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FROM THE EDITOR'S WINDOW

Mrs. I. H. Jones of Jul, New Mexico, sends her subscription for a renewal to The Putnam News this week and states: "We cannot get along without the good Putnam paper. We don't forget our friends that we have made in the past if we are away." Mr. and Mrs. Jones have been supporters of The Putnam News since the early days and they really have plenty of friends in Putnam who think of them often.

Mrs. W. A. Everett is a real pal to her small son, Billy. She was seen driving her car this week past the News office street with Billy's little wagon hitched on behind and Billy in the wagon. Of course she was real careful to drive slow but Billy was having plenty of fun. The two are real pals in many things which of course makes life more interesting to both of them.

Callahan and Eastland counties have a larger per cent of old people receiving old age pensions than any other counties in Texas according to figures released from the department. We can account for this per cent very nicely as we have a representative who is willing to take into personal consideration each and every case brought to his attention. Honorable T. S. Ross is an experienced man of state affairs, having served as representative in the Texas legislature as a young man and taking active interest in all state affairs throughout his career. So well pleased were the people with his services in the past that when he became a candidate two years ago he was elected to serve again, after a period of a number of years intervening. Honorable Ross is a man who can get a hearing from any of the state officials and any of the departments and without this ability to get a hearing little can be done for the best interests of the people at home. Many of the old people in the district wrote and contacted Honorable Ross pertaining to their pension. Honorable Ross immediately contacted the department and various cases have been reinvestigated and some allowed pensions through his efforts. No everyday matter of concern to his constituents is too small for Honorable Ross to take into consideration.

WHAT SHALL WE TELL THE YOUNG MAN TODAY? Tell him to remember in his complaint about the world that the world is only the people in it; the principal world he ever will know is himself, and that is the one point at which a better world for him can begin. Tell him the only toll he has to work with is himself, and what ever tempers him to truer steel, whatever compels him to adjust his efforts to his obstacles, is the luckiest "break" he will ever have. Tell him that all he will ever get out of living is life. There is pain in youth—"growing pains"—they will continue so for 80 or 90 years, if he keeps young enough to grow that long. The only ease he will find in life will come of inner mastery. Tell him the world is not his oyster but his training field. Life will support him with strength, it will provide him almost unbelievable comfort and satisfaction in certain relationships and in his proper work, but these, pleasant as they are, are also the edge of the sculptor's chisel carving his character—prime product of the whole enterprise. Tell him he was fortunately cast by birth into a land where everything he has in him can come full circle. Tell him he lives among a people where men grow big doing things, or doing lesser service in a big way—a country that has only 6 per cent of the world's population and 71 per cent of the world's automobiles; 6 per cent of the world's population and 52 per cent of the world's telephones; 6 per cent of the world's population and 44 per cent of the world's radios; 6 per cent of the world's population and 30 per cent of the world's railroads; 6 per cent of the world's population and double the life insurance of the rest of the world. More children in the schools, more homes owned by families, more college opportunities, than anywhere else.

HIGHWAY MEETING HELD AT BAIRD

More than 250 people attended the road meeting luncheon at Baird Wednesday, at which time Harry Hines, state highway commissioner, was the principal speaker. Mr. Hines in his address to delegates of the North and South Highway Association stated that Highway 191 between Coleman and Albany would be completed within the next twelve months. Completion of this road Mr. Hines said would provide another link in the route between Altus, Okla., and McAllen, Texas. He stated that the commission would begin immediately the elimination of narrow bridges and start grading on Highway 1 in Eastland and Callahan counties, where the program calls for expenditures of \$50,000, \$77,287, and \$186,000 respectively. T. M. Robinson of Altus, Okla., attorney, who spoke, predicted a north and south highway from McAllen to Victoria, Canada, designed by a single federal red marker.

The association reelected Judge B. L. Russell Sr., of Baird, president; named W. H. Wright of Vernon vice president, and Miss Ollie Clarke of Albany secretary-treasurer. Judge Russell served as toastmaster for the luncheon. Judge L. B. Lewis gave the welcome address, and Judge Honer T. Bouldin of Shackelford county responded. Included in the program outlined by Commissioner Hines were plans for construction of an underpass south of Baird. It calls for an expenditure of \$85,000. The luncheon was held in the basement of the Methodist church. Baird girls furnished special music. Delegates were accorded complimentary tickets. Those attending from Putnam were Fred Cook, R. D. Williams, J. S. Yeager, and Mildred Yeager. Several counties were represented and many people of prominence attended. Each town and community were represented by speakers who spoke with much enthusiasm and interest concerning the vision and completion of Highway 191. The affair lasted from 12 until 3. Some out of the state promoters were present.

CORRECTION

In last week's issue of The Putnam News an article appeared stating that Coly Maynard and Alene Dunaway had married. The News was asked to correct the statement this week.

Neighbor's Work Carl Gunn's Farm

The friends and neighbors gave Carl Gunn a day's work Monday, Feb. 14. The men who furnished tractors were Thurman Wood, Ennis Qualls, Warlick Jones, J. W. Booth, Enoch McCollum, Ervin Warren, Chester Allen, Jack Steen, and J. C. Dyer, with Clovis McCollum driving.

Mer, who furnished teams were Jim Yarbrough, Mayhe Tatum, A. Yarbrough, Otis Tatum, Emmitt Wood, Jewel Ellis, Dick Yarbrough and Burette Ramsey.

The men who came to relieve were J. R. Gunn, Fred Yarbrough, Chester Hardwick, Marvin Thornton and Horace Thornton.

The women brought dinner and pieced a quilt in the afternoon.

There were ninety-five acres of land broken.

Pictures were made of each farming group.

Those who enjoyed the dinner besides the men were: Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Prrk, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Ribbeck of Brownwood, Mmes. D. R. Jackson, J. E. Johnston, Gene Green, W. R. Jones, Montie Gunn, Ennis Qualls, J. R. Gunn, Burette Ramsey, Jim Yarbrough, Guy Steen, Chester Allen, Enoch McCollum, J. W. Booth, Fred Yarbrough and hostess.

All enjoyed the day and wish for Carl's speedy recovery.

This is part of the so-called "wreckage" the elder generation is leaving him. Don't say these are merely things—they are the visible symbols of spiritual wealth. Tell him that this is a country where men with no capital but their hands, their overalls, an IDEA, and an urge to serve their generation have always had a wide field, and never before so wide as now.—Ford News.

To the Voters of Precinct No. 3

As a candidate for commissioner of Precinct No. 3 I need no introduction as I have been reared in this commissioners' precinct. This is the first time I have asked for an office in the county, although I have served as your commissioner. In 1919 there was a vacancy in the commissioners' office. I was asked to accept an appointment as commissioner by several voters and tax payers. I was appointed and served until July 1920 when Mr. Yeager was elected. I resigned so he could assume the office.

You who recall when I served as commissioner remember I spent your tax money very economically. I did my utmost to yet for you 100 cents out of every dollar that was spent. If you elect me as commissioner next July I shall continue to spend your tax money as economically as you spend your own money for your personal expenses.

With my past experience as commissioner, and having paid taxes in this precinct for the past 20 years, I think I am capable of rendering you efficient service if elected.

I shall greatly appreciate your support and influence.

Respectfully, R. D. WILLIAMS.

The Weather

We are having some of the warmest weather for the time of year that we have had in many years. Many of the old timers says they never saw as mild a winter as we are having at the present time. Many are reporting fruit trees of all kinds blooming and will be in full bloom by the last of the week. This is quite unusual for fruit to bloom out this early, however it blooms out pretty early every year and has been killed by a freeze for the past several years and it looks as though it is hardly possible to escape getting killed this year since this is only the middle of February.

Baptist Church

Sunday school—10:00 a. m. Goal—125 attendance. Worship—11:00 a. m. B. T. U.—6:30 p. m. Worship—7:30.

Rev. F. A. Hollis, Pastor.

GLADYS LUCILE FARMER HOME

Gladys Lucile Farmer, who underwent surgery at Fort Worth three weeks ago, returned to her home here Tuesday. She was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Fred Farmer, and her aunt, Mrs. M. V. Turner of Dallas. Mrs. Turner will spend a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Farmer of Baird before returning.

OIL NOTES

There is not much activity in the deep field, but considerable interest in the shallow field. L. B. Williams spudded a shallow well on the Hatchcock Tuesday. He will drill about four hundred feet. Sam Johnson of Baird also spudded a shallow test on the Hatchcock about five miles west of Putnam, and Red Little will spud in a shallow test on the B. J. Clark lease this week about five miles northeast of Putnam.

Goodnight and Son spudded in Tuesday night on the Radford land near the refinery between Putnam and Baird on Highway 80, in the northwest corner of the northwest 1-4 of Sec. 20, D&D Asylum survey.

West & McCall, who are drilling on the Clark ranch about 4 miles southwest of Putnam are now at top of the pay sand at 667 feet. They are making a run of gas but not drilled in yet. Prospects are good for an oil producer.

Beams Drilling Company, Abilene, will deepen their No. D-7 well on the I. N. Jackson, 7 miles north of Baird, E. T. by survey. The company has 280 acres in this block.

M. D. Heist of Putnam will drill a well on the N. M. George lease 7 miles northeast of Baird. This well will be No. 3 on this lease. The new location is 300 feet west of well No. 1, 450 feet south of the north line and 300 feet north of well No. 2. This lease, which contains 68 1-2 acres, is in Sec. 72, B. O. H. survey.

E. N. Schaffner of Cross Plains will drill a well on the B. B. Bond lease, G. W. Anderson survey No. 777. This will be the 6th well on the Bond.

ROY WILLIAMS LEFT FOR KERRVILLE FRIDAY

Roy Williams has gone to Kerrville to the Veterans' Hospital for treatment. He has closed out his business here and left for Kerrville Friday morning. He is a World War veteran and was gassed while in France and has been in bad health and under the treatment of doctors for the past year, but he did not seem to improve under the treatment. He has been making an effort to get in the hospital for some time with the result he was wired the first of the week that they room for him.

Dorothy June Kelley, Zada Williams, Mrs. E. C. Waddell, Clinton and Aura Frances Waddell, Lewis Williams, John Davis, Mary Alice Burnam, Billy Gaskins, Mrs. E. G. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Brazil, Reverend and Mrs. F. A. Hollis, Mrs. John Cook, Bennie Burns Williams, Betty Woods, Mildred Yeager, attended the East zone B. T. U. meeting at Scranton Sunday afternoon. The next zone meeting will be at Cottonwood with Scranton and Cottonwood furnishing the program.

Claude King For Commissioner

Claude King of Putnam authorizes the Putnam News to make his announcement as a candidate for the office of County Commissioner of Precinct No. 3. Mr. King has been in business in Putnam a number of years. He is well known throughout the territory and needs no introduction to the voters. He is known to be a law abiding citizen and a person who is anxious to assist his fellowman in a conscientious manner. If entrusted with this office, Mr. King will do his best to manage the county's affairs to the best interest of all concerned, with fairness and impartiality. His formal letter will appear in a later edition of The Putnam News.

Methodist Church Will Have Program

The local Methodist church is sponsoring an entertainment program on Friday night, March 4. This will be held in the high school auditorium. An opportunity is here afforded the families of Putnam and vicinity.

Included in this varied program of wholesome entertainment will be sixty-five minutes of motion pictures. These films include Mickey Mouse cartoon, educational films on Egypt as produced by Paramount, humor, and picturesque scenes from western United States. The motion pictures are silent ones.

Coupled with this series of high quality motion picture films will be the best talent in the entertainment fields around Putnam.

When you read these lines the big program for Putnam and vicinity will be just two weeks ahead of you. Therefore join your friends as they plan to enjoy this big occasion. As you will expect the proceeds of this program will go to the Methodist church. The very small charge of admission will be 10 and 15 cents.

J. Morris Bailey, Pastor.

Methodist Calendar

Sunday, Feb. 20: 10:00 a. m.—Church school. 11:00 a. m.—Morning worship. 4:00 p. m.—Intermediate Epworth League. 6:30 p. m.—Young People's Epworth League.

Wednesday, Feb. 23: Annual conference Aldersgate meeting in Fort Worth. All of the preachers and as many laymen as possible are to attend this meeting.

Friday, March 4, 7:30 p. m.—Public program of entertainment at the high school auditorium. Plan to attend.

J. Morris Bailey, Pastor.

R. D. Brown, who is attending John Tarleton College at Stephenville, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Brown.

ABILENE BOOSTER TO BE HERE TUESDAY

A group of Abilene citizens will be in Putnam Feb. 22 for the purpose of advertising the annual spring live stock show which will be held in Abilene March 1, 2, and 3. They will pass through Putnam about 4:30 o'clock en route home from Cisco. These people are on a good will tour and the News would be very much pleased to see the Putnam citizens turn out in rras and give our neighbors of Abilene a hearty welcome.

O. H. BURKETT IN PUTNAM

O. H. Burkett of Eastland was in Putnam for a short while Tuesday morning, and while here in talking among his friends he stated that he would be in the race for representative of the 107th flotal district composed of Callahan and Eastland counties.

Mr. Burkett is well known, having been reared in this community and educated from the common schools of this county. He taught several years in the Callahan schools at different places.

Mr. Burkett was elected as county commissioner from the Putnam precinct in 1910, and served four years and retiring at the end of his second term. He made many friends in the county during his term of office and no doubt but what he will receive a good vote in Callahan county.

Mrs. Ben Brazil Honored Friday

Mrs. Ben Brazil, a recent bride, was honored with a lovely gift party in the home of Mrs. J. Y. Culwell Friday afternoon from 2 to 5, at which time open house was held. Hostesses were Mrs. Culwell, assisted by Mmes. G. P. Gaskins, S. M. Eubank, Exal McMillan of Pioneer, Willard Gaskins of Abilene, F. A. Hollis and Miss Arlene Grace of Moran. The valentine scheme was emphasized with decorations of large red hearts with piercing arrows on the windows. The bride's chair was decorated in white with trimmings of red hearts. A soft glow from red bulbs permeated the rooms with a bright light centered on Mrs. Brazil. Mrs. Willard Gaskins presided over the bride's book at a small table upon which a miniature bride and groom were standing on an attractive red heart. Bouquets of cut flowers, in silver baskets, and lit candles placed in silver candle holders formed other decorations. Guests viewed the many gifts which were displayed upon the walls and all articles of furniture. Mrs. L. B. Williams read "Little Mary's Essay on Husbands" consecutively as guests came and went, and Clinton Waddell furnished accordion selections. The dining table upon which rested silver urns and silver candle holders was presided over by Mrs. Exal McMillan and Miss Arlene Grace. Refreshments of spiced tea and coffee, open face sandwiches cut in heart shape of red, red and white cookies, and after dinner mints wrapped in red were served. Plate favors were gum drop hearts of red placed together with toothpicks and a white heart upon which was inscribed "Naomi and Ben." Those calling were:

Mmes. E. N. Wood, R. D. Williams, B. J. Snoddy, B. B. Herring, W. A. Buchanan, I. E. Cook, H. E. Butler, Geo. Parrish, Mark Burnam, R. L. Clinton, Virgil Wagley, J. B. Brandon, Manda Davis, E. C. Waddell, W. M. Crosby, H. G. White, S. W. Jobe, Oliver Allen, Mark Shurwin, John Cook, W. A. Ramsey, Charlie Brazil of Eastland, E. G. Scott, W. L. Lowery, B. W. Damon, Ida Rogers, Fred Golson, A. A. Brazil, J. Morris Bailey, W. H. Norred and Eloise, Jim Shackelford, Charley Davis, Joe Shackelford, Pete King, Minnie Burnam, W. C. Teague, Irene Kelley, John Usery of Ranger, Burette Ramsey, B. F. Brittain, J. A. Sharp, B. E. Rutherford, W. W. Everett, R. L. Buchanan, F. P. Shackelford, L. B. Williams, J. N. Williams, C. B. Kennedy, W. E. Pruet, A. J. Hurst, Floyd Buchanan, H. P. Moore of Texarkana and Misses Bertha Buchanan, Willie Kennedy, Dolores Brandon, Bessie Robertson, Lois Kennedy, Claudia Allen, Ora Clinton, Mary Lou Eubank, Zada Williams, Mary Douglas Williams, Eva Moore, Mildred Yeager.

Under Western Skies Presented Tonight

The first major dramatic production of the year will be presented tonight by the junior class at the high school auditorium. "Under Western Skies" is a comedy-drama in three acts, with its setting in the West. Sugar Foot and Collie, chocolate colored people from the East along with "Laughing Water," native Indian girl, and cowboy, Mustache Pete, will furnish plenty of laughs for the audience. Notorious "Slippery Sam" along with the spirits and ghosts provide the thrills while the dramatic interest is centered about Barry Boyd and Diana Taylor, young man and woman from neighboring eastern states. Doyle Lee Brown and Willie Grace Pruet will play leading roles.

HONORABLE ROSS IN PUTNAM

Honorable and Mrs. T. P. Ross of Gorman were in Putnam Wednesday visiting friends a short time. The Ross's attended the luncheon at Baird, promoting the interest of Highway 191, of which prospects are very good for its completion. Honorable Ross is making the political race for reelection to the second term of office as representative for the 107 district composed of Eastland and Callahan counties.

2,041,785 FILE APPLICATIONS UNDER SOCIAL SECURITY

Oske H. Powell, regional director of the Social Security Board, announced Monday there had been 2,041,785 unemployed who had made application under the social security act for aid from Texas, New Mexico and Louisiana through January 31. By states the totals were: Louisiana 475,902, New Mexico 84,921, and Texas 1,480,962. If this rate of unemployed could hold the same rate over the United States there would be more than 20,000,000 (million) asking for pay under the Social Security Unemployment act.

TWO CALLAHAN SCHOOLS CONSOLIDATE

The school consolidation election consolidating Oplin and Tecumseh was carried by a large majority in Saturday's election, the vote being 115 to 3 against. Oplin voted 98 to 3 while Tecumseh voted 17 to 0.

The consolidation becomes effective immediately. The ballots are being canvassed by the Callahan county commissioners' court this week. The county school board will select seven school trustees for the new district just created by Saturday's election.

The citizens and patrons of the new school district are circulating a petition for a bond election to vote a bond issue of \$10,000 to build a new building.

OIL BELT TEACHERS ASSN. TO MEET AT SWEETWATER

The Oil Belt Teachers Association is to hold the annual meeting at Sweetwater March 11 and 12. The session will open at 4 o'clock in the afternoon of March 11 in the Sweetwater high school auditorium, where principals and superintendents will be assembled to hear discussions and demonstrations of the Sweetwater public address system.

The banquet session beginning at 6:30 that evening will be held at the Bluebonnet hotel. Speakers will include Joe Humphry, assistant principal of the Abilene high school. Nat Williams, superintendent of the Baird school, is president of the association.

42 PARTIES WELL ATTENDED

The forty-two parties held in the homes of Mrs. R. D. Williams and Mrs. G. S. Pruet last Friday night for the benefit of the high school piano had large crowds in attendance and a nice amount was added to the fund for the payment of the piano. Mmes. Fred Cook and I. E. Cook tied for high score in forty-two at Mrs. Williams' and Neil Norred was high in the bridge games. Refreshments were served at both places. Mr. and Mrs. Alvery were high score players at Mrs. Pruet's.

Mrs. J. E. Heslef was a Cisco visitor Tuesday.

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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.

THE MINIMUM WAGE AND HOUR LAW

As we see it, nothing could be more disastrous to the economic welfare of the people of the United States than the enactment of federal minimum wage and maximum hours. The enforcement of such laws would be like the prohibition laws that we had a few years ago that could not be enforced, because the enforcement of such a law would unbalance the economic structure of the country by throwing a huge overload of cost on the production side while making no provision for increased income on the vast consumer side.

The BlackConnery bill before Congress would establish if it should pass minimum wages and maximum hours for employees of the big industries engaged in interstate commerce, but would make no provision for farm laborers, domestic persons employed in retail establishments not engaged in interstate commerce, and millions of other workers. This law would inevitably increase the cost of every commodity or article now made by mass production methods which includes almost everything in common use. But it would leave unchanged the income of millions of consumers. They

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could not pay the higher prices. Consumption would decline. Mills and factories would close. The country soon would be in the throes of another depression worse than the one we have just been trying to emerge from. For the past five years.

DOMESTIC COTTON CONSUMPTION OFF

The domestic consumption of cotton announced by the department at Washington shows a heavy falling off from January 1937. Cotton consumed by domestic mills during January was 434,140,000 bales as compared with 438,058 for December 1937, and 678,786 in January a year ago. This is falling off of 244,000 bales from last year or a decrease of 34 and one-half percent.

CROP CONTROL PROGRAM

What the new farm control law will do for the American cotton grower in the future. The law proposes to restrict the cotton production in the United States to about 26,000,000 acres with a crop of about eleven million bales which will be approximately 38 per cent under last year's production. The 1937 crop brought the farmer an income of about \$1,000,000,000 (billion) counting the benefit payments. Figuring the 1938 crop at 11,000,000 (million) bales and estimating a price of 9 cents the crop would be worth \$495,000,000 and again figuring the seed and benefit payments to amount to \$150,000,000 more the total income will be \$645,000,000 (million) or \$355,000,000 less income than the income was for 1937. This will be \$355,000,000 less buying power in the cotton states than we had in 1937.

What we are wanting to know is just how this loss of income of \$355,000,000 (million) in the cotton states will be taken care of, since under the new farm control law the acres taken out of cotton can not be put in feed and fed to cattle or any other competitive product. The farmer will be permitted to plant just such feed as he will need to keep the same number of cattle as he had in 1937. If the operator of a farm or a tenant farmer had five head of cattle on his farm in 1937, it will be a violation of the law to feed six head and sell the extra cow or sheep as the case may be. As Senator Borah said, "We are committing economic suicide with farm legislation such as the present law." It has never been a question of producing too much, but a question of under consumption.

Quoting from the Texas Weekly: "World's consumption of cotton during the year 1926-27 all kinds included amounted to 25,869,000 (million) bales, whereas during the year 1936-37 it amounted to 30,991,000 bales; but 19,748,000 bales of the total in 1926-27 was American cotton, while in 1936-37 only 13,093,000 million bales were American cotton. Or put it another way. Only 10,121,000 bales of the cotton consumed in the world in 1926-27 was produced outside of the United States, whereas 17,898,000 bales of the 1936-37 consumption was produced outside of the United States. During 1926-27 the world consumed 5,627,000 bales more American cotton than foreign cotton! but during the year 1936-37 the world consumed 4,905,000 bales more foreign cotton

than American cotton." The striking points in the above figures are while world consumption increased from 1926-27 from 25,869,000 bales to 31,000,000 bales in 1937, and with this increase in consumption the world only took 13,093,000 bales from us. A falling-off of 3,700,000 bales; while consumption of foreign cotton gained approximately 7,000,000 bales. Under normal conditions we should have sold more than 18,000,000 bales of the 1937 consumption and that would have been a smaller per cent than we sold in 1926-27. In other words, we should have marketed 5,000,000 bales more cotton than we did. No one that has been studying the cotton situation for the past five years, will argue that the program outlined at Washington has not been the main cause of the falling off in consumption of American cotton. When the AAA began to make loans above the market on cotton and commenced price fixing, disregarding the law of supply and demand, was where our trouble began. In the first place it drove American capital out of this country and put it in open competition with the American farmer, and besides that it fixed it so that the foreign farmer could grow cotton at a profit, and they began to make a greater effort to produce cotton with the result that foreign countries produced about 21,000,000 bales in 1937. There is no question but if we had been left alone without any government interference we would have sold more than ten million bales of cotton in the last five years than we have.

What the AAA has done has kept us from selling ten million bales of cotton, run all of the tenant farmers off the farms and crowded the cities with people on relief and the small farmer who is left on the farm is in worse condition than he was when this program was inaugurated. The cotton industry is the greatest industry in the South and the people have permitted a bunch of men that they have been sending to Washington to destroy the only industry that we have. The next cotton year is bound to see the people in much worse condition than they were this year, because there will be an income of more than \$400,000,000 less than there was in 1937 and it will go to fewer people and not distributed among the other classes as has been done the last season.

THE REORGANIZATION BILL

According to Amos Pinchot of New York, in January when President Roosevelt sprang his court packing bill, there were three men appointed by Mr. Roosevelt who were to draw up a reorganization bill, reorganizing the entire government by allowing Mr. Roosevelt to have full sway by giving him authority to reorganize every department, by removing or replacing any and every board or commission by an executive order, with no confirmation by the Senate. Under this bill he could even nullify a law passed by the United States Congress. This bill was to follow the court re-organization bill if they put it over. This bill was written according to Mr. Pinchot in January, 1937, but it was kept secret and no one allowed to see the bill except the secret special committee. Mr. Pinchot made an effort to secure a copy of the bill and tried through a congressman from his home state New York, and was unable to secure a copy of the bill until January of this year. Even a congressman was unable to secure a copy, but of course this bill has not been introduced, because of the defeat of the court bill.

In discussing this bill the Dallas News has the following comment on the way it was handled: "Mr. Amos Pinchot has written another letter to the President. This missive is concerned with thorough analysis of the original bill for the executive department. This bill, prepared by three of Mr. Roosevelt's advisors and the subject of his urgent recommendation that it should pass, was introduced early in 1937, referred to a special committee, and did not become available to the public until filed in mid-January this year. Mr. Pinchot recounts the determined effort that he made to get a copy and his inability to obtain one.

"In analysis, Mr. Pinchot points out some acts that stand out rather obviously from the context. The bill would give the President such complete power to establish, change or do away with any executive body on his own sole initiative, that he could completely nullify any act of Congress by the simple act of denying authority to any one to carry it out.

"Under this proposed increase in power of the President, the form of the American government could be changed overnight. The analogy to Mr. Hitler's rise to power is startling.

"Now Mr. Roosevelt, of course, may never have had any intention of so using the power that he would have conferred upon him-

self. Mr. Roosevelt might be reasonably trusted not to use it, but by what juggling of democratic thought can any excuse be advanced for proposing a system under which this republic could be rapidly transformed into a brown shirted totalitarian state.

"Mr. Pinchot notes that the bill as drawn by the Brownlow-Gulic-Merriam group and strongly urged by the President is unlikely to become a law; that both houses of Congress have before them substitute bills, but this particular measure is so extraordinary that the President owes an explanation, not only to Mr. Pinchot, but to the American people.

THE REST OF THE RECORD

By JAMES V. ALLRED Governor of Texas

WASHINGTON. — Mrs. Allred and I are in Washington at the invitation of Vice-President and Mrs. Garner to attend their annual dinner honoring the President and Mrs. Roosevelt. We found all of them in splendid health and the best of spirits. All the Texas Congressional delegation are quite busy especially Senator Cornnelly and Senator Sheppard in their fight against the Anti-Lynching Bill and for the Farm Bill. While here I am trying to look after several pending matters in which the state is interested.

Before leaving Austin the past week, I requested the Attorney General to file suit to cancel one of the Land Commissioner's famous leases on Gulf Coast lands. The requested cancellation was based on two grounds, first, because the small cash consideration with no drilling obligations was so unconscionable on its face as to amount to legal fraud and, second, because the parties receiving the lease had not complied with the law requiring them to drill offsets where production has been secured within one thousand feet of state lands.

The attorney general promptly advised me that he would file this suit on the grounds set out in my letter thereby confirming my contention that these cases ought to be cancelled. I then officially requested him to file suit to cancel eight other leases, but he has been quoted as saying that he would have to study the facts in each case and that he would probably file only one as a test case. Of course, if he waits on a case to go through all the courts, then the state's rights in the other tracts cannot be protected. They will be proved either dry or productive before the one suit can be disposed of. Also, in the meantime, these leases can be sold to others who can claim to be innocent purchasers.

The attorney general is also quoted as saying that there's a good deal of politics involved in my requesting him to sue to cancel these leases. He ought to be the last person on earth to talk about somebody playing politics. If the attorney general thinks my request was for political purposes then he should not file the suits. He either approves or disapproves of the manner in which the land commissioner has leased our public lands. He certainly should have an opinion that it is either legal or illegal, one or the other.

If he thinks it is legal and approves of what has been done, then he should say so and refuse to file the suits. If he thinks it is illegal then he should file suit and go after it as hard as he runs for office. But he can't win a lawsuit by starting in with the statement that politics dictated his course of action. What would you think if you hired a lawyer and he started out by telling the court that he questioned your motives and doubted whether you were right but filed the case because he had to.

That's not even the way he prosecuted Mary Dugan over the radio when he played in the Little Theatre at Dallas. He went after her hammer and tongs, and if he will only go after this bunch half as hard, he can win more for the state than he will get in ten Green cases.

The fact remains that lands belonging to the school children have been frittered away. They can be gotten back. I've done my part and the attorney general is the only one who can get these inalienable rights back. It's up to him.

UPHOLDS STATES RIGHTS IN LOAD LIMIT LAW

The United States Supreme Court Monday upheld the right of the different states to fix maximum load limits on trucks. Also limit the width of truck travel over the highways.

The high court upheld a South Carolina law limiting the width of trucks to 90 inches and a load limit of 20,000 pounds. A decision by a three judge district court had enjoined enforcement of the law was reversed.

MONEY AND CAR DISAPPEAR

The following news story appeared in the Stanton Reporter last week:

Jim Mayfield is editor of the Daily Bulletin, published at Monahans. So the story goes, Mayfield handed an employee \$42, told him to get in his (Mayfield's) Ford and take to the Barstow bank and deposit it. That was last Thursday and to date Mayfield hasn't heard anything of his hired hand, Ford or \$42. Why, it is worthy a place in Ripley's "Believe It or Not," is the rarity of finding a country editor with the price of a meal ticket, let alone \$42 and a Ford car, the very idea of his trusting even a bank with his money.

ELECTION NOTICE

The State of Texas, County of Callahan.

To the Resident qualified Electors of Callahan County Road District No. 3 who own taxable property in said Road District and who have duly rendered the same for taxation:

TAKE NOTICE THAT an election will be held in Callahan County Road District No. 3 on the 5th day of March, 1938, on the proposition of issuing the bonds of said Road District in the amount of \$50,000.00, pursuant to an election order passed by the Commissioners' Court on the 24th day of January, 1938, as follows, to-wit:

AN ORDER Calling an election on the proposition of issuing \$50,000.00 of Road Bonds of Callahan County Road District No. 3. WHEREAS, there has been presented to this Court the petition of W. C. Allen and 64 other persons, resident, qualified voters who own taxable property in Callahan County Road District No. 3, praying that this Court order an election in Road District No. 3 to determine:

"Whether or not the bonds of said road district shall be issued in the amount of Fifty Thousand (\$50,000.00) Dollars, bearing interest at the rate of not to exceed Four and One-half (4 1/2) per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and maturing at such times as may be fixed by the Commissioners' Court, serially or otherwise, in not to exceed thirty (30) years from the date thereof, for the purpose of the construction, maintenance and operation of macadamized, graveled or paved roads and turnpikes or in aid thereof, throughout Road District No. 3 of Callahan County, Texas; and whether or not taxes shall be levied on all taxable property in Road District No. 3, sufficient to pay the interest on said bonds and to provide a sinking fund sufficient to redeem said bonds at their maturity.

Which said petition was heretofore filed in this Court; and WHEREAS, under the provisions of a Special Act passed by the Second Called Session of the Forty-Fifth Legislature, which adjourned October 26, 1937, it is not necessary for said Court to have a hearing on said petition; and

WHEREAS, it is found by the Court that the said petition is signed by more than fifty legally qualified electors who own taxable property in Callahan County Road District No. 3, and who have duly rendered the same for taxation; and

WHEREAS, the Court has determined that the proposed improvements would be for the benefit of all taxabls property situated in such Road District, and that it is desirable and necessary to issue the bonds of said Road District in the amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) to construct said improvements, and that said election should be ordered; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners' Court further finds that the amount of said proposed bond issue, together with all outstanding bonds of the same nature heretofore issued on the faith and credit of Road District No. 3, will not exceed one-fourth of the assessed valuation of the real property of said district; and

WHEREAS, said Road District No. 3 has heretofore been legally created by a Special Act passed by the Second Called Session of the Forty-Fifth Legislature, which adjourned October 26, 1937;

THEREFORE, Be It Ordered by the Commissioners' Court of Callahan County, Texas:

1. That an election be held in said Callahan County Road District No. 3 on the 5th day of March, 1938, which is not less than thirty days from the date of this order, to determine:

"Whether or not the bonds of said road district shall be issued in the amount of Fifty Thousand (\$50,000.00) Dollars, bearing interest at the rate of not to exceed Four and One-half (4 1/2) per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and maturing at such times as may be fixed by the Commissioners' Court, serially or otherwise, in not to exceed thirty (30) years

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2. The metes and bounds of Callahan County Road District No. 3 as created by the Legislature are as follows, to-wit:

Beginning in the north boundary line of Callahan County, Texas, at a stake in the east boundary line of Section No. 68, Block 11, T. & P. Ry. Co. land;

THENCE south along the east boundary line of Section 18, 17, and 16, E. T. Ry. Co. Lands, and Sec. 141, 142, 143 and 144 BBB&C Ry. lands, through Sec. 4 W. C. Powell Survey, continuing south along the east boundary line of Sec. 183, Anthony Bates Survey and Sec. 3, C&M RR. Co. and Sec. 145 and 146 BBB&C RR. Co. lands to the S. E. Cor. of said Sec. 146, BBB & C. Rr. Co.;

THENCE east through Sec. 2, J. W. Jones Sur. to point in east boundary line of said Sec. 2;

THENCE south along the east boundary line of said Sec. 2 and east line of the B. F. Barnard Sur. and I&GN Ry. Co. Sur. No. 2 and I&GN Ry. Sur. No. 1 to N. E. Cor. of the I. C. Crutchfield Pre., continuing south to the S. E. Cor. of the J. S. McClendon Pre.;

THENCE west along the south line of said J. S. McClendon Pre. and south line of S. P. Ry. Co. Survey No. 18 Blk. 5 to the S. W. Cor. of said Sec. 18;

THENCE south with the W. B. Line of Sec. 17, Blk. 5 S. P. Ry. Co. to its S. W. Corner;

THENCE east to the S. E. Cor. of said Sec. 17, Blk. 5;

THENCE north to the N. W. Cor. of the S. 1-2 of Sec. 10 Blk. 5, S. P. Ry. Co. land;

THENCE east to the middle of the east line of said Sec. 10 and the middle of the west line of Sec. 9, Blk. 5, S. P. Ry. Co., continuing east to the middle of the east line of Sec. 9;

THENCE south to the S. E. Cor. of said Sec. 9;

THENCE east to the S. E. Cor. of Sec. 8, Blk. 5, S. P. Ry. Co.;

THENCE north to the N. E. Cor. of said Sec. 8;

THENCE due east to the east boundary line of Callahan county; THENCE north with the east boundary line of said Callahan county to the northeast corner of said county;

THENCE west with the north boundary line of said county to the place of beginning. HELD under the provisions of Chapter 3, Title 22 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended, including the provisions of Chapter 16, Acts of the First Called Session of the Thirty-Ninth Legislature;

4. All persons who are legally qualified electors of this State and of this County who own taxable property in the district and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, shall be qualified to vote, and all such electors shall vote in the election precinct of their residence and all voters desiring to support the proposition to issue the bonds shall have written or printed on their ballots are words: "For the Issuance of Bonds and the Levying of the Tax in Payment Thereof."

And those opposed shall have written or printed on their ballots the words:

"Against the Issuance of Bonds and the Levying of the Tax in Payment Thereof."

5. The polling places of said election shall be at the following places within said district, and the following named persons are hereby appointed managers thereof, to-wit:

At the School House in the town of Admiral, Texas, with Lee Coats as Presiding Judge; A. W. Beasley, Judge; George Eubanks, Clerk, and Ernest Higgins, Clerk.

At F. P. Shackelford Bldg., in the town of Putnam, Texas, with Marvin Eubank as Presiding Judge; Neal Moore, Judge; Willie Kennedy, Clerk, and Will Jobs, Clerk.

At Green's Residence in the town of Erath, Texas, with Eugene Greene as Presiding Judge; J. H. Owens, Judge; J. W. Booth, Clerk, and T. J. O'Dell, Clerk.

At the Church House in the town of Hart, Texas, with J. O. Taylor as Presiding Judge; Oma Wagley, Judge; Dick Ames, Clerk, and Oren Warren, Clerk.

6. The manner of holding said election shall be governed by the General Laws of this State regulating general elections when not in conflict with the provisions of Chapter 16, Acts of the First Called Session of the 39th Legislature, hereinabove cited.

7. Notice of said election shall be given by publication of a copy of this order in a newspaper published in Callahan County Road District No. 3 for three successive weeks before the date of said election. And in addition thereto, there shall be posted copies of this order at each of the voting precincts hereinabove set out, and one at the Courthouse door of the County for three consecutive weeks prior to said election.

8. The County Clerk is hereby ordered and directed to post said notices and to cause same to be published as hereinabove directed. Further orders by this Court are reserved until the returns of said election, executed by the duly authorized election officers, are received by this Court.

PASSED AND APPROVED

this 24 day of January, 1938. L. B. LEWIS, County Judge, Callahan County, Texas. Attest: MRS. S. E. SETTLE, County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk, Commissioners' Court.

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# Local Happenings

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Jeter were Baird visitors on business Wednesday.

J. A. Sharp was in Cisco Monday and Baird Tuesday on business.

Miss Reba and Arnold Thompson and Miss Hester Smith of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. George Biggerstaff Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Butler of Stanton spent from Wednesday night until Friday with relatives in Putnam. Mr. Butler left his subscription to The Putnam News.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Biggerstaff and Mrs. Louis R. Hamm attended church in Baird Sunday.

Mrs. S. W. Jobe, Mrs. Buel Everett, Mrs. W. A. Everett, and Jack Everett were in Baird Tuesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Burt Underwood are moving into the residence owned by Mr. and Mrs. Neal Moore of Lueders this week.

Billy McMillan, senior in the Putnam high school, spent the week-end in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. McMillan of Coleman.

Reverend and Mrs. J. S. Tierce of Clyde are happy parents of a baby daughter, named Jeanelle, born at the Hendrix Memorial Hospital this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Moore of Lueders spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives in Putnam. The Moore's left their subscription to The Putnam News.

**BABY CHICKS**—We are equipped to hatch 8,000 chicks per week. We have high quality chicks at \$6.00 and \$6.50 per hundred.—**STAR HATCHERY**, Baird, Texas.

Drew Sprawls of the Scranton community was in Putnam Tuesday morning and while here visited the News office for a short while.

Quite a number of subscribers have been in this week and set their subscription ahead for another year. Among them are Hugh Smith, W. P. Stephens, N. C. Ramsey, and Mrs. I. H. Jones of Jal, N. M.

After a week's visit with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. George E. Biggerstaff, Mrs. Louis R. Hamm left Sunday for her home in Dallas. The Hamm's are planning a trip to New Orleans in the near future and expect to remain through Mardi-Gras.

Mmes. J. Y. Culwell, E. G. Scott, F. A. Hollis, Elmer Butler, Fred Gelson, W. M. Crosby, F. A. Hollis, Reverend C. L. Rushen and Reverend Hollis attended the Workers' Conference at Baird Tuesday. Next meeting of the Workers' Conference will be at Putnam Tuesday, March 15th.

Mr. and Mrs. Pitts Moore of Texarkana spent the week-end visiting in the homes of Pierce and Joe Shackelford. Mr. Moore and the Shackelfords are cousins. Mr. Moore is a railroad engineer and was employed by the Texas Pacific railroad for thirty years and has just been retired on a pension. Mr. Moore was engineer on the Sunshine Special from Texarkana to Dallas before his retirement.

Mrs. J. G. Overton is now able to be out after a long series of illness.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Sharp and children visited Mrs. Sharp's sister, Mrs. H. D. Warren, of Eastland Sunday.

Miss Hazel McMillan left Thursday after spending from Tuesday until Thursday with Miss Myrlene McCool.

Willard Gaskins of Abilene, salesman for the West Texas Coffee Company, was transacting business in Putnam Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Biggerstaff and Mrs. L. R. Hamm of Dallas visited friends in Abilene Thursday.

Mrs. Crayton Sandlin and daughter, Patsy, of Abilene visited relatives in Putnam during the week-end.

W. W. Miller, who has been ill for the past several days at his home, is improving. Mr. Miller has been suffering from influenza.

You could not have a better candidate card than a blotter—large and small sizes.—The Putnam News.

Mrs. W. A. Everett and son, Billy, spent Sunday in the home of Mrs. Everett's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Ellis of Cottonwood.

Mrs. Ed Kostrius spent the week-end in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Henry Freeman and Mr. Freeman of Lueders.

Mrs. Flora Atkisson of San Antonio returned to her home Wednesday after spending several days in the home of her brother, Y. A. Orr.

G. W. Thames of Woodboro has been a pneumonia patient this week in the hospital. The Thames baby has also been very ill. The Thames are former Putnam people. Mrs. Thames is the former Miss Gladys Buchanan.

Jack Everett has returned from Houston where he made arrangements to enter Rice Institute next year. Jack will graduate from the Putnam high school this year. The Rice coach previously contacted Jack in Putnam in an effort to enlist him in football at Rice next year.

## Measles Prevalent Throughout Texas

AUSTIN.—From reports reaching the Texas State Department of Health it seems as though measles are quite prevalent throughout the state. Dr. Geo. W. Cox, state health officer, has the following to say in regard to this disease:

"Many persons still insist that measles are nothing serious and that children should get them early and get it over with. However, measles are a very widespread, highly contagious disease and over one hundred children in Texas die of them each year. Children generally have active disease seven to 15 days after contact with a person ill with measles. Children must be excluded from school for a period of 21 days from onset.

"One never knows at the beginning how serious the attack will be, so a physician should be called when measles is suspected. Most deaths from this disease occur in children under five years of age. If you have a baby or very young child, your first consideration must be to keep him out of houses where measles exist. Prevent him from playing with children who, you think, may have the disease.

"If your child shows signs of measles, running nose, sneezing, eyes red and watery, put him to bed at once. While waiting for the doctor see that the child is kept warm. The room should be well ventilated, but glare and draughts prevented. Give him a light diet of milk, soup, and cereal. Keep him in bed until the doctor permits him to be up. When recovering from measles he is less able to withstand other diseases. The doctor should see the child two or three times in a year following recovery to guard against bad after effects."

**Same Reason**—Husband: "Why does a woman say she's been shopping when she hasn't bought a thing?"

Wife: "I suppose for the same reason a man says he's been fishing when he hasn't caught a thing."

A little girl, sitting in church watching a wedding, suddenly exclaimed:

"Mummy, has the lady changed her mind?"

"What do you mean?" the mother asked.

"Why," replied the child, "she went up the aisle with one man and came back with another."

## SCRANTON

Our basketball boys won the county tournament in class B and had the privilege of playing Cisco, winners of class A.

They played Cisco Wednesday and Thursday nights, but lost both games.

There was a large crowd of Scranton fans attended both games.

The basketball girls reached the semi-finals. Mary Lee Black was presented a basketball for making the most points of any girl on the team. She played guard.

Mrs. Roy Williams and father, B. F. Speagle, of Putnam visited relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy of Eastland visited Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Brummett Sunday afternoon.

Miss Thelma Bailey is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. B. Merritt, of Wingate. She plans to return home the last of the week.

W. E. Faires is summoned for petit jury service in Eastland Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Boland of May were visiting Mr. Boland's mother, Mrs. John Boland, Sunday.

Mrs. J. H. Shrader and her junior Sunday school class, with their invited guests, enjoyed an outing at W. N. Black's tank Saturday afternoon, spending the time fishing, roasting marshmallows and playing games.

Those present were Bobbie June Stewart, Betty Ann Sprawls, Charlotte Grace Shrader, Warren and Travis Dean Brown, Doyie Thompson, Charnell Cozart and Gene Black.

Mr. and Mrs. Buel Davidson and small sons, Standler and Ben, of the Pisgah community, Lynn Faires of Cisco, Mr. and Mrs. John Cook and Glenn Cook of Putnam were visitors in the W. E. Faires home Sunday.

Mrs. W. H. Norred returned Sunday from Dallas, where she purchased merchandise for the firm of Clements & Norred. She also met Miss Eloise Norred of Wichita Falls and they attended grand opera, Aida, under the direction of the Metropolitan Opera Company at the Majestic Theatre.

## BAIRD CHICK HATCHERY

Custom Hatching—Baby Chicks  
Trays set each Saturday. First hatch Feb. 28. Trays of 116 eggs set, \$2.00 each. Baby chicks off each Monday. Located 3 blocks east and 3 blocks north of court house.—**BURMA WARREN**, Baird, Texas.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

by Charles E. Dunn

### CHOOSING COMPANIONS IN SERVICE

Lesson for March 20, Mark 3: 7-19.  
Golden text: Mark 3:35.  
How many people can name off-hand all of the twelve disciples commissioned by Jesus? Peter, their leader, is of course well known. Impulsive and vacillating, he often spoke rashly and deserved rebuke. But there can be no doubt of his warm and generous love for his Master. James and John, the sons of Zebedee, a Galilean fisherman, were apparently cousins of Jesus. Men of like spirit, called by the Master "the Sons of Thunder," they, with Peter, were particularly intimate with him.

Andrew is one of the lesser figures. We are not told that he ever preached a sermon, wrote a letter, or founded a church. But he can be called the first missionary, for he brought his brother, Peter, to his Lord. That surely was a significant service.

Philip was a fellow-townsmen of Andrew and Peter, and may be called the second missionary, for he produced his friend, Nathaniel, who may be identical with Bartholomew, to Jesus. Matthew, the tax gatherer must have been fairly rich, so that he made a real sacrifice to follow the Master. Thomas had a slow moving mind, and was gloomy and despondent. Known as a doubter, he yet had great courage as indicated by his challenge, "Let us also go, that we may die with him!"

James, the son of Alphaeus, was called "the Little," probably because of his short stature. His mother Mary was one of the devoted women who was present at the Cross and visited the tomb of Jesus. Thaddaeus, a very obscure figure, is doubtless the "Judas the brother of James," mentioned in Luke 6. Simon the Canaanite, also shrouded in semi-darkness, is called by Luke the "Zealot." Judas Iscariot, as everyone knows, turned traitor, and sold his Lord to the high priests for 30 pieces of silver, the price of a slave. In an agony of remorse he hurled the shekels after priests into the Holy Place. Then, rushing away, he hanged himself.

## R. D. Williams Announces for Commissioner

R. D. Williams announces in this issue of the Putnam News for commissioner of precinct No. 3. Mr. Williams is too well known to need any introduction from this office, having been born and reared in Putnam. Mr. Williams is rancher and stock farmer, and is well qualified to fill any office that he might ask for as he has had varied experiences in business along different lines. He served as county commissioner one year, and has been on the city school board for a number of years and on the city council for about ten years, besides serving as administrator of Callahan county for quite a while, making a number of years experience along the line of work he aspires to do in the county commissioners work. See Mr. Williams' announcement in another column and give him your consideration when you go to the polls.

## METHODIST GROUP HAS PARTY MONDAY

St. Valentine's Day was observed by the Methodist young people with a live and recreational party at the Methodist parsonage. Miss Billie Byrd, chairman of Epworth League recreation, was in charge of the games.

Early entertainment for those attending the social was the intriguing challenge of several puzzles. Games of less puzzling nature but games of ever greater steadiness of nerve and of keener observation were then played. Such games were Helma, Nine Men Morris, hearts, and sticks. The young people then relaxed themselves with other games: Hot potato and finding the ring. The enjoyable evening of recreation and play closed the game period with the mysterious, ludicrous game of Valentine Wish and Kiss the Book. Names were drawn and comic valentines given. Much laughter attended the reading and display of these valentines.

Pop corn was enjoyed by all those present, Misses Billie Byrd, John Ma Clark, Louise Lambley, LaVerne Burnam, Myrlene McCool, and Dorothea Jeane Williams; and Messrs. Robert Jackson, Curtis Armstrong, Allen Nelson, Wilburn Carrio, J. Nelson Williams, Louis Doucet, Billie Mae Fark, Bobbie Clinton, Lenox Byrd, and Rev. and Mrs. J. Morris Bailey.

## A RECIPE FOR KILLING CROWS

Fro Alabama Enquirer.  
First find a crow's nest in a tree. Then place a collar around the neck of an ordinary cat and tie him in the tree near the crow's nest. Equip yourself with a shotgun and plenty of ammunition. Stand under the tree and await developments. According to H. E. Major of Birmingham, writing in the current Alabama Game and Fish News, it won't be long until crows begin to arrive by the scores. Start firing and continue until all of your shells are gone. Dead crows fall, but others will fly in to take their places, paying no attention to the gun fire. Major and a companion killed nearly a hundred before their shells ran out and crows were still coming around the trees. Crows among other depredations, destroy quail nest and eggs.

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## ADMIRAL NEWS

Rev. Roy O'Brien of Goldsmith filled his regular appointment here Sunday and Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Green and family and Gordon Black of Abilene were visitors in the P. H. Eubanks home Sunday evening.

Ralph Street of Abilene visited in the J. R. Sanders home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Rob Walker and family and Rev. Roy O'Brien were visitors in Scranton Sunday evening.

Lillie Belle Smith spent Sunday with Maurine Eubanks.

Mrs. Joe Jones and children, Jo Esther, Goldia Mae, and Dorothy Louise spent Sunday evening in the P. H. Eubanks home.

The Admiral Home Demonstration club met in the home of Maurine Eubanks Wednesday evening. A nice program was given after which valentines were exchanged. Refreshments of hot chocolate, cake and mints were served to the following: Mmes. George Eubanks, J. D. Cauthen, Roy Higgins, J. H. Higgins, Rube Smith, W. H. Berry Jr., C. W. Whittle, M. Pearce, Misses Lillie Belle Smith, Dollie Smith, Lottie Ruth Higgins.

Jackie Street, Maurine Eubanks and Lillie Belle Smith were visitors in the Lee Coats home a while Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Bradbury and family have moved to Baird. We regret losing them very much.

A shower was given in the home of Mrs. C. W. Whittle Monday evening complimenting the recent brides, Mrs. W. H. Berry Jr., the former Miss Zula Mae Smith, and Mrs. Claxton Jones, the former Miss Authur Muri Beasley. They received many nice and useful gifts. Refreshments of coffee, cake, mints and salted peanuts were served to about 30 people.

## EVENTS IN OLD TESTAMENT HISTORY

(C. C. Andrews, Baird, Texas)  
Who was it that told a certain king, "What meaneth then this bleating of the sheep in mine ears, and the lowing of the oxen which I hear?" and what was the occasion?

## POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The News has been instructed to carry the names given below as candidate, subject to the Democratic Primary in July:

For Sheriff:  
C. R. NORDYKE.  
W. A. PETERSON.  
J. W. McMILLAN.

For Tax Assessor-Collector:  
OLAF HOLLINGSHEAD.

For District Clerk:  
MRS. WILL RYLEE.

For County Clerk:  
MRS. S. E. SETTLE.

For County Treasurer:  
MRS. WILL MCCOY.

For Commissioner, Precinct No. 3:  
PETE KING.  
J. F. RAWSON.  
R. D. WILLIAMS.

For Representative, 107th Dist:  
T. S. ROSS.

## METHODIST DISTRICT MEET HELD AT PUTNAM

The Young People's Union meeting for the west region of the Cisco district of the Methodist church met at the local Methodist church on Thursday night of February 10. Following the program under the direction of the Union council there was a most entertaining and interesting recreation period under the direction of the local young people's Epworth League. Included in the period of games were accordion numbers by Bobbie Clinton and group singing of the old popular songs: "Cell Mates" as played by Allen Nelson and Billie Mac Park; and humorous debate by Misses Myrlene McCool and Billie Byrd, and Messrs. Louis Doucet and Lenox Byrd.

Mr. and Mrs. Buel Everett moved to Putnam this week from Baird and are occupying an apartment at the Mission Hotel. Mr. Everett is employed at the W. A. Everett Grocery Company.

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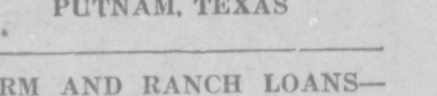
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## SENIOR HIGHLIGHTS

**The Man Who Makes No Mistakes**  
 It was an ancient seer who said that criticizing another's oration is a simple thing, but to make a better one in its place is a task exceedingly difficult.  
 The galleries are full of critics. They play no ball. They fight no fights. They make no mistakes, because they attempt nothing.  
 Down in the arena are the doers. They make many mistakes because they attempt many things.

I would venture to say that Edison, Burbank, Ford, Marconi and the Wright brothers probably made more mistakes than any other men who have lived. Ford forgot to put a reverse gear in his first automobile. Edison once spent over two million dollars on an invention which proved to be of little value. The gigantic creative experiments of these men in blazing new trails made mistakes inevitable. But who remembers the critics who laughed at them?

The man who makes no mistakes lacks boldness and the spirit of adventure. He is a brake on the wheels of progress. There are no thrills in his life. And there are no monuments to his memory.—Dixietype.

### Words

Words, words, words!  
 Not any one will do,  
 There's so and sew and sow  
 And to and too and two.  
 Now plough is seldom plow,  
 A son is not a sun,  
 You cannot beat the best  
 And one is never won.  
 Words, words, words!  
 And every one contrary,  
 But Noah Webster got them all  
 Into his dictionary.

In one of the November issues there appeared a chemist's analysis of women entitled "Reduced to a Formula." That was up-to-the-minute stuff. Now, to go back a few thousand years, we get a few more romantic conceptions of her. In the original Sanskrit the creation of woman by Twaskrie, the Vulcan of Hindu mythology, is described as thus:

"He took the lightness of the leaf and the glance of the fawn, the gaiety of the sun's rays and the tears of the mist; the inconsistency of the wind and the timidity of the hare, the vanity of the peacock and the softness of the down on the throat of the swallow.  
 "He added the harshness of the diamond, the sweet flavor of honey, the cruelty of the tiger, the warmth of fire and the chill of snow. He added the chatter of the fay and the cooing of the turtle dove. He melted all this and formed a woman. Then he made a present of her to man."

Young Motorist: "That's an attractive village were we going to, wasn't it?"

Bobbie: Do you believe in free love?

Louise: Have I ever given you a bill?

Mr. Webb says an open minded person is one whose opinions coincide with his or who is easily won over to his way of thinking.

Let's hope Mr. Webb doesn't read the paper this week. Good bye!

### -P-H-S-

**CROSS PLAINS BOYS, EULA GIRLS VICTORIOUS**  
 The Cross Plains high school boys and the Eula high school girls emerged as the Callahan county basketball champions last Saturday in the Denton high school gymnasium.

The Cross Plains boys defeated Eula in the finals as was expected and therefore repeated as champions of this county. The Buffaloes will enter the district meet this week at Abilene.

The Eula girls however got revenge by defeating Denton in the

girls' finals in a very classy field. The Eula girls were termed as a "dark horse" but did the impossible by coming through in fine style.

### Track Season

The Putnam high Panthers will begin track work out probably this week or next. Coach Clyde Dean is expected to put a very fast team on the field at the county meet to be held at Baird March 25th and 26th. The team will be led by Jack Everett, high point man last year, and my prediction is that Jack will go to the state meet in some field event this year. There are many promising tracksters in Putnam high who will present real competition for the remainder of Callahan county.

### Tennis Practice

The high school racquet-ers will begin working at top speed this week preparing for March and the drive toward the county finish. There are some very good prospects in Putnam high and real matches are awaiting them. The tennis coach is Mr. J. G. Overton.

### -P-H-S-

**CHAPEL PROGRAM**  
 One of the best chapel programs was presented Monday morning by Miss "Ruby" Joe Pounds. The program included various musical numbers, readings, dialogs and practically everything that could be provided. Even Keith King sang a song. Can you imagine that?

The program was entertaining all the way through, and Miss Pounds the school paper extends its compliments to you for the great program.

Under the Western Skies Tonight

### -P-H-S-

**SOPHOMORE CHATTER**  
 Hello, folks!

Here we are again to chatter with you. We have been so busy studying that we have not had time to spend much time with you. Just to prove to you that we have been studying take a look at this:

Honor roll (sophomores): Allan Nelson, James Kennedy, Glenn Burnam, Mary Lou Eubank, and Donald Allen. The sophomore class is the smallest class in high school, but in spite of this it leads in the amount of students being on the honor roll. We are very proud of this fact.

We have been working on our history work books in history, which is very interesting.

The choral club has started on songs for county meet. They are very pretty, but are also hard. The girls have resolved to win first place this year in county meet. Folks, be sure and watch the girls, and see if they don't win first place.

We are just studying problems in algebra. We are not studying any particular type. We are becoming so brilliant in algebra that we just work all kinds of problems. (Believe it or not).

We have begun prose and poetry in English. We have been studying the short story and English and American literature.

In homemaking we have been studying child care. We are going to study about grooming, and then we are going to sew. (We hope).

Since we are in a hurry we will bid you good-bye until next week.

**Dr. Lyman Presents Program**  
 Dr. Lyman, ventriloquist and a student of mental science, presented a program in the high school auditorium last Thursday morning.

Many of his exhibitions were marvelous and almost unbelievable. However the most impressive part of his program was the throwing of his voice.

This was Dr. Lyman's first visit to this school and since he received such reception he has promised to return in the near future.

### Junior Play Tonight

**FRESHMAN CLASS ROOM**  
 We are studying agreements, contracts, and laws. We are going to take up vocational work soon. In English we are mostly writing themes. The first one was entitled "My Trip to the Mountains." There will be about two more yet. Besides our themes we are reading "The Haunted and the Haunters." Our next story will be "Penicillin's Busy Day."

Discount is the mathematician's greatest thought these days. Heat is very necessary sometimes and that is what we are studying just now in general science.

### Jokes

Clerk in bookstore: "This book will do half of your work for you."  
 Calvin: "Fine! I'll take two."

J. W.: "Let's cut classes today and go to the show."  
 Dolpha: "Can't do it. I need the sleep."

### -P-H-S-

**JUNIORS PRESENT PLAY**  
 The junior class will present their three-act play tonight in the high school auditorium, entitled "Under the Western Skies." Don't miss it.

### P. T. A. MET THURSDAY

The P. T. A. of the Putnam public schools met Thursday afternoon at the high school auditorium. The following program was given: In the Valley of the Moon, girls' quartet; Long, Long Trail, Willie Grace Pruet and Zada Williams; Santa Lucin, group of girls.

Mrs. E. N. Hull, president, presided for the business meeting. A nominating committee was appointed. The defeated side in the contest race of some time ago decided to entertain the winning side Wednesday night.

Those present were Mmes. E. N. Hull, L. B. Williams, S. M. Eubank, George Parrish, Chester Allen, Rurette Ramsey, E. E. Sunderman, G. W. Jeter, J. B. Brandon, J. A. Sharp, J. A. Yarbrough, E. Wood, D. R. Jackson, Carl Gunn, H. A. Pruet, Doyle Gunn, and White, Misses Jo Pounds, Polly Rumph, Rowena Saunders, Ellie Winters, Mrs. R. F. Webb and W. N. Byrd.

### CLUB PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Sprawls were host and hostess in their home on the evening of Feb. 14 to the Zion Hill H. D. club members, families and a few friends, for a valentine party.

A number of entertaining games were played and a dialogue was given by Mrs. Clemmer and Mrs. Ramsey. An enjoyable time was had by all.

A refreshment plate of sandwiches, cookies, whipped jello coffee and candy hearts as plate favors was passed to the following: Messrs. and Mmes. E. E. Sunderman and son, Frank, W. S. Jobe and W. S. Jr., J. L. Baker and daughter, Marie, Bernard O'Brien and little daughter, Frances, E. N. Hull and son, Dolpha, Pete King and son, Edward, J. H. Weeks and daughter, Faye, C. B. Kennedy, E. V. Ramsey, J. D. Sprawls Sr., Altis Clemer, J. H. Shrader, Earl Jobe and children, Foy, Billie Mae and Dorothy, Mrs. J. A. Heyser, Fred Heyser, Miss Luvada Standridge, Mrs. R. H. Taylor and son, Billie, Mrs. E. B. Kutherford and daughter, La Verne, Mrs. O. L. Slatton, Lance Reid, Burl Clinton, and Miss Cora Lee Watson and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Sprawls.—Club Reporter.

L. E. Brock of Abilene was in Putnam Tuesday. Mr. Brock is a former citizen of Putnam.

### VALENTINE PARTY AT EUBANK HOME

The Intermediate R. T. U. of the First Baptist church enjoyed a valentine party in the home of Mary Lou Eubank Monday night, with Mary Lou hostess. She was assisted by Roy Lee Williams, Mildred King, and Zada Williams. A program, the theme of which was "Love," was given before the games. The group sang "Love Lifted Me," after which Mrs. S. M. Eubank led prayer, Mary Lou Eubank played "When They Ring Those Golden Bells" on the piano in variations. Mildred Lawrence read scripture quotations of Love. Dorothy June Kelley led prayer, followed by a duet, "Why Should He Love Me So," by Willie Grace Pruet and Mrs. F. A. Hollis. Mary Douglas Williams read "Little Mary's Essay on Husbands." Roy Lee Williams led prayer. Various games of valentine and romance were played.

The living room was decorated with red hearts on the windows, cut flowers, small hearts on the piano and over the doorway arranged artistically. Fortunes were told with hearts as each guest was blindfolded and asked to touch either the wedding ring, wedding bells, bride, old maid, thimble, etc. Mildred Lawrence and J.T. Underwood won prizes for telling the most romantic stories. The dining table was decorated with a lovely cover of valentine design upon which was placed refreshment plates of angel food cake with red hearts, red cake after dinner mints and red punch, with each guest's name attached. Guests hunted for their plates. Plate favors were tiny hearts with verses coupled with arrows. Those present were Willie Grace Pruet, Dorothy June Kelley, Mildred King, Mildred Lawrence, Mary Douglas Williams, Zada Williams, Helen Maynard, Sibyl Bowers, Roy Lee Williams, Doyle Lee Brown, Herschel Lawrence, Glenn Burnam, Buster Roberson, Bennie Burns Williams, J. T. Underwood, Oliver Culwell, Mary Lou Eubank, Woodie Eubank, Mrs. F. A. Hollis, leader, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Eubank.

### W.M.S. MET WEDNESDAY

The W. M. S. of the First Baptist church met Wednesday at the church and made plans for the observance of the Home Mission week. Mrs. John Cook, president, presided. It was decided to adopt a six year old boy of Buckner's Orphan's Home for the purpose of furnishing clothing and assisting in this manner. The society will meet in an all day meeting Tuesday, March 1st, at the church for the observance of Home Mission week. Each member will bring a covered dish. A program on Missions from the Royal Service was rendered Wednesday. Those present were Mmes. John Cook, I. E. Cook, L. B. Williams, F. A. Hollis, J. Y. Culwell, Fred Cook and E. G. Scott.



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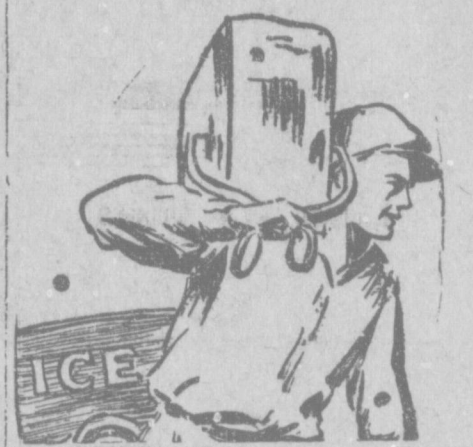
The Zion Hill Home Demonstration club met at the club house Monday, Feb. 14, with 18 members and 1 visitor present.

A program on the "Beauties of Nature" was rendered, and a dialogue was given by Mrs. Altis Clemmer and Mrs. E. V. Ramsey.

Those present were Mmes. R. B. Taylor, S. F. Ingram, E. N. Hull, E. B. Rutherford, W. S. Jobe Sr., J. R. Morgan, E. V. Ramsey, Pete King, C. B. Kennedy, Bernard O'Brien, M. B. Sprawls, J. A. Heyser, Altis Clemmer, E. E. Sunderman, J. D. Sprawls Sr., Misses Nina Morgan, Faye Weeks, Lavada Standridge and Miss Cora Lee Watson.

The club will meet in the home of Mrs. E. B. Rutherford Feb. 28 for an all day quilting and a demonstration in candlewick bed spread making given by our home demonstration agent, Miss Brown.—Reporter.

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



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