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## FROM THE EDITOR'S WINDCV

February 22

On February 22, 1792, George Washington, greatest figure in America in the eighteenth century, was born. He was known as a great soldier equally great as a statesman, greater as a leader of men, first President of the United States, but greatest of all merely as a man. In his farewell address, part of the inner man, the wonderful character of George Washington is revealed:

"Be Americans (he said). Keep our departments of government separate, promote education, cherish the public credit, avoid debt. Observe justice and good faith toward all nations; have neither passionate hatreds nor passionate attachments to any; and be independent politically of all. In one word be a nation; be Americans and be true to yourselves."

This address was delivered September 17, 1796, and what good advice it is today. Some speeches are handed down for centuries and still retain their emblem of sound judgment. Leaders are born it seems, however, compared with our population they are few. We wonder where we, as citizens, would really be now, had it not been for George Washington, who because of his noble character was first in war, first in peace, and first in the hearts of his countrymen."

### Local Musician Boosts Centennial

Mrs. George E. Biggerstaff, unusually talented musician and cultured woman of Putnam, has composed musical selections both lyrics and music, boosting our Texas Centennial. Mrs. Biggerstaff will appear on the county-wide program to be held at Baird March 2 at 7:30 at the high school auditorium. Her selections will be "Meet Me at the Stock Show" (In Dear Old Fort Worth), which at this time is being considered by Stock Show officials to be played by the Stock Show Band and also the Booster Trip Band. The other selection will be "Our Texas Centennial Rose," heartily approved by the Tyler Dixie Nursery, who wrote Mrs. Biggerstaff that she would be the recipient of a beautiful bouquet of the very first "Texas Centennial Roses" blooming in the spring. Mrs. Biggerstaff has 12 original compositions, music and words.

### Champion Fisherman Lands 12-Pound Cat

H. Culwell, who, with his wife, came here recently from their home in Putnam, Texas, to spend the winter with their son, Willie Culwell and family, has been classed as the champion fisherman, as while with two other of our pioneer fishermen, J. L. Bales and J. M. Harris, last Monday afternoon was fishing in the Nueces river three miles south of town, had the good luck of landing a 12-pound cat fish.—Three Rivers News.

Note:—Mr. Culwell caught the above fish with a 15 foot pole and an earthworm while sitting on the bank. He could hardly drag it in.

### BABY SON

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Lunsford are announcing the birth of a son, born Saturday night weighing 6 1-2 pounds.

The baby has been named James Nathan.

### PUTNAM TEACHERS IN FRATERNITY

Misses Christene Settle and Lois V. Reese, teachers in the Putnam public schools, have been accorded membership in the Delta Kappa Gamma Fraternity. Specified qualifications must be reached before membership is attained.

Teachers gathered at the Laguna Hotel in Cisco Saturday for the purpose of organizing a Beta Upsilon chapter for Eastland and Callahan counties. Miss Eula Lee Carter of Fort Worth, state president, presided during the luncheon where bouquets of roses were used in decorations. Centennial flags and maps were given as favors and place cards bearing the insignia were used. Following the luncheon an initiation ceremony was held for seven new members: Marion Chambliss, Mr. Alexander Neil of Ranger; Christene Settle, Lois V. Reese, Putnam; Mrs. M. H. Hageman, Ranger; honorary member; Pearl Knox, Pioneer; Ruby Rae Swift, Cisco. A charter was granted to the new chapter. Mrs. Lucretia Irby of Cisco was elected president of the organization.

Misses Settle and Reese are the only teachers of Callahan county who are members of the fraternity. Other teachers of the county can attain membership only through their recommendation. Mrs. Reese has been with the Putnam school system about 7 years and Miss Settle 6 years.

## TRI-COUNTY ASSOCIATION ADOPTS REGULATIONS

We, the members of the Tri-County Livestock Protective Association of Shackelford, Taylor and Callahan counties, have met this the 15th day of Feb., 1936, and have agreed upon and adopted the following rules and regulations that this organization shall be governed by:

First, there shall be the following officers: A president a vice-president, secretary and treasurer, and executive committee consisting of six members, two members from each of the above named counties.

At least one man shall be hired by the month to act and cooperate with the sheriffs of the above counties and assist in getting all the information he can on trucks that are hauling live stock in and out of said counties above named; also to get all the information he can regarding meat that is being retailed in various towns of said counties, and he has the authority to demand that these various retail butchers produce a bill of sale and the hide which belongs to the beef he is selling; also any other information for him to acquire relative to the unlawful slaughter or sale of livestock belonging to residents of said counties. (This man is requested to furnish all the information he can each month to the sheriffs of said counties, as to what he has accomplished, and the sheriffs are requested to make their reports to their commissioners' courts.)

It is also agreed that the organization will pay a reward of \$150.00 to any party who furnishes information that leads to the conviction of theft of livestock from any member of this association in the said counties.

It is also agreed that this organization shall have the right and authority at any time during the year to assess all members at the rate of 1c per head, but not more than 3c per head, for cattle rendered for taxation; and assessment annual on sheep and goats of not less than 1-8c per head, nor more than 3-8c per head per year.

It is agreed that four of the six members of the executive committee may make any change or add to these rules and regulations; that the annual meeting of the association shall be held at Baird; and that Baird shall be the headquarters of the Tri-County Livestock Protective Association for said counties.

It is further agreed that the president can call a meeting of the association at any time he may deem proper.

The following officers were elected: President, Frank Cloud, Albany; vice-president, Fred Cutbirth, Baird; secretary and treasurer, R. D. Williams, Putnam. Directors, Callahan county: Tom Windham, Oplin; and J. F. Dyer, Baird; Taylor county, Giles White, Tuscola, and E. L. Finley, Abilene; Shackelford county, Merrick Davis, Albany, and Jess W. Reynolds, Alamo.

### METHODIST ANNOUNCEMENT

Reverend G. C. Williams, pastor. Sunday morning 11:00, sermon, "The Parting of the Ways." Sunday evening 7:30, sermon, "The Egyptian Girl's Romance."

Henceforward services will be held 2nd and 4th Sundays to avoid conflict with other services of the city. A special series of classes will begin soon in Evangelism taught by Reverend Williams. Reverend Williams will continue to reside at Scranton.

### SCRANTON NOTES

Misses Evelyn Long and Elizabeth Jobe were in Cisco the first of the week to see about taking some extension work from Hardin-Simmons University.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Reese and little daughter of New Orleans were Scranton visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Brummett were both on the sick list the past week. Dr. Brittain was called to see Mrs. Brummett. The last report she was improving.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Brummett of Gorman were visiting relatives here for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Faires of Cisco are spending a few days in the home of Lynn's parents, where he is recuperating after a month's illness.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sprawls report their son, Morris, of Scott Ranch, slightly improving from an illness of mumps and flu.

### QUILTING HELD THURSDAY

Mrs. S. M. Eubank's home in northwest Putnam was the scene of a quilting Thursday at which time a lovely quilt was completed to be presented Mrs. Pete Thompson. Mrs. Eubank donated quilt top, cotton, and lining. Those participating were Misses T. L. Hamlin, Claude King, W. E. Pruet, H. A. Pruet, A. E. Yager, Andy Roe, and Mrs. Eubank.

### Olympic Ski Champ



BERLIN, Germany . . . Fatherland winter-sports fans are highly elated that a German girl, Miss Christel Cranz (above), turned in the first Olympic Games championship for any nation . . . She won the title and gold medal in the women's downhill and slalom ski race.

### OIL NEWS

Jackson Bros., E. N. Kirby No. 1, in West Baird, spudded in.

J. F. Jacobs, J. R. Reed, spudded in. The Wittmen Oil & Gas Co., W. G. Bowlus No. 1, which was completed as gas gasser at the depth of 1300 feet, has been turned into the Lone Star Gas Co. main line, and the company will take about sixty thousand feet of gas per day.

Several other drilling contracts have been made on Baird leases, and it is expected that several wells will be commenced as soon as the weather clears.

C. E. Lockhart, Mrs. J. W. Woods No. 21, north of Clyde, is drilling at 800 feet.

John L. Reese, Dr. H. H. Ramsey No. 1, is making about ten barrels of oil per days.

S. J. Price, J. P. Dyer No. 1, drilling at 256 feet.

### LIST OF GRAND JURORS

List of persons selected by the jury commissioners of the District Court of Callahan county, Texas, at the October term, 1935, there to serve as grand jurors at the March term, 1936, of the said District Court. On the first Monday in March, same being the 2nd day thereof:

Harold Ray, Baird; R. D. Williams, Putnam; J. E. Alexander, Baird; Jim Barr, Cross Plains; D. Peevy, Oplin; Ross Farmer, Clyde Rt. 1; Harry Steen, Clyde; Jim L. Settle, Cross Plains; Fred W. Sta y, Cross Plains; Fred Heyser, Cisco Rt. 4; E. J. Crawford, Clyde Rt. 2; W. E. Smith, Clyde Rt. 1; Willis J. Brown, Cross Plains; Red A. Ellis, Baird Star route 1; Coloney Dyer, Baird; T. O. Dulaney, Clyde.

Misses Rena Ball, Lois Reese, and Christene Settle were visitors in Abilene Monday evening hearing Admiral Byrd's lecture.

## ROY SANDERFORD FOR GOVERNOR OF TEXAS

TO THE PEOPLE OF TEXAS:

In announcing my candidacy for governor subject to the Democratic primary, July, 1936, I wish to make the following statement:

I am a native of Bell county, Texas, and am in my 41st year. I have had fair educational advantages in the common schools, Wedemeyer's Academy, from which I graduated in 1914, and was for two years a student in Baylor University of Waco. I taught a rural school for one year. In the fall of 1917 I voluntarily enlisted for flying duty in the United States Air Corps in which capacity I served for 21 months.

I am married and have three children, all within the scholastic age. I have been a member of the Baptist church for over twenty years. I served for two terms as tax collector of Bell county and have been in the automobile and associate lines of business continuously since 1923. I am not a lawyer. I was elected to the State Senate from the 21st District over two worthy opponents in the first primary in July, 1932.

When I am elected I shall respect the constitutional rights of the people to have a governor who will stay on the job, cooperate with the Legislature, and will neither squander the people's time nor abuse the opportunity for service by continually engaging in social, political and pleasurable affairs. I will not use the powers of the office to place my relatives on government payrolls.

I favor: First. A substantial reduction of government expense and where conditions will justify I shall, if necessary, use the veto power to reduce appropriations twenty-five percent.

Second. A three percent retail sales tax for the purpose of paying the Old Age Pension and to take the place of the present real estate taxes for general revenue, schools and Confederate pensions.

Third. I am opposed to any state income tax, as the Federal Government has already preempted the income tax field. It would be a wise state policy to prohibit enactment of such a tax by constitutional amendment. This would invite new capital to our state, result in the development of industry and the employment of more labor than perhaps any other one thing that could be done.

Fourth. I favor a graduated land tax for county purposes beginning with small valuations. This will increase opportunities for home ownership and tend to discourage the holding of large tracts of land for speculative purposes.

Fifth. I favor a reasonable chain store tax provided it treats everybody alike and does not exempt any special class of business.

Sixth. To promote employment, I favor a constitutional amendment exempting from taxation all textile, leather, paper and woolen mills, and other similar factories for a period of twenty years that have 50 or more employees.

Seventh. I favor the right of surtax being extended to any citizen on the payment of a small registration fee in lieu of our present poll tax.

Eighth. I subscribe wholly to the principles of local self-government with the enforcement of all laws administered honestly by local author-

### 12-Year-Old Mother



PORT ARTHUR, Tex. . . . Mrs. Daniel Gonzales, 12-year-old, claims the record of being America's youngest mother. On January 21st, she gave birth to a husky 7 pound boy. The father of the boy is 20 years old. Photo above is of Mrs. Gonzales and her infant son.

### GRIGG'S HOSPITAL NOTES

John Ashbury left the hospital Wednesday.

Judge L. L. Blackburn had minor surgery Saturday. He was released Wednesday.

Lena Cole of Clyde entered Tuesday suffering from appendicitis. She was operated Wednesday.

George A. Perry of Baird is convalescing and is now able to sit in a chair.

S. H. Trotter of Eula, who has been confined to the hospital 10 days from an infected eye, is improving.

Silas Dunlap of Belle Plains had major surgery Saturday. He is doing nicely.

S. J. Clifford of Baird was a patient Wednesday for fractured ribs received while working in the oil fields.

Mrs. Bill Noble of Oplin entered the hospital Monday suffering from pneumonia and pleurisy.

Mrs. W. V. Stevenson left the hospital Friday following major surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Clinton and children and Miss Irene Willis of Arlington, spent Saturday and Sunday at Knox City.

ities and with the backing and cooperation of the state government.

Ninth. I believe that labor has the inherent right to organize and bargain collectively through representatives of its own choosing.

Tenth. Since the people of Texas have voted repeal, I favor the passage of such laws as will insure strict regulation of the liquor traffic and reduce the evils of this trade to a minimum.

I shall conduct an active campaign for the present will be my own manager. I shall be pleased to hear from interested voters from over the state who may address me at Austin, Texas. ROY SANDERFORD.

Dolly—"How in the world does she ever get any money out of that husband of hers?"

Mabel—"Oh, she just tells him she is going back to her mother, and he hands her train fare."

## PANTHERS OPEN TRACK SEASON

Oliver Davis, Sports Editor  
The track season for Putnam high was opened in full swing Tuesday, with about 16 boys reporting. Coach Bill Wright is anxious to get his team in good shape as he is entered in an invitation track meet to be held at Scranton on March 2. This only gives the boys two weeks to get into condition.

Returning from last year's track team we have: Chris Sunderman, J. L. Rawson, Judie Isenhower, Raymond Jobe, Jack Everett and Jiggs Shackelford a high school junior last year. The Putnam track team suffered the loss of Buel Everett, Lawrence Thompson, Adrain Conlin and Eugene Brandon, Buel Everett and Lawrence Thompson finished high school last year. Buel was a very good dash man, while Lawrence was noted as a mile runner. Adrain Conlin only a freshman last year won the county mile and was a runner-up at the district. Eugene Brandon ran as a high school junior last year and had great prospects for the track team this year.

The Panthers only have six weeks until the county meet and will have to work mighty hard and faithful. Baird is due to furnish some mighty good competition. Baird has been working on track since the football season was over and should have a track team but the Panthers will really be there.

Coach Bill Wright was noted as a track man and most of all a successful track coach. We hope he puts a winning team on the field at the track meet to be held at Baird March 27th and 28th.

### SUNBEAMS MET SATURDAY

Sunbeams of the First Baptist church met Saturday at the church. Opening song was "I'll Be a Sunbeam." Roll call was answered with memory verses. Miss Artie Cook told a story, "Why Hannah Marie Loved Jesus." Mary Ann Shurwin gave a reading, "Sun Beam." Fredalyn Cook gave a reading after which Miss Cook told the story of Villa Aetna. Closing song was "Jesus Loves the Little Children of the World." The Lord's Prayer was repeated. Those present were Retha Burnam, Mary Ann Shurwin, Gladys Lucile Farmer, Melba Lunsford, Harold Smith, Kenneth Gaskin, Lawrence King, Geneva Beth Bates, Bennie Ross Everett, Artie Cook, Mrs. J. Y. Culwell. Visitors were Mrs. Mark Burnam, Mrs. Mark Shurwin, Mrs. Loren Everett, Lois Cherry, Billy Jim Everett, Mary Alice Burnam.

### GRAIN MAY BE DAMAGED BY COLD WEATHER

Probably a low of 9 above last Tuesday was the coldest day for this season, after a prolonged spell of about thirty days of cold weather, something unusual for a spell to last so long.

There has been a number of farmers in Putnam who say that the grain crop may be damaged considerably, as the top of the ground is dry and these dry freezes hurt the young grain worse than a wet freeze. There would have been a much larger acreage planted to grain if the weather had not been so bad of late. Most farmers report that the ground appears to have a good season only it is dry on top.

### SOIL EXPERT COMING TO CROSS PLAINS WEDNESDAY

Many farmers of the south portion of the county were unable to hear the address of Mr. J. W. Chapman, state soil conservation expert, in his address at Baird in January and asked that he come to Cross Plains sometime in February. He has just wired me today that he can come to Cross Plains on Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 26, at 3:00 o'clock.

Mr. Chapman gives the reasons for our recent drought, what man can do to control rain, and how the county may cooperate with the state and federal government in procuring money to terrace every farm in the county. You are cordially invited to hear this address and bring someone with you. The Cross Plains Luncheon Club will be the host to the farmers.

Ross B. Jenkins, County Agt.

### ATTEND BANQUET

Reverend F. A. Hollis and Mr. Lawrence attended a banquet for the Baptist Brotherhood at the First Baptist church at Abilene Thursday evening. There were 234 laymen and 24 pastors present. Nearby towns whose churches have the organization were present.

Y. A. Orr has been confined to his bed this week suffering from influenza.

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Cards of Thanks, Resolutions of Respect, and any kind of entertainments where admission fee or other monetary consideration is charged, will be charged for at regular advertising rates.

GOVERNMENT WINS T. V. A.

The United States Supreme Court handed down the long waited decision on the T. V. A. by a vote of 8 to 1, Chief Justice Hughes reading the opinion, taking about an hour to read the decision. Justice McReynolds dissenting, however the court was divided four to five on the question of jurisdiction. Brandes, Stone, Cardozo and Roberts held that the court did not have and jurisdiction over the case and it should be dismissed, but agreed with the majority on the question of the sale of power legally acquired.

The court stated that "We limit our decision to the case before us as we have defined it. The argument is earnestly presented that the government by virtue of its ownership of the dam and power plant could not establish a steel mill and make and sell steel products, or a factory to manufacture clothing or shoes for the public, and thus attempt to make its ownership of energy, generated at its dam, a means of carrying on competitive commercial enterprises and thus drawing to the Federal Government the conduct and management of business having no relations to the purpose for which the Federal Government was established.

"The government is not using the water power at the Wilson Dam to establish any industry or business. It is not using the energy generated at the dam to manufacture commodities of any sort for the public.

"The question here is simply as to the acquisition of the transmission lines as a facility for the disposal of that energy.

"We express no opinion as to the validity of such an effort, as to the status of any other dam or power developed in the Tennessee Valley, whether connected with or a part from the Wilson Dam or as to the validity of the Tennessee Valley Authority Act or of the claims made in the pronouncement and program of the authority apart from the question we have discussed in relation to the particular provisions of the contract of January 4, 1934, effecting the Alabama Power Company." As we understand the court's decision on this case it only permits the government to sell power derived from some legally authorized proposition such as the T.V.A. which acquired this surplus power in such cases as he Wilson Dam, but does not authorize congress to go out and construct dams or other power projects for the purpose of supplying power for public use in competition with private interest.

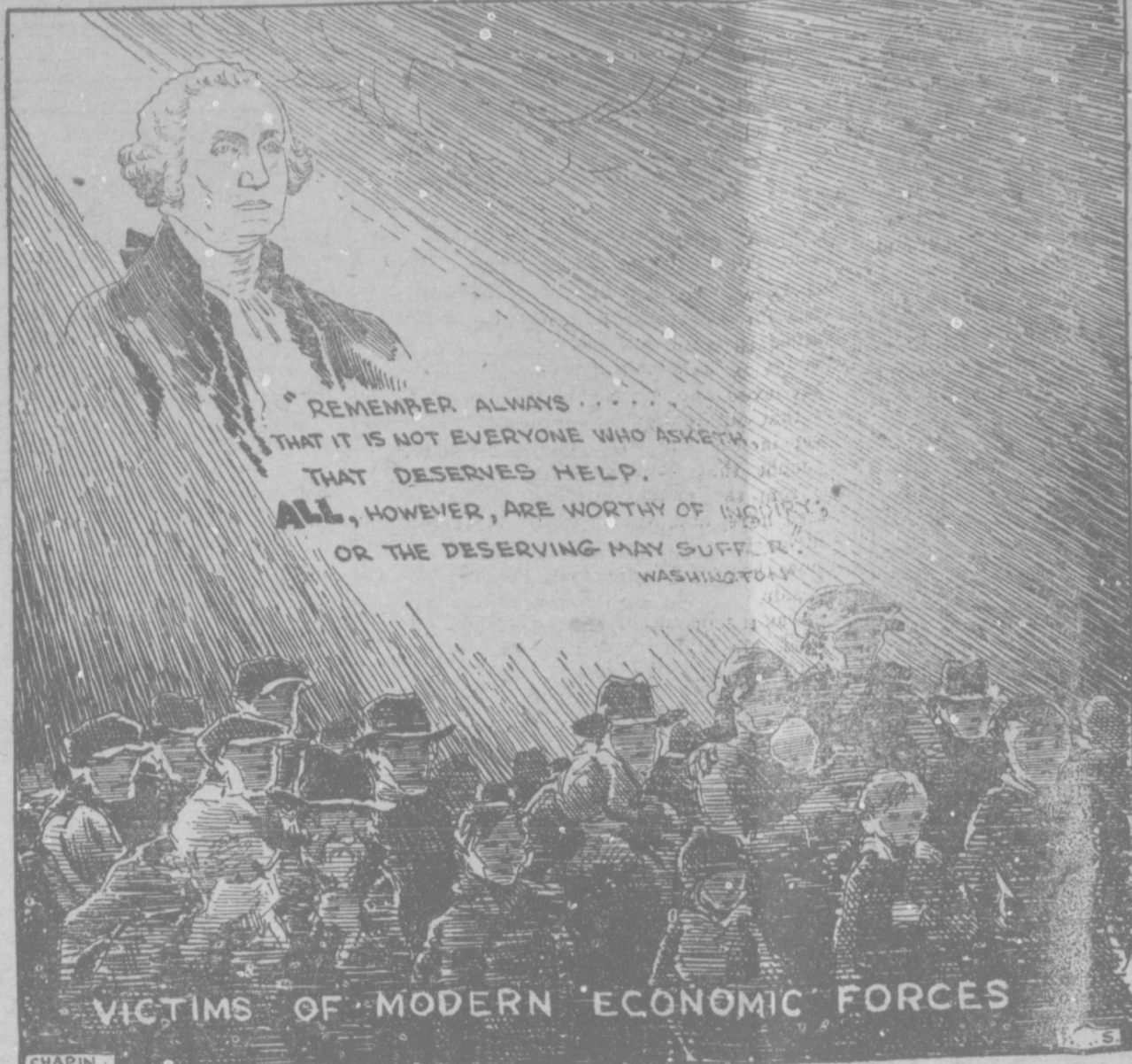
THE AGRICULTURAL INCOME

The Department of Agriculture at Washington announced recently that the farm income for the year 1929 was \$11,941,000,000 and for the year 1935 it was \$8,110,000,000 or just twenty-two per cent under the 1929 income. These figures left as they are does not show the true condition compared with that year, as the 1925 income is in 59 cent dollars and after analyzing them it shows that in the place of increasing the farmers' purchasing power he has actually lost about \$540,000,000 in his ability to buy, and we further find that his purchasing power is only 40 percent compared to 1929, since the income was \$11,941,000,000 in 1929 against \$8,110,000,000 in 1935 which is 59 cent dollars compared to the 1929 dollar. After spending \$20,000,000,000 dollars priming the business pump and trying to raise the buying power of the farmer we find that we have gone in the opposite direction as the farmer can buy less than he could when we began.

WHAT THE NEW YORK TIMES SAYS

A clipping from the New York Times (this paper is a supporter of the Administration): "The Resettlement Administration employs 12,089 federal officials, that is getting relief to 5,612 persons or families, that it cost \$1,750,000 a month for the officials and \$30,000 a month for the relief. If that is true each family had \$350.00 worth of federal officials devoted to him each month to see that that he got \$60.00. He must be having a strenuous time keeping these officials busy." In looking over the figures we find the striking points

A Voice From Long Ago by A. B. Chapin



are that there are 12,089 officials while there are only 5,612 on the relief rolls."

CLIPPINGS

FROM WEST TEXAS PAPERS

SHACKELFORD COUNTY HIGHWAY BEAUTIFICATION

A. J. Ball, who represents the State Highway Department in this county, is accomplishing some needed work toward beautifying some of the wayside places along the state highways. Just recently he has utilized a nook on the Breckenridge road, some 6 or 7 miles east of Albany, to lay out flower beds and plant native shrubbery, which in a few years will make this hitherto unnoted spot a beautiful garden. One of the most attractive features is the cactus bed, walled in native stone.

Another project that Mr. Ball has partially completed is a group of stone picnic tables and seats on the Clear Fork of the Brazos at the south end of the bridge on Highway 23. One of these table tops is made from a single stone, measuring more than 8 feet square. The foundations are laid in mortar, making them permanent and flood proof.

These beauty spots, while primarily intended for the comfort and pleasure of the tourist, will prove to be a source of constant pleasure and pride to the local automobilist, and many a hot summer afternoon will be made more endurable by a short drive out to one of these little gardens. Mr. Ball has other places in view for improvements and expects to plant a number of shrubs and trees before the season is over. We suggest that the City Council cooperate with Mr. Ball in the beautification of the triangular park or Hill-Top.—Albany News

TURN EVERYTHING FREE. SENTIMENT AMONG SOME

There is a sentiment among certain classes of people in this nation to TURN EVERYTHING FREE. They would remove all restrictions whatsoever,—morally, economically, and financially—even foreign trade and war. Just turn the wheel free with little or no governors—remove guards and safety devices. Imagine such a course.

It is mostly men of this sort, though, who speak bitterly of anybody or any administration that attempts to control and regulate and protect. They are prompted by selfish motives.

Let's suppose, on the economic side, that we go back—turn away from restrictions on child labor—permit again any sort of so called securities to be dumped on the public—suppose we had back the old unsafe free banking system—imagine how much cotton, how much wheat could be produced in this machine age—think of millions of acres that formerly went to maintain "horse power"—our mind even half "freedom" of doing this and that would ultimately lead to a form of general depression, except for the few. The shadow across the path that leads to happiness and prosperity in our own country today is that vast horde of jobless, homeless people. The day has come when "freedom of action" cannot be as ultimate as in the earlier and simpler days of our nation. We have reached a point where social legislation must be had to bring security to the helpless. The cold steel and gas age is far different to the horse and buggy time.—Hamlin Herald.

BRUCE BARTON Soap



There's a Pollyanna Rebuttal

I happened to be in the office of a manufacturer when a heated customer arrived. "Joe," he shouted, "when am I going to get that shipment I'm tired of being given the run-around. Every day you hold me up is costing me a hundred dollars." On he went, breaking into profanity, pounding the desk, threatening to take his business elsewhere.

Joe, the manufacturer, listened coolly, promised to do his best, and had hardly got the wrathful gentleman out of the office when another customer came in. He also wanted a shipment and wanted it very badly. He settled himself in a chair, smiled, and said: "Joe, I know you're in a terrible jam. I don't want to ask anything unreasonable, but if you could possibly let me have even a part of my order this week it would be a tremendous help."

After a little while this second customer also left. Joe turned to me and said: "I can't possibly take care of both those fellows. I'll give you three guesses as to which one of them is going to bet the break."

In another office I found a lawyer in a complacent mood. He told me he had just come from a visit to an important client. "He's very difficult to deal with," the lawyer explained, "and lately he's been most unreasonable. Put this afternoon before I went to see him I sat alone in my office for half an hour and tried to think of everything that could possibly be said in his favor. I reminded myself that he pays his bills promptly; that he has done some very generous acts in his life; that he is really a sick man for whom allowances must be made. I got myself into a frame of mind where I thought he was a pretty swell fellow. And, believe it or not, I've just come back from the best interview with him I ever had in my life."

If this be called Pollyanna stuff, all I can say in rebuttal is that it does get the orders. They're Interesting Writers. My friend Lockwood Barr has a hobby that is both entertaining and



ANNOUNCING THE PURCHASE OF AROMATIC DRYERS FOUR UNITS

Vogue Beauty Shop (Formerly Parizello) Main Street, Baird, Texas

inexpensive. He scans the Personal Columns of newspapers as assiduously as an art collector studies the catalogs. Out of the mass of little items he gathers his gems. Here are a few specimens from his latest collection:

Found—Lady's purse left in my car while parked. Owner can have same by describing property and paying for this ad. If owner can explain satisfactorily to my wife how purse got into car, will pay for the ad myself. Advertising—"Yes" Man—6 years

BEARDEN SERVICE STATION

SINCLAIR PRODUCTS FEDERAL TIRES Automobile Accessories FRANK BEARDEN, Mgr. Baird, Texas

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following names have been announced as candidates for public offices, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary to be held on Saturday, July 25th:

- For Sheriff: R. L. EDWARDS. For County Commissioner, Precinct No. 3: PETE KING. For County Treasurer: MRS. WILL MCCOY. For District Clerk: MRS. WILL RYLIE. For County Clerk: S. E. SETTLE.



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experience saying "yes" and "swell" to stupid executives in best agencies. Making change to increase salary. All inquiries confidential. Reward for Eskimo—We will pay \$10 for the first one who can locate an Eskimo for us in New York City. Preferably an Inuit, Coppermine or MacKenzie.

Wanted—To buy a church between East 60th and East 100th Sts.

"No change, no pause, no hope, yet endure" (Shelley). Young lady attractive, creative, must have work to survive.

Wanted—Ten henpecked husbands for experimental purposes, easy preview broadcasting work; fee basis, state qualifications.

Impoverished poet would enjoy butter on his bread.

Mary, with grey eyes and diverse interests, including music and medicine, thinks it might be fun to correspond with someone far away.

I once published an editorial on the fun of reading the classified columns, and a cynical gentleman wrote a caustic letter accusing me of trying to curry favor with my editors. Well, I should like to curry favor with them; they help to pay my rent. But apart from that I submit that the above sentences from the classified columns are much more interesting than any writer could possibly think up. Even I.

SOME THINGS BONUS PAYMENTS WILL DO

Even those who weren't for paying the soldier's bonus at this time may agree that so much money coming into Jones county and the homes of Anson will do these things:

First: Bring a great thrill of happiness and well being to many homes which haven't known a cash surplus in several years.

Second: Enable many an honest hard hit veteran to pay for things he has used thus enabling him to face the world head up, chin in, eyes front as a man capable of paying his own way.

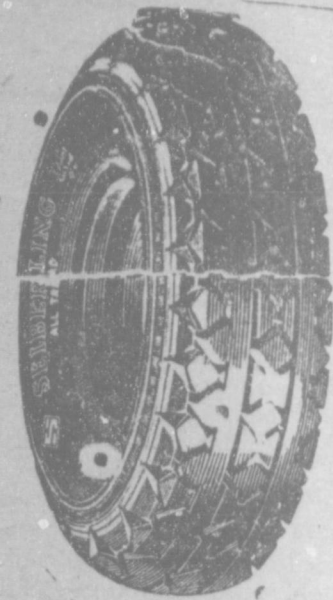
Third: Put new "things" on backs and in homes. Things that play so important a part in maintaining pride and a sense of well-being so essential to contentment with one's lot in life.

Fourth: Furnish a gilt edged investment, as part of the bonds are laid away against some future, though perhaps unseen, intense want or needs.—Anson Western Enterprise

After telling his fair patient to put out her tongue the doctor continued writing out the prescription. When he had finished he turned to the patient and said: "There, that will do."

"But, doctor," protested the lady, "you never even looked at my tongue."

"No," replied the M. D., "it wasn't necessary. I just wanted you to keep quiet while I wrote the prescription."



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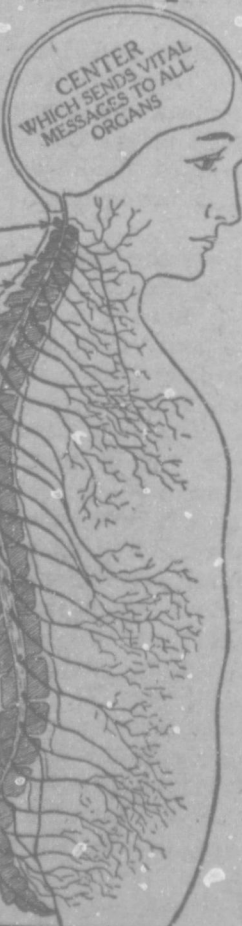
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# Local Happenings

Mrs. V. E. Pruet is spending several days in Ranger this week.

Ernest and Lewis Weed of Dan Horn community visited Mr. and Mrs. Claude King Monday.

S. M. Eubank had as his guest Thursday his only uncle, Sam Eubank of Amarillo.

J. E. Heslep is spending the week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Warren of Moran, Route 2.

Mmes. W. H. Norred and Fred Farmer were visitors in Abilene Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Clinton and Miss Irene Willis were visitors in Abilene Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Pruet and children of Ranger visited Mr. Pruet's mother, Mrs. W. E. Pruet, Sunday.

Mrs. Roland Nichols of Deep Creek spent Wednesday with Mrs. J. Y. Culwell.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ramsey were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Eubank Sunday.

Emogene Stephens returned from Cisco the first of the week where she had been employed for several days.

L. J. Cook and Oliver Whitlock made a business trip to Fort Worth Tuesday.

Y. A. Orr has been on the sick list for several days but is reported to be much improved at the present time.

M. L. Nettles and W. H. Barron accompanied by Mrs. Frank Baron, were visitors in Baird Saturday.

Mrs. E. G. Scott returned Friday from a visit of several days in the home of her father at Frost.

Frank Ingram of the Zion Hill community was a business visitor in Putnam Monday.

Mrs. J. A. Heyser and Fred Heyser of Zion Hill community were shopping in Putnam Tuesday.

Dr. and Mrs. Powell of Cross Plains were visitors in the home of Mrs. Powell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Freeman.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hudson and daughter, Betty Lou, are visiting in the home of Mr. Hudson's father, C. A. Hudson, at Merkel this week.

Reverend Charles I. Rea left Friday for Rising Star where he expected to spend a few days in the home of his uncle.

Owen Cook of Albany is ill of pneumonia this week at his home. Miss Frances Cook is spending several days there.

John Cunningham is able again to be on the streets after being confined to his room several days with a cold and other ailments.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude King and baby, Thelma Maxine, spent Sunday with Mrs. D. M. Weed of the Dan Horn community.

Calvin King, Edward King, Bobby Williams, made a trip to Tuscola with County Agent Ross B. Jenkins Saturday, where they attended a hog judging contest.

Mary Lou Eubank and Willie Grace Pruet attended the Palace Theatre at Cisco Saturday evening. Roy Lee Williams, Bennie Burns, Williams and Doyle Brown also attended.

Irvine Mitchell, formerly of Baird, is seriously ill this week of pneumonia and complications at Monroe, La. His brother, Arthur Mitchell of Cross Plains, is with him. He is a nephew of Mrs. W. E. Pruet of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. George Herring of McCamey, were visitors in Putnam Saturday. The Herrings are former residents of Putnam. Mrs. Herring is the former Miss Faye Kerville who taught in the public schools of Putnam.

Mrs. Claude Cunningham and baby, Allison, of San Angelo are spending several days in the home of her father, Y. A. Orr. Mr. Orr has been ill several days, being confined to his home suffering from influenza.

Mrs. Ida Rogers spent a few days of her vacation in the home of her son, Bennie Rogers and family at Abilene this week. Mrs. Rogers also spent a few days in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. King of Merkel. Mrs. Rogers has been employed in the home of Mrs. J. T. Cook, who has been convalescing for some time.

## VALENTINE PARTY IN GASKIN HOME

Members of the Lockett Y. W. A. of the First Baptist church and others enjoyed a valentine social in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Gaskin Friday evening. Rooms were beautifully decorated with hearts. "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart" was sung by the group at the beginning. Mrs. F. A. Hollis read the scripture, selecting from Psalms pertaining to the heart. Reverend Hollis led prayer. A puzzle wedding was enjoyed with Hazel McMillan finally found to be the bride and John D. Isenhower the groom. Reverend Hollis attempted to perform the wedding ceremony but due to objections from the mother of the bride, Earlene Pruet and the father, G. P. Gaskin, and others the ceremony was never completed. Other games suggestive of the occasion were played. Refreshments of heart shaped sandwiches, cocoa with colored marshmallows and candy hearts were served. Cupid bow and arrows were plate favors. Partners for refreshments were drawn by means of slips of paper. Napkins were of valentine design. Those present were Christene Settle, Helene Settle of Baird, Pauline Roberds, Hazel McMillan, Exal McMillan, Estelle King, Edna Brazil, Durian Cox, Madlon Kelley, Wayne Northcutt, of Baird, Cecil Triplitt, John D. Isenhower, Chesley Pruet, Earlene Pruet, Royce Pruet, Roberta Pruet, W. P. Everett, Naomi Buchanan, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence, Jodie Isenhower, Ardella Gaskin, Billy Gaskin, Rev. and Mrs. F. A. Hollis, Mrs. S. M. Eubank, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Gaskin. Hazel McMillan, Mrs. F. A. Hollis, Ardella Gaskin and Exal McMillan directed games.

## MILDRED KING HAD BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mildred King was hostess to a group of friends in her home Saturday evening, the occasion being her birthday. Various games were played. She was the recipient of a number of nice gifts. Refreshments of sandwiches, cake and hot chocolate were served. Those present were Mozelle Springer, Aline Donaway, Leona Kirkpatrick, Tempie and Johnnie Weed, Mrs. Chester Wood of Union, Sylvia Phillips, Ruby Carson, Jimmie Smith, Billy Mack and Douglas Park, Curtis Armstrong, Ray Rutherford, Cleveland Donaway, Calvin King, Mildred King, Mrs. J. E. Heslep.

## RUSSIA TODAY

The county agent has been invited to attend a lecture on "Russia Today" by one of America's foremost ministers, Dr. Fred W. Ingvalstad, which will be delivered at the First Methodist church Friday night, Feb. 22, at Cisco. He is also urged to invite all persons who might be interested in this educational and religious survey of the condition in Russia. Dr. Ingvalstad is a former pastor of the First Methodist church of Oklahoma City and is a close friend of Edwin Merkhams, the poet who wrote the introduction to Dr. Ingvalstad's collected anthology, "Red Shoes." Dr. Ingvalstad has debated with Clarence Darrow and the Ford Motor Company published his address on Capital Punishment. He has broadcasted for years on the religion of the coming social order. In his college days he won the interscholastic contest in the field of 46 college orations arguing against militarism. He is a graduate of Simpson, Northwestern, and Chicago Universities and a member of 4 fraternities, Alpha Tau Omega, Alpha Theta Gamma, Theta Phi, and Phi Rho Delta. He is also a member of the Rotarians, Kiwanis, and Lion's Club and a member of the Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce. He is an ex-trustee of the Oklahoma University and the Oklahoma School of Religion. There will be no admittance charge for this lecture. Ross B. Jenkins, County Agt.

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## FARM NOTES

(ROSS B. JENKINS, County Agt.)  
**Contracts to be Paid—**  
 In last week's issue the statement was carried that the appropriation of \$296,000,000 had been made to pay all AAA contracts that had not been paid, both parity and rental checks. The "go ahead" order was received on the corn and hogs this week and the secretary is now rushing the corn hog contracts to completion which puts them in position to be paid. There are about one hundred of these contracts to receive the second and last payment.

**Wheat—**  
 Word was received from the State Office that there is an indication that the 1935 wheat contract applications will be considered an obligation of the government and, if so, Callahan will receive some \$20,000 from this source. There are four wheat contracts that have not been fully paid which will be settled soon because of the recent appropriation by the Congress.

**Cotton—**  
 Word was also received this week that the Assistants in Cotton Adjustment are to be transferred to the division in which the cotton subsidy payments will be made. It is thought that Mr. Cook will soon become busy checking in those persons who sold their cotton on a price less than 12 cents a pound as found from the 10-spot market quotations. There are more than 6,000 bales of cotton eligible to receive this subsidy payment in Callahan, with an estimated income of between \$20,000 and \$30,000.

**4-H Clubs—**  
 The county agent was accompanied this past week to two demonstrations by two different 4-H Clubs and the boys reported a profitable and enjoyable day. Six boys, Stevenson, Randolph, Farmer, Gann, two Millers from Eula made the trip to the C. M. Largent ranch and inspected his fine hereford cattle. They received judging lessons and were shown how to groom cattle for show purposes. They were joined by some 114 boys and men from Taylor county led by County Agent Knox Perry and Assistant Agent Leon Ranson. This was Wednesday, Feb. 12. On Saturday, February 15, five boys from Putnam accompanied the agent to Tuscola to an exhibit made by the F. F. A. boys of fine Hereford heaves, hogs, sheep, and poultry. These boys also came back to Abilene in the afternoon and took their first lesson in judging hogs. Those mak-

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ing the trip were Edward King, Calvin King, Gene Finley, Bobby Williams, and Esen Fields. These boys and all other boys in the 4-H Clubs of the county are to meet with the county agent each Saturday afternoon to learn how to judge hogs, cattle, sheep, and dairy cows. All boys so interested are cordially invited as the judging team will have its expenses paid to the A. & M. Short Course to be held July 20 through the 24th.

## RESOLUTIONS

Mrs. W. A. Ramsey, Putnam, Texas.  
 We know that nothing can make amends for the great loss you have sustained in the Ho.-le-going of your father. It is well said that we weep for the loved and the lost because we know that our tears are in vain. Over in the beautiful land we do not doubt that your dear father is free from the pains that he so long endured here, and when we gather at the River it is a sweet consolation to know that he will meet you on the other side. He was a true father and a devoted husband. No higher esteem could be paid to a man. We deeply sympathize with you in your affliction. The days seem dark and gloomy to you now, but sunshine will come to you through your children and friends and those that are near and dear to you. May God bless you and enable you to bear your sorrow.  
 Woman's Missionary Society,  
 First Baptist Church, Putnam, Texas.

## ARLINGTON GIRL HONORED

Mrs. Wiley Clinton was hostess to a group of friends in her home Thursday evening, especially honoring her niece, Miss Irene Willis of Arlington. Forty-two was the diversion. R. F. Webb and Thelma Everett tied for high score. Refreshments of individual cherry pies, with whipped cream, cream cheese sandwiches, and coffee were served. Candy hearts were favors. Those present were Misses Thelma Everett, Eva Moore, Rena Ball, Irene Willis of Arlington, Mrs. R. L. Clinton, Messrs. Neal Moore, W. P. Everett, Burl Clinton, R. F. Webb, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Waddell, Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Clinton.

## RETURNS TO PUTNAM

Reverend G. C. Williams will again be pastor of the Methodist church of Putnam. The church will have a half-time pastorate with Reverend Williams preaching two Sundays at Putnam and two at Scranton. Reverend Williams was pastor of the church last year.  
 Mrs. Gabb—"Any decent husband would give his wife all the money she wanted to spend!"  
 Mr. Gabb—"Don't be silly, my dear. There isn't that much money."

## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

by Charles E. Dunn  
**PEOPLE BEFORE PROPERTY**  
 Lesson for February 23, Luke 8:26-37. Golden Text: Luke 16:13.

The history of our country reveals an amazing advance in the accumulation of wealth. In 1804 the Secretary of the Treasury reported that there were not "one hundred thousand dollars in Philadelphia, New York and Boston put together." Today, by startling contrast, we have 22 billion dollar corporations.

Now if our phenomenal possessions were equitably distributed in harmony with democratic processes we should not have reason to complain. But it is significant that the 200 largest corporations in America control 33 percent or more of its entire business wealth, and that these corporations are in the hands of a few hundred men. There are thousands of stockholders, but they are concerned chiefly about dividends. The real control of a modern corporation is vested in a small board of directors, and these, in numerous cases, are dominated by three or four super-financiers. Not long ago a large holding company failed with losses of \$120,000,000. Testimony in court indicated that only four men really knew what was going on!

It is obvious that this excessive concentration of power in the hands of a privileged minority has resulted in very grave abuses. The depression is the result, with millions unemployed, and other millions suffering because their incomes have been drastically cut. All this agony is quite unnecessary for, unlike our forefathers, we do not live under an economy of scarcity, but under one of abundance. There is enough potential wealth in the country at the present moment to provide every family with an income of \$4,000 a year.

Were Jesus alive today he would repeat his warnings against piling up of wealth, and would identify himself, as of old, with the poor and underprivileged in their struggle for opportunity. He would place God in the center of the circle, but would make it clear, as our Golden Text says, that God and mammon cannot be worshipped at the same altar.

**INTERMEDIATE B. Y. P. U PROGRAM FOR FEB. 23**  
 Program begins at 6:30 p. m.  
 Part 1—Zada Williams.  
 Part 2—Helen Maynard.  
 Part 3—F. Y. Cook.  
 Part 4—Glenn Burnam.  
 Part 5—Billy McMillan.  
 Bible Readings  
 Monday, Luke 12:32-48 — Mary Douglas Williams.  
 Tuesday, Luke 12:49-59 — Helen

Maynard.  
 Wednesday, Luke 13:1-17 — Glenn Burnam.  
 Thursday, Luke 13:18-35—Bennie Burns Williams.  
 Friday, Luke 14:1-14—Niles White.  
 Saturday, Luke 14:15-35—F. Y. Cook.

**Cheerio**  
 Old Lady—"Can't you cheer your little brother up and stop his crying?"  
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## SENIOR NEWS

Amid the hustle and bustle of schoolwork, we are back again—striving to put in a feeble word or two!

We are looking forward with joyful anticipation to the days that are to come—those days that hold fun and thrills for every student—track meet, Track meet is just another one of those wonderful events that make our school days enjoyable. It gives to us new friends, a chance to develop our talents that will prove very beneficial in later years, and last, but not least, it gives us a chance to work for our school. Summing it up a wonderful event! Let us see everyone of you at track meet in March ready to go, and backing the school in every event. Are you with and also for us?

There is also something else that is creating much interest in school, and that is the annual which is to be published. Everyone is enthused and excited over this project. It is really a wonderful thing and will prove to be an asset to our school. It creates within us a better spirit of working, and helps us to put our time to a worthwhile cause. Besides, this annual is something everyone will be proud of in years to come. Boost it! It is your annual!

### The Senior English Club

The English Club was organized Feb. 4, 1936. The purpose of this club is to establish better English in Putnam high school. The officers are:

Morris Harper, president; J. L. Rawson, vice-president; Betty Mercer, secretary and treasurer; and Louise Peck, reporter.

This club will be a great benefit to the seniors as well as the other students in high school because the seniors will learn good English and the other students will pattern after them. Excuse the seniors if they seem to correct you—because it is their duty as a good club member!

### Choral Club

Myrlene McCool

The Putnam high school choral club which is under the direction of Miss Pauline Roberds, meets every Tuesday and Thursday afternoons in the study hall. We are now working on the three songs, "I Am Coming Back to You My Texas," "Blue Bonnet Time," and "Neath the Old Olive Tree," which we will sing at county track meet which is to be held at Baird sometime in March. We have selected the material for our uniforms and hope to have them sometime in the near future. Our choral club has won Callahan county in singing for the past four years and we are working hard to win this year. Members of the choral club are: Betty Mercer, Louise Peck, Martha Jean Rogers, Myrlene McCool, Juanita Yeager, Helen Maynard, Willie Grace Pruitt, Mary Douglas Williams, Kathleen Green, Edna Brazil, Frances Armstrong, Zada Williams, Juanita McCullough, Ardelia Gaskin, and Madlon Kelley.

The debaters of Putnam high school are: Jodie Isenhower and Royce Pruet; Betty Mercer and Juanita Yeager. We are going to make a success of debating this year. Already we have started to victory.

We expect to debate a lot this week

for we are going to attend a debate tournament to be held at Abilene in March. Already we have attended two tournaments which were held at Ranger and Baird. We are going to win the county tournament to be held at Baird on March 21st, and on up the line.

We really find it a pleasure to debate this year because the question is one which concerns everybody in this community. The question is: Resolved, that the Federal Government should control the production of cotton.

### Senior Jokes

Royce: "Say, Dad, today the teacher asked our class to find the greatest common divisor, and—"

Mr. Pruet: "Great heavens! Is that thing still lost? Why, Sonny, when I was a kid my teacher had us hunt for it, but I never found the blame thing."

Mr. Wright: "Why do you feed every tramp that comes along? They won't do a lick of work for you."

Mrs. Wright: "I know they won't. But it certainly is a relief to watch a man eat a meal and not find fault with the cooking."

Juanita Yeager: "I wonder when T. L. is going to propose. He's been going with me for nearly six months." Louise: "You'll have to wait six months more. He didn't propose to me for nearly a year."

Mrs. Overton: "You know, the more I think about it the more certain I am that I married a fool."

Mr. Overton: "Perhaps you did, my dear. You know that when you married me you said few people were so much alike as you and I."

Miss Roberds: "I see you have a room for rent. How much do you want for it, including the use of your piano?"

Landlady: "I won't be able to tell you until I hear you play."

### The Eternal "If"

The world would be a far pleasanter place and in heaven more paws would be took

If women were all they wished to be and men were as good as they look.

### Short Story

BARGAIN DAY AT DOOLEY'S

By Frances Armstrong

Seven years ago I was a small boy of ten and lived in a small city town or rather a village in West Texas, which was called Perishing. Not being big enough and capable to do much I was given the job of running errands for mother. This was not a very hard job and it was my main and almost my only one I had little to do. I fed the chickens, we had twenty-five, every morning before going to school, got the paper in the afternoons and fed the chickens again at evening time. This was not much, in fact I kinda liked it for chickens were pets of mine and I enjoyed tending and caring for them and getting the paper from town in the afternoon after school was almost like getting a big piece when my little sister only had a small piece. Any boy enjoys going to town and getting to talk and say with other kids on the way. But after two years of running errand I was fed up, maybe not on all errands but one I simply refused to make.

Mother became ill Friday night after we had lived in Perishing for about two years and Dad was away from home working on an oil well so there was nothing left for me to do but be Dad and Mom to my two little sisters as I was the largest kid. Gee, it was tough. I never thought I would go so low as to wash dishes. But I had one thing to thank the stars, something or someone for it was night and any of my kid friends would not walk in and find me washing dishes. I could not bear to think of the teasing I would get if they should have seen me there washing those pots and pans. Gosh, I'd have died. But, gee, that wasn't half of it—the next morning all the kids came by for me to go hiking with them but no, Mom was still in bed so I could not go. I was glad they came early or they would have found me washing dishes for breakfast had been over only a little while. But as I said before the dish washing was not so bad. After I had washed the breakfast dishes and made my bed, rather slung the quilts on the bed, I had to go to Dooley's grocery store for some groceries. It was Saturday and Bargain Day. It came once a month, but that could not be helped; when you gotta have groceries you gotta have groceries or starve and heck, I did not want to starve.

When I got to the store it was packed like a can of sardines, that's no lie. But I thought I could make it to the bread counter but, wra was me. I did not make it. Some old woman, who looked like a grandma but scratched like a young kitten, liked to have broken all her three inch finger nails on me and some man happened to touch me on the nose with a cigar. Gosh, what was I to do? I could not get out or in and I'd be

ing killed. If I had been a little bigger I would have killed, cursed, or done something to those old-er-er—well anyway I'd have paid them back for scratching, hitting, biting and punching me.

When I did get out which was in two hours, no less, I assure you I was a pitiful sight. The devil and God both must have been on some other side for I am sure I had no one helping me and to top it all I met the gang, such luck I am always having, coming to town to find me. Gee, I guess they were made happy over my disaster for everytime they saw me after that they laughed. I suppose they would laugh now if they should see me.

### GOOFY GAZETTE

Speaking in behalf of the junior class of the Putnam high school, I wish to express our sympathy for those who are or have been on the sick list and especially to the ones of list. The junior class, namely: Kathleen Green, Dorothy Roberson, Madeline Kelley and Edna Brazil.

There has been a change in the program at school, maybe you have heard of it, which everyone likes very much. The last period, from 3:15 to 4:00 o'clock is physical education. If the weather is bad the school is turned out at 3:15. This the only reason some students are wishing for fore bad weather.

The weeks are passing very wifly and it is nearly exam time again, very good news for some, because there will be a few exemptions.

The news is short this week but look for more next time. Guess this will do till next time. But wait! Here is a joke or two to cheer you up:

Mr. Wright: "Lois, can you tell me just one important date in history?" Lois: "Yes sir, Anthony's with Cleopatra."

Esen: "Do you believe that history repeats?" Tood: "And how! I'm taking it the third time now."

Any person who is over weight and wishes to reduce should try this recipe. It is called "chicken a la concrete." Here are the ingredients if you can't find them in the house, try the junk pile:

1 pair horse hoofs; 2 eggs (eggs over 1-2 year old should not be used); 2 cups concrete, 1-2 cup pepper, 1-2 dozen lemons. Cream and eggs and concrete and stir in the horse hoofs, never mind the lemons. Now beat until 3 a. m. before adding the pepper. Now grease an old shoe with skunk tallow and put in the oven, first making sure the oven is not lit. When finished call Wichita Falls or Austin. (Thanks to Mr. Overton).

### SOPHOMORES SPEAK

Oliver Davis Station SOPHS, bringing you each Friday the news of the sophomores of P.H.S.

Well folks, our news is a shade short this week as the weather is very unsuitable. First of all we will visit the four booths belonging to the sophomores.

In booth No. 1 we find algebra. We find that solving quadric equations is the main subject, being followed with functions of two variables. We have been working hard and hope we enjoy the vacation (Sat. and Sun.) Mr. Overton is instructor or general announcer.

In booth No. 2 we find our old foreign friend, Spanish. We are still reading in our Spanish reader and we hope to accomplish something soon. We made some Spanish posters and put them in our Spanish room and boy is it a sight? Miss Settle is announcer.

In booth No. 3 we find history. We are progressing very fine in the new history book. We find it very interesting. We have three juniors studying the new Texas history with us. We are glad to have them. Mr. Wright is announcer.

In booth No. 4, and the last, we find our dear, dear old friend, Mr. English. We have just finished our second classic since mid-term and we will hand in themes soon. The classic we just finished was "Cilas Marner." We will have exams next week and this classic will be included. Mr. Webb is official announcer.

There has been several absent from our class lately and some have returned. Franklin Shackelford was absent all last week but has returned.

Juanita McCullough was absent several days but has returned once more. Billie McMillan was absent all last week and at the present is still absent. We hope Billie will return soon. Well, folks, our time is up so we will have to sign off. This is Oliver Davis speaking in behalf of Station SOPHS.

### THE GIGGLES

Helen Maynard

The freshmen have taken up literature since mid-term. We have just finished the short stories and have begun on "The Lady of the Lake." They all prove to be very interesting, and we appreciate Miss Settle's helping us.

We have been awfully busy working on track events. We have several members of our class doing splendid work for track. We have three declaimers, one speller, and one essayist. The freshmen are going to do their part in the high school annual which the seniors are introducing.

### Know Her?

She is five feet and four inches tall. She is a dark brunette with black eyes. She is rather fat and has a good figure. She is very likable. She sits 2 desks back on the middle row of the study hall.

Are You a Close Observer—Study Hall

How many windows has the study hall? Who's picture is in front of the study hall? How many banners or awards do we have hanging on the walls? What changes have been made in our "school song"? What is on top of the piano? Which side of the math room door is the clock on? "That is all."

### TEXAS CENTENNIAL CLUB

By Junior Sharp

That Mud, Clay, Sand, Earth and Grit are all towns in Texas.

That Texas is celebrating her first 100 years of progress and her independence with not one great exposition—but several.

That there are over 160,000 miles of public highways in Texas.

That Clintor, Hunt county, Texas, is the smallest incorporated town in Texas, having a 1930 census population of only 38 people.

The Texas Centennial Club met Feb. 15, 1936, at the regular class period.

The following program was given: Song, "Texas Our Texas"—Class. Life of Lamar—Douglas. The offices filled by Lamar—Lesley. What Lamar Did for Education—Ruby.

Play, "The Guardian Genius"—Bobbie, J. Nelson, G. P. Song, "Eyes of Texas"—Class. We were glad to dedicate this pro-

gram to Mirabeau Lamar, the Father of Education in Texas.

## THINK ON THESE THINGS

(C. C. Andrews, Baird, Texas)

"The tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold how great a matter a little fire kindleth. And the tongue is a fire, a world of inquiry; so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell."

James has given us a true word picture of the uncontrolled tongue, for the most of us have felt its stinging trusts.

Nothing else perhaps has brought so much trouble and broken hearts to the human family as somebody's uncontrolled tongue.

It has kindled a fire among nations that has resulted in war.

It has torn asunder many of our communities, schools and churches, and even our social life has been disturbed by its slanderous talking.

Many of the victims of its misrepresentations.

Many of our homes have been broken up by its expressed selfishness and jealousy to the extent that members of the same family will not speak to or have any thing to do with one another.

It has been the beginning of the cause of more separations of husbands and wives than all other causes combined.

Peter ought to have known what an unrestrained tongue meant, and he wrote:

"For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile."

## THOUSANDS REQUEST TEXAS INFORMATION

DALLAS.—Requests for information on Texas and the Centennial celebrations, pouring into the office of the department of information here, graphically testify to the nationwide interest in the Lone Star state this year.

The national advertising campaign was opened only a few weeks ago but, during the 12 day period ending February 7, more than 1,200 persons daily asked definite information on

the state. The requests are made on coupons carried in advertisements. They are being received from every state in the Union, with New York leading in number, and from many foreign countries.

Printed literature descriptive of all of Texas and of the various Centennial celebrations planned over the state are mailed to all persons who send in requests.

Mrs. W. H. Norred, Neil Norred, Miss Dolores Brandon, and Mrs. W. R. Short spent Tuesday in Fort Worth.

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—and—  
ANN DVORAK  
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"DR. SOCRATES"  
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