

# THE PUTNAM NEWS

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## FROM THE EDITOR'S WINDOW

**The Christmas Season**  
"Give ye this Christmas more freely of your limitless love, and it shall be the happiest, merriest, and most joyous day of your life."  
—Woman's Study Club Yearbook.

**World Conditions Today**  
Two decades have passed since America entered the World War in order to bring peace to a war-weary world. April 6, 1917, marked the twentieth anniversary of the memorable day when America took the fatal step which plunged her into this war of wars. Within two months after America declared war ten million men had answered the call to the colors. The next year is a story of heartaches, suffering, and death which the signing of the Armistice can never erase or lessen. War always reaps a bountiful but sad harvest.

One newspaper in commenting on conditions today says, "A vast difference in war sentiment is seen now compared with the feverish hours of twenty years ago." America still wants PEACE.

A great leader said only recently that the prospects for world peace are not at all bright. Looking back upon the horrors of war, it would seem that the nations of the earth have had enough suffering and tragedy brought on by conflict. A glance at world conditions does not reassure us. On all sides are wars and rumors of wars.

Wars of conquest are being staged in these modern days; civil war is ravaging one of the most beautiful countries of the world; there are strained relations among many nations. All the time each country is increasing the size of its army; building new warships; and setting up huge appropriations for the most modern forms of warfare which will make short work of complete destruction. Whether all this will end in a worldwide conflict one cannot tell.

In a far-away yesterday we read of conditions similar to those of today. Nations engaged in conflict one with another and forgot the God who had made them and the earth.

One glorious night there appeared the answer to the chaotic world conditions. Jesus Christ was born in Bethlehem, heralded by the angels' message of "peace on earth and good will toward all men." A new day was begun; the light of peace brightened a darkened world with new hope.

Miss Willie Grace Pruet is taking the place of Oliver Davis as editor of the Panther Scream this week. She is capable and efficient and it is a great thing to have a capable assistant in any line of work. The school and the Putnam News had planned a special edition honoring our famous Putnam Panthers this week for their splendid work in winning the bi-district championship, but due to Mr. Davis' being confined to his home, the special edition is postponed. Mr. Davis is really an important figure in many enterprises.

It's calendar time again and customers of the First National Bank of Cisco received a large map of Texas this week, showing all towns, highways, and railroads. A map of this kind is useful during the entire year to say nothing of the convenience of the calendar, which figures can be seen across the room. It is one of the nicest Christmas presents a person can receive.

Our community, received a slow rain this week, which penetrated into the ground. J. D. McDermitt of the Blacksmith shop, says we haven't had a rain like it in many years. Mr. McDermitt is an optimistic man at all times, looking upon life with a broad viewpoint and making many friends as he goes along. His statement has been verified by several others, so we are really proud of our good downpour and are looking forward to good crops.

**DINNER HONORS GUESTS**  
Mrs. W. H. Norred was hostess for a lovely turkey dinner in her home Sunday, December 7th, honoring Miss Catherine Carcutt, teacher in the Wichita Falls public schools. Guests were Miss Eloise Norred, also a teacher at Wichita Falls, Miss Dolores Brandon, Nell Norred and Mrs. S. M. Eubank.

## ROAD BONDS DEFEATED IN ELECTION FRIDAY

The road bond election passed off quietly Friday with a very light vote. There were only 109 votes cast. The Putnam vote was 35 for and 33 against. Hart, 1 for and 7 against; Pueblo, 8 for and 7 against; and Admiral, 14 for and 4 against. This made a total of 58 for and 51 against. The issue was lost as it required a two-thirds vote to carry.

## Mrs. Fred Golson Back to Hospital

Mrs. Fred Golson is recovering in the Hendrix-Memorial Sanitarium at Abilene from major surgery which she underwent Saturday morning. Mrs. Golson had a severe illness several weeks ago at which time she was not strong enough for surgery. Doctors are encouraged that Mrs. Golson will be in good health after recuperation. Her many friends wish for her a speedy recovery.

## Oliver Davis Is Injured at Wichita

Oliver Davis, son of Charley Davis, was painfully injured while playing the game of football at Wichita Falls, between Burk Burnett and Putnam, last Friday. He was injured so badly that he had to be taken out of the game and taken to a hospital for treatment. Our information is that he tackled one of the Burk Burnett boys and was knocked down or fell and in the scuffle some one stepped on his nose, breaking it and smashing it flat. He did not return until Saturday afternoon. The injury is nothing serious, but is quite painful and will be several days healing and getting well.

## Woman's Study Club Has Christmas Party

The Woman's Study Club of Putnam enjoyed a Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Fred Cook Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock, with Mmes. Fred Cook, John Cook and Mark Shurwin as hostesses. Roll call was answered with a Christmas story, a small part of which was related by each member. Mrs. L. L. Williams read a lovely Christmas story, followed by the group singing of "Silent Night." Mrs. H. A. Pruet read the poem, "Hymn to the Night." Mrs. Cook's home was beautifully decorated with a lovely Christmas tree in the center of the dining table with lighted candles, emblems of the cross, and other lovely features. Fruit, candy and novelties were at the base as were also stacks of lovely gifts for the club members. A lighted candle and other features adorned the windows. Christmas draperies were arranged between the living room and dining room. Gifts were distributed by the hostesses. Lovely refreshments of turkey salad, on lettuce, olive sandwiches, canned dates, fruitcake, coffee and whipped cream were served.

Those present were Mmes. G. S. Pruet, R. L. Clinton, J. Morris Bailey, Fred Farmer, Fred Short, W. E. Pruet, H. A. Pruet, R. D. Williams, J. N. Williams, Lynn L. Williams, I. E. Cook, E. C. Waddell, F. P. Shackelford, S. M. Eubank, Valentine Cook of Oklahoma City, John Cook, Fred Cook, Mark Shurwin, Miss Mildred Yeager.

## RETURNS FROM TRIP

Mrs. Fred Short and Miss Jane Hall returned Friday night from a trip to Vinita, Oklahoma. They also visited Durant, Tulsa, and Okmulgee, being gone several days. Miss Hall is located on a ranch in the south part of the county.

## ZION HILL CLUB MEETS

The Zion Hill H. D. Club met Nov. 29 with 18 present. Our county home demonstration agent was present. She gave a demonstration on the casserole dishes.

It was voted that Mrs. O. B. Taylor serves as secretary for the coming year instead of Mrs. M. B. Sprawls.

The club will meet Dec. 12. Those present were: Mmes. J. A. Reid, R. B. Ingram, E. A. Ramsey, S. F. Ingram, W. S. Jobe, O. L. Statton, C. B. Kenedy, Earle Rutherford, Everett Sumnerman, Pete King, E. N. Hull, J. A. Hurst, J. L. Baker, J. B. Inmon, Miss Luvada Standridge and Marie Baker. —Club Reporter.

L. B. Williams, who is drilling in the shallow oil field west of Cross Plains, spent the week-end visiting with home folks.

## SALE GOING ON AT CLEMENTS-NORRED

A large sale at Clements & Norred, dry goods, began Thursday with bargains being offered in every line of merchandise. Circulars have been distributed and part of the bargains listed in this week's Putnam News. The sale is directed by J. W. Babb of Abilene. Assistants will be Mrs. Babb, Misses Lois Kennedy, Detores Brandon and Betty Mobley.

## Baird Star Celebrates 50th Anniversary

The Baird Star, Callahan's oldest newspaper published by Miss Eliza Gilliland, celebrated its fiftieth anniversary with a large pioneer and historical edition this week containing 48 pages. The paper was interesting and educational and to be appreciated from its standpoint of information pertaining to the early history of the county and its early settlers. Many pictures of prominent pioneer families made long ago, were included with credit given them for blazing the trail to the development of our resourceful Callahan county.

The paper contained numerous congratulations from merchants of all towns in the county and other West Texas points. Numbers of friends from many places sent greetings. Miss Gilliland is to be commended upon her many years of faithful service and upon the splendid publication just off the press.

## METHODIST LEAGUERS ATTEND MEETING

The Young People's Epworth League had a fine representation at the League Union meeting of the north Cisco District on December 9. The meeting was held at the First Methodist church, Ranger. The theme of the program was "Welcome to Our New Pastors." Vice-president Jim Brown gave the welcome. Rev. J. Morris Bailey made the response. Rev. G. Alfred Brown, pastor of the Ranger church, spoke of "Pioneer Methodist Preachers."

The next meeting will be held in Eastland, and the Putnam young people are planning to attend. Those attending the meeting in Ranger: Hugh V. Smith, Jr., president of the local organization, Allen Nelson, Misses Fay Weeks, Lavern Burnam, Billie Byrd, Merline McCoof, Mr. H. V. Smith, Sr., and Rev. and Mrs. J. Morris Bailey.

## Baptist Calendar

Sunday school—10:00 a. m.  
Sermon, "The Road From Jerusalem to Jericho"—11:00 a. m.  
B. T. U.—6:15.  
Sermon—7:15.  
Everybody invited to attend all services.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Shelton of Rosedale, California, left Sunday after spending a week in the home of Mrs. Shelton's sister, Mrs. L. B. Williams and family.

## BANK PAYS TEN PER CENT DIVIDENDS

The Farmers State Bank which has been under liquidation for the past two years, paid the depositors a dividend of ten per cent this week. The depositors had given up hope of any dividend and the dividend paid was an extra Christmas gift which was very acceptable.

## OIL FIELD NOTES

The Phillips Petroleum well No. 1 Cozart, about six miles southeast of Putnam, has been shut down for several days during the past week on account of trying to cut off the oil that was struck at 1680 feet. It had been forcing out through the cement behind the casing and coming up in the pit, giving them trouble. The well was re-cemented and had to shut down for the cement to set. They have resumed drilling again and are about 3100 feet at the present time.

Bill West has spudded in a shallow well on the Clark ranch about two and a half miles southwest of Putnam, which will be drilled to about 450 feet unless oil is found at a lesser depth.

They expect to start drilling on the Mary Guyton well about seven miles southeast of Putnam, and 2 miles west of Atwell. This well will be drilled by Bill West and others. This is to be a 1700 foot well to test out the sand struck in the Phillips on the Cozart at 1680 feet, where they had a good showing of oil.

## Could Hardly Stand the Old Man

Mark Twain said that when he was a boy of 14 his father was so ignorant he could hardly stand to have the old man around, but when he got to be 21 he was astonished at how much the old man had learned in seven years.

## Wiley Clinton is Reported Improving

Mrs. Wiley Clinton went to Kerrville Friday to spend the week-end with her husband. Wiley is improving slowly. During the past three years Wiley has been examined at clinics at Scott and White at Temple, Samuels in Dallas at Sanatorium, Texas, at Balyeat Clinic in Oklahoma City and recently by Dr. Thompson at Kerrville. The diagnosis of each has been bronchitis, or chronic bronchitis. The disease is neither infectious nor contagious. It is lamentable that at the chronic stage it is incurable. But the warmer climate is giving Wiley some relief. Wiley wishes to express his appreciation to his many friends and loved ones who have remembered him with letters and cards.

## Mr. Gaskins Ill

G. P. Gaskins, prominent grocer of Putnam, has been ill this week, being confined to his home. Mrs. Gaskins has been in charge of the store, assisted by Billy Gaskins.

## QUARTERLY CONFERENCE TO BE HELD SUN.

Plans are still moving forward for the first quarterly conference for the Putnam Methodist church. This conference will be held Sunday at the church. Reverend J. B. Curry presiding elder of the Cisco district, will hold the conference. He will preach at the morning church hour, and many will want to avail themselves of this opportunity to hear Brother Curry. The business session of the quarterly conference will be held following the noon hour.

Many are already planning to participate in the enjoyable meal-time fellowship at the church. The plan is not complicated in the least; every family planning on participating in this delightful part of the day's program will bring a basket lunch. Those who have some way to bring coffee, or chocolate, are planning on doing so that there might be this added taste to the meal.

The Methodist churches of Twelfth Street, Cisco, and Romney will meet with the Putnam Methodists in this conference.

J. Morris Bailey, Pastor.

## SEED IRISH POTATO MEET AT CISCO DECEMBER 18TH

The county agent, Elmo V. Cook, of Eastland county, is calling a meeting of his farmers and invites the farmers interested in Callahan county to a certified seed Irish potato meeting and fertilizer discussion. This meeting will be held at 2:00 p. m. Saturday, December 18th, at the Cisco Chamber of Commerce building. All interested in securing good Irish potato seed should plan to meet with those farmers.

Poss B. Jenkins, Co. Agr.

## LET US PRAY

Selected by Noel Black  
Father in heaven, help us today in thought word and deed to honor our parents.  
Help us by loving words to cheer them on life's way. Help us to refrain from doing things which we know might give them pain. Help us to be patient and forgiving for Jesus' sake, Amen.

## FINAL COTTON REPORT

The government gave out its final report on the amount of cotton ginned in the United States for the 1937 crop, placing the yield at 13,750,008 with 16,778,000 ginned to Dec. 1st, with the Texas crop placed at 5,230,000 bales. Average production per acre was placed at 264 pounds lint.

## Methodist Calendar

Sunday, Dec. 19:  
10:00 a. m.—Church school.  
11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.  
Noon—Quarterly Conference basket lunches. Bring your lunch and enjoy the fellowship.  
4:00 p. m.—Intermediate Epworth League.  
6:30 p. m.—Evening worship.  
Wednesday, Dec. 22, 2:30 p. m.—Woman's Missionary Society.  
J. Morris Bailey, Pastor.

## BOB BECK DIES TUESDAY NIGHT

Bob Beck, an old timer in Callahan county, died at his home about eight miles west of Putnam Tuesday night after a lingering illness of several months. Mr. Beck was born November 30, 1864, and died December 13, 1937. Mr. Beck is an old timer in Callahan county and has lived on the place where he died many years.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Methodist church at Baird, conducted by the Rev. J. T. Griswold, assisted by Rev. Hamilton Wright and Rev. Joe R. Mayes. Burial in the Ross cemetery followed the services at the church.

Pallbearers were D. S. McGee, E. L. Finley, Dr. H. H. Ramsey, W. H. Boatwright, P. G. Hatchett and W. V. Walls, all of them being old neighbors and friends for many years.

## Home Demonstration Notes

**Home Demonstration Council**—Callahan County Home Demonstration Council will meet Sat., Dec. 18, in the county court room in the regular monthly meeting.

Clara Brown, home demonstration agent, has announced that the 1938 Year Books will be distributed. All old and new presidents and council delegates are urged to be there. Mrs. Al Young of the Lone Oak Club, vice-chairman of the council, will preside.

**Pressure Cooker Gauges**—Now that it is meat canning time on the farm, and pressure cookers are going to be used so much, pressure gauges should be checked, as so many pressure cookers have been used over a period of years and like any other piece of machinery they need checking.

Checking may be done by commercial concerns or it may be done at home with a maximum thermometer. The agent has one in her office and they may be bought from several firms. In using maximum thermometers the following steps will be helpful suggestions:  
1. Check maximum thermometer by holding so bulb end is well under boiling water. Boil for a few minutes and if reading remains 212 degrees F. or 100 degrees C. the thermometer is correct.

2. Prepare pressure cooker as for canning—1-1/2 inches of water in cooker and place rack in bottom for container, put thermometer in jar or can and set in center of pressure cooker.  
3. Close cooker, place on fire, as soon as gauge reads 10 pounds or 240 degrees F. remove from fire, let gauge return to zero and stand 5 minutes. Open cooker and if thermometer reading is 240 degrees F. the gauge is correct. (Check at 15 lbs. pressure).

Gauges of a degree or two up or down can be used with safety if marked but gauges off more than this should be sent to the pressure cooker company for adjustment or replacement.  
Gauges should be rechecked after they have been sent through the mail.

## Results of the Ball Canning Contest

Thirty dollars has been won by Home Demonstration club members of Callahan, given by the Ball Brothers of Muncie, Indiana. The contest is under the direction of the home demonstration agent, Clara Brown. Two hundred and twenty-six exhibitors exhibited a total of 409 jars of fruits and vegetables, 104 of these jars being Ball jars. Each club held a contest at the club meeting in October or November. Winning jars were brought to the agent's office. The final judging was done by Miss Peggy Taylor, home demonstration agent for Taylor county. The fruit and vegetables were judged in pairs and was judged on the containers, appearance, quality, color and type of pack.

Mrs. Steve Tarrant, Lone Star club, won first place, \$9.00, on a quart of peaches and a quart of beans; Mrs. R. S. Johnston, Denton club, won second place, \$5.00, quart of berries and pumpkin; Mrs. B. F. McCaw, Midway club, won third with a quart of tomatoes and carrots; Mrs. Jobe, Zion Hill club, Mrs. Clyde Johnston, Euila club, Mrs. O. D. Straham, Cottonwood club, Mrs. W. T. Johnson, Oplin club all won fourth place and \$3.00 each.

The contest proved that there is a strong spirit of cooperation among the home demonstration club members of the county and it showed that there is an excellent standard of quality in canning being established in these clubs. The jars of fruit and vegetables are on display in the agent office.

## LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

The Atwell school sent a number of letters to Santa Claus last week to the Putnam News. Our force looked over the letters carefully and selected some of the best for publication. They were selected from a standard of English, age, wording and general Christmas attitude. However all the letters received were good and certainly speak well for the Atwell school. Mr. Harry Varner is teacher of the Atwell school and the letters show that his school is well established in the fundamentals of learning.

The letters follow:

Dear Santa Claus:  
I am in the 1st grade this year and I am 12 years old. My birthday is November the 12th.

This year I want for Christmas a basket ball and goals to go with it. I want a watch, oranges, apples and nuts.

And Santa, do not forget the other little children, because they all want something too.

Yours truly,  
Leonard Pillans.

P.S.: Santa Claus, bring Uncle Roy Tatom a larger mail box because the mail box will not hold all the letters that are mailed from the school house.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been looking for you for a long time. So I thought I would write to you and tell you what I wanted. I don't want very much this Christmas because there are so many more boys and girls. I want a basketball and a doll suit case with clothes in it. And I want eight story books to read. That is all I want.

I hope you don't run out of toys before you get to all the boys and girls. Be sure not to forget all of my playmates and the rest of the boys and girls. I don't know any thing else to tell you so I will close. Your friend,  
Loise Gayle Lovelady.

P.S.: Please bring Mr. Varner a little car so he can play with it to pass the time away. And don't forget my teacher, Mrs. Varner, and bring her a negro doll so she can play with it while Mr. Varner is gone.

Dear Santa:

I am writing you a letter for what I want for Christmas.

Santa Claus, I have been a good boy. All of the teachers say I have. And all the boys in my room say I have been too.

Santa Claus, I want a twenty-two for Christmas and some candy and apples and Roman candles to shoot for New Year's night. Also want a bicycle so I can ride it after school every afternoon. I will expect something nice instead of boards and switches because I know that I have been good because I haven't had any fights this year. I haven't had a spanking by my teacher yet and I have done my best at school and worked very hard. Bring the little children that are in the orphan home some things because they do not have a mother or father. Good bye, I'll be seeing you Christmas Eve. Your little friend,  
Willie Ross Barron.

## ADMIRAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Whittle spent the week-end with his parents at Lawn.

Miss Maurine Eubanks spent the week-end at Abilene.

Miss Frances Sprawls spent the week-end in Baird with her mother.

Miss Lillie Belle Smith of Abilene spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sim Smith.

Mr. Gordon and Miss Margrette Greer of Abilene were guests in the P. H. Eubanks home Sunday.

Mrs. John McClelland and daughters, Lendol, Frankie and Margret's were visitors in the Mrs. J. R. Sanders home Sunday evening.

Buckie Coats of Baird was in Admiral Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ottis Coats, Weldon and Ray Black were visitors in the Lee Coats home Sunday night.

Ralph Smartt spent Saturday with Eugene Black.

Jakie Street, Ernestine Higgins, Billie Walker and Billie Mae Malthy were Abilene visitors Saturday night.

George Sanders spent a few days last week with his mother, Mrs. J. R. Sanders.

Mr. and Mrs. Green and daughter, Mrs. Arnold Pruet, have returned from a visit with their son.

## AUTOMOBILE LOANS

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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.

**GRIGGS HOSPITAL**

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Miller of California, car wreck victims, were patients Sunday morning. Mrs. Miller suffered lacerations of the face and lips, and brain concussion. Her condition is serious. Mr. Miller received lacerations of the face and bruises of the body.

Novelyn Price, Spanish teacher at Baird, suffered a fractured right arm in a fall Sunday while looking for Christmas trees.

Melba Tyson, 7 year old daughter of Buford Tyson, suffered a fractured arm at the elbow joint Sunday.

James Bryant, 13 months old son of Scotty Bryant, left the hospital Sunday after aspirating of right lung following a severe attack of pneumonia.

Frank Hammon of Woodley Petroleum Company, was burned on the left arm Friday, first and second degree.

S. N. Dunlap of Woodley Petroleum Company was a patient suffering from scalding of the left arm and face.

J. F. Skalishky, Texas and Pacific fireman, who was operated 7 days ago for ruptured appendix, is doing fine.

Pat Austin left the hospital Monday after an attack of appendicitis.

Tom Odom of Denton community was brought to the hospital Saturday suffering from bronchial pneumonia.

Mrs. Doris Odom became ill in the hospital Tuesday while nursing her son, Tom, but she is expected to be up in a few days.

C. V. Jones, 7 year old son of Clifford Jones of Baird, was op-

erated Sunday for acute appendicitis. He is doing very well.  
B. A. Freeland of Cottonwood entered the hospital Friday for x-rays and checkup.

R. D. Cody of Clyde entered the hospital Friday suffering from prostatic disease. He will be operated Thursday.  
Lon Cowley of Cross Plains entered the hospital Sunday, having his left thumb amputated.

Lee Pool of Eula, who was operated last week, is doing very well.

Clyde Blair of Owens ranch, who suffered a crushed clavical, is slowly recovering.

George Hooker of Baird was operated Sunday for emergency appendicitis.

**SCRANTON**

One realizes the fact that another Christmas is drawing nigh when committees begin meeting to plan for Christmas trees and Christmas programs.

John Frank Holand of this place and Miss Pauline Stansbury of Atwell were united in marriage at Putnam Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Reese left Saturday for Houston where they are to visit their daughter, Mrs. Knox Walters and Mr. Walters, until after Christmas.

Supt. W. T. Hughes, with Mrs. Hughes and daughters, spent the week-end with Mrs. Hughes' relatives at Scitilo. They were accompanied as far as Dallas by Mrs. A. L. Gattis who visited in the home of her mother, Mrs. Joe Coulter.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Wilkins and little daughter or Tulia spent Monday night in the home of Mrs. Wilkins' aunt, Mrs. B. T. Leveridge.

Bertha Fay Cozart, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cozart, one of last summer's infantile paralysis victims, is to return to Dallas for examination Wednesday. Bertha Fay spent some time in Dallas in the hospital for crippled children but for the past several weeks has been at home strapped to a board where she has been all the time except for a short rest period each day. The other two surviving children of this dreaded disease did not suffer so much from the after-effect. Charnell has one foot that is affected and Katherine one of her hips. They are also children of Mr. and Mrs. Cozart.

**FARM NOTES**

**4-H Club Banquet**—Notwithstanding one of the very worst days of the season some 26 plates were set for the first 4-H banquet ever given for 4-H boys completing their year's demonstrations at Baird Saturday, Dec. 11. Mr. Earl C. Hays, Clyde club leader, was toastmaster for the occasion. Judge B. L. Russell, Sr., gave the invocation. After a delicious banquet of chicken, dressing, potato salad, cranberry sauce, mince pie, and coconut cake, topped off with 4-

H cookies and coffee, Mr. Leon C. Ranson, assistant county agent of Taylor county, was presented to the group. Mr. Ranson was the main speaker of the day and gave the highlights of his recent trip to the 4-H Congress just held at Chicago. He stressed the meaning of the four H's and told the boys how to accomplish the things those letters signified. He stated that boys who complete their work are due just rewards and that banquets, prizes and trips were the customary kind of recognition accorded such fellows who had the "get up and get" to select a demonstration and carry it through to a successful finish.

One hundred thirty-two boys enrolled in the spring of 1937 in the Callahan clubs. By December 11th thirty boys had completed forty demonstrations. Those boys were given the national 4-H pin that may be presented only to boys who have finished their demonstrations and have been approved by the county agent and the state club agent.

In addition to the club pins for boys who had completed their demonstrations awards were made by various enterprising business men of Baird.

Charley Tom Straley of Oplin won the first and only medal ever given a club boy in Callahan county. It was the Thos. E. Wilson award for the outstanding meat animal demonstration in the county. Charley Tom won this medal by doing more than one thing. He showed the right spirit in club work. He submitted a detailed record of his demonstration. He fed a calf and a demonstration of sheep. He also showed his calf at the Abilene Fall Fair, thus proving himself as an outstanding meat animal demonstrator.

Clemmis Reid, also of the Oplin Club won the First National Bank award of a paid trip to the Dallas Pan-American Exposition and received in addition a \$5.00 cash prize. In addition to that Clemmis also won the award offered by the Russell-Surles Abstract Company for making the best record in sheep production.

Scott Hays of the Clyde Club won the prize given by the Barnhill Insurance Agency for the best record in swine production. His brother, James Alan Hays, won the award offered by the Holmes Drug Company for the best record in dairying demonstration.

Carroll Waggoner, also of the Clyde Club, won the award for

the best poultry record offered by the Jones Dry Goods Company.

Lerna Dale Scott won the prize offered by the Mayfield's Dry Goods Co. for the best demonstration in peanut production.

Bill Odom of the Denton Club won the prize offered by the City Pharmacy on beef calf feeding.

John D. Gist of the Eula Club, won the award offered by Sheriff R. L. Edwards for the boy growing the best registered Hereford heifer.

The award offered by McElroy Dry Goods Company was won by A. D. Correll of the Oplin Club.

The Callahan County Club which is composed of the business, professional and ranching men of Baird and the immediate vicinity, bought the official 4-H pins for the county agent. There may yet be others who will finish their demonstrations and if they do the club will see that each of them receives an official 4-H locking pin in recognition of the year's work.

The thirty boys whose records are now on file show a profit, above all expenses, of \$1,093.85.

A quota of 110 boys has been given to Callahan for the coming year. Last year the quota was 107 and actually reached 132. Boys are planning this year to start right now building their demonstrations and getting in line for some of the prizes and some of the fun in producing a real demonstration.

**No News on the AAA Front**—

It was planned that on December 13th and 14th the new A. A. A. program would be released to the county agents. Because of the late action of Congress it is not expected that the new program will be released before sometime in January.

**AAA County Committee Okehs Farm Work Sheets and Range Applications**—

By the time this article reaches the printing shops of the county it is expected that the major portion of the work sheets and ranch applications shall have been presented to the state board for acceptance and approval. It is hoped then that before January has advanced very far that the benefit checks will be coming in. By this means many farmers will be able to pay their taxes who might not otherwise be able to do so.

Mrs. W. H. Norred and Neil Norred and Miss Delores Brandon were in Dallas Sunday and Monday, returning home Monday afternoon.

**400,000 TONS OF TOBACCO USED ANNUALLY**

Between 350,000 and 400,000 tons of tobacco are consumed in the United States annually. After being processed, this is sold for approximately one-half billion dollars. The per capita expenditures for tobacco in the United States is about 2 1-2 times as much as all religious purposes. Tobacco carries such a heavy tax that the government receives \$1.51 in taxes for every dollar received by the farmer who raises the tobacco. The tobacco bill of the United States is about three fourths as much as the total education bill.

**COTTON GINNING REPORT**

Census report shows that 3,966 bales of cotton were ginned in Callahan county from the crop of 1937 to Dec. 1, as compared with 4,929 bales for the crop of 1936, according to John H. Shrader, special agent.



**PROTECT FOODS**

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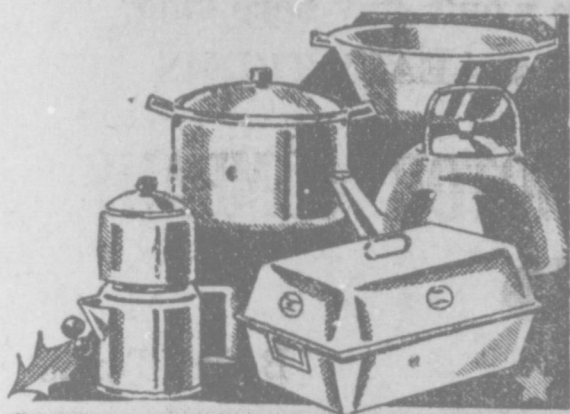
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To the Putnam Panthers for their fine Football Team. May you have lots of seasons as successful as 1937.

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Fred Cook is back on the job again after an illness and confinement to his room for several days.

When you come to Baird don't fail to call and see the many Bargains we have.—W. D. Boydston.

Charlie Webb is spending the week-end in Merkel visiting his mother, Mrs. W. W. Webb.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ruyle of Dallas spent the week-end in the home of Mrs. Ruyle's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Cook.

Mrs. Joe Green and daughter, Mrs. Arnold Pruet, of Albany, were in Putnam for a while Sunday afternoon.

J. Lester Kennedy of Fort Worth spent the week-end visiting with Mrs. Kennedy and his mother and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. U. H. Butler of Stanton visited in the home of Mr. Butler's mother several days this week.

James King of Monument, New Mexico, spent the week-end in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pete King.

Mrs. A. J. Shelton and daughter, Mrs. L. B. Williams, attended the funeral of Mrs. Shelton's brother in Amarillo this week-end.

We invite you to do your Christmas Shopping with us, where we are giving special prices on every thing.—W. D. Boydston.

Harold Morgan, Miss Nina Morgan, and Mrs. J. R. Morgan spent Sunday in Merkel visiting Mr. and Mrs. Seth Morgan.

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

Earl Sunderman of Howard Payne College visited in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Sunderman, Saturday.

Mrs. Valentine Cook and baby, of Oklahoma City, spent several days in the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Cook this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Roberson of DeLeon and Mrs. F. A. Hollis visited Mrs. Fred Golson at the Hendrix Memorial Hospital at Abilene Tuesday.

Take your Produce to Baird where you get Top Prices. Light Hens 11c, Heavy Hens 14c, Turkeys No. 1, 15c. If you should take it in merchandise will pay 2 cents more on each pound.—W. D. BOYDSTON.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Bates of Clyde and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bates of Stith, visited in the home of their mother, Mrs. E. L. Butler of Putnam, Sunday.

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## ZION HILL NEWS

Mrs. and Mrs. Earl Clemmer have returned from Stanton where they have been picking cotton for the past two or three months.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Ramsey and Mrs. R. B. Taylor and daughter, Marylyn, were shopping in Baird Saturday.

W. S. Jobe, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Kennedy attended the football game at Wichita Falls Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Altis Clemmer, Miss Murel and Buba Clemmer were Putnam visitors Saturday afternoon. They also visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Ramsey.

Miss Marie Baker spent Saturday night with Mrs. E. V. Ramsey.

Mr. and Mrs. Altis Clemmer and Mr. and Mrs. Lance Reid attended the theatre at Cisco Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Weeks and daughter, Miss Faye, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Ingram.

S. F. Ingram was able to go to Putnam Friday afternoon.

J. W. Tatom was a business visitor in Putnam Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Clemmer spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Altis Clemmer.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Kennedy were business visitors in Putnam Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Ramsey and Miss Marie Baker attended the theatre at Cisco Sunday night.

Mrs. S. F. Ingram and Miss

Faye Weeks visited Mr. and Mrs. Lum Smith and Mrs. Stewart Bentley Sunday.

Altis Clemmer made a business trip to Cisco Monday.

Mrs. O. L. Slatton accompanied Mrs. Wiley Clinton on a trip to Kerrville Friday, returning home Sunday. Mrs. Slatton visited her mother and sister. Mrs. Clinton visited her husband who is in the hospital there.

Mr. and Mrs. Altis Clemmer, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Clemmer and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ottis Brown and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Clemmer.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Ramsey and Mr. and Mrs. Altis Clemmer visited Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Ramsey Monday night.

Mrs. Exal McMillan spent the week in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Gaskins.

One bay filley, with white spots, coming two year old. Near Putnam. The owner can have same by paying for this ad and proving ownership. This mare will be estrayed if no owner is found in two weeks from this issue of the Putnam News. Call at the News office for information.

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