

FROM THE EDITOR'S WINDOW

BY MRS. J. S. YEAGER
This week we want to correct an error that appeared in this column last week.

It is reported the Russians have now developed and perfected the fastest jet plane in the world. It is said to travel 600 miles an hour.

The popularity of venetian blinds proves that people generally prefer them to ordinary shades, says an exchange.

The Dionne quintuplets have recently celebrated their 13th birthday. They plan to enter high school next year.

Mount Aso, said to be the largest terrestrial volcano in the world, erupted violently the past week.

It is said that in a recently conducted poll by the inter-council committee on Christian Family Life, "The adventures of Ozzie and Harriet" and "The Aldrich Family" were cited as radio programs which most exemplify the best in family living.

Mrs. Jones, a London lady, was proudly discussing her new American son-in-law with a neighbor.

"An American lord? Why I never heard of such a thing!" "I wouldn't tell you a lie," answered Mrs. Jones.

Although the United States Fish and Wildlife Service has reported a scarcity of waterfowl it is said the largest flights of black ducks and I geese seen in several years have been pouring into the New England country this spring.

A recent United States federal report showed that about one-fourth of the people in this country have diets which could be rated as good; more than one-third rated only as fair, and about one-third was classified as poor.

Mrs. A. J. Hurst had as her guest her daughter, Mrs. Hubert Buchanan and children, Pony and Bessley, from Beaumont and Mrs. Cotton Stewart and children from Electra.

Mrs. C. L. Watkins and children of Bayard, New Mexico arrived in Putnam Monday to spend about a month visiting with her grandmother, Mrs. S. J. Hamilton, before returning home.

Appointment Made For Head Of Baptist Public Relations Post

The selection of Andrew Q. Allen, assistant to the administrator of Baylor University Hospital, to head a newly created office of director of public relations for the Baptist General Convention of Texas was announced Tuesday by Dr. Howard Williams, State Baptist leader.



ANDREW Q. ALLEN

The decision was reached at a meeting of the State Executive Board of the Convention in Dallas. Allen is widely known among Baptists of Texas and the South.

He is a native of Petersburg, Hale County, and holds degrees from the University of Texas, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth and Peabody College, Nashville, Tenn.

In announcing the creation of the new department, Dr. Williams stated that Mr. Allen would interpret Baptist news through the press, serving as contact representative, and would also interpret the press to Baptists.

A second and vital phase of his work, the Baptist leader said, will be the creation and production of literature, posters, and other publicity matter or the various departments and branches of the Convention.

Food Producers To Receive More Sugar

The Agricultural Department announced last week food processors will be allowed more sugar this year for canning fruits and vegetables and for producing sweet pickles.

Fruit canners will get 100 per cent of their 1941 base use of sugar compared with 90 per cent in 1946. Sugar also will be allowed for packing pickled cucumbers, cauliflower, onion, watermelons, and for spiced and branched fruits and sweet cabbage, carrots, and pickled beets.

Processors of dried beans, frozen fruits and vegetables will be allowed to increase the sugar content per unit of these products.

FORMER LOCAL MAN IS LAID TO REST FRIDAY IN BAIRD CEMETERY

Rollin B. Keller, 57, was laid to rest in Ross cemetery at Baird last Friday afternoon. Mr. Keller died at his home in Baird Thursday after an illness of several weeks.

Funeral services were held at the First Baptist church in Baird with the Rev. J. C. Strickland, minister of the Church of Christ, officiating.

Mr. Keller was a native of Brown county and was a former resident of Cross Plains. Survivors are his wife; five sons; Grady of McCombs, Grover, Herman, Kirk and Doyle, all of Aransas Pass; and one daughter, Mrs. Tom Campbell, also of Aransas Pass.

Burial and funeral arrangements were under the direction of the Willie Funeral Home of Baird.

George Biggerstaff and others visited the hatchery at Brokenridge Monday where they got a case of Cornish Game eggs.

District Court Starts June Term At Baird On Monday

Forty second district court opened June term at Baird Monday morning with District Judge J. R. Black presiding.

Grand Jury was investigating the theft of pipe from an oil lease near Putnam and was expected to find bills for trial in the present term.

The trial of Homer Le May, charged with theft of "one animal," has been set for trial June 11. The case resulted in a mistrial at a previous term of court.

Buddie Bloss, 32, living southeast of Abilene, charged with assault with intent to murder Graves McGee, a neighbor, on Sept. 11, 1946, in southeast Abilene, is slated to go to trial during the term.

Grand jurors for the current court term are: C. W. Sutphen, Baird; M. L. Hughes, Baird; Norman Coffey, Cottonwood; Floyd Buchanan, Rt. 1 Cisco; Doyle Buchfield, Cross Plains; H. E. Swafford, Clyde; Frank Windham, Oplink; Neal Dillard, Cross Plains; Clint Brashers, Rt. 4, Cisco; R. H. Morrisett, Rt. 1, Abilene; E. H. Williams, Putnam; A. L. Breeding, Rt. 1, Cross Plains; Fred Long, Cross Plains; F. L. Smith, Rt. 1, Clyde; Joe E. Jones, Admiral and Clifford Taylor, Rowden.

Miss Evelyn Weiland New Comnty HD Agt.

The Commissioners Court was in session Monday morning and employed Miss Evelyn Weiland as County Home Demonstration Agt. She comes from Austin and it was reported she will take up the work immediately.

DRY COUNTIES NOT EFFECTED BY NEW LIQUOR LEGISLATION

New Liquor Bill wet areas banned in 96 counties. Taylor and several other counties in West Texas cannot have wet cities or precincts unless they approve alcoholic beverage sales on a county wide basis.

Persons urging Governor Jester to veto the newly enacted liquor law, stress the wet and dry issues rather than the law enforcement among them a prohibition against employment of minors by local or general distributors, and a ban on consumption on the premises by any minor.

If this bill should be signed by the Governor it only puts the drys and wets on an equal basis on holding elections and does not change results, since in any county the election will have to be carried by a majority of all votes cast.

SCRANTON IS HOST TO BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The Baptist church at Scranton was host Thursday to the Callahan County Baptist Association Workers' Conference.

Meeting at ten o'clock in the morning, Rev. Orville Reese read the devotional, followed by addresses by Rev. J. D. Holt and Rev. M. F. Richardson.

Reverend Russell Clubb spoke on "Teaching Them" and at ten fifty five Rev. J. F. Miller brought the morning sermon.

After the luncheon hour, board meetings were held at 1:30 p.m. and the group adjourned at two thirty.

Several people from Cross Plains attended.

3 Cross Plains Men Mistaken For Weatherford Bank Robber Are Fired Upon By Highway Patrolmen Without Warning

Three Cross Plains youths enroute to Ft. Worth Wednesday night were fired upon by members of the Texas highway patrol, who inadvertently mistook their vehicle for one believed to have been driven by a lone bandit who had earlier in the day robbed a Weatherford bank.

Abilene SS Office Changes Location

The Abilene office of the Social Security Administration is now in a new location, Rooms 308 and 309 of the Abilene Post Office Building. The move from the old location at 205 Alexander Building was made on May 30 and May 31.

For almost eight years the Abilene field office has served the public in 16 counties of this area from the Alexander Building location. It was opened here on December 18, 1939.

The Social Security field office administers the Federal program of old-age and survivors insurance and has three principal functions. It handles all types of benefit claims; and it issues new and duplicate social security account number cards; and it gives assistance to wage earners in commerce and industry, and to their employers in making sure that accurate social security wage records are kept for each employee.

As of December 31, 1946, family insurance benefits totaling \$30,598 were being paid monthly to 1583 men, women and children in the 16 counties of this area.

Mail to the Abilene Social Security Administration office may be addressed either to Room 308 Post Office Building or Post Office Box 1641.

Annual Revival At Deep Creek July 4-11

The annual Deep Creek Camp Meeting, which is always held 3 miles west of Putnam near the John Hughes Service Station, will open this year on July 4 and run through July 11.

Such noted speakers as Martin O. Massinger, president of the Dallas Bible Institute; Fred P. Billings, pastor of Gallean Baptist church in Dallas; Bill Bureau, soloist and preacher; A. Davis Wood, choir leader and preacher and W. E. Hawkins, director of The Radio Revival Hour over KR-LD and KSKY will be present throughout the meeting.

Campers are requested to bring their bedding. A cafe on the ground will be open for supper Sunday evening at 6:30 and expenses will be reasonable.

A hearty Christian welcome is extended to all.

Rev. W. B. Swimm New Methodist Pastor

Rev. W. B. Swimm, of Baird, has been appointed pastor of the Methodist church at Putnam for the ensuing year. Rev. Swimm requested the News to announce he will be in Putnam and hold services at 11 a.m. and at 8:00 p.m. on Sundays.

Mr. and Mrs. Swimm are known in Putnam having been in business in Baird the past year.

Everyone has in invitation to turn out Sunday and hear Rev. Swimm.

Assignments effecting other Methodist churches in this vicinity as announced at the Central Texas Methodist conference in Fort Worth Sunday were as follows: Burkett, Rev. J. W. Tickner; Scranton and Desdemonia, Rev. H. J. Sanders; Pioneer, Rev. M. S. Pate; Rising Star, Rev. C. W. Pittman; Cross Plains, Rev. D. L. Barnes and De Leon, Rev. C. D. Wooten.

W. G. Webb and son of Burkett were transacting business in Putnam Tuesday.

Dr. Cox, State Health Officer, Issues Clean Up Suggestions

Fort Griffin Fandangle At Ft. Griffin, Out North Of Albany, Set For June 26, 27 & 28

Medical Association Big Aid To Science

The contribution to medical science to the welfare of the American people has occurred gradually over many years. Some of them have not been little publicized, and are not as widely known as they should be.

New York Times recently ran an editorial on the Century of American Medical Association. It observed that it had disagreed with some of the associations policies. But it pointed out, "during the long decades when the government was indifferent to the quality of food and drugs and the patent medicine man was in his hey-day, the association was a bulwark of protection. Quacks were pursued, educational standards were raised, drugs were appraised, hospitals & schools were approved and disapproved, a dozen first class medical publications were made indispensable purveyors of knowledge, nostrums were exposed as the frauds they were, fads were riddled. For all these blessings the public has reasons to be grateful.

NAVY FUNDS GET 11 PER CENT CUT

The house appropriation committee charted an economy course for the navy last week which if carried out will slash its total funds by 11 per cent, but give it every penny it asked for research and for its reserve forces.

The budget cut would entail a possible reduction of 40,000 in the strength of the navy and the marine corps, the dismissal of hundreds of civilian employees and a shut down of some shore establishments, among other economies.

The committee sent to the house floor for debate this week a \$3,135,481,100 appropriation to finance the navy for the fiscal year starting July 1. The total is \$377,519,200 below what President Truman requested in new funds and \$1,197,309,841 below what the navy had for this year.

The house committee called for a 7 per cent reduction in the \$1,344,171,000 for pay and subsistence and slightly greater cut in the \$209,000,000 Marine pay and subsistence.

Mrs. Frank Thompson and Mrs. Mary Thomason have returned from Fort Worth where they have been visiting with some relatives and friends for the past several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Biggerstaff and children, Louie May and Billy Joe, visited Mr. and Mrs. George Biggerstaff Sunday from the Denton community.

Mrs. S. M. Eubank and Mrs. Walter Francisco were shopping and visiting among friends and relatives in Fort Worth the past week.

Mrs. M. H. Sargent received word Wednesday that her mother, Mrs. Ben Fulbright of Jacksboro, had fell and broke her arm. She left Friday to be with her mother a few days.

Mrs. W. C. Clough was transacting business in Cisco Thursday afternoon.

Committees named to make arrangements for the annual affair, which is held to honor old settlers of the county, were: Publicity, J. Marvin Hunter, Baird; Jack Scott, Cross Plains; J. S. Yeager, Putnam; J. R. Ward, Clyde and Hamilton Wright, Abilene.

Congressmen: Fred Heyser, and Beta Freeland.

Parking: S. S. Nichols, Baird, he to choose help as needed.

Coffee: Dr. V. E. Hill and Ace Hickman, Baird.

Master of ceremonies: B. H. Freeland and Fred Heyser.

Program: Mr. L. L. Blackburn, Baird, chairman; Randall Jackson, Baird; Earl Hays, Clyde; S. S. Harvill and O. D. Strahan, Cross Plains.

Nominating committee: Roy Hendrick, Eula; J. B. Eubank, and Hugh McDermott, Cross Plains.

Commissioner's Court was designated to provide ice water.

A final meeting will be held Saturday, August 2, at 2:30 p.m. at the courthouse to receive committee reports and complete plans.

Mr. and Mrs. James King of Fort Worth spent the week end visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pete King.

Mr. and Mrs. George Baker of New Mexico spent the week end visiting in the home of Mrs. Baker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Cook, Sr.

The Park children were home the past week end with their mother, Mrs. W. L. Park, who has been seriously ill for the past two weeks; however, she is reported to be better and on the road to recovery.

Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer, has issued the following statements, and suggestions concerning the control and prevention of poliomyelitis which is now occurring in certain sections of the State.

At one time it was generally believed that this infection was transmitted primarily by discharges from the respiratory tract. It is now believed that poliomyelitis may be another of the several gastrointestinal infections. Therefore, control measures must include clean-up campaigns and improvements in sanitation.

Stringent efforts should be made to eliminate house-flies, mosquitoes, and rodents to destroy their breeding places. Every effort should be made to institute approved garbage collection systems, and secure safe water supplies. Where adequate municipal sewage disposal systems are not in operation, it is necessary to install and maintain sanitary septic tanks and outdoor privies.

All swimming pools should maintain these standards approved by the Texas State Department of Health. This includes maintenance of proper chlorine level. Where such standards are not maintained, those pools should be closed to the public.

All raw foods and vegetables should be washed thoroughly before use and protected from filth and insects. All food handling establishments should adhere strictly to the State law concerning the sterilization of dishes and utensils. Those restaurants with insufficient personnel to maintain approved sanitation, should close one or two hours a day so that employees can assist in maintaining cleanliness and high sanitation standards.

Approved milk supplies, rodent control measures, high sanitation standards, and strict personal hygiene are all important. Polio cases should be quarantined for 14 days and excreta from cases and contacts should be handled and disinfected with the same scrupulous care as in typhoid fever or bacillary dysentery.

Over-exertion in children should be avoided. Children should not visit homes where there is illness. It is advisable to reduce to a minimum all human contacts, especially in children during an outbreak of this disease. It is not advocated that schools, churches and theatres be closed.

Early symptoms of infantile paralysis are headache, fever, vomiting, drowsiness, followed by stiffness in the neck and back. When suspicious symptoms appear, a physician should be called immediately.

GRASSHOPPERS DOING DAMAGE TO COTTON

Farmers report that grasshoppers, of the jumbo variety, are beginning to damage growing crops throughout the Putnam territory. Young cotton appears to be the choice menu of pests and due to the fact that acreage planted to the crop is small in this section the damage is expected to be far less than otherwise.

Some poisoning, reminiscent of the 1924 plague, is already underway and if the invasion progresses this method of control will be enlarged.

From L. R. Pearson, state representative from Callahan county, comes a humorous sketch, asking "Who does the work in this country?" It appears hereunder:

Table with 2 columns: Category and Value. Includes Population of U. S., People 65 or older, Balance left to work, etc.

Two people left to work, you and I, and God'd better get a wiggle on; I'm getting tired of running this country alone.

Mrs. Lee Hoek and Mrs. George Henry were in Putnam Saturday afternoon.

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Cottonwood News

By Hazel Reesop

Mr. B. B. Jones, who has been sick for several weeks, was reported to be a little better. His children have been visiting him this week. They were: Leo, from Jacksonville; his daughter, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Green of San Angelo, and his sister-in-law, Mrs. C. N. Scribner of Goldthwaite.

Miss Yvonne Sandifer and R. T. Peevy were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Sandifer, Sunday morning with only a few relatives and friends present. Miss Eloise Sandifer served as bride's maid and Richard Purvis acted as best man. The couple left immediately for College Station where he will continue his schooling. Brother Earl Miller, of Abilene, married the couple.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Varner and children, Bentley and Verda, are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Varner, this week.

Mrs. Jessie Higbee and baby of Brownwood are visiting her parents Rev. and Mrs. C. R. Myrick, this week.

Mr. Vorus Kelly of Dallas spent the week end with his mother, Mrs. and Rev. W. B. Gilleland.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Shelton attended the wedding of their nephew Clovis Thompson and Miss Mary Jo Harris Sunday at Cross Plains.

The community night, Friday, was well attended and the motion picture shown by county agent Grote was very educational.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Spencer and children of Garden City visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Clifton last week.

Mrs. T. J. Davidson and son, Len, of Abilene visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Coats, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Manning of Albuquerque, New Mexico and Son Archie, of Midland, were here Monday looking after some real estate here.

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Bargain rates are here again. The Abilene Reporter News for three months, morning and Sunday edition \$2.75; six months for \$5.50 or one month \$1.00 morning and Sunday edition by mail in Callahan county.



Oddest news lately came from Rhode Island, from Pawtucket. The very name of that place is odd, isn't it? They arrested a man for laughing—and fined him too.

Doesn't look like a man has much freedom left if it's against the law to laugh, does it? What this old world needs is more laughs. With all the high prices, high taxes, strikes and world problems, they ought to pay a man a bounty for laughing.

Like the two men who were talking; one said, "A man who hides behind a woman's skirt is a coward" and the other said, "A man who hides behind a woman's skirt these days is a magician." A man who can find anything to laugh about these days is really good.

There ought to be a law that he has to tell us what he's laughing

about, so we can laugh, too. Like the man who was poor in purse and in physique. He went to a doctor and the doctor said, "I'll examine you for \$10." He said, "All right, I'll help you look for it and, if you find it, I want half." Rhode Island is so little it would just make a watchfob for Texas. Why, Rhode Island is so little a man has to step over into Connecticut to have room to change his mind.

I read somewhere that Rhode Island is the most densely populated state in the Union and, judging from the Pawtucket happening, the people of Rhode Island really must be dense.

We invite that Pawtucket man to come to Texas where there is plenty of room. He can go out into the great spaces of some of our Western counties where, if the inhabitants were placed in a line an equal distance apart, the human voice wouldn't carry from one man to the next one in line. Or he can come to one of our Texas cities where he can laugh to his heart's content and nobody will even hear him. We have so many car horns honking, ambulance sirens sounding, fire bells ringing and six-shooters firing that Gabriel will have to blow his horn a second time just especially for the cities of Texas.

Fine a man for laughing, indeed! Wouldn't it be more sensible to fine a fellow for being grouchy, grumpy and fault-finding? Give me the person who can see the silver lining in the clouds that overhang life.

The line of the poet will have to be changed to read, "Laugh and the world laugh with you—except Pawtucket."

Am I going to Pawtucket? Brother, don't make me laugh!

Rowden News

By Patsy Crow

Theida and Velda Crow and Conard Robinson were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Horner Sunday.

The following were visitors in the Walter Jones home Sunday: Chief Horner, Donald Stephens, and Carl Mauldin.

Celeta Redden was a visitor in Irene Mauldin's home Sunday.

Katy Swafford was a visitor in the home of Jannie and Carlene Robinson Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Redden and Lavonia were visitors in Mrs.

Fannie Price's home Sunday.

Mrs. W. B. Gibbs and Dean were visitors in Lubbock the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. English and sons were visitors in Mr. and Mrs. B. Crow's home Sunday.

There will be an all day singing at the Rowden Baptist church the 5th Sunday in June. Everyone is invited to attend and bring a lunch basket.

Joyce Johnson, who was operated on for appendicitis is home and doing nicely.

Le Roy English visited Dean Gibbs Sunday.

Miss Ludie Smedley who is employed in Abilene, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Odle Smedley, Wednesday.

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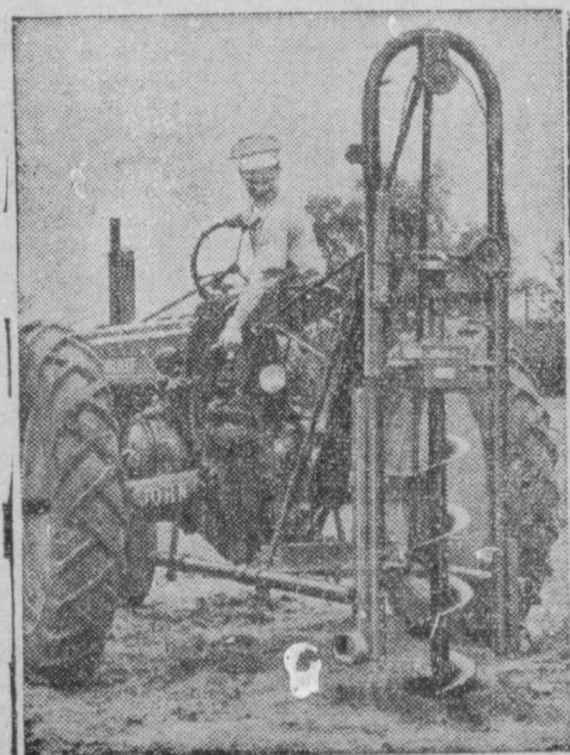
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County Agent Column

Hoppers Hatching

Farmers of the county are being urged by this office to start control measures against millions of grasshoppers that are hatching now.

Poison bait put out now to kill the young hoppers can prevent a lot of damage to row crops. Grasshoppers infestations were large last season and the hatch this spring points to another big year for the insects.

An early start on grasshopper control is being encouraged now because the insects, at present, are young and easy to kill; they are bunched together now after the hatch and therefore very little bait will kill them; and they are still on the edges of fields and have not, as yet, done any damage to row

crops.

Information received from the USDA Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine Office at Waco, grasshopper surveys show that the insects have shown up in large numbers in the following counties: Erath, Jack, Archer, Wichita, Clay, Wise, Denton, Dallas, Collin, Hunt, Kaufman, Ellis, McLennan, Falls, Robertson, Brazos, Burleson, Hays, Washington, Austin, Bastrop, Gonzalez, Karnes, Guadalupe, Caldwell, Travis and Williamson.

The county mixing station in the basement of the county courthouse opened Monday with the following farmers receiving material: G. H. Johnson, Clyde; A. R. Kelton, Baird; and D. Young, Baird. They reported large numbers on their farms, so you who haven't made a

check on the grasshopper infestation on your place, might be wise to look out for them.

No Cause For Alarm

Many farmers and pecan growers have been concerned about a condition on their pecan trees known as phylloxera, which are tiny insects showing up now on pecan leaves.

The sign that growers are asking about the small, wart like growth on pecan leaves. That growth, is the crown, or gall, in which the small white insect grows. Phylloxera actually do not do a great deal of harm to Texas pecans, since they have many natural enemies that keep them down.

A nicotine sulphate and liquid lime sulphur spray is used to kill the insects. My advice is to merely "let the insects ride" until next spring, since it is too late for effective spraying, and spray next spring as the buds begin to unfold.

Another disease that will reduce your pecan production is rosette. This is a nutritional disease characterized by yellowing of the leaves shoots die. Rosette may very easily be controlled by 2 or 3 applications of a solution of 2 lbs. of zinc sulphate in 100 gallons of water or 1 to 2 lbs. of zinc sulphate for each inch diameter of the tree trunk can be distributed evenly under each tree and disked in provide the soil isn't alkali; or several teaspoons of zinc sulphate into the trunk of the tree with an auger and bit.

One of these methods of application of zinc sulphate should be applied now to trees suffering from the disease.

FLAME RESTANT

Science has come up with another development aimed at home fire safety.

Government and industrial research has developed flame-resistant chemicals that may be applied to fabrics to cut down danger of household fires. Mrs. Bernice Claytor, home management specialist of the Texas A. & M. College Extension Service, says that fire-resistant draperies, rugs and upholstery are in prospect as a result of the new development.

The problem of fire-proofing ironing board covers is still unanswered, however, since the heat of the iron will break down the flame-resistant chemical covering.

Only those who fulfill their duty in everyday matters will fulfill them on great occasions. — Kingsley

Fidelity is simply daring to be true in small things as well as great. — Henry Van Dyke

Fay Coleman has returned from Odessa after several days visit with relatives and friends there.

R. C. Speegle and family spent Sunday in the home of his brother, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Speegle, of the Dan Horn community.

Public Complacency Aids Closed Shop

Demand for Curbs Gives Way to False Sense of Security.

That labor's unbridled powers have been gained and held through public complacency was cited to Congressional committees early this month by Edward A. O'Neal, President of the American Farm Bureau Federation. Leaning out at many of the so-called "rights" of the unions which actually restrict the rights of the general public, O'Neal declared:

"The present industrial peace should not lull us into a false sense of security that all is well and that harmonious relations have been established."

This reminder that the American people, who only a few months ago were up in arms over strikes which had paralyzed the nation, have swallowed a sugar-coated pill and been rocked back to sleep is supported by statements from Congressional sources that only labor leaders are making known their wishes in regard to proposed remedial labor legislation. Their wishes, of course, are that nothing be done to disturb labor's special privileges, including the closed shop and its accompanying assault upon the foundation of the traditional American right to work and earn a living.

The true attitude of the American people in regard to the closed shop was accurately reflected in a recent national survey which revealed that 76 per cent of the public favors the

open shop, as opposed to the closed shop. The poll went even farther to report that almost half of all union members are opposed to closed shop.

Despite the survey, the sudden calling off of strikes and other labor unrest, as if by prearranged plan, and the reversal of numerous rulings by the National Labor Relations Board, have had their effect upon the public in general. The effect, as Mr. O'Neal reported, has been to "lull us into a false sense of security that all is well."

Many Congressional leaders studying the problem of what to do about the closed shop are eyeing the situation in 19 states, in widely scattered parts of the nation, which have outlawed the closed shop or are considering such action. They interpret this as a strong indication of the public's resentment over attempts of unionists to abridge the right of citizens to work. Moreover, Congressional labor committees have been provided a mountainous volume of facts and figures on how the closed shop works to the detriment of the public.

In calling on his farmer members to express themselves by letter to their Congressmen, Mr. O'Neal pointed to the statement of Congressman Gwinn of New York that "Congress wants more than anything else to hear from you folks", and added that the extent to which public complacency may go in enabling labor once more to hold onto special privileges will be reflected in Congressional ballots to be cast in the next few weeks.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Everett attended the graduation exercises of their son, Jack, at Houston the past week end. He received his degree from Rice Institute and he and Mrs. Everett are moving back to Cisco where he has been selected as head coach at the Cisco Junior College for the next term. He will take up his coaching duties immediately.

Vernon and Harold Donaway were attending to business in Fort Worth Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Biggerstaff and niece, Mrs. Parsley of Denver, attended church at Baird Sunday.

Atwell News

By Mrs. Ben Riffe

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Foster and boys spent part of last week with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Foster near Wilson. On their way home Friday they visited with their grandmother, Mrs. Minnix, in Sweetwater.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Pillans and family spent the week end with his sister, Mrs. Bob Kincaid, and family at Snyder.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Black and Harriette of Putnam visited in the Gus Black home Sunday night and attended singing.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Shaw and children of Sundown accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hewes to the Brownwood lake Friday. They spent the week end fishing. There were others in the party whose names we failed to get.

Grady Sproles was called to the bedside of his mother, Mrs. Ben Sproles, at Hearne Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Hutchins and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Buster Foster near Cross Plains.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Foster of Cross Plains spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tatom.

Mr. and Mrs. Clint Brashear and Seba Joe transacted business in Abilene Saturday and visited with Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Lavender.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Riffe and Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Purvis spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Keelon Riffe in Cisco.

Rev. and Mrs. Maurice Treadwell and son of Foster visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Purvis middle of last week. They left their young son with Mr. and Mrs. Purvis and are now in Brownwood where Mr. Treadwell has undergone a major operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Buster Foster and children of Cross Plains visited in the E. P. Foster home Friday night.

Mrs. Truman Foster entertained the young people's Sunday school class Wednesday night of last week. Games were played and ice cream was served to those present.

Mr. and Mrs. Ebb Rouse and two girls were met at the Cisco lake Sunday by the following relatives and friends: Mr. and Mrs. Billy Havens, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Havens and girls and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. McWilliams and Dortha Bruce all of Baird. They enjoyed a picnic lunch and skating.

Ruby Nell Trimble and her girl friend, Betty, of Brownwood attended the singing Sunday night.

Nettie Lee Donaway has just about recovered from a severe attack of whooping cough.

Mrs. Francis Clinton has been visiting relatives in Arlington the past few days.

Mrs. Presley, Mrs. Hubert Buchanan and Mrs. Cotton Stewart were Ranger visitors Tuesday.

This grain crop is putting the farmer on the run. Stewart Bentley was in Putnam early Saturday morning and when questioned why he was in town so early, he replied that he was looking for parts for his machine.

Mrs. John Gorczynsky of New York returned to her home Wednesday after visiting with her sister, Mrs. C. P. Chick, for several days.

Supt. R. Lee Snyder returned from Stephenville the first of the week after visiting with relatives there the past few days.

Mrs. Grover Maxwell left for her home in Bakersville, Calif. Monday after visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Fisher.

Robert More of Cisco, son of A. C. More, was in Putnam Saturday morning looking after business here in the Putnam shallow oil field. The More's have some shallow wells South of town on the Isenhower.

Mrs. Earl Rutherford returned from Fort Worth Friday afternoon where she had been visiting with her son, Lee, who has been ill.

Miss Ruth Mobley returned to Fort Worth Saturday morning after visiting in the Mobley home for the past few days. Miss Mobley is a nurse and has employment in Fort Worth.

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