable condition, as it is diffi- earnings 10.6 per cent higher. giving Day for the nation, accord- cult to get around on account of As to the farmers, the increase ing to a very recent statement by the President, and that will be the last Thursday in the month of November.

once as out-of-town people going As Thanksgiving time drew near out there to a funeral or for any paid by farmers 14.2 per cent highturkey prices began to soar and it other reason it makes a very bad er, while the price rise in the things appearance was found that the market for dressed turkeys had advanced 1-2 to 2 cents per pound over the prices of considerable money in placing monu- were bringing in 1939. the week prior to Thanksgiving. Wholesale prices were said to have mens at their graves, and should ranged from 20 1-2 to 29 cents per fire get started it would very likely pound. Last year, according to the ruin every monument in the cemeetery, as the grass is so high the statement, prices were from 13 to fire would make heat enough to 24 cents. crack them until they would be

During the month California has been visited by another earthquake causing damage estimated at nearly one-million dollars. Although the shall we do about it? worst since the shock of 1933, which took about 130 lives, no deaths were HOME DEMONSTRATION reported in this most recent one.

Much excitement in the affected areas prevailed as people rushed from falling buildings. The rocking shocks apparently had a from east to west motion and continued as long as twenty seconds in the areas worst hit.

Texas is said to lead all other by the Dressy Club. states at the present time in the number of air force listening posts. They are said to have reached the The Texas goal of these posts is were viewed. said to be 3,610 and will be used by the air force in maneuvers.

Farmer And Worker In Much Better Po-Sition, Prices Up

The average position of the work-

will drive out and take a look you enjoyes a substantial gain in livwill come to the conclusion that it ing standards over 1939. The per All industries per cent gain,

Hourly Earnings 7.8 per cent, weekly earnings 21.6 per cent, durable drive out and take a look. It has goods industries, hourly earnings 8.9 per cent, weekly earnings 24.4

grass burs, cockle-burs and other in what he gets for his products has trash. The Putnam people should been much sharper than the rise in make an effort to have it cleaned price he pays for goods. Here are up for various reasons and do it at the percentage increase in what he has to sell since June 1939. Prices

the farmer has to sell is 56.2 or a Many people here have loved ones net gain in purchasing power of 42 buried out there and have spent per cent over what farm product

> Merkel To Have Hereford Sale On December The 9th

ruined, if they did not crack from the heat they would be smoked up Merkel in announcing a sale of until it would ruin them or spoil Herford cattle through catalogues the looks to say the least. What that are being distributed by Largent--Stevens ranchers of a sale of Mr. & Mrs. Johnson Hefords at Merkel for December 9th. One of the features of the sale CLUBS HAVE COUNTY will be the seven year old herford WIDE TOUR FRIDAY bull, Publican Domino the 35th. The entire herd of show cattle will be a The County Home Demonstration | featured of the sale. The sale is

Friday, November 21. The Cross ers and traders from several coun-Plains ladies joined the other clubs | ties. at Dressy, where a picnic lunch was spread. The coffee was furnished CALLAHAN COUNTY BOY SCOUTS WILL MEET

Kitchen demonstrators were visited in the Dressy, Cross Plains, The Boy Scouts of Callahan Coun-Cottonwood, Zion Hill, Putnam and ty will hold a Court of Honor on number of 924. Next highest to Union clubs, after Lunch. Many Monday night December first, at the Texas is Georgia with 618 posts. beautiful and convenient kitchens District Court room at Baird beginning promptly at 7:30 P.M.

Clubs sponsored a county wide tour, expected to attract many cattle buy-



ONE ANCHOR NOT ENOUGHI

Captain And Mrs. **Boettger** Visiting

A. W. Johnson of the Hart com-He was here to meet the Sunshine | ient; but it is not. Special on which Captain and Mrs.

New York.

Farmers Gin Has

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1941. No. 34

Mrs. J. H. Higgins **Elected** President Admiral HDM Club

The Admiral Home Demonstration Club met Wednesday, November 9, eastern seaboard provided a perin the home of Misses Bertie and fect example of a politically creat-Ethel Eastham. Plans were made ed crisis which had almost no foundfor a Christmas party and also for ation in fact, states a nation-wide a Christmas tree at the Admiral industrial news review, recalling church.

gins, Miss Bertie Eastham, vice- of dwindling, are reported on the president, Mrs. G. F. Eubank, sec- increase. retary, Mrs. J. D. Cauthan council

member and reporter. Mrs. Roy Higgins, recreation leader. The next meeting of the club will be November 26th, with Mrs. G. F.

Eubank, at which time Miss Steffens, will give the fruit cake demonstration. Refreshments were served the

following; members, Mrs. Roy Higgins, Mrs. G. F. Eubank, Mrs. J. J. Trussell, Mrs. J. D. Cauthan, Misses Bertie and Ethel Eastham and Miss Dollie Smith.

Wheat Allotments Not To Be Issued After November 30

The Callahan 'AAA offices has been advised by the State Office that November 30, 1941, is the closing date for accepting request for 1942, new grower wheat allotments.

Farmers who have not planted any wheat for harvest during 1939-'40 and 1941, but desire to plant wheat for the first time in 1942,

All farms receiving wheat allotregardless of the size of the acre- widespread socialization of industry

Electric Shortage Is So Much Baloney Declare Utility Men The alleged "oil shortage" on the

that the unnecessary rationing of Officers elected for 1942, as fol- gasoline has been abandoned and lows; President, Mrs. J. H. Hig- that reserve stocks of oil, instead

> To West Texans, conscious of shutdowns in oil fields and knowing that refineries were operating far below capacity, the so-called shortage appeared incredible.

They also may be skeptical of the so-called "electric power shortage" which are periodically forecast with scare headlines, for they fall in the same fategory as the non-existent oil shortage.

Promoters of socialized power. for the past decade, have used various subterfuges to promote political control of the electric industry including flood and irrigation projects inasmuch as they had popular support and could be used to "cover up" the real objective.

Now it looks as if they're adopting a new angle. Under the claims of "power shortages", none of which has ever put in its scheduled appearance, they are trying to divert defense funds for the purpose of duplicating an electric system already serving the country adequately and prepared to expand as the need arises.

What is the truth of the matter? Not one really serious power shortacreage which new growers will age has occurred except, perhaps, receive is taken from the county in the TVA area where drought reserve, which in most cases, re- played hafoc with the water-power and after they had taken over the system, and to mislead the people ments for the first time this year, to the point where they will accept

age, will be classfied as non-allot- according to the Review. ment farms. Regulations also state "The politicians who denounce that the larger of the wheat acreage | industry loudest and oftenest," it allotment of 15 acres may be haris stated, "are the politicians v vest without deductions. Non al- are most lustful for more power, lotments farms will not be eligible more authority, more pork barrels. for either conservation or party They are attempting to use this emsuch as license receipt or bill of payments, but in case marketing ergency to destroy from within the quotos are in effect loans may be American system which the arms made on that portion of the wheat program is designed to defend, to in excess of the farm marketing protect, and to perpetuate." More than .90 per cent of that Request for new grower allot- power comes from private utilities. ment should be filed in the AAA In short, while a few politicians the closing date November 30, 1941. private utilities are going ahead and doing the work. While the utilities are subjected to every known form of political vilification, they are spending the money to

Every Car Owner Must Have Title

There are many car owners that munity was in Putnam, Saturday do not have what is called a title afternoon and while here he called to their cars and think that because at the News office for a short visit. they have bill of sole that is suffic- are considered new growers. The

Section 53, paragraph B. of the Robert Boettger of Yonkers, New Certificate of Title Act provides York arrived on. They are visiting that the department or any agent presents approximately three per theories of the socialist-politicians their daughter, Mrs. Johnson. This thereof shall not after the first of cent of the county allotment. is their third visit to Texas, and January 1942, register or re-register they expect to remain here for two any motor vehicle unless the owner or three weeks before returning to has in his possession an official

> If you owned your motor vehicle prior' to October the first, and have

Before December 31

certificate of title.

garage and asked the mechanic :- Jim Barr, who has prepared an ab- Troop 62, Clyde; Troop 50, Baird; "Can you fix this fender so my undance of food, in such an attac- Troop 53, Baird; Troop 17, Puthusband will not know it was bent"? fix it so that in a few dayss you Home Demonstration Club. can ask him how he bent it."

It was Jack's first day at school. Upon his return home his father asked, "Well, son, what did you learn today?"

"I didn't learn anything in the schoolhouse, but at recess I learned another little boy to stay off me," was the reply.

Who has opportunity these days to live chivalrously? There is a want of regard for the finer things. That regard seems not to be in demand. War is spreading over the world. We may have to join with Riffe, secretary; Mrs. J. C. Brashit. If so, let us try to keep our eyes ear, Council delegate. on the main point :- The glory is not in the war but in the attempt to bring to fruition man's dream of Miss Ellen Steffens, was postponed a world in which there is honor and liberty and justice and a reverence for proper things. -The Ping Rag.

Newspaper Columnist Dorothy in a pressure cooker. The general Thompson has filed suit for divorce public is cordially invited to attend from her famous husband; Sinclair the meeting. Lewis. They were married in Lond-Mr. Lewis in New York and is re- Mrs. J. M. McWilliams. turned at the December court session.

The major part of the estate of GINNED TO NOV. 15 the late Mike Hogg, valued at several million dollars in oil interests and land, has been left to Mrs. Hogg and other patriotic ends be estab- only 58 bales over the county. lished and maintained.

Mrs. Easten Parrish of the Union PREACH AT BAPTIST community was in Putnam for a CHURCH SUNDAY short time Tuesday afternoon.

Clark Tabor of Clyde, met at the coming of the Nelson family.

demonstrator, Mrs. Don McCall, who present whether he is to receive has a very convenient kitchen. Also, an advancement or not. The troops A woman motorist drove into a our local pantry emonstrator, Mrs. that are expected to be there are: "No, lady", he replied. But I can Taylor, president of the Cross Plains School and Troop 61, at Cottonwood."

> Those attending the meeting Friday, from Cross Plains were: Mrs. George Scott, Mrs. C. R. Cook, Mrs. Don McCall, Mrs. Ida Graves, Mrs. short visit. I. H. Hall and Mrs. Charles Taylor.

ATWELL H. D. CLUB IN MEETING TUESDAY

The Atwell Home Demonstration Club met at the school house Tues-

day evening, November 25, with Mrs. Ben Pillans, vice-president, in charge. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. J. S. Yeager several days. Alton Tatum, president; Mrs. Ben Pillans, vice-president; Mrs. J. B.

The fruit cake demonstration; which was to have been given by until Friday, December 12, when the club meets with Mrs. J. C. Brashears. Miss Steffens is to demonstrate the making of a fruit cake

Those present for the meeting on in 1928 and Miss Thompson says were: Mrs. Alton Tatum, Mrs. J. he deserted her in 1936. The couple B. Riffe, Mrs. Ben Pillans, Mrs. have one child, a son in boarding Otis Purvis, Mrs. J. P. Purvis, Mrs. school, and the columnist in her D. L. Sessions, Mrs. D. C. Foster, petition has asked custody of the Mrs. Robert Brashear, Mrs. J. C. child. The petition was served on Brashear, Mrs. M. E. Rouse and

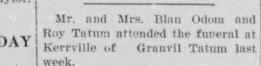
4,046 BALES COTTON AGAINST 3,988, 1940

Government Census report shows At her death the will provides that that 4,046 bales of cotton were what is left of the estate will go ginned in Callahan County from to the regents of the University of the 1941, crop prior to November Texas and a department devoted to 14th, as compared with 3,988 bales the perpetuation of the American bales ginned for the crop of 1940, principal of local self-government to same date. This an increase of

REV. BALDAREE TO

Rev. Baldaree of Mangum will Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Nelson, of preach at the Baptist church Sun-Putnam, Mr. and Mrs. Luke Cole- day at 11 A. M. at night. Every man of Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. body invited to attend these services heme of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Nelson's Mr. and Mrs. Claud King and Mrs

J. B. Eubank of the Union community was 'a town Saturday and while here made the News office a



home in Tyler Saturday after visit- greater income than the grain crop, Conlin. ing with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. which accounted for more than two

"We are especially proud of our It is urged that every scout be Closed The Season With 639 Bales

run Friday for the 1941 season gintive manner", said Mrs. Charles nam, Troop 87, Baird; at Bayou ning 639 bales as compared withabout four hundred and fifty bales

in 1940, and about three hundred Culwell of Algiers, L. A., has been the year before Quite a number home on a furlough. Misses La of farmers have reported to the Juan Gunn and John Ha Clark act- office as soon as practicable, since cry "shortage" to promote govern-News office the amount of cotton ed as hostesses to a Thanksgiving no applications may be filed after ment ownership of the industry, the grown and the amount of lint grown Dinner and supper given in honor per acre and in a short time we of Mr. and Mrs. Culwell. The event

will make an average of all of the was an all day affair. Places were set for Mr. and Mrs. Parents Teachers reports, which will show an average of more than one-half bale per Culwell, Stanley and J. H. Culwell, acre. Of course, 639 bales is not Mr. and Mrs. H. Culwell, Mrs. Monvery much cotton yet it has made a tie Gunn, Hershall Wagley, Mrs. considerable income amounting to Raymond Clark, John Ila Clark, Joe Mrs. Carl Wallace returned to her 65 or 70 thousand dollars. A much and Elingsworth Clark and Paul

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tection of dealing with home people who are

always interested in your welfare.

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automobile loans.

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not secured your certificate of title you may do so by applying through the Tax Assessor-Collector's office furnishing evidence of ownership The Farmers Gin made its final sale prior to October first, 1939.

> Chief Petty officer, Oliver W. quote.

Will Give Party **On Friday Night**

A free program will be at the high school auditorium Friday night November 28, at 7:30. Various students will give readings, dialogies, songs, etc.

During the program, members of he Parent Teachers Association will sell boxes of food, groceries, etc. These boxes have been donated by parents to the Association committeee and will be sold at a fixed price of 25c.

This Parcel Post sale is a unique affair and promises to be very entertaining. Proceeds will go to aid the school in purchasing football a wards.

GRANVILLE TATOM DIED AT KERRVILLE WEDNESDAY, DEC. 19

W. M. Tatom received a message ty was welcomed at her first meetlast Sunday that his brother, Gran- ing with the Union club with twelve vil was seriously ill at Kerrville. members.

He left immediately for Kerrville to be with him. He died Wednesday following and was buried Thurs- the club bought these cakes which day. Mr. Tatom returned to Putnam | are to be sold. Friday.

While on this trip Mr. Tatom kill- and home demonstration club baned a deer and was pretty much ex- quet, held in the first Methodist cited when he arrived home. He said church in Baird, December 11th. the deer was hung in the fense and Plans were made for the club Chrishe went back to Kerville and sec- tmas party to be held in the home ured a game warden, who gave him of Mrs. H. G. White, December 10th, a permit to kill the deer and bring 1941. Each member is urged to it home since it had broken both attend and visitors are invited. of its hind-legs trying to get out Bring a cotton gift to exchange with of the fence.

Mr. Tatom was down in town Sat-

fense industry to do so. The purpose behind these periodic denunciations of private industry is obvious-to destroy the faith of the people in the private enterprise private companies. Even in the defense "Boom Town" where industrial development for military purposes has taken place at an incredible speed is being quietly and efficiently provided.

build for tomorrow without expense

to taxpayers-probably the only de-

UNION DEMONSTRATION CLUB MET WITH MRS. ENNIS QUALLS DEC. 19

Fruit cake was the demonstration given by Miss Ellen Steffens when the Union Demonstration club held its area meeting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ennis Qualls, Wednesday evening November 19th, 1941.

Miss Steffens the new home demonstration agent of Callahan coun-

The first cake was mixed and cooked in 2 and 3 pound blocks and

Tickets were sold to the council

other ladies present.

Refreshments were served the urdey and was still talking about following: Miss Ellen Steffens, Mrs killing the deer and he called his Carl Gunn, Mrs. D. R. Jackson, Mrs. son out from the barbershop to tell Melvin Payne, Mrs. Hulan Smith, him how he killed it, and said to Mrs. Nelson Bailey, Mrs. Burette him, you boys have all been pretty Ramsay, Mrs. Jim Yarbrough, Mrs. good boys to work and have gotten Dick Yarbrough, Mrs. H. G. White, along pretty well, but I'm afraid Mrs. D. A. Abernathey, Mrs. Otis none you will ever be the hunter | Tatom and Barbara Jackson, Jessie your father has been. He killed a Farle, Ronnie, Larry, and Garland Payne and Clifford and Crroll Smith

in Abilene where they had a home J. R. Gunn were shopping in Cisco Tuesday morning.





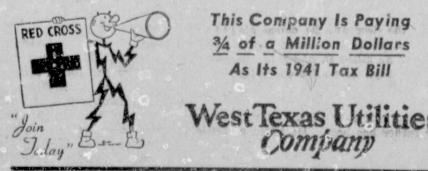


supply of cheap electric light and power, good schools and good highways. Our homes are modern and we enjoy an exceptionally high standard of living.

American way of living, or enjoyed more fully the FREE-DOM and DEMOCRACY that we now are waging a war to retain.

industries with which to pay the tremendous burden of debt now accumulating in astronomical figures and as a means of providing jobs for the many thousands of men and women left jobless when defense projects are at an end. Let's not forget that somebody must "pay the piper" for the years of boondoggling when this country should have been preparing for a war that long ago appeared inevitable.

payer too!





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