

# THE PUTNAM NEWS

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## FROM THE EDITOR'S WINDOW

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Burnam are riding in one of the brand new Fords this week. We thought it was a Pierce Arrow at first, but after looking the second time, we noticed it was a Ford. We suppose Mr. and Mrs. Burnam still know their friends however, as they spoke to the Putnam News editor Tuesday.

Mrs. Rosa Green, 77 years of age, who suffered a broken hip two years ago, was in the News office this week, stating that she was feeling much improved. She had walked about 1-2 miles to town. She stated she had sent her name to a little group of Christians in Kansas City, Missouri, who send literature various places to people who need their health restored. This band prays for anyone who sends in a request for a month or longer if necessary. The address is:

Unity,  
917 Tracy,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Cisco is certainly looking bright, emblematic of the Christmas season. Lights adorn Main Street far into the residential section. Side streets are also decorated. Windows are gaily and brightly decorated and lighted. Cisco is very up-to-date and modern in all respects. In our opinion it is one of the most enterprising and best towns in Texas.

Neil Norred has purchased one of the 1937 model Chevrolets—a light colored coach. Neil always drives pretty cars.

Mrs. Fred Estes of Baird was found to be one of the bravest women in Callahan county this week, as she swiped the sheriff's car and drove to Putnam Wednesday.

Exal, Hazel, and Billy are driving a brand new Ford this week. Mr. and Mrs. McMillan are enjoying the car also. With so many new cars passing, times surely must be better. We noticed the Philips are in the new car class also, driving a new Ford.

A novel and very beautiful Christmas adornment is the Christmas tree in the window of the First National Bank of Cisco, which is adorned with soft blue lights.

**Did You Know That—**  
An American woman uses up 3 times her weight in cosmetics during the course of her life.

The trial of Bruno Hauptmann in the Lindberg kidnaping case cost the federal government and New Jersey \$1,181,000.00.

The church pennant is the only flag that can be flown from the same pole, above the Stars and Stripes.

The first practical typewriter was put on the market in 1874.

The rattle snake is unable to hiss like other snakes.

More than 15,500,000 stamps are purchased each year in the United States.

George Washington proclaimed the first Thanksgiving Day for the United States in the first year of his presidency (1789) when he called for folks to be thankful for the Constitution of the United States.

About 25,000,000 meals a year are served on railroad diners.

The diameter of the sun is 864,100 miles.

The Dead Sea contains over 11,600 million tons of salt.

The Great Wall of China was built in the year 214 B. C. and is still the longest wall in the world. It is more than 1,000 miles long.

The giant spider crab sometimes measures as much as 12 feet from claw to claw. It is found in Japanese waters.

**Today's Bible Verse**  
The way of the Lord is strength to the upright; but destruction shall be to the workers of iniquity.—Prov. 10:19.

**Fair Enough**  
Geo. Brown: "Confound it, you nearly hit my wife when you drove around that corner just now."

S. M. Eubank: "I'm sorry, George. Your wife is my wife crossing the street. See how close you can come to her."

**They Must Be Good**  
Lois Kennedy—"I want three hairnets, please."

Clerk—"What strength?"

Lois—"Two dances and a car ride."

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Stewart and daughter, Miss Preble, were in Putnam Tuesday morning enroute to Snyder where a niece of Mr. Stewart's had died Monday.

## PUTNAM PUPILS WIN IN AMATEUR CONTEST

Clinton Waddell and Bobby Clinton of Putnam won first prize, which was \$10 cash, at the Plaza Theatre last Friday night, when their accordeon duet was adjudged the best number of the program of an amateur contest. Edward King of Putnam won second prize, \$5 in cash, for singing. Pauline Hanson, tap dancer and singer of Baird, won third prize. Bobby Clinton, pianist of Putnam, won fourth prize. Johnny Swenson, pianist of Baird, was fifth; and Fairy Fowler and Nell Tabor of Baird, who played a piano duet, were sixth. Clinton Waddell and Bobby Clinton are pupils of Mrs. E. C. Waddell, music instructor of Putnam.

The winners, whose pictures appeared in Thursday's Abilene Morning News, were to play over KREB Thursday afternoon at 5 p. m. on the sixth program of the "Know Your West Texas Series." Baird's broadcast is being put on by the Plaza Theatre, of which Billy Morrow is manager and the Callahan county business men's club.

## BABY DAUGHTER

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Rutherford are announcing the birth of a daughter born Tuesday night.

## TRUETT LITTLE ACCEPTS POSITION AT BIG SPRING

Truett Little, of Putnam, coach of the Clyde high school, has resigned his position at Clyde to accept a position with an oil well supply company at Big Spring.

Little was coach at Miles two years, and at Clyde this year. He is a graduate of Howard Payne College with the class of 1933.

## JUNIOR STUDY CLUB MET THURSDAY

The Junior Study Club met Thursday, December 3rd, in the home of Miss Vella Sandlin, who was hostess. Subject of the program was "Legends and Folk Lore." Roll call was answered with cattle brands. The Legend of the Bluebonnet was discussed by Louise Peek; Stories of Treasures—Lost Mines, Vell Sandlin; Cowboy Ballads, Mrs. Bill Clinton; The Legend of the Government Secret, Mrs. Loren Everett; The Woman in Blue, Mrs. John Cook. Those present were Meses. John Cook, Loren Everett, Bill Clinton, Jack Brandon, Alvis Gunn, John D. Isenhower Clarence Armstrong, Misses Louise Peek, Artie Cook, Frances Cook, Bertha Buchanan, Dolores Brandon, Hazel McMillan, and Vella Sandlin.

## CANDIDATES BAPTIZED CISCO WEDNESDAY

Dorothy June Kelley, Helen Maynard, Roy Lee Williams, Gene'e Burnard, and Junior Tatom were baptized at the First Baptist church of Cisco Wednesday evening, prior to becoming full fledged members of the First Baptist church of Putnam. Reverend F. A. Hollis, pastor, baptized. Attending from Putnam were Billy McMillan, Mary Lou Eubank, Oliver Davis, Willie Grace Pruet, Mrs. S. W. Jobe, Mr. and Mrs. Loren Everett, Bennie Ross Everett, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Tatom, Mrs. E. G. Scott, Reverend and Mrs. F. A. Hollis, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Burnam, Mary Alice Burnam, Sylvia Phillips, Mildred King, Mrs. Lucile Kelley, Retha Ray Burnam, Glenn Burnam, Mrs. Eugene Phillips, LeVerne Burnam, Mr. and Mrs. Mabry Tatom, J. O. Pearson, Mildred Yeager.

## RAILROAD MAKES CHANGES IN FORCE

The Railroad Commission makes changes in their administration force by letting our four former employees that have been with the commission for a number of years. Among the men taken off was Omar Burkett who has been with the commission since 1925. Burkett was appointed by Lon Smith and confirmed by the other members, however, Mr. Smith states that he did not know anything about the discharge until he read in the papers. Burkett entered the service as deputy supervisor of conservation work. In September, 1931, he was ordered to the East Texas oil field where he organized proration forces during the period of military occupancy in Governor Sterling's administration, December 1 of that year he took charge of the Eastland district office to direct proration work for the West Central district, including oil tenders. Other men taken off were Cam H. Murray, chief supervisor, in the Abilene district for the motor transport division of the commission; John Donaldson, Waco; and Homer Person of Dallas, oil supervisors.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sharp were Cisco visitors Tuesday.

## New M.V.A. Head



ST. LOUIS, Dec. 10.—Arthur W. Weaver (above), former Governor of Nebraska, is the new President of the Mississippi Valley Association. He was elected here at the 15th annual convention.

## WORKERS' CONFERENCE

The Workers' Conference of the Callahan Baptist Association meets at the Clyde Baptist church December 15, 1936.

10:00, Song and Praise Service—Rev. Joe R. Mayes.

10:15, The Mission of the Church—Rev. F. A. Hollis.

10:40, The Present Condition of the Churches of Callahan Association—Reverend V. W. Tatum.

11:10, God's Plan of Supporting His Churches—Rev. J. D. Brandon. Lunch.

1:00, Board meeting and round table discussion of our work.

2:30, Inspirational Address—Rev. C. A. Powell.

## ATTENDED EXECUTIVE MEET

Mesdames John Cook, F. A. Hollis, S. M. Eubank and E. G. Scott attended an executive meeting of officers of the Callahan county Baptist Association in the home of Mrs. V. W. Tatum Tuesday. Luncheon was served. A social meeting was enjoyed in the afternoon with a small Christmas tree and an exchange of gifts. Twenty-one members of the board were present. The next quarterly meeting will be held at Putnam January 7th.

## SENATOR COLLIE TO SPEAK AT CLYDE SATURDAY

State Senator Collie of Eastland will speak before the Callahan County Teachers Association Saturday. He will speak at the morning session. His discussion will be along the line of legislation affecting the schools of the state in the coming session of the legislature which will convene in January. The entertainment will be furnished by the Baird high school band and choral club, and Midge Stanford, deputy state superintendent, will speak. Organization of the county interscholastic league to direct contests next spring will be perfected.

Officers will be elected to succeed Olaf South of Clyde, president, Nat Williams of Cross Plains, vice-president; and Mrs. Underwood of Cross Plains, secretary-treasurer. About 125 teachers are expected to attend the meeting, to be held at Baird high school building.

## SOUTHERN MUSIC NEWS COMPLIMENTS TEACHER

(By Clyde Burleson)  
For the first time I will attempt to write a few lines for the News. Singing interest on the Plains is at a low ebb. The rush in gathering crops I think is the reason.

Stanley Webb and I have been teaching together for the past three months. We have taught some very successful schools around Stanton, Midland and Big Spring. The first Sunday we motored to Caddo in Stephens county and there they had one of the best conventions I have attended in many moons. No wonder, Bert Ribble is the president. Bert is a real singer and knows how to welcome visiting singers and make them want to return to the next singing. Thanks Bert. The second Sunday we made the Eastland County Convention at Dan Horn, southwest of Cisco. There we met R. L. Rust who is president, and I want to thank Mr. Rust for his kindness shown Mr. Webb and me. He is a real president and knows how to get the job done. In this convention we had with us Miss Ruby Jo Pounds whom I think is one of the best pianists in the south. She is also a literary teacher at Putnam, Texas. The people of Putnam should feel proud and very fortunate in securing Ruby Jo as one of their teachers.—The Southern Music News.

The Putnam people agree with Mr. Burleson that Putnam is fortunate in having Miss Pounds in the school. She not only is one of the best musicians in the south, but she has the personality to accompany her talents. Miss Pounds is a very friendly, capable young lady who is glad of an opportunity to assist her community in a worthwhile enterprise of any kind. She is a good literary teacher and any school would feel proud to have her as a member of its faculty.

## BIDS TO BE ACCEPTED ON JANUARY 4TH

Bids for completion of highway 89, the Ranger to Weatherford cutoff, will be opened January 4 instead of December 31 as announced several days ago, according to Milburn McCarty of Eastland, who has just returned from Austin where he had conference with Gib Gilchrist, state engineer for the Highway Department.

"In as much as Christmas holidays come as they do this year," said Gilchrist, "letter state projects for January 4 instead of December 31 and bids will be received on that date on No. 89."

Mr. McCarty is president of Highway Association 89, organized at Abilene on August 14, 1935, to promote the project. Mr. McCarty states this cut-off will shorten the route from Abilene to Fort Worth by 14.21 miles.

Gladys Lucile Farmer has been ill of influenza at her home here this week, being confined to her bed several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Burette Ramsey of the Union community were in Putnam Tuesday trading and visiting friends and relatives.

## Ambassador to Russia



WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—James E. Davies, (above), is the new U. S. Ambassador to Russia. He takes the post vacated by Wm. C. Bullitt who recently was appointed Ambassador to France. Mr. Davies is a former member of the Federal Trade Commission.

## MRS. BATES HONORED

Following Mission Study in the home of Mrs. S. M. Eubank Monday evening, Mrs. J. H. Bates was honored with a surprise shower as a token of regret and friendship, regarding her departure for Graham in the near future, where she will make her home. Mrs. Eubank, Mission teacher, taught the lesson, after which Mrs. F. A. Hollis gave a toast to the honoree. Refreshments of cake adorned with whipped cream and coffee were served.

Mrs. Bates has been a faithful member of the Women's Missionary Society of the First Baptist church and has taken part in other worthwhile activities of the city. Those present were Mesdames W. E. Pruet, W. M. Crosby, Fred Gelson, Jack Brandon, E. G. Scott, John Cook, Fred Cook, F. A. Hollis, R. L. Clinton, J. E. Heslep, W. W. Everett, Alton Lunsford, J. Y. Culwell, E. C. Waddell, S. M. Eubank, J. H. Bates, and Miss Elsie Kelley.

## FINAL OFFICIAL COUNT IN NOVEMBER ELECTION

The final vote in the November 3 election was canvassed this week and it shows that there were cast 45,812,155 votes. Of this number President Roosevelt received 27,751,512 votes against 16,681,913 for Governor Landon. All other candidates received 1,378,630 of which Lemke, the farm labor candidate, received 891,856 while the Socialist received 187,000 votes. Roosevelt was given 785,485 while Governor Landon only received 103,874 votes. This will force the Republican party to have a primary election to nominate candidates in 1938 as the law requires a party to nominate by primary election if the final vote shows that such party received more than nine hundred thousand votes at the preceding election.

## PANTHERS BEGIN BASKET BALL PRACTICE

Oliver Davis, Sports Editor  
With the smoke of football cleared away the Panthers once again start the winter sport of basketball, with good prospects of a good team. With the help of the Union boys the Panthers are predicted to have a strong team to send to the county basketball tournament in February, 1937. The Panthers have a great "jinx" to break this season in the tournament and that is to win the first game. The past two years the Panthers have always lost the first game, however, to strong opposition. The following boys are reporting and trying out for the Panther team: Jack Everett, Jiggs Shackelford, Dwight Triplitt, Oliver Davis, Floyd Burnam, Billie, McMillan, Newt Stein, Doyle Gunn, Elvis Woods, Glenn Elzay, Keith King, Bennie Williams, Bobby Williams, Doyle Brown, Charles West, Tood Cunningham. From this group of boys Coach Bill Wright is expected to make a strong team, to take the court against the forthcoming opposition.

**Cross Plains Strong**  
The Cross Plains Buffaloes are expected to be unusually strong this year as they have several squadmen from last season and the addition of several players from Cottonwood. With these players they are rated as one of the strongest teams in the district.

## BEST SEASON IN YEARS

C. C. McFadden of the Dothan community was in Putnam Tuesday morning renewing his subscription to the Putnam News. Mr. McFadden stated that conditions were looking favorable for a good crop in 1937, as we have the best underground season we have had in a number of years. Mr. McFadden is one of the best farmers in this section of Texas. He produces surplus crops when many other farmers fail.

## PRUET HOME OPENED FOR STUDY CLUB

The lovely home of Mrs. W. E. Pruet in southeast Putnam was opened to members of the Women's Study Club for regular meeting Monday afternoon at 3. Mrs. G. S. Pruet was hostess. Subject for the program was America's Sapphires. Mrs. R. D. Williams, president, presided. Mrs. F. P. Shackelford discussed Emily Dickinson, her Life and Works; Mrs. H. A. Pruet, Six Selections from Miss Dickinson's Poems; A round table discussion followed then of Distinctive Qualities of beauty in Miss Dickinson's lyrics. Those present were Mesdames R. L. Clinton, Fred Cook, John Cook, S. M. Eubank, H. A. Pruet, G. S. Pruet, F. P. Shackelford, W. F. Short, J. N. Williams, L. L. Williams, R. D. Williams, Wylie Clinton.

## R. D. GREEN OF ABILENE SUFFERS STROKE

It was reported from Abilene Wednesday morning that R. D. Green, superintendent of the Abilene public schools, had suffered a heart attack early Wednesday night and was taken to the Hendrick Memorial hospital. He was conscious and his condition reported improving Wednesday night.

Mr. Green was stricken as he walked up Cypress Street near North Third. He was removed to the hospital in a laughter ambulance.

This is the second attack he has suffered in two weeks. He was stricken the first time while attending the State Teachers' Association in Fort Worth.

## CISCO LAKE PROJECT NEARS COMPLETION

The water sedimentation plant, a WPA project under construction for the municipal water system of Cisco, will be completed in the near future. The plant located a few feet east of the hollow dam will provide for 48 hours continuous pouring of water, where the water will be treated by sand filters and all bacteria removed. Approximately 150 men have been employed. Mr. Harrell, of Cisco is engineer for the complicated undertaking.

## CHRISTMAS SPECIAL

Christmas Special at Mills Studio, Cisco, Texas. Any order amounting to \$3.00 or more will entitle the holder of this advertisement to one of our \$2.50 etchings for only 98c. Good until Dec. 15th. All work guaranteed.—MILLS STUDIO, Cisco, Texas.

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**STAPLE COTTON SEED PROPOSAL**

The question is being agitated by certain government officials to allow so much per acre to farmers to purchase pure cotton seed of staple variety in gin communities that gin several thousand bales of cotton giving each trade territory a uniform staple length cotton. There is no question but what this would be a good move and would add greatly toward regaining the lost foreign trade that we have lost in the last few years by American farmers growing an inferior grade of cotton. We go into most cotton growing communities and will find that there are about as many varieties of cotton as farmers and a great many growing what is known as half and half—a short staple. If some seed man undertakes to standardize the community on one variety he meets the argument that the short cotton will bring as much money or more than the staple cotton, which is a fact. It has become so that the gins buy most of the cotton at what is known as a hog around price, that is, fixing a kind of uniform price for cotton and paying farmers the same price for their cotton regardless of the length of staple.

It appear that the greatest thing needed is in some way to get the cotton gin out of the market or in some way get away from this hog around buying as there is no incentive or inducement for a farmer to raise staple cotton that is worth from 150 to 200 points more than short cotton. The gins often keep the price above the market by holding the price of ginning higher than it should be and shutting out competition by taking a loss on the cotton business and making it back on the ginning. If it were not for this hog buying by the gins it would be

easy to standardize the farmer by letting the cotton sell on the open market. The buyer would then buy it on its merit. According to quotations given out by the Department of Agriculture at Dallas, cotton could be sold on the following basis: Taking one inch cotton, could be sold for 144 point on March New York. March closed on Saturday 12.04 and adding 144 to that it would equal a price of 13.48 for inch cotton landed, while 13-16 or short cotton would sell for 41 off of March or 11.63 landed, or a difference of 185 points which would equal \$9.25 per bale. If the farmer could realize this difference it would be easy to standardize.

**GOOD NEWS TO WEST TEXAS MOTORISTS**

The announcement from the Texas Highway Department at Austin that they will receive bids on the completion of highway No. 89, which is known as the Ranger-Weatherford cut-off, on January 4, will be good news to West Texas motorists and in fact all of Texas. This is a transcontinental route running from coast to coast with possibly more traffic than any road in the United States and will be of great benefit to the tourist as well as Texas people. The grading of this road was completed in 1935, but the department has been delayed in finishing this work on account of funds.

We think the department has the right idea at the present time in completing the gaps in the roads that are already designated and the work commenced and there is no doubt but that every cardinal road could have been finished and all gaps closed if the commission had adopted this policy several years ago. The intention of the framers of the law creating the Texas Highway Department evidently had an idea in mind to complete a system of roads over the state and did not contemplate building community roads as has been done in a great many instances, by starting a number of roads that had no connection with the main highways of the state, but were built from purely a local community standpoint and could not be termed state highways, as they only served small localities.

**CITRUS FIESTA EDITION**

The Mission Times, one of the state's best weekly newspapers and edited by Joe Thomas Cook, reached our desk this week a' dressed up and full of news, history, education, and advertising, in honor of the Citrus Fiesta held in Mission this week.

We learn from this edition of the Times that there is a bountiful crop of oranges, this season in South Texas. There is no fruit more luscious and healthful than the Texas orange and the country around Mission is well adapted to the growing of this fruit.

We know the people of Mission are proud of The Times, as this worthy feature of enterprise, knows how to tell the people of Texas and other states about the fine valley country in which it flourishes. This week's edition is exceptionally fine and every one of the 44 pages from the first to the last are both interesting and educational.

**CATTLE RAISERS OPPOSE ARGENTINE AGREEMENT**

The Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association executive committee in a meeting at Houston this week protested against the federal government's plan to permit importation of fresh beef and mutton from Argentine. The two committees representing more than two thousand cattle raisers considered the adoption of a resolution opposing ratification of the Argentine convention pact by the United States Senate next January. The pact proposed by President Roosevelt and Secretary of State Cordell Hull, would allow shipments from Patagonia, Southern tip of the Argentine, which the South American country claims is free of the hoof and mouth disease; but the cattle men say they have no confidence along this line and that the hoof and mouth disease that broke out in Harris, Calveston and Brazoria cost the state and cattle raisers a million dollars to eradicate. Germs of this disease easily might be spread from Argentine meat being imported into this country.

**GOVERNMENT COTTON REPORT—DECEMBER 8**

The Federal Crop Reporting Board in its final estimate of Tuesday, Dec. 8, forecast cotton production for the 1936 crop at 12,407,000 bales, an increase of only 7,000 bales over the November report which forecast a crop of 12,400,000 bales. This compares with a production of 10,638,000 bales in 1935, and an average of 13,667,000 bales for the years from 1928 to 1932 inclusive.

The board estimated the average yield per acre at 197.5 throughout the belt compared with a production of 186.3 in 1935 and an average yield of 163.9 for the ten year average from 1928 to 1932.

Cotton for this year's crop ginned to December 1 was 11,494,000 bales as compared with 9,356,921 in 1935 to same date.

*Obey That Impulse*

by A. B. Chapin



The Texas crop was estimated at 2,945,000 bales and amount ginned to date was 2,712,000 bales. The report had very little effect on the market with March closing about 10 points higher than Monday's close. Closing at 12.08, against 11.99 the day before.

**EASTLAND CITY HIT IN COURT MOVE**

Jurisdiction of water and sewerage plants of the city of Eastland was taken by the United States court Friday when Federal Judge Davidson granted a temporary injunction at the request of Brown Crumme Investment Company of Wichita, Kansas, which claimed to represent holders of municipal bonds totaling \$150,000.

The petition filed in federal court there Friday as a surprise move by the plaintiff allegedly covers two or four Eastland water and sewerage bond issues which complainants charge are delinquent.

The order by Judge Davidson restrained the city of Eastland from expending funds derived from the water and sewerage plants except for labor and actual expense in operating the plants.

Judge Davidson ordered the defendants to appear in federal court at Lubbock December 14 to show why a receiver should not be appointed for the municipal plant.

Mrs. S. J. Hamilton and Miss Viola Teague were Cisco visitors Tuesday.

**ZION HILL NEWS**

The Zion Hill Home Demonstration Club met with Mrs. J. R. Morgan December 7th. Twelve members were present and 8 visitors, who were Mrs. C. A. Conlee, Ruby Sills, Mrs. Jack Inman and children, and Mrs. Margie McCowery and daughter. Miss Vida Moore, county agent, was present and gave a demonstration of cheese making. The next meeting of the club will be in the home of Mrs. C. B. Kennedy December 14th. Miss Moore will give a demonstration of fruit cake and candies.

E. V. Ramsey, Miss Lucile Ramsey, Mr. Jim Baker and daughter, Marie, made a trip to Waco and Mrs. E. V. Ramsey and sister, Miss Ruby Sills,

returned with them. The Zion Hill Home Demonstration Club is sponsoring a Christmas program and tree to be held at the Zion Hill school building on the night of December 23rd. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Tatum and small son, Willie Mac, of Arkansas spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Ramsey of Zion Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Ramsey, Miss Ruby Sills and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Tatum and son, Willie Mac, visited Lake Cisco and attended the Palace Theatre Saturday evening and Sunday.

Miss Ruby Sills of Franklin is visiting with her sister, Mrs. E. V. Ramsey of Zion Hill.

Harold Morgan of Merkel is visiting relatives in Putnam and Zion Hill.

Miss Lucile Ramsey and Harold Morgan of Merkel spent the week-end with Miss Nina Morgan of Zion Hill.

**SCRANTON NOTES**

F. S. Boland and Arthur Bailey attended court in Eastland Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernis Williams of Breckenridge visited Mrs. Williams' motored, Mrs. Robert Gattis, Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Leveridge visited Mr. and Mrs. Gene Cook of Putnam Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Brummett of Gorman spent the week-end with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Reese and little daughters, Roma and Melba, visited relatives in Atwell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Leveridge were business visitors in Cross Plains Friday.

J. D. Sprawls and W. E. Faies were business visitors in Cross Cut, Friday.

S. H. Brummett and Ralph Ledbetter, who are employed in the oil fields near Throckmorton, visited home folks Sunday.

Dave Brown, of the Dan Horn community, father of Otis Brown, and Mrs. Will Gattis of this place has been critically ill the past week with a carbuncle.

The PTA quilted at Mrs. Fred Sprawls' Thursday. The quilt has names of those who have contributed to the funds for a home economics building on it.

A covered dish luncheon was served at the noon hour and a pleasant social hour was enjoyed by all present.



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We will appreciate our subscription.—THE PUTNAM NEWS

# Local Happenings

Mrs. W. E. Pruet visited her sister Mrs. Mitchell of Baird, Tuesday.

Miss Marie Baker of Zion Hill is visiting her sister in Clyde.

Miss Lucile Ramsey has been visiting in the home of Misses Lodie and Pearl Smith of Cross Plains.

Miss Corine Driskill, Mrs. Bud Walker, and Mrs. Jim Barringer of Baird were visitors in Putnam Tuesday.

I. E. Cook and B. T. Leveridge returned from Collin county Wednesday where they went in the interest of business affairs.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Burnam and sons of Cisco were guests in the home of Mrs. Burnam's sister, Mrs. Pete King and family, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lum Smith and daughters, Misses Lodie and Pearl Smith, of Cross Plains spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Reed of Zion Hill.

Miss Ruby Jo Pounds, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Burnam and children, and Mrs. Lucile Kelley attended the singing convention at Belle Plains Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. J. H. Bates and children and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Nordyke and sons of Baird were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Everett Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Williams and children of Lueders were guests in the home of Mrs. Williams' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Buchanan Sunday.

Jamie Damon is a victim of mumps this week at St. Joseph's Academy at Abilene. Jamie and Marian Pearl Damon have been attending St. Joseph's Academy since last September.

Truett Little is in Putnam this week, preparatory to accepting a position with an oil and pipe line company at Big Spring. Truett has been coach of the Clyde public schools this year, which place he resigned for the Big Spring position.



## CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

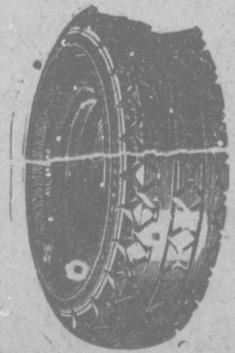
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Mrs. A. B. Everett is spending several days in the home of her son, W. W. Everett and family.

Reverend F. A. Hollis attended the workers' conference of Cisco Association at Cisco Tuesday.

Billy Gaskins spent the week-end in Abilene with his brother and sister, Willard and Ardella Gaskins.

Mrs. J. J. Wheatley of Anson spent last week in Putnam visiting her brother, Roy Williams and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Young of Cross Plains spent Tuesday in the home of Mrs. Earlie Hurst.

Mrs. Ola Coffey of Breckenridge visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Everett and family Tuesday.

Misses Ruby Jo Pounds and Lois Pulley, teachers in the Putnam public schools, were Abilene visitors Saturday.

J. A. Yarbrough of Union was in Putnam Tuesday and called at the News office, renewing his subscription to The News.

Mrs. W. H. Norred returned Saturday from Abilene where she was under medical treatment for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Cunningham of Albany spent Saturday in the home of Mr. Cunningham's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cunningham.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bailey and small daughter, Mary Ann Roberson, of Ranger, were guests in the home of Mrs. Bailey's sister, Mrs. F. A. Hollis and Reverend Hollis, Sunday.

FOR SALE—Two lots located near the D. E. Park home in southeast Putnam. A good bargain. Inquire at Putnam News office.

## WEST TEXAS UTILITIES HAS SILVER ANNIVERSARY

ABILENE.—The West Texas Utilities Company, soon after declaring preferred stock dividends totaling over \$100,000, announced it will observe its Silver Anniversary this week, choosing the Christmas season for the event.

This pioneer utility organization had its origin 25 years ago—1911—at Abilene. It has since expanded to include 160 communities in 49 counties, stretching across Central West Texas from Kimble county on the south to Dallam county in the Panhandle. General offices are in Abilene; district offices are located in McCamey, San Angelo, Ballinger, Cisco, Stamford, Quanah and Dalhart, as well as in Abilene.

It has provided Putnam with electric power for many years.

Publication of an anniversary souvenir in the form of a newspaper magazine section is one of the main features planned by the company to celebrate the birthday. Over 50,000 copies were sent out to customers and stockholders in the 55,000 square mile territory.

President Price Campbell announced that intensified efforts will be made during the forthcoming years to multiply the uses of electricity, and spread the benefits to more users, declaring that "the greater the benefits, the greater the consumption, and in turn the lower the steps in unit costs of electric service thereby all four interested parties profit (1) this "Land of Opportunity" West Texas territory, (2) the customers, (3) the employees, and (4) the stockholders."

He reminded the quarter million people served by the company that "average rates have been lowered 70 percent during the last 15 years—never raised." The recent dividend, he said, was declared in the face of government interference and increased taxes, amounting the last three years to 1.7 times—nearly twice as much for government tax expenditures as has been paid to all shareholders—owners of the company. This preferred stock dividend was made possible by unusual operating economies and intensive new business efforts of the organization. No earnings are yet possible for the common stockholders and none have been for five years.

While gross revenue remains 30 percent below 1929's peak figures due to rate reductions and sale of gas property, kilowatt-hour sales have reached a new all time peak during the last 12 months, he announced. Large increased industrial power usage together with some increased domestic service usage was credited with the hike. This dividend, equivalent to quarterly requirements of \$1.50 a share, is the first full dividend since July, 1933, partly paid then from reserves, and the stock is now \$9.50 per share in arrears. Seventy percent of preferred stockholders are West Texans.

## AGRICULTURAL ASS'N NEEDS OUR SUPPORT

(By Steve N. Foster)

In the last week's issue an account was carried stating that our two selected representatives of the Callahan Agricultural Association, Roy Kendrick and G. H. Clifton, were to attend the Texas Agricultural Association which held its meeting at Fort Worth during the 2nd, 3rd and 4th. At the very last hour Mr. Clifton became too ill to attend the meeting but Roy Kendrick did go and has brought back a wonderful experience which he will tell to the Agricultural Association soon.

The Agricultural Association in its meeting at Fort Worth has now become affiliated with the National Farm Bureau and this bureau is the farmers' friend and exerts a powerful influence in Washington. The farmers are fortunate in building up these two organizations that will year by year further the interest of the man behind the plow. The officers of our organization are men who live on the farm and make their living from farming. I do not mean to say that there are not farm leaders who are not actually engaged in farming that couldn't make good officers in our organization. But I do believe that an organization composed of men and women who live closest to the farm should be the first to understand the problems that we daily face.

In order that Callahan county should have a voting privilege at the association it was necessary that we pay \$10.00 as our county fee. This payment was advanced by a man who is a friend of the farmers since the association in this county is newly formed and does not have any funds of its own. Furthermore, Mr. Kendrick paid his own expenses while in Fort Worth. I feel that the farmers of this county who have during the past three and one-half years been drawing government benefits in the way of cotton checks, corn-hog checks, wheat checks, drought cattle checks, peanut checks, and other forms of aid such as extra work as supervisors and committeemen that all men who have been benefited by any of these programs especially should want to contribute to our fund of the Agricultural Association in this county to meet such necessary expenses. Any organization that is to make progress and make itself useful and profitable must have some money. Therefore, I write this letter in order that you may know what is being done and that you may have the privilege of contributing any amount that you desire to our association. If you wish to make any contributions you may hand it to any one of the secretaries of the four community associations that comprise the whole association of Callahan county. These secretaries are: W. R. Thompson, Cottonwood; C. M. Morse, Oplin; Lee Smith, Eula; and T. N. Minix, Denton. If it is more convenient you may hand your contribution to Mrs. Corn in the county agent's office and she will give you a receipt and turn the money over to whichever of the associations to which it belongs. If you care to contribute a dollar or more you will be sent the Farmers Banner which is published by the farmers and for the farmers at Brownwood. If you care to become a member of the Texas Agricultural Association you may do so and be granted all the voting privileges, receive the Farmers Banner, receive the Farm Bureau Monthly Organ and at the same time be affiliated with the National Organization for \$2.00 per year.

I have had the privilege of serving on many of the committees during the entire life of the A.A.A. and with the Soil Conservation Program and I know some of the needs of our farmers. I also know some of the benefits that each of us have enjoyed. I feel, therefore, that many of us will want to join or contribute a little of our benefits to our organization whether it be a dime or \$10.00. It will be needed and appreciated.

Every other industry in the world has a strong organization that works for their special interest in the legislative halls of our state government and in our National government but farmers have stayed at home, contributed no money to any organization of their own and have taken the crumbs that were offered by our legislative bodies. We know that the farmers had received very little interest at our nation's capitol until the present administration and we know further that our farmers were given the handling of our new program into their hands and have made a wonderful success which demonstrates what we can do if we stick together and pool our thoughts and money for our own advancement.

I hope that we, as farmers, with our wives and children will have builded by the end of 1937 one of the strongest agricultural associations in the state of Texas. We can if we all stick together.

From the files of the county agent I carry you the names again of the officers of the associations. Keep them in mind and pat them on the back because they are new at the job and need our words of encouragement.

In the Denton vicinity Roy Ken-

drick, president; S. E. Odom, vice-president; and T. N. Minix, secretary-treasurer.

In the Oplin vicinity: S. S. Harville, president; W. L. Atwood, vice-president; and C. M. Morse, secretary-treasurer.

In the Eula vicinity: Clyde Johnston, president; Robert Stephenson, vice-president; and Lee Smith, secretary-treasurer.

In the Cottonwood vicinity: H. S. Varner, president; B. P. Pillans, vice-president; and W. R. Thompson, secretary-treasurer.

Jack Brandon was an Abilene visitor Wednesday.

No hunting or fishing allowed on the ranch lands located 1 mile southwest of Putnam.—A. B. Huchison, A. A. Dodd.

FOR SALE—A No. 1 used paving brick. Anyone needing brick can buy these at \$8.00 per thousand. See contractors at new school building in Putnam.

## TO MY PATRONS

Because of our general depression I am forced to call on all who are indebted to me for settlement. If unable to settle in full, then I am asking that you pay such amount as is possible and I will be enabled to meet my obligations.

I am compelled to pay what I owe and have no resource other than from my collections. Very truly,  
B. F. BRITAIN.

## GRIGGS HOSPITAL NOTES

Edward Jones, Jr., of New Orleans, a car wreck victim, was a patient Saturday for laceration of scalp, fractured ribs and arm. The wreck occurred about 3 miles east of Putnam. Mrs. Jones suffered a bruise back and other injuries. P. T. White, driver, suffered injuries of the back. The group were enroute to California.

A. K. Smith, of Winters, car wreck victim, was a patient Sunday.

Mrs. Lloyd Hughes, of near Clyde entered the hospital Saturday. Her condition is serious.

R. L. Young of Baird was a patient for injuries of back this week, suffered while he was working with a pipe line company.

Bob Beck of Baird, who suffered a cerebral hemorrhage recently was released Monday.

Charlie Jones of Baird, who suffered a dislocated shoulder and back injuries was a patient Sunday.

Mrs. Rich Goddard of Oplin, who has been suffering from lobar pneumonia, was removed to the home of her daughter at Brownwood.

Mrs. John McGowen has been in the hospital for medical treatment.

Hugh Ross is improving greatly. Mrs. W. B. Griggs is slowly improving.

E. A. Murray, brakeman, fell to the ground attempting to catch a caboose, and suffered bruises this week.

R. F. Arvin, machinist of Baird, railway shop, suffered the third finger of the right hand and the little finger of the left hand crushed this week.

Mrs. Louis Hall of Longview continues to improve.

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## EDUCATION CHIEF TUBERCULOSIS FOE

AUSTIN.—Tuberculosis continues to be one of the major causes of death in Texas. Public health authorities agree that the death rate will not diminish satisfactorily until the average person appreciates that tuberculosis is preventable, that it is not inherited directly, that it is acquired by direct transmission of the tuberculosis germ from the sick to the healthy; and above all, that he must be concerned immediately if any symptom appears.

"In combatting tuberculosis," said Dr. John W. Brown, state health officer, "education of the public is of prime importance—education as to the treacherous character of the disease and its methods of transmission, how to prevent the disease and how to treat it when contracted, to the end both that recovery may be as rapid as possible and that spread of the disease to other members of the family and to neighbors may be avoided.

"Children pick up tuberculosis as readily as they do measles or scarlet fever or any other contagious disease, but tuberculosis differs from some in not showing up as quickly as other germ diseases. As a rule, the characteristic symptoms of other diseases develop in a few days after a person has been exposed, while it takes a much longer time for the symptoms of tuberculosis to be recognized.

"The periodic examination by a competent physician plays an important role in the fight to stamp out tuberculosis. These check-ups should include examination of high school and college students by the tuberculin test and x-ray and prompt examination of all persons who have symptoms of tuberculosis.

"Removal of the contact case, protection of the infant and the young, and prompt professional advice when symptoms suggestive of tuberculosis arise, will do much to reduce the tuberculosis death rate. These measures, however, are largely outside

the province of health officials, and the problem is quite definitely a personal one."

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**FARM NOTES**

(ROSS B. JENKINS, County Agent)

**Seed Irish Potato Meeting At Cisco Saturday—**

All Irish potato growers interested in certified seed Irish potatoes are urged to attend a meeting in the Cisco Chamber of Commerce at 2:00 p. m., Saturday, December 12. Fertilizers will be discussed briefly at this meeting. This invitation is extended by the county agent, Elmo V. Cook, of Eastland county through the county agent of Callahan county, Cottonwood Agricultural Ass'n.

**In Second Meeting—**

The monthly meeting of the Cottonwood Agricultural Association was held in the high school gymnas-

ium Monday night, December 7th. President Varner was presented with three new ideas and appointed committees to take care of the interests of the associations on them. They are R. G. Jones, Will Russell and Mrs. S. A. Moore—committee on community planning. O. F. Bennett, Elmer Thomas, and R. N. Whitehorn, were selected on the committee to look into the advisability of purchasing terracing machinery to take care of the increased demands being made by the farmers for terracing. Floyd Coffey, B. H. Freeland, and G. W. Coats were appointed on the committee to investigate the possibility of securing electric service for the farmers on the road to Cottonwood and in the town of Cottonwood.

Miss Vida Moore led the group in singing a bunch of old familiar tunes and brought out stories with her women of how they are carrying their part in providing a better living on the farm. She also gave some of the highlights of the things that she learned at the Mineral Wells conference.

County agent, Ross B. Jenkins, discussed the advisability of home and community planning and gave every farmer a farm plan sheet that is to be filled out in which the farmer will make the plan of how his farm could be made to produce a better living and will indicate how and what part he will undertake for the year 1938. The 1937 program, he stated, is already drawn and perfected and will soon be released to the farmers of the nation.

Nine new members were added to the association. More than seventy people were in attendance at the meeting notwithstanding the fact that it was very cold. President Varner received the assurance from the members of the Church of Christ that the church building could be used in the next meeting if the night should be as cold as it was Monday night as the church could more easily be heated.

**Callahan Farmers Lose \$58,000 by Pulling Cotton—**

If the recent experiments carried on in Oklahoma are typical and can be applied to Texas then the farmers of this county have lost \$58,000 or more by having pulled or snapped their cotton this year rather than having picked it. However, an experiment carried on in Texas would tend to verify the same conclusions which were found as follows: A farmer in Central Texas pulled two bales of bolleys and on the third bale he had it picked. Two or three things were done with this cotton. First, one bale of the bolleys was ginned in a gin that had been equipped with a dryer. The other bale of bolleys was ginned without the use of the dryer. The cotton from the last operation sold at 9 cents. The bolleys that were run through the dryer sold at 10 1-2 cents or 150 points more than the untreated cotton. This picked cotton sold at 11 1-2 cents which netted \$12,500 a bale more than the cotton run through as bolleys.

The Oklahoma experiment found that it actually cost \$180 more to pull the cotton than to pick it. The Texas experiment showed that same kind of cotton that was picked did

net \$1250 a bale more than pulled cotton, therefore, taking those two statements to be true we would have that by picking cotton the farmers would gain \$1430 a bale over pulling.

At that same rate the latest census released for Callahan county shows that we have ginned 4,666 bales up to November 14. If every one of these bales should have netted \$1430 more by having had it picked they stand now to have lost \$66,723 on this year's operations alone. Of course, we know some of this cotton was actually picked and some of the cotton could not have picked with any degree of success due to the injured portions caused by insects but whatever means that is desired to make allowances for such cases that could not be picked farmers may be overlooking one of the very best bets in not picking their cotton rather than pulling it. All students of the cotton industry recognize the fact that the pulled cotton is trashier and has a shorer lint length than picked cotton which necessarily lowers the grade and, therefore, the price.

Mrs. Will Rogers and Miss Hortense Rogers were Abilene visitors Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Williams and boys visited Mr. and Mrs. Lee Rogers of Breckenridge Sunday.

**WOULD JESUS CALL YOU HIS BROTHER OR SISTER?**

(By Rev. Chas. I. Rae)  
It is often said of man that "He is his own enemy and stands in his own light."

This might be very true of you and me if we stop and think of our indifference toward ourselves and each other. We find food for our hungry souls in the words of Jesus as he spoke in Luke 8:19-21.

"And there come to him his mother and his brothers, and they were not able to speak to him because of the crowd."

"And they said to him, your mother and your brothers are standing outside, and they want to see you."

"He answered and said to them, 'These are my mother and my brothers, those who hear the word of God and do it.'"

We are too many in this world whom Jesus placed in the class of those who hear the word of God and does them not, but do as we please regardless of the promises of God's goodness toward us as (his) Christ's brothers and sisters in the sight of God his heavenly father. We refuse to hear the word of God and do it not.

A friend asked this question: Is it possible for a man to live a Christian life and refuse to fellowship with a person who spitefully uses him or willingly refuses to work with you in the church?

There is but one answer to this question according to the Bible or Christ's teachings. Matthew 5:44-45.

"But I say to you, love your enemies and bless anyone who curses you, and do good to any one who hates you and pray for them who carry you away by force and persecute you."

So that you may become sons of your Father who is in heaven, who causes his sun to shine upon the good and upon the bad, and who pours down his rain upon the just and upon the unjust."

We remember how Christ struck Paul down to stop him from persecuting the Christians in Bible time. How much different is Christian duty today?

The trouble in your life and mine is that we are not willing to do as Paul did when he was struck down by the power of God. We will not follow rules and commandments of God as did Paul. Nor will we ask His guidance in life through prayer that we might be called brothers in Christ.

Many of us want to be called brothers in Christ that we may use the Christian people and our church as calling cards for financial gain and not spiritual food for the souls and the help of the world.

Were Christ to pass this way would he call on you and me to assume a special duty in His church or in the community as one of His brothers or sisters?

May Christ find each of us willing works this season of the year which is honor of His birth is our prayer.

**SECOND TWIN SUCCUMBS**

Simplicio Godino, the last of the Siamese twins, died in New York Sunday. Simplicio, confident he would live and enjoy a normal life after a unique operation serving him from the dead body of his twin brother, Lucio Godino went Monday to join his brother in the Gate of Heaven Cemetery at Valhalla, N. Y. His life ended 12 days after the surgical feat.

Doctors who performed the delicate operation after Lucio Godino died of rheumatic fever, gave Simplicio such a good chance to live that he signed contracts for stage performances and assured his wife, Victoria, that they were heading toward a lucrative career. The cause of his death was described as acute meningitis.

**ATWELL**

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Miller and mother Mrs. Miller, from Slaton are visiting with their sister and daughter, Mrs. Don Lavender this week.

J. C. and Paul Brashear are working in Brownwood this week.

Charrel Grimes Hutchins happened to a very painful accident while playing basket ball at Carbon last Monday night. Got one finger knocked out of place and all the muscles and ligaments torn loose around the finger.

He is having to wear a steel brace and arm in a plaster Paris cast.

Atwell boys played Burkett boys Saturday night, scores were 26 to 29 in favor of Burkett.

**CITATION BY PUBLICATION**

No. 3588.  
Estate of L. F. Threet, Dec'd.  
O. B. Threet, Administrator,  
In the County Court of Eastland County, Texas.

To ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF L. F. THREET, DECEASED:

Notice is hereby given that I have filed an application with the County Judge of Eastland County, Texas, in the above cause for an order authorizing me as administrator of said estate, to execute an oil and gas lease covering an undivided 1-2 interest of the oil, gas and other minerals in and under the W. 1-2 of the 115 acre tract of land situated in Callahan county, Texas, being a part of the Matilda Cherry Survey described as follows:

Being a part of the M. Cherry Sur. No. 4, abstract No. 110, situated in Callahan county, Texas, the tract herein and hereby leased being an undivided 1-2 interest in the oil, gas and other minerals in the W. 1-2 of a certain 115 acre tract of land out of said M. Cherry Sur. sold by L. F. Threet and wife, Annie Threet, to L. M. McConnell, Jan. 12, 1926, deed recorded in Vol. 105, Page 636 of the Deed Records of Callahan county, Texas, in which said deed all the minerals in, on and under the W. 1-2 of said 115 acre tract was reserved to and for the grantors in said deed, said 115 acres described as follows: BEGINNING 564 1-2 vrs. N. of the N.W. Cor. of the W. J. Morgan Sur.; THENCE N. 652 1-2 vrs. to a stake; THENCE E. 1000 vrs. to a stake; THENCE S. 652 1-2 vrs. to a stake; THENCE W. 1000 vrs. to the place of beginning, containing 115 acres more or less.

Said application will be heard by the Honorable C. L. Garrett, County Judge of Eastland county, Texas, at his office in the City of Eastland, on December 21, 1936.

Given this 5th day of December, 1936.

O. B. THREET,  
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Mr. and Mrs. Orville Reece and children of Scranton visited Mrs. Reece's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Brashear, this week-end.

Miss Ruby Pillans, who has been working in Eastland, visited home folks this week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Kelley returned Friday from a trip to Marlin where they visited their sons, Robert and DeWitt. They also report a nice trip to Austin, where they attended the T. C. U. and Texas University football game and visited the capitol.

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