

From The Editor's Window

Madam Chiang Kai-shek, who has been in this country for the past several weeks, is in a New York hospital for a general check-up and medical treatment. She has had her wisdom teeth removed and is being treated at present for sinus trouble.

It is said she is registered under an assumed name and she and her staff occupy an entire floor which is carefully guarded at all times by federal agents.

Miss Susan Contesse, a newspaper woman of 67 years continual service, died at her home in Paterson, New York January 16.

Miss Contesse first entered the newspaper profession as a reporter, then a columnist, and later an editor and her career was long and successful. She is believed to be the oldest woman in the United States in point of service.

She was 83 years old.

Now comes the news that Ann Sheridan, well known screen actress, has been granted a divorce from her actor husband on charges of cruelty and incompatibility.

Her husband, George Brent, did not contest the divorce proceedings.

According to recent reports a convoy of 66 ships loaded with food for the people has arrived in North Africa.

Other reports say that 36,000 tons of supplies for civilians have been sent to North Africa since the beginning of the Allied campaign. These include clothing, medical supplies, oil fuel, soap, flour, cheese, tea, sugar and dried products.

The supplies are being rationed out among the people by the French according to the report.

"I am a man of few words," said the tough boss to the new employee. "When I crook my finger that means for you to come a-running."

"So am I," said the new man, "So when I thumb my nose, that means I ain't a-coming."

Teacher: "Do you know why the earth turns around the sun on its axis?"
Student: "Yes, sir. Because it don't want to be roasted too much on one side."

Then there was the devilish ventriloquist who passed an old maid's window and threw his voice under her bed.

The teaching profession is suffering an acute shortage of teachers now as many instructors have gone into war activities of various kinds. According to F. L. Moffett, president of State Teachers' Association, something must be done about it. In an address to the East Texas School Men's association recently Mr. Moffett said: "If teachers are to be kept in school rooms, and educational facilities compete with industry, more money must be paid the teachers."

Teachers, as a whole, are very poorly paid in comparison to the hard work done and the money invested in preparation for their career. They are, besides, required to attend school in between terms to keep up with the latest changes and activities in school work. Yet, the salary of the average school teacher seldom equals that of the average stenographer.

The profession of a school teacher is one of great importance and should be so considered by parents and trustees of every community, and if we expect to hold our teachers we must show our appreciation of them by paying a comfortable, livable salary.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Cunningham returned from Dallas where Mr. Cunningham visited a hospital for treatment but had to return the first of this week for further investigation.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Speegle have moved back to Putnam and are at home in the house just vacated by Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Reese.

Passenger Tire Quotas in Callahan County January 27

Ralph Ashlock, chairman Callahan County War Price and Rationing Board, makes the following announcement with regard to renewal of gasoline rations:

At any time within thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of any ration, or at any time thereafter, application for renewal of a ration may be made. Such application shall be made in the same manner as the original application, except as follows:

(b) If there have been no substantial changes since the date of the original application in the applicant's gasoline needs, or in the nature, amount and conditions of use of the motor vehicle for which the original ration was issued, and if such original application accurately calculated the applicant's requirements, application for a renewal thereof (except in the case of a basic or special ration or a transport ration issued for use with a motor vehicle for the operation of which a Certificate of War Necessity is required) may be made by executing the renewal certificate on such original application, which is on file with the Callahan County War Price and Rationing Board. The applicant shall in such case note on such renewal certificate any changes in the nature or amount of his use since the date of the original application.

Where there has been a change made in the applicant's driving needs, necessitating the use of more gasoline, it will be necessary that a new application be filed. This may be done at any time within thirty (30) days of the expiration date of the current ration, as stated above.

Ralph Ashlock, chairman Callahan County War Price and Rationing Board, lists the following information regarding applications for tires and tubes with the County Board, which the board has not had quota sufficient to cover:

Passenger car tires.....	278
Passenger car tubes.....	77
Passenger Car recaps.....	7
Truck tires.....	45
Truck tubes.....	20

City of Baird to Vote on \$28,000 Bond Issue Feb. 6

The city council of the City of Baird has ordered an election for February 6th, submitting an election for a \$28,000 revenue bond issue for the purpose of purchasing the City Sewerage system and repairing and making extensions to the privately owned system in the City of Baird at the present time.

The city owns a municipal electrical system which cost was about \$160,000 put over during the administration of the late Mayor Schwartz two or three years ago. If the bonds are voted they are to be retired in 30 years and to draw not exceeding 4% per annum.

TOWN WITHOUT WATER TWO OR THREE DAYS DURING COLD SPELL

Putnam received the coldest weather the past week that it has in several years, the thermometer reaching 6 above Tuesday morning. Everything freezing with the town being out of water for two or three days. The norther blew up late Saturday afternoon and kept getting colder each night until Tuesday when it reached the lowest, and since that time the weather has been getting warmer until everything is back about normal again.

The water users were very patient, most of them realizing that the water superintendent was doing all he could to thaw the lines and pump until we would have water again, but it is not realized by many people how inconvenient it is to be without water until the well goes dry. We have one of the best distributing systems of any small town in the district, but that does not keep it from freezing when the weather gets down around zero.

Mrs. J. R. Morgan and Mrs. Archie Tally of Garland were in town Friday afternoon and while here visited the News office for a short while.

Tom Windom Elected President of Board At First Nat'l Bank

The stockholders of the First National Bank at Baird met Tuesday, January 12, at which time they elected directors and Tom Windom of Oplin was elected as president. The directors elected were as follows: Tom Windom of Oplin, Henry Jones, Abilene, Ace Hickman, Baird, A. R. Kelton, Baird, and Bob Norrell of Baird.

The directors elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Tom Windom, president, Henry Jones, vice president, Ace Hickman, vice president, A. R. Kelton, vice president, Bob Norrell, cashier, R. F. Jones, assistant cashier, R. F. Jones, succeeds his brother Clifford Jones, who last week was called to the service in the "Seabees" of the United States Naval reserve.

WEST TEXAS TEACHERS ASSOCIATION AT WICHITA FALLS, MARCH 5-6

It was decided at a meeting of teachers and others at Sweetwater Friday to hold the Oil Belt Teachers Association this year at Wichita Falls, on March 5 and 6.

Mr. Ross Covey, superintendent of the Sweetwater school said: "Our problems have been increased by war-time conditions. Our schools must be kept up to date and must be out on full war-time basis. The education of our children is something which cannot be put off until after the war, it must be done now or not at all."

The Oil Belt Association covers 33 counties, reaching on the north to Childress and on the south to Nocona.

MISS MABEL STANSBURY MARRIED TO BURTON SCOFFIELD

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Sikes of the Atwell community, have announced the marriage of their daughter, Miss Mabel Stansbury and Sergeant Burton Scoffield of Kansas, on Friday, December 25, at the Methodist parsonage at Cisco.

The couple are making their home at Paris, Texas, where the groom is stationed in a training camp.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE ANNOUNCES AGREEMENTS BETWEEN COUNTIES AND STATE TO CLOSE

Austin, Jan. 27.—The State Department of Public Welfare announced today that the Intake and Certification program, which has functioned through cooperative agreements between the department and the commissioners courts of Texas, and will be closed effective March 1, 1943. "The closing action results from the fact that the major functions of the program have now been eliminated by wartime changes."

The Intake and Certification Division employs 255 junior field workers, 12 field work supervisors, and 10 clerical persons. In addition, the various counties are employing approximately 110 clerical workers. The employment of this staff will be terminated by the closing.

Mr. Murchison pointed out that the principal duties of the Intake and Certification Division when set up had been the referring of applicants for Work Projects Administration and Civilian Conservation Corps employment and the certifying of needy persons for food stamps and surplus commodities. CCC has been discontinued, WPA is being liquidated, the food stamp program is being abandoned, and surplus commodities have decreased to such an extent that they contribute very little to the families remaining on the greatly reduced rolls, it was said. "The department is taking this action in the conviction that any sound welfare program must accomplish results commensurate with the administrative expense being incurred."

Mr. Murchison expressed the opinion that the closing of the intake and certification program should not affect or change the present school lunch program which serves the school children of

Callahan County Bond Quota For January \$24,700.00

M. H. Perkins, Callahan county chairman of War Savings committee reports that for awhile last spring it looked like we were not going to be able to reach our quota for 1942. After the crops were gathered and the proceeds from different things were in, the sale began to pick up, and the county went over their quota.

This shows that this county is one that has a people united on the war efforts, as any one can judge from the following report:

November 1942—	Quota	Sales
December 1942—	\$ 22,500	\$ 35,787.25
May through	16,900	42,825.00
December 1942—	169,300	198,761.95

Everybody realizes that 1943 will more than likely be the crucial year in this war, if we all do our utmost at home it will be light as compared to what the men are doing on the front, but when it is over we will feel that we had a hand in it that was worth while.

Callahan county quota for January 1943 is \$24,700.00, so everybody is invited to help raise it. They need it and need it now.

MISS SUSIE COATS COTTONWOOD, WEDDED TO ROE SUDRETH

Miss Susie Coats of Cottonwood, a daughter of John Coats, a pioneer family of Callahan county, was married to Roe Sudreth of Santa Maria, California, Sunday afternoon, January 17, in the home of Judge and Mrs. B. H. Freeland in Baird, with the Judge reading the single ring ceremony. The couple was attended by Miss Wanda Weldon of Cottonwood.

Mrs. Sudreth was a member of the senior class of Coss Plains high school and was an outstanding player on the local girls basketball team.

Mr. and Mrs. Sudreth plan to leave within the next few weeks for Santa Maria, California, where they will make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Happy Sprawls of Fort Worth, attended the funeral of Clyde Kennedy here Saturday.

Registration For Coffee Will Continue Through February 5

Registration of institutional users for their February allotment of coffee began on January 15 and will end on February 5, Ralph Ashlock, chairman of the Callahan county War Price and Rationing Board, reminded cafes and other institutional users today.

At the same time, Mr. Ashlock pointed out that with this registration of institutional users with the Callahan County War Price and Rationing Board, the allotment period for coffee will become one month for such institutional users, instead of two months as in the past. Thus, all institutional users will receive allotments for the month of February only.

"The February allotment percentage will be only 40 per cent of the base," Mr. Ashlock explained. "For example, if an institution used 400 pounds of coffee in September and 400 pounds in October, 1942, the base would be 800 pounds; and using that total as a base, the allotment for February would be 40 per cent of 800 pounds, or 320 pounds."

Another amendment to the coffee rationing regulations also has changed the basis for allotments for institutional users who were not in operation between September 1943 and November 21, 1942. This basis has been decreased from one pound of roasted coffee for every 60 meals served to one pound of coffee for every 100 meals served. "Coffee stamp N. 27 expired, so far as consumers are concerned, on January 3," Mr. Ashlock added. "Retailers had until January 13 to exchange the No. 27 stamps they had taken in from customers for stock replacement certificates. In a few instances, where replacement supplies of coffee were not available, the board still can issue an exchange certificate."

Bedding Must Be Sterilized Before Offered for Sale

Austin, Jan. 26.—In an effort to prevent the spread of disease through bedding, 5,863 second-hand mattresses and other articles of bedding were sterilized during the month of November, 1942, according to a report issued this week by Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer.

"Since it is estimated that the average individual spends one-third of his life in a sleeping or reclining position, each individual is certainly entitled to sanitation in any used article of bedding that he may purchase."

The Texas State Sanitary Bedding Law prohibits the sale of second-hand bedding that has not been sterilized. There are 59 privately owned sterilization vaults in the state that have been approved by the State Health Department, and these sterilization vaults operate under the inspection and supervision of the State Health Department.

Before buying a second-hand mattress, pillow, featherbed, studio couch, or any other used article of bedding, Dr. Cox declared that the purchaser should demand to see the sterilization tag that is required by law to be affixed to all such articles offered for sale. This sterilization tag bears a statement that the bedding has been germicidally treated by a method approved by the State Health Department, and is the public's guarantee of health protection in the purchase of used bedding.

THE JUNIOR LEAGUE

The Junior League met Sunday night, January 24, 1943. There were thirteen present and sponsor, Betty Mabley. Our lesson was on "Gambling." We had four new members; they were Betty Maness, Doris Ann Speegle, Bruce Williams, and Wayne Speegle. Royce White was elected the song leader.

We sure have a good league and would gladly welcome any new members who would like to come on Sunday nights at 7:30. We had one visitor Sunday, Retha Burnam and would welcome any others.—The Junior League.

CLYDE KENNEDY BURIED HERE SATURDAY, JAN. 23

Friends and acquaintances in Putnam and surrounding territory were shocked to learn of the sudden accidental death of Clyde (Rip) Kennedy, former resident of this community, which occurred Wednesday night about 12 o'clock January 20 at the Consolidated Aircraft Corporation plant in Fort Worth where he was employed as a guard.

Mr. Kennedy, his mind concentrated on his work, stepped too close an idle, noiselessly turning airplane propeller which struck his head causing almost instant death.

Funeral services were conducted at the Putnam Baptist church Saturday afternoon at two o'clock by Rev. F. A. Hollis, former pastor, assisted by Rev. H. N. Baldrree, present pastor.

Clyde Bearden Kennedy was born at Putnam June 4, 1892 and lived here all his life except the past five months spent in Fort Worth.

He was converted in a Methodist meeting in early manhood and subsequently lived up to his profession. He was a man of few words, believing one's every day life would tell the story.

Mr. Kennedy was a veteran of World War I, a member of the American Legion, which organization furnished the U. S. flag that draped the casket, and a member of the Masonic Lodge at Putnam.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Ione Kennedy, and four sons; James and Perry, of Fort Worth, Max of Putnam, and Pvt. Billy Frank Kennedy of Meridian, Miss.; his mother, Mrs. Ella Kennedy of Putnam; two brothers, J. L. of Fort Worth and F. M. Kennedy of Putnam; five sisters, Miss Willie of Fort Worth, Miss Chrysta of Bracketville, Miss Lois Kennedy of Camp Barkeley, Abilene; Mrs. Homer Moore, of Goree, and Mrs. W. R. Hamlin, of Crane. Also a host of life-long friends.

Pallbearers were eight fellow-guardians sent from the plant where Mr. Kennedy worked.

Burial was in the Putnam cemetery.

Brame Appointed Sheriff to Fill Out Term of Nurdykc

The vacancy in the sheriff's office caused by the resignation of Clarence Nurdykc, was filled last week by the appointment of Borah Brame, who was appointed in December to fill out the last term.

Mr. Brame was county commissioner from the Baird precinct for four years, making the race for Tax Collector and Assessor in 1940, but was defeated by Mrs. T. W. Briscoe by a small majority. Mr. Brame is well and favorably known in Callahan county, having been reared near Baird.

His appointment will not expire until January 1, 1945, with all other state and county officers.

FILLING STATIONS TO STAY OPEN SIX DAYS EACH WEEK

OWI orders filling stations to follow closing hour rules. Under an order issued January 19 by Petroleum Administrator for war, Harland L. Ikes, to go into effect January 23, service station agents must elect to stay open not more than 72 hours a week, and for not more than 12 hours per day or stay open for 24 hours a day for seven days a week.

Stations who choose the 72 hours a week, may select their closing days. The 24 hour a day alternative will permit so called truck stations to serve common carrier trucks and other T card holders. Continuous operation is required of these dealers so as to effect a maximum service from the station.

If a dealer elects to be open 24 hours a day, he must serve all customers for 12 consecutive hours for six days of the week. Only T card holders may be served during the remaining period.

Dealers coupon books or scrip books may be used only when sold for cash.

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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.

What Is Income Tax?

PERSONAL EXEMPTION

Every individual is allowed a credit against his net income which varies with his domestic status, that is, whether he is (a) a single person, (b) a married person living with husband or wife, or (c) a head of family. This credit is known as personal exemption, and is shown on line 21 of the return Form 1040. The amount of the personal exemption also varies depending upon the period during which the taxpayer occupied the particular exemption status.

The personal exemption for a single person is \$500 for the year; for a married person living with husband or wife, \$1200; and for a "head of family," \$1200. (Personal exemption as head of a family has no effect on liability to file a return). For Federal income tax purposes, widows, widowers, divorcees, and married persons separated by mutual consent, as well as persons who have never been married, are classed as single persons.

A head of family is defined as "an individual who actually supports and maintains in one household one or more individuals who are closely connected with him by blood relationship, relationship by

marriage or by adoption, and whose right to exercise family control and provide for those dependent individuals is based upon some moral or legal obligation." A single person, or a married person not living with husband or wife, may, therefore, enjoy a head of family exemption under certain conditions.

Taxpayers using a Simplified Return (which is permitted if the gross income for the year is \$300 or less and derived solely from earnings from employment and/or from dividends, interest and annuities) obtain personal exemption based on their status as of July 1 of the year. Thus, a taxpayer married and living with husband or wife on July 1 is entitled to \$1200 personal exemption on Form 1040A; if he were a widower on July 1, his exemption would be \$500, irrespective of the date on which he became a widower. The amount of the exemption is not deductible from the income but is reflected in the amount of tax shown in the table on the reverse side of the form.

Taxpayers using return Form 1040 obtain personal exemption proportionate with the number of months during which the particular status is held. Thus, for a person who married on July 1, (who was not a head of family prior to his marriage) the personal exemption would be \$850 (\$250 for the six months as a single man, plus \$600 for the six months as a married man). In this example it is assumed that the wife has no income.

Married persons may, however, file joint returns, even though one has no income, and by filing a joint return a couple married during the year may obtain an exemption amounting to the exemption to which they would be entitled for the period of married status, plus the amount of their individual exemption prior to their marriage. In the example given the total exemption in a joint return would be \$1100 (\$250 for each spouse for six months plus \$600 for six months married status).

If a husband and wife living together both have income and file separate returns on Form 1040, the personal exemption applicable to a married person may be taken in the return of either or divided between

them in any way as they may agree, but the total personal exemption taken in the two separate returns may not exceed \$1200.

U. S. Navy Releases 20th Casualty List

Casualties of United States Naval forces—dead, wounded and missing—reported to next of kin from December 16 to December 31, 1942, inclusive, totaled 1219. They are subdivided into the following classifications:

Dead	418
Wounded	403
Missing	308
Totals	1219

The names of 101 Texans are included in the grand total. Of these, 29 were reported dead, 32 wounded and 40 missing.

The preponderant share of these casualties resulted from direct action with the enemy, but included in the total are names of those who were lost in accidents at sea and in the air on duty directly connected with war time operations. Natural deaths or accidents not connected with operations against the enemy are not included in the total.

The casualties in list No. 20 cover personnel of the Navy, Marine corps and Coast Guard.

Some of those under the classification of "missing" may have been rescued at sea and landed at isolated spots or otherwise made their way to safety at places from which they have had no opportunity to communicate with United States Naval authorities.

The list includes all states, the District of Columbia, Alaska and the Territory of Hawaii. None are reported for other Territories or Possessions.

List N. 20 brings the total of Navy, Marine corps, and Coast Guard casualties reported to next of kin from December 7, 1941 to December 31, 1942, inclusive, to a grand total of 21,497.

A recapitulation of these casualties, including corrections, follows:

	Dead	Wounded	Missing	Tot.
Navy	4975	2012	9219	16,206
Marine Corps	1319	1806	1962	5,087
Coast Guard	50	19	135	204
Total	6344	3837	11,316	21,497

NEW EDITION OF DESCRIPTIVE BOOKLET ON UNITED STATES POSTAGE STAMPS

A revised edition of the new stamp booklet containing a descriptive and illustrations of all United States postage stamps from the date of their introduction in 1847 to July 31, 1942, including plate numbers and quantities issued of commemorative and air mail stamps.

The new stamp booklet will be issued to the public through the office of the superintendent of documents at a price of 30 cents per copy with paper binding which includes the cost of delivery. All mail orders for this booklet should be directed as:

Superintendent of Documents
U. S. Government Printing Office
Washington, D. C.

Remittances accompanying orders for the booklet may be in the form of postal money orders or checks. Postage stamps are not acceptable.

SCHOOL NEWS

Friday evening, January 29, beginning at 8:30 o'clock in the Putnam high school auditorium, an Amateur hour program will be given. A small fee will be charged, and all the proceeds will be given to further the prevention and cure of infantile paralysis. The public is invited to attend and enjoy the program and at the same time render a very patriotic and worthy cause.

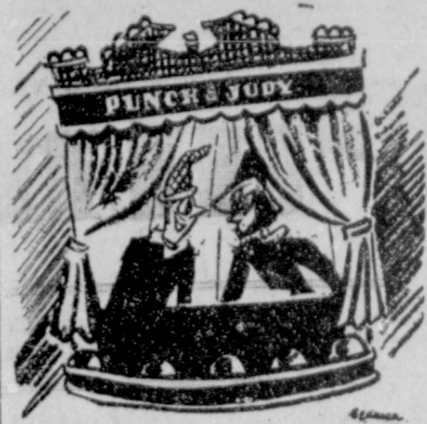
Those of you who enjoy playing dominoes, or forty-two, are invited to attend the party being held for your pleasure in the library at the school building at the time others are enjoying the Amateur hour.
H. L. Gay, Sponsor.

A small purse containing 16 cents picked up and bought to the News can be had by describing the purse.

Mrs. Sibyl Abernathy of the Atwell community was in Putnam Wednesday afternoon and while here had the News mailed to her husband who is in training at Shepard Field.

ATTENTION: All news items must be in by Wednesday at noon to be sure it will appear in the following paper. This is on account of the mail situation out of Cisco going to Albany.

"It Takes Both"



It takes both... a Punch and Judy to stage a pantomime show and two hands to pull the strings behind the scenes. It takes both... War Bonds and taxes to finance the staggering cost of this global war. Buy War Bonds and more War Bonds every payday as you pay your Victory Tax.
U. S. Treasury Department

"It Takes Both"



It takes an Isbell and a Hutson... a Sammy Baugh and a Dick Todd to form a forward pass combination. It takes both... War Bonds and Taxes to provide the necessary finances to win this war—a war for freedom and humanity. Are you doing your part?
U. S. Treasury Department

Buy your stamp pads at the Leader office.

You can get among machine rolls and ribbons at the Leader office.

What You Buy With WAR BONDS

The Garand semi-automatic rifle, which is the standard issue today for the U. S. army, is superior to the old Springfield rifle in many respects. We literally need millions of these fast shooting powerful rifles to equip our army. They cost \$85 each and are being manufactured at the rate of one a minute. They fire sixty 30-calibre shells a minute.



Every one of the 40,000,000 employed persons in America could easily buy one of these rifles for the army. Not that we need that many, but the reserve could go into shells and other much needed supplies. Buy more and more War Bonds and top the quota in your county by investing at least ten percent of your income every pay day.

COUGHS

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Our sincere thanks go to you, our friends, for the patience and understanding you have given us this past year of traveling under wartime conditions.

Thanks for your kindness in postponing unnecessary trips during the Holidays. Your unselfishness enabled thousands of Uncle Sam's boys to visit their loved ones.

We are aware of the annoyances you may have had in traveling this past year. Reservations may have been hard to make. You may have had to stand and wait for a seat in the dining car... and other inconveniences. Thanks for taking it all like good Americans.

We promise you in 1943 to try and make your essential wartime travel as near normal as possible.

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MORAN AND COMMUNITY

My Column MRS. C. C. CADY

Mran is experiencing the coldest weather of the year. It has lasted three days now, without a let-up. The Lone Star Gas company keeps a complete record of temperatures and reports three degrees below zero. The water pipes were frozen in many homes. Poultry and livestock suffered unless they were protected.

Moran school closed Tuesday until the weather moderates, because it was impossible to keep the building warm. The cold spell did not hinder work on the Methodist church and workmen considered themselves fortunate in having finished the new roof on the building before the change. Painting the interior is now in progress and when the work is all done, there will be no bills left unpaid, mem-

bers report. This is encouraging, especially to the new pastor, Rev. D. L. Egger, who has expressed his thanks to all who contributed to the fund for church repairs.

Despite the unusually cold weather, the Methodist ladies report their Tuesday night supper a success, both socially and financially. The basement was warm and they had plenty of food. The chicken pie was a favorite and hot chili certainly did not go begging. The warmth and comfort of the place caused all to take plenty of time to eat and enjoy the evening. There were many delicious pies—five different kinds—and we sampled the banana cream and orange chiffon, made by Mrs. Basham. The proof of the pudding was in the eating. Four members of the Defense Guard were present for the supper and we scarcely recognized our next door neighbors as they appeared in the handsome uniforms.

Skating on ice has been the order this week for many of the high school students. It has been many years since a cold spell has brought the ice skating sport to this community and it was perhaps, the first such experience for most of them.

MORAN POST OFFICE SHOWS GOOD GAIN

Postmaster C. Harper reports that the Moran post office did more than \$500 increase in business in December, 1942, over the same month of the previous year. The principal gain was in air mail, postage and package service to men in service, he said.

This substantial increase and the additional work placed on the post office force through the sale of war saving bonds and stamps, was handled without extra help. Postmaster Harper, Mrs. Harper, and their assistant, Mrs. Estelle Marchbanks, and the two rural mail carriers, Mr. Donawho and Wiley Williams, handled all the business. The postmaster also reports that the schools and clubs of Moran are doing some fine work in selling stamps and bonds.

METHODIST MEET

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist church met in regular session Monday in the basement of the church, with ten members and one visitor, Mrs. Elmer Davis, of Okmulgee, Okla., present.

Mrs. Clois Clinton was in charge of the program, the subject of which was The Christian's Responsibility in Building Peace after War. During the business session the ladies completed plans for the cafeteria supper to be served the following night.

The WSCS of the Methodist church served a cafeteria supper Tuesday night in the basement of the church. There was a goodly number served despite the highly unfavorable weather. Generous amounts of delicious food were served each guest at a reasonable price. The ladies express thanks to all who assisted in the supper and to those who patronized the ladies. Proceeds will be used in the church budget.

DEFENSE GUARD IN STUDY-SOCIAL HOUR

The Texas Defense Guard met Tuesday night, January 19, 1943 at the American Legion hall in Moran, Texas. The weather would not permit drilling, and the group spent their meeting time at the hall studying the General Orders.

After the study period the group was served coffee, hot chocolate and cookies furnished by the Texas Defense Guard, Co. "C" and prepared by Mess Sgt. E. A. Cuno and Sgt. Claude Brooks.

MORAN LUNCHEON CLUB

The Luncheon club met Wednesday with 14 members present. In the absence of Toastmaster A. A. Smith and the vice president, Fred Smith, L. L. Walker presided at the meeting.

Rev. D. L. Egger, Mrs. Egger and Mrs. Elmer Davis were guests of the club and the Rev. Egger gave a short talk on Moses, the Hebrew Prophet. He spoke of the spiritual qualities, courage, devotion, and unwavering faith in God, as a character study and the beginning of our Democratic Government. Every one enjoyed Bro. Egger's talk and the presence of the visiting ladies.

No business was transacted. The program committee will put on a magic show next week. Come out and enjoy it. The meeting adjourned with the pledge to the flag.

MORAN LADIES SHOPPED HERE

Mrs. Mary E. Townsend, Mrs. Alice Cunningham and Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cady, of Moran were shopping and transacting other business in Cisco today.

All of these persons read the Cisco Daily Press regularly and Mrs. Cady stated that an advertisement in the Press of Thursday, January 14, was the direct cause of their coming to Cisco today. It was the opinion of the whole party that when a business man failed to advertise, he lost many dollars through the years. Much of Cisco's out-of-town trade is brought through advertising, Mrs. Cunningham said.

Mrs. Townsend is the widow of the late R. H. Townsend, who was for many years the head of Moran's leading general merchandise store. —From Cisco Daily Press.

PARTY GIVEN FOR MRS. DELLA MERRITT

Honoring Mrs. Della Merritt Wednesday afternoon on her birthday, friends gathered in the home of Mrs. Hillie Dorsey.

Following an afternoon of quilting, refreshments of sandwiches and hot chocolate were served. A friendship quilt and many lovely gifts were presented to the honoree.

Those wishing Mrs. Merritt many more happy birthdays were Mmes. Joe Dorsey, Floyd Bills, L. M. Dennis, Will Hallmark, John Henry, Dave Bell, Don Hallmark, Herman Dorsey, John Donawho, Jim Hagar, Jeff Fite, Edwin Merritt, Hillie Dorsey and Cole Jackson, and Janette and Cecil Dorsey, Treva Hallmark and LaVerne Dorsey.

DELPHIAN CLUB

Mrs. F. R. Raymond was hostess to the Delphian club in her home Tuesday, January 19. Mrs. V. L. Rucker was welcomed as a new member.

The Spanish lesson was conducted by the president, Mrs. Raymond in the absence of the regular teacher.

Mrs. Wiley Williams was leader of the program; Life and Letters of Paul was given by Mrs. A. A. Palmer. Mrs. Bob Dennis was a guest and favored the club with two readings.

The hostess served a refreshment plate to Mmes. Rucker, J. M. Townsend, W. C. Allen, R. L. Martin, R. A. Elliott, Ida Leftwich, P. N. Hassen, R. C. Black, and Mrs. H. R. Roberts and Dennis, guests.

INFANT CHILD DIES

Funeral for Wanda Gale Woods, eight-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Woods, was held Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Methodist church with the pastor, Rev. D. L. Egger, conducting. Funeral arrangements were under direction of A. J. Taylor.

Wanda Gale was born May 10, 1942, and died January 16, 1943. Immediate cause of her death was given as influenza. Two of the child's cousins were pallbearers. Burial was in the Dennis cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. George F. Surratt and son, Tommy, were visitors in Fort Worth Sunday.

AMONA CLASS MEETS WITH MRS. RAYMOND

The Amona Class held their monthly business meeting in the home of Mrs. F. R. Raymond. New officers were appointed for the next quarter. They were: 1st vice president, Mrs. Rucker; 2nd vice president, Mrs. Jim Parrish; 3rd vice president, Mrs. Bob Dennis; and 4th vice president, Mrs. Paul Harper; vice president, Mrs. Shelton; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Paul Harper.

The president read the "Standard of Excellence," and everyone was urged to try to be a 100% at Sunday School.

It was voted that the business meeting be the first Friday in each month. The next meeting will be February 5, with Mrs. Palmer.

Mrs. Rucker gave the devotional, Matthew 6:25-31. Mrs. Palmer had planned several interesting games for the social hour.

The hostess served a delicious plate of cake and ice tea.

Those present were Mmes. Paul Harper, J. C. Hess, Laird Locke, Palmer, Conley, Bob Dennis, Shelton, LaQue, Rucker, McEmore, Jim Parrish, and hostess and teacher, Mrs. F. R. Raymond.

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Putnam, Texas

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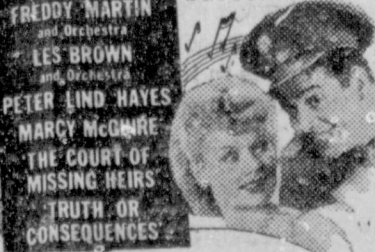
The new gun used by the paratroops is a compact model with a pistol grip and a steel-frame stock which folds out of the way when not in use. You can help buy these for our Boys in the Solomons and elsewhere with your purchase of War Bonds. Join the Payroll Savings Plan and let's "Top that ten percent." U. S. Treasury Department

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Mrs. M. B. Battle Laid To Rest in Scranton Cemetery January 23

Mrs. M. B. Battle of Pioneer, mother of Mrs. Ray Battle, died in the Payne hospital at Eastland Saturday night, January 23.

Mrs. Battle was born January 22, 1881, in Henderson county, Tennessee and moved to Texas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Stayton at the age of 18. She was married to V. A. McGee at the age of 22. To this union four children were born, three of whom are living: Mrs. O. A. Owens, Abilene, Mrs. Ray Battle, Scranton, and H. A. McGee, Dallas. The youngest son having preceded her in death in 1913.

On December 2, 1916, deceased was married to M. B. Battle. They moved to Pioneer in 1921, and have resided there since. Mrs. Battle was well known throughout this area.

Her survivors are three children, mentioned above, with one grandson, Alan McGee Harris, her mother, Mrs. Virginia Stayton, Abilene, four sisters, Mrs. John Nixon, Trent, Mrs. R. W. Martin, Abilene, Miss Viva Stayton, Abilene, and Mrs. Sam C. Vaughn, Dallas. Two brothers, J. O. Stayton, Dallas, R. G. Stayton, Abilene.

Funeral services were held at the home of the deceased at 3 p. m. Sunday, the services being conducted by the pastor of the deceased, Rev. Rogers of the Pentecostal church of Pioneer, assisted by Rev. Russell Dennis, Baptist pastor, Cisco and Rev. Clifford Nelson, Baptist pastor at Pioneer. The body was laid to rest in the Scranton cemetery following the services at Pioneer.

Palbearers, H. S. Huntington, L. C. Cash, J. F. Tollerson, John Shrader, Avery Dillard, C. W. Graves and E. W. James.

Higginbotham Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

ONE-THIRD OF FIRES IN TEXAS CAUSED BY HEATING EQUIPMENT

Austin, Jan. 26.—Marvin Hall, State Fire Insurance Commissioner, reports that almost one-third of the fires in Texas during last January and February were caused by heating equipment.

In urging carefulness with stoves and other heating units in cold weather usually experienced in Texas at this season of the year, Hall said:

"The record of 1942 reveals that over 31% of all fires reported in Texas cities and towns during the first two months of the year were caused by improper use or installation of heating equipment.

"Heaters too near walls, curtains or room furnishings account for a number of fires each winter. Other causes include overheated stoves; defective flues and chimneys and improper installations.

"Because of an acute housing shortage in many areas, together with the fact that a large number of home fires occur during the winter months we must, of necessity, prevent dwelling fires.

"At least 31 persons died in Texas last year from burns received when their clothing caught fire while standing too near stoves or open fire places."

LIVING COST RISE MORE THAN 75 PER CENT SINCE 1941

The Federal Reserve Board says that the cost of living is now 20% greater than what it was during the period of virtual stability from 1939 to early 1941. In other words, what you were able to buy for \$5 in 1940 will cost the consumer \$6 now. Don't you believe it.

Any house wife will cite numerous instances where prices have increased much more than 20% since 1940. In some cases the boost was more than 50%. That, say economists, may be traced directly to the great game of politics, the demands of labor and the farm bloc.

The Federal Reserve Board is wrong as most staples have advanced from 50 to more than 100%. The retail price on sugar is about 68%, compound has advanced about 116%, bacon has advanced about 125%, peanut butter has advanced about 80%, while flour has advanced only about 42% in the retail market. The market on hogs has advanced from 6.50 to 14.50 which equals 123% up. This is on the raw hog and does not include the advance in labor that has been in processing the meat. Taking the five articles mentioned which are staples and used by practically everyone the advance has been about 86%.

INDEPENDENT BAKERS ABSORBING THE RISE IN WHEAT PRICES

Terrell, Jan. 26.—Wheat farmers, flour millers and labor have all received an increased price and the baker has been handed the full load of absorbing this cost, it is pointed out by the Independent Bakers Association of Texas, L. Self of Terrell, president.

The independent baking industry has appealed for relief, declaring the industry faces extinction because of the recent OPA rulings raising the price of flour by 10% yet holding the bread ceiling down. Smaller bakers may be forced out of business also, it is declared, because of an order prohibiting the use of the "dough brake," a piece of machinery that enables the small shop to produce a loaf with fine grain and texture, equal to the product of bakeries operating with large, automatic machinery. The order has been described as a "labor-saving measure" but the average small bakery employs no extra help to operate the machine.

A 48-HOUR WEEK LABOR LAW TO BE DRAFTED AT EARLY DATE

According to "Trade Winds" in the Star-Telegram: Congress will soon legislate suspension of the forty-hour week, say well informed Washington circles. The man power sub committee of the senate special committee investigating the National Defense program, specifically recommends that the work week be lengthened to at least 48-hours wherever practical.

Labor leaders plan to fight the move. It spells out a loss of eight hours in overtime wages. But Secretary Perkins, who vigorously opposed excessive working hours, told the House Naval Affairs committee that she supports a 48 hour week in war production. Officials estimate show workers now average 42.5 hours per week.

Miss Marie Baker, who is employed at the North American in Fort Worth, attended the funeral of C. B. Kennedy here Saturday and visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Baker until Sunday afternoon. While here she visited the News office and handed in her subscription for the next twelve months. She stated she did not think she cared much for the home paper but since she is away from home she really does enjoy the home news.

Miss Evelyn Rossman and Miss Annie Culwell of San Antonio, Private Tommy Culwell of Brooks Field, visited their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Culwell and other relatives Sunday.

Mrs. Clint Abernathy was home from Kermit the first of the week and stated that they might move to Kermit, since Mr. Abernathy had employment out there.

Rev. and Mrs. F. A. Hollis and Mrs. Lee Collins of Abilene attended the Kennedy funeral here Saturday.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the people of Putnam and surrounding community for the many deeds of kindness extended us in our recent bereavement.

Each act of kindness and every word of sympathy will be cherished in our most sacred memories.

KENNEDY FAMILY.

The Cisco regular 5th Sunday singing convention will meet next Sunday, January 31, at the First Baptist church at 1 p. m., at Cisco. All Callahan county singers are invited to attend and help in singing in good gospel songs.

Miss Mary Thomason of Glendale, California is visiting with Pierce Shackelford and family and other friends and relatives in Putnam. She formerly lived in Putnam moving to California several years ago.

Notice, Taxpayers

January 31, is the Deadline for paying 1942 Taxes and obtaining Exemption Certificates. The Assessor-Collector's office will remain open Saturday night, January 30, until 10 o'clock. Following the custom of extending Sunday deadlines, payments will be accepted in the office on Monday, but the usual closing time will be observed on that day.

Exemption Certificates must be obtained for voting by anyone who became twenty-one years of age after January 1, 1942, or who will become twenty-one before elections in 1943. Exemptions are not issued to overs in a county of this size.

Tax collections are excellent, so far. Help make the percentage nearer 100% by paying before the deadline.

MRS. T. W. BRISCOE
Callahan County Tax Assessor-Collector.

STATE HEALTH OFFICER SUGGEST PREVENTIVES AGAINST FLU

Austin, Texas, Jan. 26.—With the incident of influenza in Texas reaching new highs as winter advances, Dr. George W. Cox, State Health officer, today issued a warning to the public to guard against exposure to this disease.

"Influenza patients should be isolated as nearly as possible to avoid spreading the disease. The germ is believed to be spread from persons through discharges from the nose and throat."

To protect yourself and others from this disease, here are some things to be remembered:

Influenza is highly infectious. Practically everybody is susceptible to it. No matter how many times you have had the disease you may contract it again. Therefore, keep away from people who are sneezing, coughing or sniffing or who are actually ill with colds, influenza or pneumonia. Keep away from crowded places. Have your own towel and always wash your hands before eating, and sneeze or cough in your handkerchief. Keep fit by drinking plenty of water, by eating simple nourishing food, by some exercises out of doors every day, by dressing according to the weather, by having plenty of sleep in a well ventilated room, and by keeping the bowels well regulated.

Don't neglect your "cold" if you have the slightest suspicion of fever, go home, go to bed immediately and call your physician. Stay in bed until he tells you that you can get up, and follow the advice implicitly."

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SUPREME COURT ORDERS COMPTROLLER PAY JUDGE CRAMER

By overruling of the Attorney General of Texas for a new hearing, the court affirmed a decision holding that a district judge who accepts an appointment as an army officer, did not vacate his civil office.

The court ruled originally in the case December 26, granting by a split vote a writ of mandamus sought by William Cramer of Dallas, compelling the state comptroller to pay his salary as special judge of the 95th district court.

The tribunal declared that Judge Dick Dizon did not relinquish his office when he went into the army as a major. Cramer was elected as a special judge.

The court may be right from a constitutional standpoint, but if the people should demand a constitutional amendment at once changing the constitution so that leaving the duties of the office and leaving the United States, or even the state, being absent from his office, become vacant after thirty or sixty days. There are about 14 senators and 13 representatives who are absent and are in the armed forces, and the district which elected them have no representation in the legislature. I think the court is possibly correct in its holdings, but the people should remedy the situation.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Sills, of Buckeye, Arizona and Adrian Sills were guests of their sister, Mrs. Jack Ramsay several days last week.

Mrs. Homer Pruet was in town Tuesday morning and stated her mother, Mrs. D. D. Jones had been ill for the past few days, but was improving at present.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to all of our many friends for the kindness, sympathy and the nice floral offerings received and any other favors shown us in the illness and death of our beloved wife and mother who was laid to rest in the Scranton cemetery Sunday afternoon.

M. B. Battle
Mrs. Ray Battle
Mrs. H. A. McGee
Mrs. O. A. Owens.

Mrs. Anderson, Miss Edith Altman of Cisco and Mrs. Weaver and Mrs. Mason Altman of Abilene, all of the Altman's stores at Abilene and Cisco are in Dallas buying their spring line of goods which will be received in a few days. Look for ad next week and see their new line of spring goods. When there are later styles in ladies wear, Altman's will have them.

NOTICE TO OUR POLICYHOLDERS IN AND NEAR PUTNAM.

Miss Eva Moore, whose office is just north of the Post Office in Putnam, has been appointed our official collector in Putnam. For your convenience when paying your insurance premiums, you may pay them to Miss Moore, or if you prefer you may continue to mail them direct to the Wylie Burial Association, Baird, Texas.

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