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From The Editor's Window

BY MRS. J. S. YEAGER

Soviet occupation authorities have recently opened new, closely guarded uranium mines in East Germany reliable German travelers have reported. The new uranium mine field is said to be only fifteen miles from the American zone border.

The level of Lake Geneva has fallen so low that a stone on the lake bed has been uncovered, and the following inscribed message found: — When you see me, cry."

Residents of Switzerland say the message refers to long dry spells many years ago. They claim the stone with the inscription on it hasn't been seen since 1921.

Only four cities in the entire county of Mexico, according to reports, have a larger Mexican population than San Antonio, Texas. A third of San Antonio citizens, more than 100,000, are of Mexican or Indian origin.

A 94-year-old lady approached a jewelry salesman in San Francisco and said she would like to pick up a silver gravy boat she had left to be cleaned. She said it had been there some time — since 1902 she thought.

The clerk looked about and soon found it according to the story.

The first cows brought to the to records were those brought to the West Indies in 1492 by Christopher Columbus.

The first cows brought to the United States were those brought over by members of the Jamestown Colonists in 1611.

A college boy, after a number of years in the business world, retired with a neat fortune of \$60,000. He amassed this large sum through courage of his savings, and the death of an uncle who left him 659,929.50.

Farmer Jabber: — "I've got a freak on my farm. It's a two-legged calf."

Farmer Cornassel: — "Yes, I know. He came over to call on my daughter last night."

It is said that twenty years ago Niles Astor, Movie idol, was drawing a weekly salary of \$5,000. Today he is working for one dollar an hour as a delivery clerk in Los Angeles and enjoying every minute of his work. He says a friend got the job for him. Niles was Swedish-born and is 48 years old.

The vine-clad cottage on the hillside, the cabin of the woodsman, and the rural home of the farmer, these are the true ideals of any country. — From The Odd Fellow News.

Glenn Thames was in Putnam Saturday afternoon looking after business interests and visiting with relatives.

Social Security Official To Be In Cisco April 28

E. Glen McNatt, field representative of the Abilene office of the Social Security Administration, will be at the Post Office in Cisco at 2:00 p. m. on Thursday, April 28. Persons wishing assistance with retirement claims or death claims under the Social Security Act should call at that time for necessary help and information.

In a statement released today, McNatt reminds employers that their regular quarterly social security tax returns are due in the office of the Collector of Internal Revenue, Dallas, Texas, during the month of April. These returns cover wages during the three month period ending March 31, 1949. Such returns should be filed by each employer who had one or more persons working for him during the quarter. Certain special types of work, however, such as farm work, work for governmental agencies, and work of domestic servants in private homes, are not included under the Social Security system; reports are not filled by employers on earnings doing these types of work.

Callahan County To Get New Wells

Putnam Texas, April 16—John Rather and others of long-view have filed location for a Cisco series wildcat No. 1 Mrs. J. A. Heyser. This will be a 2,000 foot rotary well and is located 2,207 feet from the North and 780 from the west line of T. Owens survey. This well is located about seven miles South of Putnam.

Location for a new Ellinburger well a wildcat, Callahan County 10 miles southwest of Clyde, has been filed by Continental Oil Company, the location is for the No. 1, O. J. Welch, 1650 feet from the east line and 330 feet from the south line of section 50 LAL survey. Permit is for 5,200 feet with rotary. Drilling date for the project has not been announced, but is expected to be in the near future.

Also to test the Cisco series is a wildcat six miles south of Baird slated by U. T. Wilkins of Abilene. It will be the No. 1, W. P. West, 861 feet from the north line of section 2, W. H. Johnson survey. Permit is for 1,500 feet with cable tools.

Alton White Had Sprained Ankle

Alton White, grocerman of Putnam has been hobbling a round on crutches the past several days. But has been able to lay away his crutches the past few days.

He was loading some salt in a car and in some way a fifty lb. bag of salt was dropped on his foot and sprained his ankle.

Old Time Square Dance Performance Friday Night Went Over In Big Way With Capacity Crowd Attending

Clyde School Board Elects All Teachers

At a recent meeting of the Clyde School Board Baily Johnson was re-elected superintendent of the Clyde school along with all present staff member at a meeting of the board.

Re-elected to the high school staff were Ione McIntyre, Principal V. R. Leverett, Coach. Martin Mayfield, English; S. I. Freeman, Science; Mrs. S. E. Roberson, commercial; and Miss Unita Wright, home economics.

Grade school staff members are; Mrs. Jewel Swanzy, principal; Mrs. Baily Johnson, Others, Mrs. Evelyn Barton Scott, Hartense Fedrick, Alda Nordyke Mrs. Frank Baily, Mrs. C. E. Corley, and Mrs. S. I. Freeman

Baird Voters Vote Water

Bonds Saturday

Putnam Texas, April 16—Voters of Baird turned out Saturday and voted on a bond issue for \$200,000, for a municipal water supply by a vote of 384 to 35 against, to finance a dam and reservoir on Mexia Creek, a mile and a half southwest of Baird.

The election was called by the Callahan County control and improvement district No. 1 which was created by a vote recently incorporating the city of Baird into a water district including the city limit only.

The city council at a meeting recently voted to call an election in the city to vote \$75,000 bond issue to build a pipeline and connect the new lake with city for water supply.

Report On Crops About Completed

The Callahan AAA Committee has mailed letters to farmers of the county for official crop acreages 1945 through 1949 and will carry the program the next week.

The committee needs acreages planted to wheat, cotton, oats, barley peanuts and grain sorghum on each farm in order to develop loans and purchase programs next year.

The following scheduled will be followed next week: Monday at Eula, Tuesday at Oplin, Wednesday at Denton, Thursday at Rowden, Friday at Cisco, April 25-26 at Baird, April 27, Putnam April 28, Cottonwood April 29.

Barton B. McFhearson is administrative officer of the Callahan County AAA.

Brazos Watershed Survey Completed

Field work completed over three month of schedule, on the Soil Conservation Service Flood control of the Brazos River Watershed. Regional Director Louis P. Merrill of Soil Conservation announced last week.

Survey findings are now in the regional headquarters for checking and tabulation, and the drafting of the report on the survey is under way Mr. Merrill reported.

The survey was started last July 1. Its purpose is to show whether the benefits that can be expected from the Department of Agriculture Watershed treatment program made of flood control would justify the program cost. Similar surveys on other watersheds have been shown that most of that done by floods is to crops and livestock.

The aim of the agricultural flood control program is to slow down runoff water flow thereby reducing damage to agriculture and preventing erosion as well.

The 40,000 square miles watershed of the Brazos annually produces more than two million head of livestock, 75,000 bales of cotton and 6,000,000 bushels of grain. About 2,000,000 acres of bottom land along the Brazos and its tributaries are subject to overflow.

Mr. And Mrs. Swim Moving To Abilene

While in Baird this week, Rev. Swim pastor of the Methodist Church in Putnam informed the writer that he and Mrs. Swim were planning on moving to Abilene about the first of August. He said he had accepted a position as manager of a book store at McMurray College an expected to begin his work there August the 1st.

However, he said that he would still serve the Methodist Church at Putnam until his term expired as pastor.

Their daughter Miss Ruth is attending McMurray College at Abilene and their son, W. B. Junior, is professor of English in Oberlin College, Tokyo.

Boy Scout Camp Dates Set

Camp Billy Gibbons, the Comanche Trail Council's Camp, will run for three weeks this summer. The dates are: June 24th to July 1st, July 1st to 7th, July 7th to the 15th.

The Camp is located on Brady Creek, some four and one half miles from where Brady Creek empties into the San Saba River in San Saba County.

This will be the third summer for the new Camp to be used. Several improvements are being made before the Camp opens, and according to Scout officials, one of the best Camp Staffs will be in charge of the various phases of the Camp program.

The big show has come and gone. The square dance sponsored by Mrs. J. B. Shannon one of the teachers in the Putnam School. It was a great show to many people because many of the young people never saw a square dance, probably some of them heard their parents talk of the square dance when they were young but did not learn much from that.

They had a capacity crowd at the gymnasium coming for many miles to Putnam. They were here from Cisco, Baird, Cottonwood, Scranton and number of other places to see the performance. The crowd stayed until as late as they enjoyed the performance with many of the younger people joining in the dances for the first time. No disorder of any kind with no drinking or rowdiness but everybody was glad they were there an went home happy and feeling fine over attending their first square dance and congratulating Mrs. Shannon on the entertainment furnished.

Mrs. Shannon is a live wire when it comes to furnishing entertainment as she has sponsored a number of things in the school in the way of entertainment and they have all gone over in a big way.

Shutdown In Local Area Said To Be Temporary

The Lone Star Gas Company Monday announced a wide spread re-pressuring program in the old Caddo Field designed to reclaim large quantities of oil remaining in the ground after more than twenty years of producing.

The program, which scientists say will produce three barrels of oil to every one taken so far, will get under way with the drilling of 24 test holes placed at strategic points in the field for the purpose of water flooding the producing zone.

The pay zone in the old boom time field is said to be 1,600 feet thick and of sand which responds easily to the flooding process. The water will be pumped into the bottom of the pool under pressure and will force the oil to the top of the sand where it can be reclaimed with a minimum of cost to the producer.

Also in the Caddo Field, Lone Star was drilling at approximately 300 feet on their W. S. Warren, No. 24. The well which will be drilled to the Caddo Sand, is located some six miles from the Caddo townsite.

In the Kleiner Field just north of Cisco, Lone Star was drilling at approximately 2,400 feet on their Kincaid No. A-7, a test to the Mississippian. Hickock was drilling at 2,000 feet on their Wright-Harrell No. 1, a cable test which is being drilled to examine the structure in the area.

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Eastland County Dairy Show Draws 45 Animals; Gorman Man Wins First

A total of 45 animals were shown at the second annual Eastland County show held at the softball park here Friday and officials in charge deemed the show a success.

The quality of the animals shown was better than those shown last year, it was said.

We are planning on a bigger and better show next year and in the years to come," said A. Z. Myrick, Cisco, President of the Eastland County Dairy Association, who acted as show chairman during the one day show.

Grand champion cow of the show was shown by L. R. Higginbottom of Gorman Secretary-Treasurer of the association, who showed nine animals. Only three blue ribbon animals were shown. Higginbottom showed two of them and C. D. Simmons of Gorman showed the other one.

It was a classification show where the animal was competing against the ideal dairy type animal of that age instead of against each other. Seventeen animals were classed as red ribbon animals, 17 were awarded a white ribbon and eight got a yellow ribbon. One animal was not shown.

A. M. Meekma, A & M College Dairy Specialist and E. R. Eudaly, Fort Worth, were the

judges. Eudaly also spoke to the group on feeding dairy cows.

Exhibitors from Eastland were H. E. Craven, Landon Jordan, Jim Hallmark, Gene Millican, John D. Burleson, Joe and Gene Bowles, Roy Don Harris, Elbert Rains and G. A. Norris. Marshall Berry and E. J. Capers had entries from Carbon. Frank Robinson Ranger; Fred Rogers, Alameda; James Horn, Olden; L. O. Swindle, Cisco; Joe Ed Reynolds, Kokomo; and A. Z. Myrick, Cisco, were the exhibitors. Several of them showed more than one animal.

Travis Kurklin, Cisco, was winner of the junior judging contest and A. A. Bennett, Corman, won the senior judging contest.

Mrs. J. B. Eubank had the pleasure of having the following daughters in her home to spend Easter Sunday with her. Mrs. Kate Franklin, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilbank and children, Moran, Mrs. T. E. Beardof Canyon, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller, Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Low of Albany, and Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Webb and children of Cisco.

Mrs. Jack Ramsay was in Cisco Monday morning shopping.

State THDA President To Talk At District Convention In Eastland

Mrs. R. L. Campbell State President of the Texas Home Demonstration Association, will be the guest speaker at the two day convention of District 8 of the group which will be held in Eastland on April 27-28. Mrs. Campbell lives in Wildorado, Texas.

Mrs. John G. Golightly of Hico, vice-president of District 8, will preside over the meetings which will be held at the First Methodist Church in Eastland.

Highlighting the entertainment for the two-day session, will be a barbecue supper served by the Eastland Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday evening. The supper will be followed by a program of stunts, songs and games by the District personnel.

Work in Legislation, Education, 4-H Club Work, Marketing and Recreation will be some of



Mrs. R. L. Campbell of Wildorado, state president of the Texas Home Demonstration Association, will talk before members of District 8 of the THDA at a meeting to be held in Eastland on April 27-28.

the phases carrying out the theme: "Better Homes Makes for a Better World."

THDA LEADERS



Mrs. John G. Golightly of Hico, THDA District 8 vice president, will preside at the meetings of the group at the convention to be held in Eastland on April 27-28.

Dothan School District Asks To Join Cisco District

The Press learned Saturday that the Dothan School District had filed a petition for an election to be held for the purpose

of consolidation with the Cisco Independent School District.

The Dothan District was not included in the consolidation program announced recently by the Eastland County School Board because it is a county line district with part of the schoolastics living in Eastland County and part in Callahan County.

The law states that a county line district must vote separately to decide which county it prefers and which district it wants to join.

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AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS APRIL 11, 1949.

First National Bank

CISCO, TEXAS

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	\$ 655,295.26
Cash and Exchange	773,650.29
U. S. Government Bonds	1,867,874.61
Bonds of Federal Agencies	100,000.00
State, County and City Bonds	61,549.12
Federal Reserve Bank Stock	3,000.00
Banking House	19,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	14,500.00
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	\$3,494,869.28

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus Earned	50,000.00
Undivided Profits	69,551.06
Reserved for Taxes	2,961.39
Reserved for Contingencies	22,422.33
Cashier's Checks Outstanding	5,064.12
War Loan Deposits	58,816.01
Individual Deposits	3,236,054.37
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	\$3,494,869.28

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Local Junior College Square Dance Team Wins Recognition At Abilene

Although it wasn't an exhibition meet, Cisco's Junior College square dancers returned here Saturday night after the two day first annual Abilene Frontier Square Dance Festival with their share of the honors.

Some 350 dancers from all over Texas were on hand for the first night's activities in the flag draped hanger at Tye Air Base.

Harley Sadler, West Texas showman, served as master of ceremonies as young and old alike, in long, ruffled skirts and blue jeans, took the floor to follow the square dance callers.

Square dance teams were present from Dallas, Lubbock, Big Spring, Cross Plains, Rotan, Anson, Ballinger, Winters, Hamlin, Breckenridge, Ft. Worth, Truscott, Sweetwater Midland and Cisco.

Cisco Junior College was represented by six girls and six boys — the girls wore ruffled blue polka dot dresses while the boys wore blue jeans and blue shirts. They were Patsy Anderson, Robi Robinson, Anna Belle Trigg, Charles Spicer, Jerre Westfall, Ann Spenny, Frances Surlis, Emma Lee Donohue, Lloyd McGrew, Betty Lennon and Billy Matthews. College Dean R. F. Webb accompanied the group.

The Cisco delegation was selected to pose for Reporter-News photographers for a special edition of the first annual festival that appeared in Sunday's paper.

Archie Jefferies and the Butane boys furnished music for the evening. Callers were present from Sweetwater, Breckenridge, Stamford, Big Spring and Dallas. The reception committee included the 27 members of the Bar-A square dance team from Abilene.

Farmers and ranchers over a wide area in every direction from Cisco were rejoicing today over heavy rains which brought promise of bumper grain crops and good grass lands and filled stock tanks to the brim. Rain that began falling early Tuesday in Cisco measured a little over two inches at noon Wednesday and overcast skies gave promise of additional showers.

Grain And Grass Benefitted By Soaking Rains

The rain also renewed hopes in cities where water supplies had dwindled. The catch in Lake Cisco measured several inches and earthen tanks in the watershed were full and rain in the near future will pour

into the lake.

The value of the rain was lessened somewhat by storms, hail and floods in some areas, but the economic benefits were far more than the losses incurred. In the Brownwood area, five inches of rain fell, some residents were forced to flee from their homes to higher ground. The damage was greatest in north part of the city where Adam's Branch was out of banks.

The North Concho in San Angelo was reported on a 19 foot rise while the Llano was up seven feet. Three Abilene lakes caught an estimated 650 million gallons of water. Hail the size of teacups fell in and around San Angelo and in the Del Rio area, inflicting heavy damage to growing crops and roofs. Wind

in the Plains area caused some damage to farm homes but the rain assured farmers of good grain crops.

Rain reports in this area were as follows: Eastland, 2 inches; Rising Star, 1.5 inches; Albany, one inch; Moran, Two inches; Anson, 1.32; Stamford, 2.07; Coleman, 2.0; Brownwood, 5.0; Abilene, 1.77; Big Spring, 1.71; and Snyder, 3.50.

Oil Field Worker Injured Monday

George T. Guess of Ranger, 26-year-old oil field worker for the Standard-Fryer Drilling Co. here, was in a Cisco hospital today suffering from back injuries he sustained Monday after-

noon. Crew workers said Guess was emerging from an underground shaft and was struck on the back by a swinging tong, attached to the rigging mast. He was brought to Graham Hospital by companions who witnessed the mishap.

The extent of his injuries were not disclosed, but hospital attendants reported his condition as satisfactory.

LEAVES HOSPITAL

Mrs. Callie McAfee, Cisco school teacher, was released from Graham hospital Monday evening after being under treatment for a serious throat infection. She had been in the hospital a week.



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RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	\$417,215.67
U. S. Government Obligations	\$2,029,479.50
Federal Land Bank and Federal Home Loan Bank Loans	\$70,000.00
Municipal Bonds and Warrants	\$63,312.34
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	\$2,650.00
Cash and Due from Banks	\$631,525.44
Banking House and Furniture and Fixtures	\$15,000.00
TOTAL	\$3,229,182.95

LIABILITIES

Deposits	\$3,032,097.31
Capital (Common)	\$50,000.00
Surplus	\$38,000.00
Undivided Profits	\$73,172.07
Reserve for Contingencies, Taxes, Bond Premiums, Improvements, Etc.	\$35,913.57
TOTAL	\$3,229,182.95

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Personals

Mrs. Thomas H. Lee, Mrs. Cora Meglasson, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Tonelson and two daughters of Coleman spent the week end in Houston, where they attended the wedding of George Meglasson a brother of Mrs. Lee.

Miss Faye Coleman was home over the weekend from Midland where she has employment, visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Coleman, and grandfather, Robert Head.

Mrs. Mable Carico, Mrs. Ruth Mobley and Mrs. Lela Karr were visitors in Gorman Tuesday.

Mac Howell of Cisco, an old friend to the family, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Yeager Sunday morning.

Mrs. Sadie Heslep of Baird and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Armstrong of Jal, New Mexico, were visiting old friends in Putnam Sunday. They were former residents of Putnam.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Yeager wish to thank their friends and fellow members of the Baptist Church for the delightful shower tendered them the past week. Also for the Easter cards received.

May the heavenly father extend his many blessings to each and all of you.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Tompkins of Brownwood were visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Yeager Sunday afternoon.

John Clements was in Baird Tuesday morning trading and looking after business.

Everett Williams was in Baird Tuesday morning, talking with cattlemen and other friends and looking after business interests.

Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Ramsay was visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Everett and other friends here and at Cisco and Dothan. While here he set his subscription dates up another year.

Other new subscribers and renewals have been in this week. J. C. Clement, J. T. Wagley and W. J. Abernathy

Mrs. Sam Jobe has been returned from the County Hospital where she underwent a major operation. She is re-

covering at her home in the west part of the town.

Mrs. C. T. Davis was shopping in Cisco one day the past week.

Reed Francisco spent the week end visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Francisco. When he leaves here he will be transferred to Canada.

Mrs. Ellen Winters, who taught in the Putnam High School several years ago was in Putnam visiting and meeting old friends.

It is reported that W. E. Byrd, who taught agriculture in the Putnam School several years ago, died in Grandview recently.

Frank Sunderman who is attending Baylor University in Waco, made his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Sunderman a visit over the weekend.

Mr and Mrs. James King and brother, Edward, were here from Fort Worth over the weekend visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pete King.

The Church of Christ



A series of Gospel meetings begin at the Church of Christ Monday evening, 7:45 p. m., April 25, with E. R. Harper doing the preaching.

E. R. Harper is now a naturalized Texan from the sticks of Arkansas where he spent his boyhood days. He now wears shoes and exhibits all the admirable characteristics of a friendly Texan and Christian. Despite the fact that he didn't begin high school until he got out of the army after the first World War and finished at the age of 25, he is making up for lost time as an humble servant to God and man. He serves the Church in Abilene at 5th and Highland as minister and preaches over the radio daily. He can be heard by radio from KTSA at 3:15 each afternoon and from IRBC each Sunday

morning from 8:15 to 8:45.

Though he is an orator, he still uses sign language in that he will use the blackboard and large attractive charts freely. The order of lessons to be dis-

cussed is as follows:

1. Do you know the Shepherd of the 23rd Psalm?
2. The Christian Hope.
3. Prayer the Line to Heaven
4. Born from Above.



The 58 1/2 pound catfish pictured above was taken from Lake Cisco by C. B. Midkiff and Wilson Smith. It was caught on a trot line. (Picture by Shy Osborn)

Local Fishermen Catch 58 1/2 Pound Catfish In Lake Cisco Waters

One of the biggest fish ever caught from Lake Cisco was brought in recently by C. B. (Charlie) Midkiff and Wilson Smith. Midkiff, one armed grade school principal, and Smith, service station operator,

are two of the towns most ardent fishermen. The fish, all 58 and one half pounds of him, was caught on a trot line somewhere in Lake Cisco. The two fishermen were reluctant to tell just where. A

5. Salvation by Faith in Christ
6. From the Cross to the Crown
7. The Waterless Hell.
8. The 2nd Coming of Christ.
9. The Glorious Church of the Bible.

For Sunday afternoon, 3 p. m. May 1, there will be a longer song service and E. R. Harper will speak on the Great Apostary of the Church. Come let us enjoy worship and fellowship together.

five pound catfish caught at the same time looked like a minnow when placed beside the huge yellow cat.

In order that their friends might have an opportunity to see the big fish, Midkiff took him home and placed him in the bath tub — and the tub was full of fish. A steady stream of visitors went by to take a look.

Midkiff, in spite of the loss of an arm, is an expert fisherman. He uses a fly rod or a casting rod better than most fishermen who have the use of both arms and hands and when he makes a catch, he does not ask Mrs. Midkiff to clean it — he handles the complete job.

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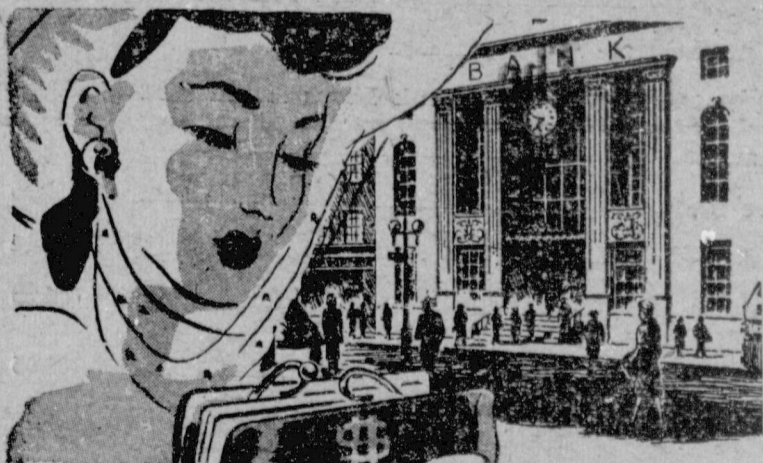
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Jay Garrett Is New Lions Club President

Jay Garrett of West Texas Utilities Company here was elected president of the Cisco Lions Club in the annual election of officers at the luncheon meeting at noon Wednesday at the college cafeteria. He will take office in July and will succeed A. R. Westfall.

Other officers elected were: Charlie Burke, vice-president; E. G. Damron, secretary; J. T. Egan, treasurer; Austin Flint, Lion tamer; Stormy Davis, taitwister; Gene Shockley, assistant secretary; Sterling Drumwright, assistant taitwister; N. C. Huston, song leader, and Lovell Paul, sweetheart.

New directors elected were Bill Mitcham and Simon Coplin. W. J. Foxworth, former member of the club, was introduced as a new member.

Henry Turney of Dublin, grass specialist with the Soil Conservation Service, was guest speaker in a program presented by Dr. C. E. Paul.

Describing grass and the green leaves and "the food factories of the world," Turney said this area now has 50 per cent less grass than when it originally was settled. He said there are some 200 different kinds of grass growing in the Cisco trade territory.

He told of the Soil Conservation Service's program for improving pastures in this region. He was introduced by L. R. Higginbottom, Carbon dairy farmer, who entertained Lions with several magic tricks.

Rites For Former Cisco Man Held Here Tuesday

Funeral services were held at the Thomas Funeral Chapel in Cisco at 10:30 a. m. today for Dr. Carroll Church Davis, 66, who died in Marshall at 12:45 a. m. Monday after a lengthy illness. He was the brother of Mrs. Charles C. Jones of Cisco.

Rev. Stuart McC. Rohre, minister of the First Presbyterian Church, conducted the services for Dr. Davis, who was born in Cisco on February 22, 1886. He was a graduate of Cisco High School and from Tulane University. He was a World War I veteran and a member of the Baptist Church. He was a member of the Texas and Pacific hospital staff.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Marie Davis; two stepdaughters, Mrs. James Livingston of Marshall and Mrs. Bill F.

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One hour after her rescue from a fire which destroyed St. Anthony's Hospital in Effingham, Illinois, Mrs. Arnold Alderman gave birth to a baby. Here, her husband stands at the bedside of his wife and child.

Bullock of Arlington; one brother, Everett H. Davis of Beaumont; and three sisters, Mrs. Roscoe St. John of Abilene, Miss Shirley Davis of Hawkins, and Mrs. Jones of Cisco.

Burial was in Oakwood with Thomas Funeral Home in charge of the arrangements.

3 Rotary Tests Planned In County

Locations for three new Eastland county rotary test in the immediate vicinity of Eastland has been made by Jack Chamberlain and associates et al of

Eastland and drilling operations were scheduled to begin within the next ten days.

According to information here, it had been planned to start operations several weeks ago but contacts were delayed pending the clearance of titles to the lands involved.

The Guy Quinn No. 1, one and one half miles east of Eastland on the National highway 80, section six, ETR Survey, will carry a permit for a test of the shallow and the deep pay.

The J. M. Smith No. 1, located on 175 acres out of the S. J. Robinson survey three miles south of Olden and about the same distance from Eastland will try the shallow pay and failing there will continue on to the deeper zone.

The Fred Davenport No. 1, 174 acres out of the S. J. Robinson survey Abst. No. 432, one mile south of Olden and just east of Eastland will carry permit for both shallow and deep test.

Mrs. Kate Franklin has been employed as assistant to the tax collector in Callahan County to take the place vacated by the resignation of Miss Hazel Reynolds who resigned to accept the county treasurer office. Mrs. Franklin is the former Miss Kate Eubank.

J. C. Clement, who owns a farm about five miles south of Putnam on the Cross Plains and Putnam road, doesn't think much of the grain crop. He stated Saturday he thought he would turn the cattle in on it in a few days if it did not rain.

Miss Leafa Thames, Miss Retha Burnam and Miss Fredalyn Cook were all home over the weekend from Hardin-Simmons University, visiting with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Thames, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Burnam, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cook.

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Farm Official To Be Here Thursday And Friday To Register Area Farms

Emmett Powell, administrative officer of the Eastland County ACA, announced Wednesday that he and his staff would be at the Cisco Chamber of Commerce Thursday and Friday to register all farms in communities H and I for future subsidies and supports. He stressed the importance of registering under the program and made the following statement:

"In order to maintain price supports and production figures on the various crops the government is now asking for the acreage of all crops grown on every farm in the county for the years 1945 through 1948. These figures must be obtained for every farm in the county. It is very necessary that you submit the correct information on your farm as requested or it may delay or make you in-

eligible to participate in future price support programs on cotton, wheat, grain sorghums and other farm crops."

"This is the farmers' program and your co-operation will help you and the other farmers in Eastland County. In order to save time and driving, members of the AAA Office will bring the forms to your community centers for the sign-up programs. Each farmer will be notified in the next few days where their community meeting will be held."

"The following schedule will be followed:

City Hall — Ranger, Texas — April 25, 26, 1949 — community "B."

Gorman High School Gymnasium — Gorman, Texas — April 27-28-29, 1949 — communities C and D.

Desdemona High School Gymnasium, — Desdemona, Texas — May 2-3, 1949 — community "A."

City Hall — Rising Star, Texas — May 4-5-6, 1949 — communities J-K-M and N.

Carbon High School Gymnasium — Carbon, Texas — May 9-10 — community "G."

"This is vitally important as this is a farmers' program. Do your part and give the correct information on your farm at the time it is requested," he said.

Eastland Civic Worker Dies At Home Sunday

Funeral services for Curtis Hertig, 63, secretary of the Eastland school board and Rotary Club, who died suddenly of a heart attack Sunday afternoon, were held Tuesday at 2 o'clock in the First Methodist Church there.

Interment was in the Eastland Cemetery, with Hammer Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Hertig was found dead by a neighbor, Earl Conner, Jr., Eastland Attorney, after Carl Angstadt had telephoned him to investigate why Hertig had failed to keep a luncheon appointment. Justice of the Peace E. E. Wood returned a verdict of death by natural causes.

Local National Guard Unit Plans Field Maneuvers To Be Held In May

Plans were completed this week to employ two sections of the Cisco National Guard unit, the 846th Armored Division, to Camp Barkley at Abilene May 21 and 22 in a series of preliminary rifle range drills. About 27 men will make up the two sections.

On May 28-29, two more sections, composed of an equal number of men will be dispatched to the former war time training camp for firing practice, Sgt. Frank Schlepfer, administrative assistant, stated.

Both sections will be issued small side arms and carbine light-weight rifles during the

According to information received here, physicians had ordered Hertig to bed for a rest, and he had only recently resumed his his secretarial duties.

Mrs. Hertig, who was in El Paso at the bedside of her brother, A. K. Powell, seriously ill, was notified of her husband's death and returned to Eastland Monday.

A native of Fort Worth, Hertig moved to Eastland in 1925, to be employed by the Eastland Gas Co. For the past several years, he had held the secretaryship of the school board and the Rotary Club.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Maragret Hertig, and other relatives. The couple had no children.

bivouac at Camp Barkley.

At the rifle range, Schlepfer said, the Guardsmen will fire approximately 100 rounds from small automatic guns per man a day and 160 rounds from carbines. Heavy machine guns and artillery will not be fired.

The convoy, which will be made up of two troop carrier trucks and a command car, will leave College Hill Armory early Saturday morning a month from now.

According to information, full combat equipment will be used in the two-day maneuvers, and Guardsmen will be putting to use field equipment for the first time since the unit was organized last year.

During the bivouac, field kitchens will be set up and maintained by the Quartermaster section. Sgt. Wayne Parsons will be in charge of the kitchen unit.

The maneuvers will be under the command of Captain O. O. Odom, Jr., commanding officer of the unit, who will be assisted by a joint three man advisory staff composed of Lt. Robert Donovan, Lt. C. J. Ritchey and Lt. Jack Lauderdale.

The visit to the rifle range will be held each year, said Schlepfer, in order to qualify each guardsman in the unit with Texas National Guard specifications for rifle and small arms training.

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Rev. Paul Stephens Exchanges Career In Air Corps To Realize Ambition To Be Small Town Baptist Minister

Maybe it was written in the sands that Rev. Paul Stephens, pastor of the East Cisco Baptist Church, would fail to qualify as a Cadet in the Army Air Force back in the war and then set out upon a life-time career devoted to preaching the gospel.

Not that Rev. Stephens believes so much in predestination, guided by strange powers, but he does contend he was meant for the ministry.

"After I failed to get in the Air Cadets, I was really downhearted. I had always wanted to fly, but I just didn't have enough knowledge of turbo gas engines."

In the fall of 1944, he enlisted in the Army Air Corps in hopes of being a graduate aerial gunner, but again, predestination — or whatever it was — stepped into the picture. This time the Air Corps didn't need aerial gunners.

During his twenty months in the service, Rev. Stephens spent most of the time behind a desk; doing clerical work in his spare time in the nightingale jail houses and old folks missions. He was stationed at Keesler Field, Mississippi, Laredo and finally at Randolph Field.

Discharged in 1946, Rev. Stephens enrolled as a Eble Major at Hardin-Simmons University at Abilene where one year later he met and married the former Joy Dodson of Hobbs, New Mexico.

Although he is still attending school, Rev. Stephens began his career at Chaney and Staff where he preached on alternate Sunday mornings. Since then, he has conducted a religious radio program twice weekly over stations KXOX, Sweetwater, on Friday and KPET, Lamesa, on Saturday.

The 15-minute broadcast was financed at the beginning by Rev. Stephens and then later by free-will contributions from the Hardin-Simmons student body. Until recently, the program, called "The Amazing Grace Hour,"



REV. PAUL STEPHENS

continued to spread the gospel over the broad expanses of West Texas.

Licensed to preach at the age of 22, young Stephens accepted an appointment as minister of the East Cisco Baptist Church in August of last year. He filled the position left vacant by Rev. C. K. Roberts, who is now pastor of the First Baptist Church in Shallowater.

When Rev. Stephens came to Cisco, he not only found an ideal setting for his pastoral ambitions, but he gained the reputation of being the youngest minister in the Cisco Baptist Association, an association which covers three counties — Stephens, Eastland, and Shackelford.

Now, with only one year to the background since he came to this city, the dark headed and conscientious pastor has increased the church membership from 400 to something like 460, re-

vamped the young people's department and brought the church to wide publicity with its "old fashion revivals."

In the fall of 1950, the Rev. Stephens hopes to obtain his Bachelor of Science degree from the Abilene school, then settle down here to complete his career as a small town Baptist minister.

At 23, the Rev. Stephens hopes to put over a wide rebuilding campaign with the enlargement of the church auditorium and additional space for class rooms. Because of his friendly personality, Rev. Stephens has won great favor in the eyes of his youthful followers.

As for juvenile delinquency, Rev. Stephens has his beliefs about that too. "The surest way to combat the overgrown problem is to begin the fight in the home. The church has its place, but to get at the root, be-

gin at home," he avers.

Besides his pastoral duties, the Rev. Stephens enjoys sketching and trying to make more friends in his spare moments. He likes rural work and tries to schedule at least two summer revivals in the smaller communities each year.

Born the son of a Baptist minister on April 23, 1926, Rev. Stephens lived in Beulaville, North Carolina, until the age of six, and then spent the remainder of his childhood days with his grandmother in Arlington, Texas, where he graduated from the high school there.

Rev. and Mr. Stephens are making their residence at the church parsonage at 1100 Ave. G.

Bank Deposits Show Increase Over Last Year

Deposits in the First National Bank in Cisco showed an increase of \$126.68 over deposits of a year ago, statements released today showed.

Total deposits on the last day of March, 1949, were \$3,229,934.50, as compared with last year's total of \$3,229,807.82. Loans reflected an increase, from \$548,649.99 to \$655,295.26.

Bruce Williams was home from John Tarleton College where he is attending school to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Williams over the week end.

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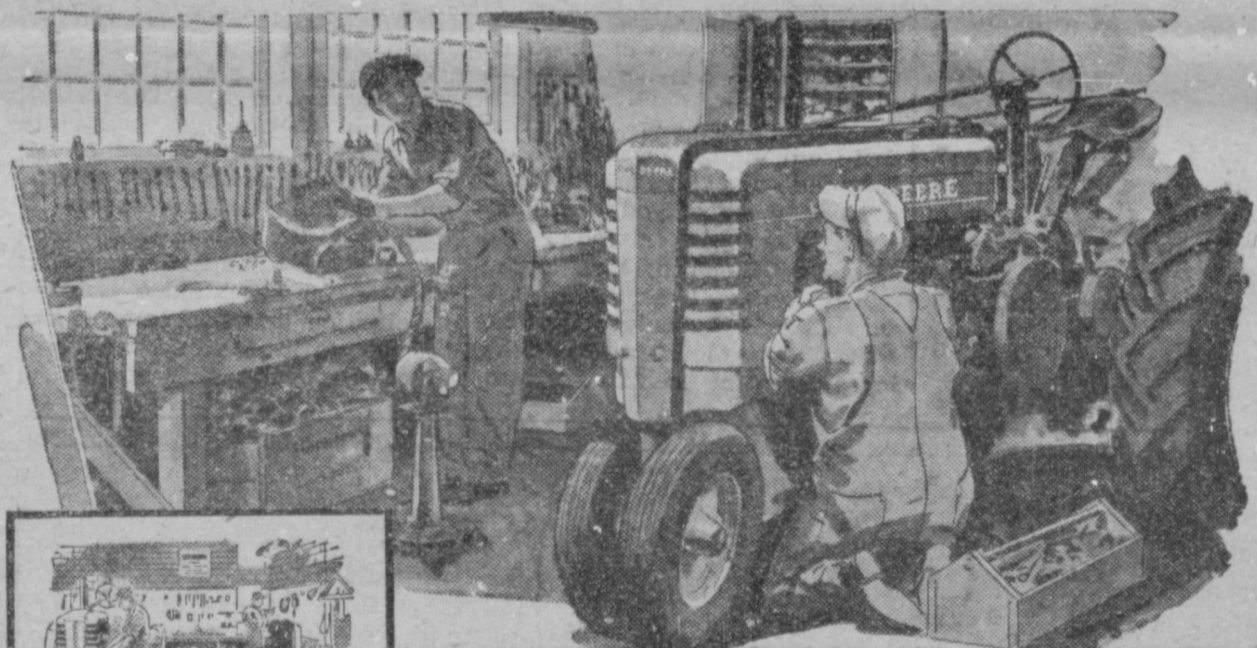
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Concert Violinist To Be Presented By Eastland Club

Todd Webb, concert violinist will be presented in a concert in the Eastland High School auditorium Wednesday April, 26, at 8 p. m. by the Music Club of Eastland.

Webb, who appeared as soloist with the Houston Symphony Orchestra, and the WGN Symphony in Chicago, spent more than two years with Universal Pictures in Hollywood.

He plays on a valuable Stradivarius violin.

His accompanist will be Miss Lois Jenke, a concert pianist in her own right.

The Music Study Club of Eastland invites the people of Cisco to come hear Mr. Webb.

"We believe we really have treat in store for music lovers of the surrounding area," Mrs. T. E. Richardson, president, said.

Mother of Local Man Is Dead

Mrs. Julia Turner of Stamford, mother of O. R. Turner of Cisco, died at her home in Stamford at 3 a. m. Saturday. Funeral services for Mrs. Turner, who would have reached her 99th birthday on May 10, will be held at 3 p. m. Sunday at the First Baptist Church in Stamford.

She was born in Edinburg, Mississippi, on May 10, 1850 and had been a resident of Stamford since 1903. She was active until a few days prior to her death.

She is survived by six of her nine children. They are O. R. Turner of Cisco, E. H. Turner of Sweetwater, L. C. Turner of Fort Worth, Albert Turner of Stamford, Miss Zubie Turner and Miss Bessie Turner of Stamford.

Her grandsons will serve as pallbearers.

Mrs. C. H. Fee, Pioneer Cisco Club Woman, Honored At Annual District Convention



MRS. C. H. FEE

At the 34th annual convention of the Sixth District of Federated Clubs, held at Ranger on March 31 and April 1 and 2, Mrs. C. H. Fee of Cisco was honored by being presented a Life Membership in recognition of her long and faithful work as a club member.

The Twentieth Century Club of Cisco is her "brain child." She has been a loyal, inspirational and active member for 51 years. She has been president three times and over the years has held each of the other offices. She was instrumental in the organization of four other clubs—Industrial Arts, Garden Club, Junior Twentieth Century Club and the Putnam Study Club as those of you heard last year when you attended the 25th anniversary of that club.

The Junior Twentieth Century Club is the only one of the four which failed to continue being a force for good in the com-

munity but it has been replaced with one of much benefit to its members—The Child Study Club. When the young mothers were getting this club started they came to Mrs. Fee time after time for advise and counsel.

Mr. and Mrs. Fee were married in Cisco 61 years ago, (her parents lived in Cisco, but she taught school in Ranger) and were always concerned for the welfare and growth of the community.

But for the fact that her husband's health was never too good Mrs. Fee would have been very active in district and state club work; as it was, she had to be content with seeing that others did not fail in this respect.

She was honored by her club when pioneer members were selected for the Golden Jubilee Celebration and her name is on the plaque in Austin with those of other pioneer club women.

Wrangler Track Team Shaping Up For Coming Conference Meets

With their backs to the wall, Cisco Junior College will be depending on the ability and stamina of nine entrants to shoulder the weight of this year's competition in track.

Only one of the group is a returning letterman. The others are first year men. Nevertheless, Coach Stormy Davis is not one to cry nor is he down in the "dumps" about the team's outlook.

Still to be tested under fire, the first competition the Wrangler thinny clads will enter is the Brady Conference meet on April 30, and a second Conference scholastic meet at Texas A&M May 6 and 7.

With only one week of training gone, Davis is not ready to make any forecasts about the possibilities of any one individual. But he can be reasonably sure he'll be entering one of the most spirited track teams in the history of the college. The tracksters have been engaged in

steady drills and shaping up exercises at Chesley Field since April 4.

Of the group, Leonard Grigsby of Floydada appears to be the most promising newcomer. He will try for a place in the dash and weight divisions.

A department in which the Wranglers should gain substantial points is in the 50 yard dash since most of the team is bidding for starting posts in the dash departments. Try-outs will be held Friday, Davis reported.

This year, for the first time, Cisco will enter in the pole vault contests. The vaulter is Bill Matthews, a newcomer from Haskell.

Here's the way the squad lines up, according to events: Leonard Grigsby of Floydada—dash and weight; George Owens—dash; Allan Cavitt of Hobbs—dash and weight, Ken Guthrie Anson—dash; Harold Sides of Whiteface—440 and 880; Alton Kite of Hamlin—mile; Don Whitaker of Cisco—dash; Joe Criswell of Rising Star—440; and Bill Matthews, pole vault and mile.

Qualifying Starts For Cisco Golf Tournament

Many local golfers posted qualifying scores last week for the Cisco City Golf Tournament which is scheduled to begin with matched play this week. Officials warned that those who intended to enter the play that Monday was the deadline for posting their qualifying scores and urged as many local players as possible to enter.

Some of the scores posted are as follows: Bill Mitchum, 85; Chas. Cofer, 89; Carl Nix, 94; Red Milner, 77; Howell Sledge, 93; J. L. Stafford, 96; Ralph Glenn, 84; Stormy Davis, 95; Chas. Graham, 85; and M. W. Cotten, 93.

Matched play will be announced in the Press Tuesday and posted at the club. Club officials invited the public to visit the course today and watch the golfers tour the links for their qualifying scores.

Moisture Condition Is Good In Most Sections Of State

The moisture condition over most of Texas was good, according to reports issued by the Department of Agriculture, but in some areas, particularly in the Low Rolling Plains counties, surface moisture was needed. Field work made good progress over most of the state but in low bottom areas and much of the upper Coastal country, it was too wet to work.

Wheat made good growth during the week and prospects were still good. Oats were beginning to head out in some sections and rust damage was heavy in places. Planting of corn was complete over most of Texas but cool nights were retarding growth.

Gardens looked good in most sections and fruit prospects were favorable in most areas.

Grasses and edible weeds were supplying an abundant supply of green feed for cattle over most of the state but cool nights retarded growth in some sections. Calves and lambs made rapid growth and the flow to market was steady. Sheep shearing was underway in most sections.

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