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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 You Played The Game."

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1945

From The Editor's  
Window  
BY MRS. J. S. YEAGER

It is said that six Governors of as many western states recently decided during a conference that grapefruit grown in their part of the world is superior to all others and added that the fruit doesn't even squirt as in other places.

The manager of the McAllen chamber of commerce immediately invited the Governors that they could boast their fruit does not squirt if they wish, but Texas frankly and openly brags that the Rio Grande Valley grapefruit does squirt and squirts aplenty. He said the Texas fruit is so full of delicious juice that it squirts not only at breakfast, but any other time it has a chance to squirt.

Speaking of fruit juices, we are reminded that the War Food Administration has ordered canned grapefruit juice and orange blended juices back on the ration list. The straight orange juice continues ration-free.

The point values set for grapefruit juice and blended juices are No. 2 cans, 10 points; 46 ounce cans, 20 points; No. 10 cans, 40 points each.

Administrator Chester Bowles said he could not say "just how long this situation will last, but at present it looks like the supply of canned citrus juices we can use on the home front this year will be a third less than it was a year ago."

Representative Rich of Pennsylvania has suggested that President Roosevelt, the cabinet, military leaders, the Supreme Court and the diplomatic corps all come up to Capitol Hill and kneel in prayer at a joint session with the Congress. A day in February has been proposed. The purpose of the meeting will be to ask God's divine guidance in the deliberations and actions of Congress and others in authority.

The people—Christians and non-Christians alike—are watching the doings of our leaders and practically all would be pleased with such a proceeding. In fact practically all of us hope our leaders will have such a meeting and more than one. A praying nation will not go very far in the wrong way.

Sir Thos. Barlow, 99 years old, physician to three British rulers, died January 15. He had attended Queen Victoria, King Edward VII and King George V.

Barlow's rules for long life were no strong liquors, temperance in everyday living, and no smoking while at work.

A family dinner at the Governor of Texas mansion was said to be the only special gathering to mark the inaugural of Coke Stevenson as Governor and John Lee Smith as Lieutenant Governor.

Some twenty-two guests were present including Lt. Governor and Mrs. Smith and the Governor's mother, Mrs. Virginia Stevenson of Junction.

British Sailor:—"Battle-ships? Why the flagship of our Navy is so big the captain travels around the deck in an automobile."

American Sailor:—"That's nothing. The galley of our flagship is so big the cook has to go through the Irish stew in a submarine to see if the potatoes are done."

A group of tourists left their car and went to look at some old Indian ruins. One of them remembered they had

## VETERANS LOANS MAY BE USED ON ANY BUSINESS

The necessary machinery for processing applications for veterans of World War II for business loans under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 (G. I. Bill of Rights) has set up in the Dallas Loan Agency of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, L. B. Glidden, manager of the local agency, announced.

Mr. Glidden's statement followed an announcement from Washington, D. C., that the Veterans Administration had designated the Reconstruction Finance Corporation as an agency to review applications to banks by veterans for the guaranty of business loans. Under the program, RFC will recommend to the appropriate office of the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs whether that office should approve or disapprove such applications.

Loans applied for may be used in purchasing any business, supplies, equipment, machinery or tools to be used by the veterans in pursuing a gainful occupation. The Government may guarantee repayment of such loans to the extent of 50%, but not in an amount exceeding \$2,000 as its maximum guaranty. Thus, the veteran who qualifies for a business loan may obtain a guaranty for 50% of any loan up to \$4,000. He may, of course, obtain from his banker a loan of greater amount, for instance, \$6,000; but the guaranty is limited to \$2,000. In loans of less than \$4,000, the Government guarantees half; thus, in a \$3,000 loan the guaranty amounts to \$1,500, not more.

## William S. Jobe In a Hospital At Ft. Thomas, Ky.

Fort Thomas, Kentucky.—Sgt. William S. Jobe (Jobie), as he is known in Putnam, son of Mr. and Mrs. William S. Jobe, Putnam, and husband of Mrs. Louise Jobe, 9, Friend Court, Wedham, Mass., has arrived at the Army Air Forces Convalescent hospital, Fort Thomas, Kentucky, for a period of rest and recreation. Injured while working on a B-47 Thunderbolt fighter in England, he was a patient at the Tilton General Hospital, Fort Dix, N. J. before he came to Fort Thomas.

Sergeant Jobe served as a chief with a 9th AAF Fighter Group in England. He was a former student of the Putnam high school. He entered the Army following his discharge from a CCC camp on August 9th, 1941.

## OIL BUSINESS MORE ACTIVE THAN FORMERLY

Considerable oil activity in the Putnam vicinity has been shown recently. Litchfield and others have been doing some drilling north of Putnam and Mr. and Mrs. Alvah H. Gunnell of Albuquerque are leasing some land and are putting down a well in the city limits of Putnam. They have also leased some land in the Admiral community and have rig on a location on the Ed Davis farm, about eight miles southwest of town, and will begin drilling within the next day or so. Besides some small tracts of land have been leased for small cash consideration. The well in the square in the city of Putnam has the water shut off and is drilling between 500 and 600 feet.

forgot to lock the car. When they began to worry about it, the Indian guide reassured them.

"It's perfectly safe," he said. "There isn't a white man around within 50 miles."

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### MEMORIALS

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## Callahan Farmers to Tell Neighbors How To Increase Income

The farmers of Callahan county will tell their neighbors how improved farming practices enabled them to boost production and increase income at a meeting to be held in Baird February 5th, of farm families buying their places through the Farm Security Administration. The meeting is scheduled to be at the court house at 10:00 a. m. Monday morning.

About ten families are expected to attend the meeting, according to Nathan A. Waldrop, FSA supervisor in Baird. Special honors are to be accorded those farmers making especially large payments on their FSA loans. Included in the group are Mr. and Mrs. Troy Allen of Clyde, Mr. and Mrs. Olin J. English of Rowden, Ernest M. Higgins of Baird, and Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Jones of Clyde.

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Olin J. English, and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Higgins will be enrolled in the "1000 Club" for making payments in excess of \$1000 in a single year.

## JOHN H. IRWIN DIES FRIDAY AT BALLINGER.

John H. Irwin, age about 70, was born in Eastland county and well known over the state, having traveled for the J. I. Case Company for about 30 years selling their line of machinery, died at the home of his son in Ballinger Friday afternoon.

Mr. Irwin was reared on Sabana creek in Eastland county and moved to Cisco about 1896 and began clerking for C. H. Fee and Company and went to work for the J. I. Case Company at Dallas later.

He is survived by his wife, two sons and one daughter. He was an uncle of Mrs. Bedford Mashburn and brother-in-law to Mrs. Will McCall and Chas. Hartman of Cisco. Burial was in the Ballinger cemetery.

## Woman's Study Club Met with Mrs. U. L. Lowry January 22

The Woman's Study Club met in the home of Mrs. U. L. Lowry Monday afternoon, January 22nd. Roll call was answered with "My Favorite Chinaware."

Mrs. A. B. Hutchison made a talk on the different kind of porcelain, and the process of its manufacture. Betty Mobley gave an article on antique glassware.

After the program all assembled in the dining room, where a beautiful display of antique china and glassware was arrayed, each member telling the history of their own collection. Thirteen members were present, with Mrs. Shields Heyser of Wichita Falls, and Mrs. Geo. Eiggerstaff were guests.

## R. G. Jones Turns From Cotton to Vegetable Farming

R. G. Jones, living about 14 miles south of Putnam in the Cottonwood community and a former big cotton grower before the weevil took charge of the cotton business in the sandy belt.

Mr. Jones, past 82 years of age, cleared a spot of ground less than an acre, spending the winter grubbing it out, killed out the briars and fenced the plot. With the exception of breaking the land he did all the labor himself, cultivating the plot with a hand plow. He grew 22 different varieties of vegetables planted.

He grew many varieties of vegetables adapted to this area and built himself a concrete storage last year and made a good start in filling the storage room with canned food, according to Miss Dorothy Wilkerson, county demonstration agent.

## Census Report Shows 11,117,625 Bales Cotton Ginned

According to census report by the Agricultural Department at Washington Tuesday, there had been ginned from the 1944 crop to January 16, 11,117,625 bales, as compared with 10,933,095 a year ago, and 12,116,690 two years ago. Ginnings for Texas with comparative figures for a year ago, Texas 2,413,000 and 2,657,166 bales.

There will be only one more report the middle of March and this report will likely show heavier ginnings than former years on account of the shortage of labor in gathering this crop. Scattered reports from West Texas are that plenty of cotton making a bale to the acre with none of it gathered yet and gins running at full blast.

## CITY COUNCIL BAIRD, MAKING SURVEY OF LAKE

Earl Johnson, member of the City Council of Baird and owner of the Ford Motor Company at Baird, stated to a representative of the News Monday morning they had an engineering force making a survey of the different sites for a water supply lake that will furnish water sufficient for the city and any commercial uses they may want it for in the future.

The Baird water supply has been inadequate at times during the summer.

Mr. Johnson stated they had several locations under consideration but would be unable to determine which of them they would use until after the survey has been made. As I understood Mr. Johnson, the city council will propose an election to vote revenue bonds enough to build the lake after the survey is made and if the election comes, they will proceed on the construction.

## NEWTON TROTTER DIED IN COUNTY HOSPITAL JAN. 23

Newton Glenn Trotter, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Trotter of the Eula community, died in the Callahan county hospital Tuesday, January 23, at 9:15 p. m. He had been ill for the past two weeks.

Funeral was held at 3 p. m. in the Methodist church at Eula. Burial was under the direction of the Wylie Funeral Home in Baird and Putnam. Survivors are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Trotter, one brother, Sam, stationed at Tunker Field, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma with the Army Air Forces and a sister, Ethel Trotter at Abilene.

## Pearson Placed On Five Committees In Legislature

L. R. Pearson, Floterial Representative from Eastland and Callahan counties, from Ranger, in the 49th Texas Legislature from the 117th district, has been appointed a member of five committees by speaker of the house, Claude Gilmer.

Judge Pearson, newly elected member of the house of representatives, will serve on the following committees: Banks and banking, highways and roads, oil, gas and mining, judiciary and uniform, State laws and revenue and taxation.

## Miss Vera Oliver Married to Clyde Bunnell Jan. 19th

A quiet wedding took place in Cross Plains Friday evening, January 19, when Miss Vera Pearl Oliver was married to Clyde Bunnell, editor and publisher of the Cross Plains Review. They were married at the First Methodist church by the pastor, Rev. D. L. Barnes.

Mrs. Bunnell is a daughter of Mrs. Gertie Oliver of Cross Plains, and had been employed with the Citizens State Bank of Cross Plains, but formerly taught school at Burkett and Stacy. She attended Burkett high school, Weatherford Junior college, and worked on her masters degree at an Abilene college.

Mr. Bunnell leased the Review about twelve months ago when Jack Scott entered the service in April 1944. His newspaper experience was at Sonora, San Angelo, Stephenville and Cross Plains.

## Callahan 4-H Boys Attending Fat Stock Show at Houston

Approximately 14 club boys will load out calves for the Houston Fat Stock Show Sunday morning in Baird. Calves will be shown in competition with a class of approximately 600 calves on Saturday, February 3rd. All boys will sell their calves at the 4-H club sale on February 7th.

## O. P. A. DIVIDING AREA INTO EIGHT DISTRICTS

### Congress May Void R. F. C. Executive Order

The Senate commerce committee shelved President Roosevelt's nomination of former Vice President Henry A. Wallace for Secretary of Commerce by vote of 10 to 2. It appears from reports that the Senate is against Mr. Wallace on account of it being admittedly a pay off of a political debt and Mr. Wallace's anti business views and socialistic ideas. The Secretary of Commerce handles billions of dollars through loans and gifts and the Senate is afraid of Wallace's business judgment.

Congress may pass a law voiding the President's executive order establishing the R.F.C. and placing this business under another head and leaving Mr. Wallace as Secretary of Commerce only. Mr. Wallace has not shown any executive or financial ability since he has been in the cabinet before he was elected Vice President. About the only thing he has to his credit is slaughtering the cattle and killing the little pigs while millions of people were crying beef steak and bacon. If this was prosperity, please deliver us from any more of it for the present at least.

### Tipton Wrinkle Receives Purple Heart Medal

Mrs. Minnie Wrinkle of the Atwell community, on route 4 out of Cisco, has been notified that her son, Dentiest Tipton Wrinkle, second class seaman, was recently awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in action against the enemy in the South Pacific.

Seamar Wrinkle was presented with the medal by Capt. W. W. Hargrave, USN commanding officer of the largest hospital in the Pacific ocean where the Eastland county young man is undergoing treatment.

### REPORT SHOWS FEWER CATTLE THAN IN 1944

Report of cattle on feed January 1st, this year in the corn belt is off on intended marketings. The percentage of heavy cattle weighing over a 1100 pounds and 900 to a 1100 were considerably smaller and those cattle from 600 to 900 materially larger and under 600 pounds, somewhat larger than last year. Very few long fed cattle were in feed lots January 1st, since about 4 percent of the cattle on feed had been on feed over five months and only 24 percent over three months. The supply of top cattle during the next few months promises to be very small.

On January of last year it was estimated that the number of cattle on feed on January 1st, 1944 was 16 per cent below January 1, 1943. The present estimate show that this year's decrease has been only about 11 percent.

This is the first report issued by the department giving the estimated number of cattle on feed by states. According to this report there are about 25 percent less cattle to be placed on the market than there were January 1, 1943.

Mrs. L. E. Moore and daughter, Miss Eva, city secretary, were shopping and looking after business interests in Baird Monday morning.

In order to better coordinate various activities of price, rationing and information at the board level, a new system of board contacting by the district office personnel is being adopted nationally, effective January 15 in the district.

Under this new plan of operations, this district is being divided into eight territories with a board supervisor being provided for each territory. These board supervisors are being vested with full responsibility for the complete operations of their group of boards. Board supervisors are generalists, and they are at liberty to call on the various price, rationing and information specialists in the district office for assistance wherever it is felt that technical or specific training or help is needed in the boards.

The benefits of this plan are many, particularly as follows:

(1) To make for a more unified tie-in between all phases of price, rationing and information at both the local board and district office levels.

(2) To reduce the number of district office personnel calling on local boards.

(3) To save as much travel expenses as possible.

(4) By assigning small territories to board supervisors practically all questions and problems can be readily handled in the field, reducing telephone calls and correspondence between district offices and local board offices.

Callahan County Board supervisor and his territory is as follows:

Gordon L. Fletcher—Stephens, Palo Pinto, Eastland, Parker, Erath, Callahan and Hood counties.

All of these men have had considerable experience with OPA and have been chosen for these all important positions on account of their proven ability and previous successful business training and experience.

We know that you will give these men your 100% cooperation and you are assured that they in turn, are anxious and willing to be of real constructive help to you and your board members, and paid staff.

Let us have your suggestions and comments at any time on how to improve this arrangement, and we know you are going to like it.

### Wayne Triplitt Buried in Cisco Thursday 4 P. M.

From Cisco Daily Press: Funeral services for Wayne Triplitt, 30, who died of pneumonia Tuesday in El Paso, will be held here Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the First Methodist church. Rev. W. H. Vanderpool of El Paso, will conduct the services. He will be assisted by the Rev. W. A. Flynn.

Triplitt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Triplitt, former Cisco citizens, attended Cisco schools, but graduated from Putnam high school. His wife is the former Merline McCool of Putnam. He is a cousin of A. W. Triplitt of Cisco.

He is survived by his wife, one daughter, Carol Ann, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Triplitt of Artesia, New Mexico, and two brothers, Cecil of Kermit and Dwight with the Coast Artillery somewhere overseas.

Burial was in Oakwood cemetery Cisco, with Green Funeral Home in charge.

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## For Peace

By GEORGE S. BENSON  
President of Harding College  
Searcy, Arkansas



PROSPERITY in America is the first step in the direction of lasting peace. This prosperity ought to spread, as fast as it can, to other countries. It is in America, however, where men have the key to prosperity and the United States must lead the procession to high living standards through open competition . . . the only way to obtain a more abundant life, for ourselves or others.

At first thought, some people may not agree that prosperity has anything to do with peace. But they will convince themselves if they will think back. Troubles that built up to this present war were economic troubles. Hitler and Mussolini both climbed to power over ruin; ruined fortunes, ruined hopes, ruined lives. They got a following by promising people relief from misery.

Want PEOPLE will be patient, and content themselves to wait for solutions to ordinary political problems, but they will do desperate and violent things when hungry; when their families need food. Prosperity helps to maintain peace, and (as I said in the first sentence) prosperity in America is the first step. The reason is plain: Uncle Sam is the whole world's best customer.

How different the United States is from other countries! We have only 7% of the earth's population and yet we buy 40% of all the raw materials in the world from which manufactured goods

are produced. When wheels are turning in America, markets get active to the four corners of the earth. Our prosperity is the world's prosperity and the key to world peace.

Post-War FOREIGN lands prosper per when they sell freely in America. They sell to us when jobs are plentiful here, when most Americans have money to buy what they want. Jobs are plentiful and good and workers prosper, when business is expanding. Business expands when investors see possible returns from investments. They could see such opportunities now if they were not afraid of taxes.

Very few business men in the United States have any idea today that they will be able to expand in peace-time pursuits. Most of them know they can't afford to expand if our 95% excess profits tax remains in force. It was enacted as a war emergency measure. I don't think it ought to be repealed this hour. But we ought to make certain now that it will not outlive the war.

Taxes very seldom get smaller but unless taxes on business get smaller after the war, investors would be insane to spend new billions for expansion. Business men want to plan peacetime sales and employment now. When Congress makes a reasonable tax law to become effective with victory, world peace will have its first guarantee of long life. It will have to be done this year.

## L. J. Kelley Dies In Callahan County Hospital Saturday

Louis J. Kelley, former resident of Putnam, well known in this territory, age 78, died in the County hospital at Baird Saturday afternoon. Funeral services were held at the East Side Baptist church Sunday afternoon with a large crowd attending from Putnam and other places. Rev. Holms, pastor of the church, conducted the services.

Mr. Kelley was a consistent member of the Baptist church, joining at the age of about 25. He was born October 13, 1866, in Mississippi, moved to Louisiana when 18 years of age and to Putnam in 1903. He has lived in Cisco for five years. Burial followed the funeral in Oakwood cemetery beside that of his wife who died since they moved to Cisco.

The survivors are five sons, Bill of Cisco, George of Baird, Bob of Marlin, John of Pharr, and D. Kelley of Yuma Army Air Field, Yuma, Ariz., four daughters, Mrs. C. W. Mayes of Houston, Mrs. E. F. Butler of Putnam, Mrs. Elmer Dunaway and Mrs. Carl Wylie.

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TO: H. H. Percy (if he be living) and the unknown heirs of him the said H. H. Percy, if H. H. Percy be dead, and Clarence Percy (if he be living) and the unknown heirs of him the said Clarence Percy, if he be dead.

GREETING: You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 12th day of March, A. D., 1945, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable 42nd District Court of Callahan County, at the Court House in Baird, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 27th day of January, 1945. The file number of said suit being No. 10,329. The names of the parties in said suit are: Hugn W. Ross, Jr., as Plaintiff, and H. H. Percy (if he be living) and the unknown heirs of him the said H. H. Percy, if H. H. Percy be dead, and Clarence Percy, (if he be living) and the unknown heirs of him the said Clarence Percy, if he be dead as Defendants.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit:

Suit in trespass to try title by Plaintiff against the defendants to recover the title and possession of Lots 4, 5, 6 and 7 and the East 1/2 of Lot 8, all in Block No. 42 in the Town of Baird according to the official plat of said town as the same appears of record in Book F, Page 636 of the Callahan County Deed Records.

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued this 27th day of January, A. D., 1945.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Baird, Texas, this 27th day of January, A. D., 1945.

(SEAL)  
RAYMOND YOUNG, Clerk  
District Court, Callahan  
County, Texas.

## Special Prizes Up For Beef Cattle at Fat Stock Show

The selection of the grand champion steer at the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, March 9-18, will be marked by the keenest competition ever witnessed in a livestock judging arena at Fort Worth, officials of the show have predicted.

The reason for this competition is that the three major beef cattle breed associations are offering special prizes for the grand champion.

In a move to capture the coveted grand championship honors, the Texas Shorthorn Breeders Association has announced a special cash prize of \$1,000 for the grand champion if the award is won by the champion Shorthorn of the boys' baby beef division. Also the American Shorthorn Breeders Association has offered \$500 upon the contingency that the championship be won by a Shorthorn.

The American Hereford Association is offering a special of \$50 and the American Aberdeen-Angus Breeders Association has posted \$100, each upon the condition that

the championship be won by a steer of their respective breeds.

For many years Herefords have been winning the high honor in the steer judging and many of these grand champions have come from Mason county, where they were fed by 4-H Club boys and girls or members of the FFA. The honors at the show were captured last year by Surprise, a 980-pound Hereford which was exhibited by a 17-year-old Mason county girl, Miss Merlyn Gail Rothmann.

Prizes totaling \$3,940 are posted for all breeds of fat steers at the 1945 show. This is a part of the grand total of \$51,427 in prize money offered in the various livestock departments.

A heavy entry of livestock in all departments was reported by A. K. Mackey, general livestock superintendent.

## Newspapers Called On to Aid in Texas Waste Paper Drive

Newspapers of Texas have been called on to aid in the waste paper drive beginning February 1, and continuing through March 17. The campaign is seeking to avert a new crisis brought on by greater war demands and over-optimism at home, said Frank G. Huntress, San Antonio newspaper man who is directing the Texas campaign.

Several reasons are given for the acute shortage of paper, chief of which is greater quantities used in overseas shipment and lost for reuse.

In order to aid the campaign to the utmost, The Leader is requesting all citizens who do not have regular collections from their homes, to tie all waste paper into bundles and bring it to this newspaper office and it will be turned into the regular channel to go to mills for re-use. Our Moran office is also a collection point for that community.

Many persons feel that small amounts of paper are not worth bothering with, but every scrap will count if you keep on saving it. If a large carton can be had, it will be placed on the sidewalk in front of the office, but if not, all paper will be kept in the office until picked up by the collector. It is reported that Boy Scout Troop 47, of Albany, has pledged to collect one thousand pounds per member in the campaign. This newspaper is working toward the same purpose—to get the paper into the channel to aid the war effort—and will realize no income from sale of the paper.

Waste paper is urgently needed and it is one of the least things anyone can do to aid the war effort, so bring on your share.

## PICKED UP

For many years we've been reading the Dallas Morning News and always found some of the finest editorials ever printed. Why, many of them are as good as you'll ever read in the Abilene Reporter-News. Many readers of the Dallas News felt that when they lost Joe Taylor, better known as "State Press," who died a year or so ago, that there would be no more good editorials, but the old saying still holds true, that there is always some one who can fill your place when you are gone. And the News has had many fine writers. A few days ago we ran across their editorial which treats the subject of the weekly newspaper and here it is:

## THE WEEKLY

A heartwarming sign that the civilization we have known so long is still hanging on is the weekly newspaper. It is holding its own. From 1938 to 1943, a very trying time for newspapers as well as people, only 454 of them went out of business. Maybe some of them became dailies. Maybe others boarded up for the duration. But there are still nearly 11,000 over the land, doing their bit for folk in the valleys and hills.

A few years ago there were those who forecast the death of the weekly. It could not withstand the radio. The drain to the city, the rush for defense jobs and call to arms would mean its doom. But the prophet did not know the small community. Neither did he know the love one develops for running a small newspaper. Even though the life is less glamorous than that on a metropolitan daily, it has its own deeply-rooted charms. It is hard to forget the lic-loc tune of the press on publication day. It is a rare experience to know that she is out again, to remove the forms, redistribute the type and mail her out to appreciative customers. It is a place where the back office is close to the front and the whole is diffused with an atmosphere that is hard to put behind and leave.

The little towns are still our strongholds. There we find devotion and affection for community life. Folks may be complacent at times, but they feel they are a part of their environment, not little saplings in a dense woodland. It is comforting to know that their institutions are still rooted, that they

are weathering one of the great crises of history and will live to carry on a great heritage.

We'd like to add a bit to the editorial in defense of some of the weekly newspaper editors, as the News editor gives chiefly the opinion of every one else but the weekly newspaper folks. The thought of the weekly losing its grip on its field was entirely foreign to the folks who labored in that field and it is our belief that no one ever failed who had any confidence in himself or his community. And it was their firm hold on the community and the service they rendered that tied them to the community as permanent fixtures.

## WAR BONDS In Action



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It took a week of Father's wages

But it wasn't so extravagant as it seemed. Hats were bigger then—and also fewer. Mother's hand-made mauve velour was good for several seasons.

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It's much the same with electric bills. If yours seem about the same as they did years ago, it's because you are enjoying so many more electric conveniences now. And you're getting far more electricity for your money than you ever did before—about twice as much today as you did 15 years ago.

Not only has the price of electricity come down steadily through the years, but it has stayed down while war sent other costs climbing.

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WITH THE SEVENTH ARMY, France—Sergeant Fred J. Hubbs, Fort Worth, Texas, artilleryman with the 36th "Texas" Division on the Seventh Army front in France, was issued a new sleeping bag. It was wool, with a long zipper down the side and a waterproof cover with a nice warm hood. The sergeant liked his new sleeping bag as much as a dozen blankets.

soldier but that new sleeping bag had him hobbled. He struggled feverishly with the zipper but it wouldn't zip. In his thrashing he fell off the bed making a neat one point landing on his head. That woke him up and he found himself lying on the floor besides his bed all safe and sound in the cellar of a French farmhouse. His calm restored he reached down and with the greatest of ease unfastened the zipper and climbed back in bed. Sergeant Hubbs still likes his new sleeping bag as well as a dozen blankets. And he knows the easy way to work that zipper, just keep calm.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred M. Hubbs, the sergeant's parents, reside at 812 North Chandler Street, Fort Worth.

More Deadly Rockets Will Go to Enemies

DALLAS, Texas.—Here's more sad news for Hitler and Hirohito—Uncle Sam's deadly rockets are coming toward them in greater quantities than ever before.

United States Steel Corporation announces that rocket production lines at the vast McKeesport, Pa. works of National Tube Company have passed from the experimental

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One of the World War II pioneers in developing and mass-producing new type armaments, National Tube now is pouring out rocket motor tubes and "war heads" in great quantities for the Navy.

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MORAN Personal Mention

Mrs. C. W. McCollum returned Thursday from a week spent in Strawn with her granddaughter, Miss Betty Willis, who is recovering from an attack of appendicitis.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gardner have purchased a lot across from J. V. Roberts and are hauling material for a residence. Their many friends are glad to know they will build a home in Moran.

Mr. and Mrs. Florence Gunnell, oil operators, of Mission Hotel, Putnam, were business visitors in Moran last Monday. The Gunnells are from New Mexico. The Florence No. 1, shallow well in Putnam is underreaming at 500 feet, on Judge Russell land, put down by Mrs. Gunnell, who also will drill on the Ed Davis place, 6 miles below Putnam, near Admiral.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gay have purchased the Leonard Alvey home in south Moran. The house is occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Matthew at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Harper and Mrs. Ida Leftwich spent last Sunday in Abilene. Mrs. Harper visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace, and Mrs. Leftwich visited with her old friend, Mrs. Maggie Jackson.

Miss Elsie Donawho of Manhattan, Kansas, arrived here the first part of the week to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Donawho.

Charlie Tuton, who has been for two weeks at a hospital in Breckenridge, was brought home last week. Friends called on him last Sunday and report him much improved.

Mrs. M. S. Norton, former home economic teacher in the Moran school, spent the day in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Martin. Mrs. Norton is making her home in Brownwood for the duration. Lt. (jg) Norton is stationed in Pearl Harbor.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hagar were visitors in Breckenridge last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Killough had as their guests last Sunday, her mother and brother, Mrs. Minnie Ealm and Jasper Ealm and wife of Scranton. Mrs. Ealm remained until Wednesday.

Cole Jackson and Oscar Parrish were business visitors in Cisco Monday.

Mrs. Julia Gill of Dallas is visiting her brother, Lee Dennis who is ill.

Sgt. and Mrs. Mike Labella spent a 3-day pass with relatives here.

Mrs. Clara Mae Hull and children moved to Albany on Wednesday to be with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Jones, who lately moved there from Oklahoma City.

Cpl. Wm. Rountree is here on a 10-day emergency furlough.

Lee Dennis who is critically ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Hillie McCannles, we are glad to report is some better at this time.

Mrs. Charlie June Sheppard of Midland spent a few days last week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Mashburn. Mrs. Sheppard is employed at the Midland Air Base.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Elliott were in Fort Worth last Tuesday and Wednesday, where Bertram is having a minor operation on his eye.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Midkiff of Cisco spent Saturday and Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Midkiff in Moran.

Mrs. A. A. Smith and her sister, Mrs. Owings have purchased a residence in Dallas. Mrs. Smith moved her household furniture to Dallas last Tuesday. They have rented their home in Moran to James T. Matthews, of the Lone Star Gas Co.

Fred Houseman returned home from a visit to Fort Worth Monday. While there he visited his son, Aaron, and daughter, Lola Houseman, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bodner, Mrs. Ora Strausel and daughter, Emma Rose and son, Estel Strausel and wife.

PIONEER BARBER BURIED HERE MONDAY

T. S. Kirkpatrick, pioneer barber of Moran, died Sunday, January 28, at 2:12 p. m., following a critical illness since he suffered a heart attack about three weeks earlier. He had been in failing health the past year.

Funeral service was held Monday afternoon at the family home with Rev. Strauss Atkinson, pastor of the Baptist church, conducting, assisted by Elder Cole Jackson.

Thornton Smith Kirkpatrick was born July 15, 1876, in Missouri, and

came to Texas with his parents when he was only seven years old. They settled in Albany Nov. 1, 1883, and the following summer moved to Moran, where he had since made his permanent home. He was married to Rebecca Tarrant of Moran and they were the parents of two daughters.

Mr. Kirkpatrick was the oldest business man in Moran, and had followed the barber trade 45 years, the last 40 of which he had been in the same location. He served as alderman on the city council a number of years and had always

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Bonds Over America



POLK HOUSES

Columbia, Tenn., prizes its two Polk homes. It goes all-out in War Bond selling so that nothing may mar them. Samuel Polk's house, a two-story brick building with spacious rooms and French windows opening on to quaint balconies, was built in 1816. Next door is an almost duplicate home which Mr. Polk built for his daughter. The residence of James K. Polk, son, eleventh President of the United States, is a short distance away. The house where he entertained Andrew Jackson and Martin Van Buren during the campaign of 1844, when he was elected, is also of two stories and was erected in 1820. Relics of the budding years of this Nation that must endure, these homes inspire the purchase of War Bonds. U. S. Treasury Department

Bonds Over America



FORT NASHBOROUGH

The guns had scarcely grown cold after the Revolutionary War when James Robertson and a party of sturdy pioneers started west across the Blue Ridge Mountains through virgin woodland. Indians threatened to wreck their plans. In the vicinity of modern Nashville, Tenn., they realized a strong barricade around their homes was necessary. Thus Fort Nashborough arose in 1780. Reconstructed, the Fort stands as a monument to another area's indubitable will to win, to live and work free men. Descendants of those pioneers, are today fighting for the preservation of liberty. War Bond purchases will keep them supplied with the accoutrements of victory. U. S. Treasury Department

Bonds Over America



MICHIGAN'S CAPITAL

Michigan was known to Jesuit missionaries as "Michihiganing" or "Michiganay," relating to the great body of water east and west of the peninsula which now bears that name. The state's first capitol building was erected at Detroit in 1823 but in 1847 Lansing became the capitol city. The present imposing capitol, constructed of New Hampshire granite and Ohio sandstone, cost \$1,510,130 and was dedicated in 1879 at an historic ceremony attended by all living governors of the state. Through its ornate halls and chambers have flown legislative streams directly enhancing the life of Michigan's tremendous industrial activity. And War Bonds are keeping that life-stream flowing. U. S. Treasury Department

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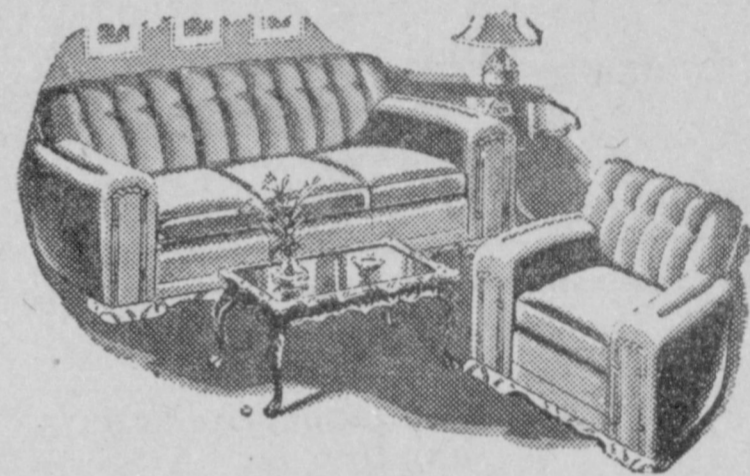
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No. 2 cans Ribbon Cane Syrup.....10c  
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Pt. Log Cabin Syrup.....26c

**WE PAY HIGHEST MARKET PRICE FOR EGGS.**

## LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. White have just received telegram from the War Department as follows: "Report to inform you your son, Pvt. First Class Raymond L. White, was slightly wounded in action 13th of January in Belgium. Mail address follows direct from hospital with details." Also have messages that Wayne, another son is in Belgium and Ben L. is also reported in Belgium. The three sons are all in Belgium.

### PLENTY OF WIRE

We have in stock now plenty of hog fencing, chicken and barb wire. If in need of anything in our line, come and see or call us.

Shackelford Implement Co.  
Putnam, Texas

Mrs. Milton Crosby and daughter, Mrs. Jewell Golson, were shopping and looking after business in Baird Monday morning.

Bob Head was in Baird Monday morning meeting old friends and shopping.

### Umbrellas for Tractors

We have several tractor umbrellas in stock. Little out of season, but it will surprise you how quick they will be in demand. Why not purchase one and have it ready?

Shackelford Implement Co.  
Putnam, Texas

John Fisher was in Baird Monday squaring himself with the tax collector for 1944 and attending to other business.

Alton White, groceryman in Putnam was in Baird Monday morning transacting business.

### NOTICE

If you want to get married, write Box 338, Juliaetta, Idaho. Enclose stamp.

Mrs. J. M. Simmons and Mrs. Mary Guyton were shopping in Cisco Friday morning.

### NOTICE

Watch the crowds going to Shaefer's Radio Shop where they can get their irons and radios repaired. Remember the place, just across the street from First National BBank at Cisco, Texas.

Miss Marian Pearl Damon left Friday for Stephenville where she will enter John Tarleton college. She graduated from the Putnam high school with the 1943-44 class.

R. O. P. sired English White Leghorn pullets, AAA grade \$20, AAAA grade \$22 per 100. We do everything to improve our breeding stock that other hatcheries do but sell our pullets for much less. Star Hatchery, Baird, Texas.

### FOR SALE

One horse drawn drill, one cultivator and one planter. Will sell at a bargain. See W. H. Boatwright, four miles west of Putnam.

Mrs. Pierce Shackelford spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. John Hinkle. She stated Mr. Hinkle who has been ill for some time, was slowly improving.

If you cannot come to see us we will be happy to send you our price list. Star Hatchery, Baird, Texas.

### NOTICE

Why not go to Lucile's Beauty Shop to get your next hair do? Experienced operators and latest styles. Mrs. Leotis Meadows noted for her work in Baird, is now with the Lucile Shop, Baird, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Harrison of Abilene were visiting with Mr. Harrison's mother, Mrs. Lula Fleming who is manager of the Home Telephone system here, Saturday night and Sunday.

Thousands of baby chicks hatching per week. AAA grade \$9 per 100, AAAA grade \$11. Leghorn cockrels \$3. Fourteen breeds. Star Hatchery, Baird, Texas.

Those attending the Kelley funeral at Cisco Sunday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ramsay, Mrs. Homer Pruet, Mrs. Art Nolan, Mrs. E. E. Sunderman, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Burnam, Mrs. Earl Rutherford, I. G. and Miss Bettie Mobley, Mrs. Adolph Brandon, Mrs. Sam Jobe, Miss Gertrude White, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Yeager, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Eubank, Ellison Pruet and Ben Brazel.

3-room house and 7 acres, and party renting if satisfactory, can rent 72 acres next year, 5 miles south of town.—Mary Guyton.

Just received the following letter from Mrs. Claud Cunningham (Hazel Orr), in which she says: "Thank you for your kindness in having affidavit made for me and for your promptness. I look forward each week to the coming of the Putnam News, surely enjoy it."

Read the Putnam News and get more news items by actual count. When you have news hand it in and help to make the News the best country weekly in the territory.

Miss Joyce Williams visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Williams at Elmdale, who moved from here there a short time ago and Miss Eloise Clemmer, one of the teachers in the Putnam school, also visited with home folks at Elmdale over the week-end.

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Those attending the Wayne Triplitt funeral in Cisco Thursday afternoon were Mrs. R. L. Clinton, Mrs. J. B. Brandon, Mrs. E. C. Waddell, Mrs. Loren Everett, son and daughter, Mrs. Sam Jobe, Mrs. E. E. Sunderman, George Brown and daughter, Miss Mary Alice, Mrs. W. G. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Everett, Mrs. Homer Pruet, Lewis Williams and Mrs. F. P. Shackelford, Putnam.

### NOTICE

Plenty of 6x16 auto tires in stock. Bring us your certificate. Why not buy a Good-year, they cost no more. Shackelford Implement Co. Putnam, Texas

While in Baird Monday morning the writer met up with our good friend, Jack Scott who is home on a furlough visiting with Mrs. Scott and friends in Cross Plains. Mr. Scott printed the Putnam News for about three years before entering the service about a year ago.

Mark Burnam was in from the Union community Tuesday afternoon, and while here called at the News office for a short visit and renewed his subscription and that of his son, Maurice G. Burnam in the Armed service at Sherman.

Mmes. S. M. Eubank, Jno. Cook, A. S. Reese, Henry Mundt and Miss Lexa Dean Pruet were in Abilene shopping Friday and while there visited Miss Velma Eubank.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Cook of Eunice, New Mexico are here this week visiting with Mr. Cook's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Cook Sr., while Mr. Cook is recuperating from an injury received around a well rig in New Mexico several days ago. Mr. Cook stated he thought they would be here possibly ten days or two weeks before returning to his work in New Mexico.

Mrs. R. J. Davis of Herley, New Mexico, visited with her brother-in-law, Charley Davis and family this week two or three days.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Coffey of Cottonwood visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charley Davis Sunday.

M. D. Heist was in from his shallow oil field in the Hart community Saturday afternoon. He reported the road from Putnam to Hart school house in good condition and commissioner Mobley had been over in his section working on the road toward Baird and built a nice piece of road from the Schults ranch house to the highway.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Haning of Eastland visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Davis Sunday. Mrs. Haning is a sister of Mrs. Davis.

## Wild Pool West Offset to Start On Elliott Land

Coming closer to Shackelford county, the first outpost for the Wild-Ellenberger pool at Ibe has been staked by Phillips Petroleum Co., No. 1, Elliott & Sons-Southland in the northeast corner, section 57, Blind Asylum lands, being a quarter mile west of Wild No. 3, one of the best wells in the 7 well pool in the Ellenberger line on west side Stephens county, being completed for 60 barrels natural hourly flow at 4300 feet.

This well is right on the Stephens-Shackelford county line and may determine whether the pool will extend into Shackelford county. Thus far Shackelford has no Ellenberger producer.

The Marble Falls conglomerate lime at 4017 feet also showed a considerable thickening going west and in Wild No. 3, drill stem test gassed in two minutes and flowed a heavy stream of high gravity oil in 4 minutes, estimated 100 barrels per hour, but the Ellenberger pattern had been set and the Marble Falls was cased off for the 4300 foot ordivician level, which has been much in demand by refineries for high octane and lubrication qualities.

Searching for the Ellenberger in Stephens county one and one-half miles east of the Wild pool, the Roeser & Pendleton, Inc.-Ambassador No. 1, J. P. Phillips, is drilling past 2100 feet in southeast of southwest quarter section 69, B.A.L., five miles north Kidd & Cherry No. 1, McMahon & Doss, is drilling past 2800 feet in northwest corner T.E.&L. survey No. 1520, a wildcat, in center of 3,500 acre block in Stephens and Shackelford counties.

## OPA Food Survey Reveals Cooperation From Retail Grocers

An OPA food survey made in this county during the period of January 16-25, revealed that grocery stores are complying with government regulations almost 100%, and that in the slightest errors, all were corrected immediately when informed of the variance with ceiling prices.

It was interesting to note that only one store had violated price regulations, and items selling above ceiling price numbered only two, while 81 items were found to be selling under ceiling price, which is not a violation of law. There are 12 grocery stores in the county and the ceiling prices and selling prices were compared in all stores covering 360 items of foods.

Included in the report was the fact that all are selling cigarettes and all were in compliance on cigarette prices, with four stores posting their prices.

## Requirement of Wife Of Servicemen for Filing Income Return

According to information just received by the Abilene office of the Collector of Internal Revenue, the due date for an income tax return of a civilian wife of a member of the armed forces outside of the United States can be postponed until the postponed due date of her husband's return provided such civilian wife's separate gross income is less than \$1,200.00 during the taxable year. If the separate income of civilian wife plus her share of the community income received by her, aggregate \$1,200.00 or more, she must file an income tax return by the normal due date.

If a return is filed by the wife she can use any part of the withholding tax up to the amount of her tax liability, but cannot use more than one-half of the withholding in a case where a refund is due. In other words, she cannot increase her refund by claiming more than one-half the withholding tax.

## Hunter Provides Wild Meat for Soldiers Of Seventh Army

WITH THE SEVENTH ARMY IN FRANCE—Staff Sergeant Luke Woodley, Marshall, Texas, and Private John Good Jr., Burr Oak, Michigan, 36th Division Reconnaissance Troop cooks, recently served "hog on the hoof" to the doughboys sweating out the chov line.

While standing in his kitchen, supervising the preparation of dinner, Sgt. Woodley was surprised to see a Frenchman stop in front of the building. "The old boy was pushing a wheel-barrow in which there was some sort of dead animal," recalled the sergeant.

Upon closer investigation he discovered that the Frenchman had killed a wild boar while hunting. "He insisted that we take the hog and cook it for the boys," remarked Pvt. Good. Without further comment the two cooks strung the hog up on a nearby tree and skinned it. It was tender enough to roast.

That night at supper the men came back for seconds and thirds on the wild meat. "It made me feel pretty good to think that I could feed the boys fresh meat twice in one day," added Sgt. Woodley.

Mrs. Eva Woodley, Sgt. Woodley's wife, resides at 1500 E. Houston St., Marshall, Texas. Pvt. Good's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Good live in Burr Oak, Michigan.

## Stamford PCA Stockholders Discuss Post War Credit

Approximately 605 members, wives and guests attended the annual meeting of Stamford Production Credit Association in Stamford last Friday, January 26, 1945.

J. L. Hill Jr., secretary-treasurer, reported \$2,657,000.00 in loans made to 1234 farmers and stockmen during 1944.

The Stamford PCA has been serving farmers and stockmen in Jones, Haskell, Knox, Kent, King, Stonewall, Shackelford, and Dickens counties for the past eleven years. The membership now totals 1350. Beginning from scratch eleven years ago, members have accumulated an investment of \$182,000.00 in the capital stock of their association, with earned surplus of \$82,000.00. These two items are now 76% of the total capital structure.

Stockholders elected J. F. McCulloch of Stamford and Clark Forbis of Afton to the association board of directors. Other members of the board whose terms carry over are J. B. Pumphrey of Old Glory, C. G. Burson of Haskell, and Lasater Hensley of Spur.

"The Stamford Production Credit Association has a vital role in the post war financing program," said J. B. Pumphrey, president. "We are looking ahead and planning for the future so that we can meet the new demands of our members and help them through the difficult changing production and marketing conditions they will encounter in the period of adjustment following the war. We have met the challenges of the war years and are now preparing for the admitted uncertainties of the post war period."

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