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## From The Editor's Window

BY MRS. J. S. YEAGER

The days are gone when you could peer through any one of a hundred knotholes and see a ball game free — they are using that kind of lumber now to put into \$27,000 homes. — Ex.

It is said that a young woman of Atlanta, Ga., recently entered a hospital of that city suffering from the effects of a fractured thumb which she said resulted from "shaking hands with an ex-husband."

What is thought to be California's largest eucalyptus tree — it measures 35 feet in circumference — has, at least for a while, been spared the axe. A road widening project was being undertaken near El Monte and the huge tree was in the way, and plans were made to cut it down. A 90-year-old man living nearby pleaded for the tree to be spared, saying he planted it in 1888. County authorities came to his aid and the tree was allowed to stand.

It is reported that during a railroad strike in England a volunteer engineer on the London-Liverpool express performed the remarkable feat of bringing the train into the city 25 minutes ahead of time. The passengers went forward to thank him. His pale face finally emerged from the cab. "Don't thank me," he said. "I only found out how to stop this thing five minutes ago."

"Where have you been?"  
"Having my hair cut."  
"You know you can't have your hair cut on company time."  
"Well, it grew on company time, didn't it?"  
"No, not all of it."  
"Well, I didn't have all of it cut off, either."

The coach was winding up instructions for the big game, and the last of the season, when he turned to a sub who hadn't seen action all year and asked, "What would you do if we were on their 10-yard line and they intercepted our pass?" The bright sub thought a moment and replied, "In that case I would probably move further up on the bench to see better."

The Association of American Railroads recently announced that in 1949 railroad operations showed their best passenger and employee safety records in history. The announcement said that out of operations totaling some 35,250,000,000 passenger miles only six passenger fatalities resulted from train accidents and only 25 passenger fatalities from all causes. The fatality rate for rail employees was 0.13 for each million man-hours worked, the lowest rate for any year on record.

In Germany, the home of the first Bible printed from movable type, the shortage of Bibles is greatest today. The American Bible Society is supplying paper and binding materials so that the books may again be produced in that country.

## J. D. Warren Buried At Eula On Friday

J. D. Warren 87 of Baird died at his home in Baird Wednesday morning of heart attack. Funeral service were held Friday at the Eula Methodist church, with Rev Odell Brown officiating pastor of the First church of the Nazerines, in Abilene, assisted by the Rev David Binkley, Baird Methodist pastor.

Mr. Warren was born March 15, 1862, in Marshall County, Miss, where he spent most of his life. In June 1908 he moved to Eula where he farmed. He came to Baird June 1948 following his retirement. He was a member of the First Church of the Nazerines in Abilene.

Survivors include the widow of Baird, a son, Cecil Warren, two daughters, Mrs. Eunice Bowers, San Angelo, and Mrs. Lera Battles, of Hico; one brother, M. S. Warren, of Big Spring, one sister, Mrs. Ruthie Childress of Thaxon. Miss 16 grandchildren and 25 great grandchildren.

Burial was in the Eula cemetery under the direction of the Wylie Funeral Home.

## Farm Income Drops In 1949

The Agricultural Department at Washington reports that the total net income from farm products average \$733 per person in 1949. The average per person income received was 18 per cent less, the average for non farm was \$1555 only one per cent less than the year before.

Per capita income of persons on farms in 1949 dropped for the first time since 1938 the department announced.

In 1946 and 1947 the per capita income of farm people averaged about 60 per cent at large as the average non farmers. This difference widened to 58 per cent in 1948 and 1949.

## Mrs. Jim Moore Dies In Cross Plains

Mrs. Jim Moore 73 an early settler of Callahan county and the Cross Plains are died at her home in Cross Plains Monday evening at about 8 p. m. after an illness extending more than a year.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon from the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains of which she had been a member for many years. Rev. J. Chapman pastor officiating, assisted by the Rev. W. H. Howell of Abilene and Rev. Ross Respess, Mrs. Moore underwent surgery about one year ago and her health appeared to steadily get worse until her condition became critical a few days ago.

Born Ida May Perry Llano, in Llano County May 4th. 1875. The deceased was married to Jim Moore at Fair and Texas on July 1894.

Survivors are; the husband, one brother Mack Perry Bakersfield, California and a sister Mrs. Ella Nolett, also California, as well as a number of relatives and friends.

Burial was in the Cross Plains under the direction the local Funeral Home there.

## You Can't Have That Much Milk A Quart Is Your Quota

How would you like it if the government told you what you could eat and how much? That's exactly what would happen under a government-controlled America. That's what's going to happen if the government strangles private business for socialism.

Remember, during the war, when you could buy only five pounds of sugar, a few gallons of gasoline, no tires, and a limited quantity of groceries? It wasn't much fun, was it? We accepted that because we knew it was necessary, we had a war to win, we knew those and other supplies were needed by the Armed Forces. But what if those restrictions were put on us now? What if we were told what we could eat and how much? What if a government inspector snooped around in our kitchen to see how much food we had on hand? Maybe you think this is just a pipe dream? It isn't. If we Americans don't wake up to the socialist trend-Americans are going to find out it's no dream, but a nightmare. We are going to find we do not have in our America system of government that brought us more of the good things of life than any other system in the world. We are going to find that some well meaning planners have scrapped that system for a regimented government, socialist system that plans to dole out what they, the planners think we need. Already millions of our tax dollars have spent in drawing up plans to spend billions and billions more of our dollars for so called "free services" Yes a social welfare nation is in the making, despite the fact that a socialist welfare state produces scarcity, regimentation and a condition bordering internal collapse for any nation engaging therein. Look around you, read the facts, think it out. Do you want the government to run your life, or do you still want to run it? Do we want to carry a crushing tax burden, to become wards of the government with few individual liberties or rights or do we want free enterprise and the opportunity to go ahead in this country on our own two feet?

Study the above and make up your own mind what you want to do before it is too late.

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## Mrs. F. P. Shackelford Entertains Baird Wednesday Club February 20

The Woman's Study Club entertained the Wednesday Club, the Delphian Club, the Junior Wednesday Club, and the Cornie Blackburn Club all of Baird, with a Musical Tea, in the home of Mrs. F. P. Shackelford, February 20, 1950.

The club members were dressed in Colonial costumes in keeping with the colonial theme.

Guests were greeted by Mrs. A. B. Hutchinson, who presented the hostess, Mrs. Schackelford, and the club president, Mrs. Douglas Foy.

Mrs. R. L. Clinton invited the guests to register and then to the dining room to be served. Mrs. Bryon Clinton presided over the register.

The guests were served from a beautifully appointed table. The colonial theme was carried out in the table decorations. Mrs.

Fred Heyser, Mrs. I. G. Mobley and Mrs. R. D. Williams served Coffee, red, white & blue sandwiches, cookies, nuts and mints.

Robert Clinton of Eastland presented four of his music pupils from Cisco — Rena Belle Bible, Pearla and Pearlina Farley, John Turner, and Gayle Williams.

They were well received. Fifty guests registered.

## W. H. Barron Dies At Baird Friday

Funeral services were held in Baird for William H. Barron a former Putnam resident at 3 p. m. Friday afternoon at the Wylie Funeral Chapel, with the Rev. A. A. Davis pastor of the First Baptist Church of Baird officiating.

Mr. Barron had died of a heart attack at his Baird home Thursday morning.

He was an employee of the Texas Pacific railway at Baird for several years prior to his death.

Thirty years of his life was spent in Putnam, before moving to Baird. He was born March 8, 1885 in Monroe La. He was a member of the Baptist Church at Baird.

Surviving are the widow; two daughters, Mrs. Audie May Holly, of Lorenzo and Mrs. Edna Earl Tillery of Odesa, four sons, Everett, Jackson Barron of Levelland, E. B. Barron and Willie Ross Barron both of Snyder. Cecil and Charles Barron of Baird, and one sister Mrs. M. L. Nettles of Putnam.

Burial was in the Putnam cemetery under the direction of the Wylie Funeral Home.

## Texas Draft Board Added 2382 January

AUSTIN, Feb. 16 — Texas draft boards added 2,382 during January to the state's pool of manpower available for military service in case of war or emergency.

This brings the acceptable group of manpower in Texas to 51,427, Col. Paul L. Wakefield, state director of Selective Service, reported today.

The draft boards classified 11,260 men in January for the first time and re-classified others because of change of status under the draft law. Of the 11,260 new classifications in January, 8,878 were classified in a deferred status.

The local boards registered 6,038 youths who reached their 18th birthdays during January. Col. Wakefield said registration each month usually goes above 5,000.

January registrations brought totals on draft board rolls to 530,538. Of this number, local boards had classified 371,168 by the end of January.

## Large Attendance At Livestock Meet

By O. J. Werst

One hundred Callahan County farmers and ranchers attended a Livestock Clinic in the Callahan County Court House on Feb. 21. Those who attended the meeting heard Mr. James Deer, Entomologist, and Dr. W. C. Banks, Veterinarian, both of the A&M College Extension Service. Deer showed slide pictures on a screen of the various types of insect that bother livestock, discussed the life histories of these insects, and gave control measures for the insects. Deer discussed the use of various insecticides and gave some interesting data on the toxicity of the newer insecticides to both animals and man. Insects covered in this talk were flies, lice, various types of ticks, screw worms, poultry lice, bluebugs, and other insects.

Dr. Banks showed slides of cattle and livestock suffering from various diseases and ailments. He discussed these diseases and told how to treat and prevent various diseases.

Banks and Deer both answered questions from the audience on insects and diseases. Among those attending the meeting were the Veterans Vocational Agriculture classes from Cross Plains, Putnam, Clyde, Baird, and Denton, and people from all over the county.

## ELITE BEAUTY SHOP MOVE TO 710 AVE E.

See the Elite Beauty Shop ad on an other page. The new location first door east of Burton Lingo Lumber Company on avenue E.

Miss McCracken invite all of her old customer as well as new one to visit her new shop when in town. Especially out of of town people.

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**CHIPPER SKIPPER**—Movie actress Rhonda Fleming plays the part of a captain at the wheel of a cruiser as she glides over the waters of Lake Mead, near Las Vegas, Nev. Rhonda had a short vacation between pictures, before she had to hurry back to Hollywood for the start of another one.

### CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WORK GUINN NAMES COMMITTEES FOR

President W. P. Guinn of the Cisco Chamber of Commerce today appointed committees to conduct the organization's activities during the coming year. The civic body recently elected new officers.

Committees were appointed as follows:

**Industrial** — Charles Spears, chairman, Austin Flint, J. W. Sitton, J. B. Pratt, and Anton White.

**Community Development** — Con Collins, chairman, O. L. Lee, G. C. Rosenthal, Don Rupe, and S. H. Nance.

**Highways** — J. J. Callaway, chairman, E. P. Crawford, and Arch Bint.

**Agriculture** — Dr. Charles M. Cleveland, chairman, C. W. Henry, A. Z. Myrick, H. A. Bible, J. L. Thornton, and Oscar Parham.

**Public Relations** — A. G. San-

der, chairman, Troy Powell, M. F. Underwood, E. G. Damron, and N. C. Huston.

**Community Chest** — John Spier, chairman, others to be named.

**Retail Development** — Austin Flint, chairman, George Boyd, Nick Miller, F. B. Altman, and Charles Sandler.

**Education** — O. L. Stamey, chairman, others to be named.

### Abilene Banker Heads C. of C.

ABILENE, Feb. 23 — At a meeting of the board of directors of the Abilene Chamber of Commerce today, Joe Benson was elected president of the organization for 1950. Gilbert Pechacek, retiring president, was elected vice president, and Oliver How-

ard was selected as treasurer.

Benson, who is executive vice president of the Citizens National Bank, moved to Abilene from Olney in 1944 where he was also in the banking business.

Having served the past two years as a director of the Chamber of Commerce and several terms as president of the Abilene Civic Music Ass'n, Benson has been one of the most active leaders in the city's civic affairs. He also headed the Abilene Community Chest as president in 1946.

Benson will assume his new duties on Feb. 28 when he will

be formally installed as president at the annual meeting and banquet of the Chamber of Commerce. Between 800 and 1,000 people are expected to be on hand for this annual affair which will be held in spacious Rose Field House on the campus of Hardin-Simmons University.

### Ranger Jaycees Set Rodeo Date

Members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce announced today that July 19-22 has been set

as the dates for the annual Jaycee Rodeo in Ranger this summer.

Buck Steiner and his son, Tommie Steiner, of Austin will furnish the stock for the rodeo which is the fifth annual Jaycee show.

The usual rodeo events will be on the program plus some very attractive special features. The total in prize money has not been announced but Jaycees have stated that the winner of each event will receive a sterling silver belt buckle in addition to the prize money.

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**BEING BLESSED**—Just before she left New York for London, where she will undergo surgery on her face, Barbara Nikolis, 13, received a blessing from Archbishop Michael of the Greek Orthodox Church. A Greek war orphan who lost her right eye when she was struck by a mortar blast during the Greek civil war, Barbara will be accompanied by Edna Blue, left, International Chairman of Foster Parents' Plan for War Children.

## ADMINISTRATOR ASKS BONFIRE TO SAVE ON STORING RECORDS

AUSTIN, Feb. 21 — To cut the \$27 million annual cost of housing federal government records, 70% of which "have no long-time or permanent retention value," the government "needs birth control of records to have them stopped at the source" — as well as "a big bonfire" to help get rid of 14 million cubic feet of the 20,000,000 cubic feet of records now on hand.

That is the way Jess Larson, Administrator of General Services, feels about one of the numerous "housekeeping" problems loaded upon him by Congress in launching the first Hoover Commission sponsored agency. It is estimated that Larson's GSA has carried out 98% of the Hoover Commission recommendations for what it called an Office of General Services.

Jess Larson will be the principal speaker at the fourth annual meeting of the Texas Independent Producers and Royalty Owners Ass'n, to be held in Dallas March 9. The meeting, to be

attended by approximately 700 members from every part of Texas, will last two full days, the first being devoted entirely to meetings of the six standing committees.

Consolidating like functions, eliminating duplications, and otherwise streamlining the amorphous group of agencies transferred to GSA, Larson has established a permanent organizational structure which consists of five departments:

1. Public Buildings Service, to which were transferred all real property functions.
2. Federal Supply Service, to which were transferred all personal property functions, including buying for the civilian agencies of the government.
3. Community Facilities Service, to which were transferred public works construction and public works planning.
4. National Archives and Records Service, to which were transferred records management and the national archives.
5. Liquidation Service, to which were transferred the remaining functions of the War Assets Administration.

## Agrees Imports Economy Threat Citizens Group

AUSTIN, Feb. 23. — Representatives of every segment of the Texas economy, meeting Wednesday in Austin at the request of Railroad Commissioner William J. Murray, Jr., to consider the problem of petroleum imports, lost no time in reaching unanimous agreement that oil imports are excessive and injuring the economy of both Texas and the Nation.

In his welcoming address to the 50 Texans, headed by E. J. McCurdy of Fort Worth and Dr. T. S. Painter, president of The University of Texas, Commission Bill Murray stressed the point that the oil import problem has ceased to be one affecting only one industry. The time has arrived, he said, when citizens of all walks of Texas Life must make known their feelings on a matter which is undermining not only the independent segment of the oil industry but the jobs of many thousands of Texans and income of the State Government.

As citizens of the State first affected, Murray said, an obligation clearly exists to do everything possible to seek a fair and permanent solution.

## Aged West Texas Pioneer Is Dead

Mrs. Mary Emma Fambrough, 91 year old native of Texas and for the past 69 years a resident of Stephens County, died as her home in Breckenridge Tuesday after a long illness.

Funeral services were set for 3 p. m. Wednesday in the First Baptist Church in Breckenridge with the Rev. Truman Aldredge, officiating. Burial was to be in the Wayland Cemetery in southern Stephens County.

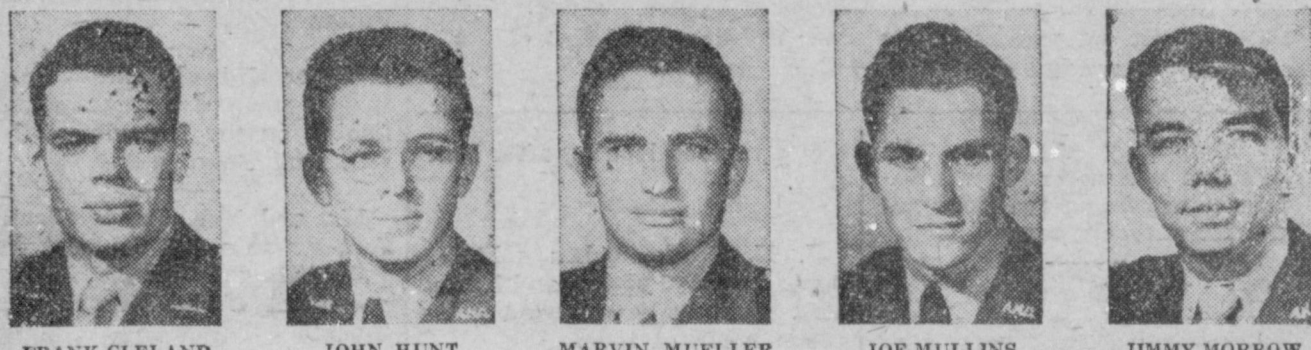
Mrs. Fambrough was born in Rusk County on April 8, 1859, and lived there until 1881 when she moved with her family to Stephens County.

Survivors include: Carl Fambrough, Misses Kate and Emma Fambrough, all of Breckenridge; David Fambrough, Cisco; R. I. Fambrough, Fort Worth; A. C. Fambrough, Cleburne; and Mrs. Fambrough, Fort Worth; A. C. Fambrough, Lytel, Texas; H. G.

Gainsville, Texas, is called the "City of 100,000 Trees."

Denison Dam, north of Denison, Texas, is the world's largest earthen roll fill dam.

## WON OPPORTUNITY—TOOK ADVANTAGE OF IT



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Fort Worth

MARVIN MUELLER  
Brenham

JOE MULLINS  
Carrizo Springs

JIMMY MORROW  
Graford

In 1946 these boys won the first Opportunity Awards at the A. and M. College of Texas—four-year scholarships for outstanding Texas high school graduates who would otherwise be unable to attend college. This year they are graduating from Texas A. and M. with college records which prove they took advantage of the opportunity.

Honor graduates of Texas high schools in 1946, the boys were selected for Opportunity Awards by the college Scholarships Committee on the basis of scholarship, leadership, character and need.

Each of them received \$200 to \$300 a year plus a job to pay college expenses. The jobs they have held during school include those of waiter in the mess halls, fry cook in a cafe, stable boy, yard man, laboratory assistant, printer's devil and baby sitter. During summer vacations they have worked on farms and ranches, in offices, on the highways and as roughnecks in the oil fields.

Required to make above-average grades in order to hold their scholarships, they have ranked high in their classes. One has an almost perfect A average for his four years. The average of all grades made by the entire group in four years is above B.

They have won their share of honors in other campus activities. One was president of their Freshman class, another outstanding in intramural athletics, while another won a summer fellowship for leadership in campus religious activities. Five were elected to the top military honor organization, the Ross Volunteers, and six to top scholarship honor societies. Nine will graduate as Honor Military Students.

Since this "pilot" group entered school in 1946, the Opportunity Awards program has grown. There are now 148 boys enrolled at Texas A. and M. College on these scholarships, with sixty or more expected to be granted opportunities next September.



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## Personals

Mrs. R. T. Smith owner and operator of the G-M Beauty Shop at the Greyhound Bus Station, is attending the state convention of Beauty Operators at Dallas. She said she would take two special courses in Hair Cutting and styling.

Kenneth Rutherford of Vigo Park visited with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Rutherford the past week end.

J. A. Yarbrough and brother Dick were transacting business in Abilene Monday afternoon.

Dave Hargrove and George

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**BORN TO POLIO VICTIM**—Girl triplets, born in Long Branch, N.J., to a 30-year-old mother recovering from polio, are held by nurse Elizabeth Nelson and Dr. Edward Surowiec. The mother, Mrs. Fred W. Warnke is the wife of a dentist and mother of two other children. The first of the triplets was delivered naturally and the other two by Caesarean section.

Clifford of Cross Plains were circulating among friends in Putnam Monday afternoon. Mr. Clifton was a former county commissioner from Cross Plains precinct.

Orville Reese of the Scranton community was here Tuesday afternoon visiting with his parents Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Reese.

Milton Slaughter of Cisco was looking after oil interest in the Putnam field north of town Tuesday, he has several hundred acres near the Betcher well which is a good producer.

Rev. and Mrs. Balderee and son Junior and wife attended the funeral of Thomas M. Terry in Cisco Wednesday afternoon.

Funeral services were held for Pierce Kenneth LeFurve at Cis-

co Wednesday afternoon. Mr. LeFeuvre was a former resident of Putnam owning the flour mill here for several years.

Mrs. Wm. Durnin of Long Beach California is here visiting with her mother, Mrs. Mary Guyton.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hinkle spent the past week end visiting with Mrs. S. F. P. Shackelford.

Bill Taylor has purchased the Adolph Brandon place in Putnam and has moved to the place

Adolph Brandon has moved to Thurber where he has purchased or leased a ranch of several hundred acres.

Mrs. R. D. Weeks Jr. left Thursday for Wyoming to visit with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Sunderman were shopping and visiting in Baird Saturday morning.

Glenn Elzay of the United States Navy located at Corpus Christi was here visiting friends and relatives last week.

Fred Cook was in Cisco Satur-

day afternoon looking after business.

J. N. Williams has sold his home here in Putnam and he and Mrs. Williams have moved to the ranch north of town.

Mrs. Tom Butler was returned from the Callahan County hospital where she had been confined for several days and is re-

covering nicely since returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Weeks have purchased the J. N. Williams place here in town and have moved in.

Slim Taylor a candidate for county commissioner from Putnam was in Eastland Thursday looking after his livestock interest.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Ramsey was here the past week end from Sudan visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Everett. Mrs. Ramsey is a sister of Mr. Everett.

Mrs. Wm. Dunnin left Monday for her home in Long Beach, Cal., after spending several days visiting with her mother, Mrs. Mary Guyton.

Dale Wirt has moved into the Herschell Wagley home since Mr. Wagley purchased the Bill Biggerstaff home and moved to it.

Miss John Ila Clark and Mrs. Reader Hatton left this week for the Hawaiian Islands. Mrs. Hatton is going to her husband while Miss Clark has accepted a position with the government.

Road Construction is making good progress by the Campbell Construction Co., having the first base down from the county line East to about a mile west of Putnam.

Oliver Culwell and Virgel Brown spent the past week end fishing on the Brownwood lake, returning Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Clark of Fort Worth spent the past week end visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Clark.

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# Cisco Public Library Still Has Its First Book; Was Founded In 1894

By H. V. O'Brien, Jr.

"Ben Hur" was the title of the first book to be placed in the Cisco Public Library. And Librarian Mrs. C. R. Baugh stated that the book is now one of the prized selections that is still in the library, located at the corner of Avenue F and 6th Street.

It was in 1894 that a Cisco man, Frank Vernon, publisher of the Cisco Round-Up, read "Ben Hur" and decided that was to be the first book to be entered in his library.

Vernon had for many years wanted a library in Cisco, but had seen no way possible to arouse public interest. Then he decided to use his newspaper as a medium to contact the people and put over his idea of a reading haven. He printed pleas to the public for books and donations for the purchase of books. The plan clicked. The first site of the library was in the Mancil Hardware Store with accommodations for two rows of books with a total of 40-odd books.

Vernon's health failed and he

asked the help of the Twentieth Century Club to carry on the library. The club, organized in 1898, raised funds by the inauguration of a "tag" day system which worked much as the present day poppy sale day. This method was soon disbanded and a fine and due system was born. Today, one may check out an old book for 5c or a new book that hasn't yet paid for itself for 10c.

Mrs. Baugh has been connected with the library for three years and has been a member of the Twentieth Century Club since its founding in 1898. She is an ex-postal clerk and has lived at 400 West 9th Street for a number of years.

The library is up to date in every respect and boasts that it has 11 of the 20 fiction books voted best sellers in 1949 by the New York publishing companies. In the non-fiction group, the library boasts six out of the best-selling 20.

The library consists of shelves of Zane Grey's westerns for the outdoors type, reference histories

for the student, religious stories and life stories of Christ, (one by Dr. Lee of SMU) travel for adventurers, classics for the broad minded, poetry for the young poets, biographies for life stories, animal stories for the pet lover, and children's illustrated books for the little tots.

The library has a complete collection of the Dixon books for boys as well as a large stock of girls' novels. The library issues between 200 and 300 books a month.

One of the most outstanding collections is a group of English magazines which compare with the American periodicals, such as American, McCall's, and the Lady's Home Journal in content, but not in material or binding.

The library receives \$20 per month from the city and that is the only benefits it receives except fines and dues, which are used to buy new books.

Some of the newer books in the library under the non-fiction group are by Eisenhower, Lomax, Churchill, Bolton, and Frublood. One of the best selling fiction books on hand is "Cheaper by the Dozen," by Gilbreth and Carey.

Mrs. Baugh remarked, "Remember, you can find good reading material just as close as our public library."

Death was the result of a heart attack.

Funeral arrangements were incomplete Wednesday night, pending the arrival of a son, Cecil C. Warren, of Altadena, Calif.

Surviving are the widow of Baird; his son, two daughters, one brother, one sister, 16 grandchildren and 25 great grandchildren.

## Use Caution In Fighting Colds, Warns Dr. Cox

AUSTIN, Feb. 23 — There is hardly anyone who hasn't had a cold at one time or another, and besides making you feel miserable, they steal your time and money, declares Dr. George W. Cox, state health officer.

Colds fool you, too, because the early signs are often the same as those of more serious illnesses, he pointed out.

Long continued colds may pave the way for an attack of pneumonia, tuberculosis, or a chronic infection of the nose, throat, ears, or sinuses. Do your best to keep from catching cold. If you do catch one, take care of it promptly by going to bed, keep warm and dry, drink plenty of citrus juices and water, Dr. Cox advises. If the cold is severe, consult your physician.

Another enemy is pneumonia, an acute infection of the lungs. Virus pneumonia is the most

common of all pneumonias today. It may occur at any age, and usually appears in local outbreaks instead of reaching epidemic proportions. In any case of pneumonia, good medical care and nursing play a great role in recovery.

Lobar pneumonia is caused by a bacterium, not a virus, and is very contagious. A generation ago one out of every four who had this disease died. Today, thanks to the "miracle drugs," many are saved. It is most common in late winter and early spring.

The most frequent victims of broncho-pneumonia are the aged, the invalid, and the baby.

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## Water Resources Meet To Make Recommendations On Future Needs

ABILENE, Feb. 21 — Responding to a request from President Truman's Water Resources Policy Commission for recommendations on a unified program for maximum use of the water resources of the West Texas region, officers of the West Texas Domestic Water Association convened in Lubbock Feb. 17 to draft a proposal seeking national recognition of "inadequate water as a menace to the welfare of the U. S."

WTDWA officials directed D. A. Bantee, general manager, and Homer Hunter, consulting engineer, to prepare a report to the Commission setting forth the recommendation and presenting supporting data, factual appen-

dicies, and such extended discussion of the proposal as found desirable.

The request was addressed to Homer D. Grant, WTDWA president, and J. M. Willson, president of the West Texas C. of C., by Morris L. Cooke, Philadelphia engineer and chairman of the Policy Commission, and was the result of response to telegrams dispatched to Texas' Senators and Representatives seeking their support in arranging a meeting of the Commission in West Texas for the purpose of discussing the domestic and industrial water problems and policy.

Cook's communication stated that "in view of the interest you have expressed, I am inviting you to assist us by a full presentation on such aspects of the matter as you would want the Commission to consider in coming to conclusions which it will report to the president.

"We would appreciate receiving five copies of your presentation giving (1) a brief summary of recommendations and supporting data; (2) such extended discussion of the matter as you find desirable; and (3) such factual appendices, covering specific as-

pects of your regional or local situation as may be required to support your statement."

## Scranton Teams Get 10th Trophy For This Season

Scranton's boys' basketball club added new honors to their long list of wins last weekend by beating Olden, 20-4 and Desdemona by 3 points in an overtime period. Scranton beat Olden on Thursday night and followed up their win Friday night by the victory over Desdemona.

Both games were played in Olden at the invitational tourney. On Friday night the Scranton elementary team beat the Cisco grammar school boys by a score of 22-17. This victory gave the team the beautifully engraved

trophy making the tenth for Scranton schools this year.

Donald Slaton was placed on the All-Star team and Don Starr received the boys' award for good sportsmanship. These two awards brought the number of individuals' awards for the year to 15.

On Tuesday at 2 p. m. the Scranton girls were awarded their new jackets. Those receiving these awards were: Roma Jean Reese, Melba Reese, Sue Grace, Julia Wheatley, Jane Starr, Sally Cpeegle, Jo Ann Morgan, Dora Fay Rice, and Charlsie Ingram.

Jackets for the boys team were expected to arrive in a week or so, stated Coach Donahoo. With the presentation of the girls' jackets, Supt. Keahey and Donahoo made short talks in regard the quality and success of the team.

The Scranton teams, in the course of the year, played a list of very strong opponents, and proved winners over several of the best Class A teams.

## Early Care Is Important If You Want Good Teeth

AUSTIN, Feb. 23. — Solution of the nation's dental problems lies in making dental health education and dental care available to every child, said Dr. Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer.

He said it is possible to prevent loss of teeth from decay if a person starts early in life to follow these simple rules:

1. Early and frequent examination of the mouth by a dentist.
2. Early treatment of small cavities and other dental defects.
3. Proper diet with refined sugars held at minimum.
4. Proper brushing of teeth after eating.

A child should be taken to the dentist shortly after the last of his first teeth appear at about the age of two, he declared. Frequent

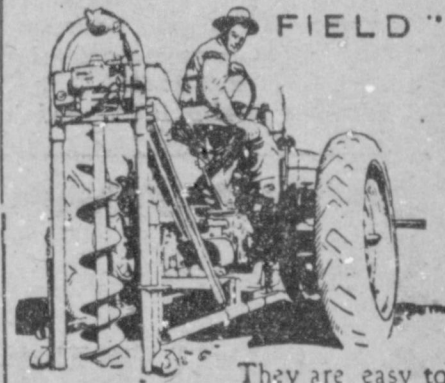
examinations and treatment of dental defects by dentists should follow, he added.

Experiments are under way in research laboratories to find the answer to dental decay and other dental diseases, he said, adding: "It has been learned that the very active element, fluorine, can be used to curb dental decay to a large degree. Dentists are now applying a solution of sodium fluoride to the teeth of their child patients as a routine dental treatment.

"To improve the dental health of the children of this country, each community, through coordinated group activity, should assume its responsibility in putting an adequate dental health program into operation to meet adequately the needs of our children."

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## Political Announcements

The following have announced subject to action of the Democratic Primary:

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 M. W. (Dickie) HUNTINGTON
- COUNTY CLERK  
 BRUCE BELL (Re-election)
- TAX COLLECTOR  
 M. H. (Bob) JOY (Re-election)
- COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT  
 EDWARD SUNDERMAN  
 L. C. CASH  
 B. C. CHRISMAN (Re-election)
- COUNTY TREASURER  
 HAZEL REYNOLDS
- SHERIFF  
 JOE PIERCE (Re-election)  
 S. S. (Nick) NICHOLS
- COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
 SAM HEDRICK  
 I. G. MOBLEY (Re-election)  
 R. B. (Slim) TAYLOR
- DISTRICT CLERK  
 Corrie Neithercutt

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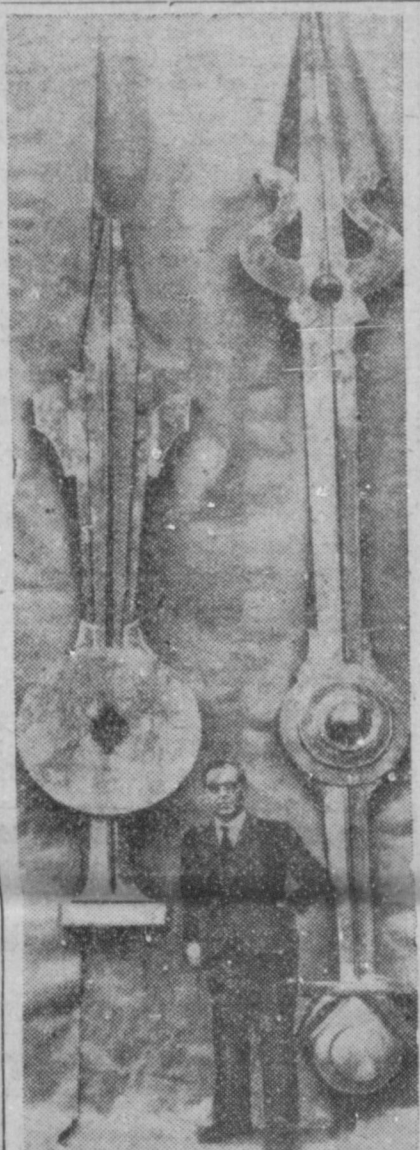
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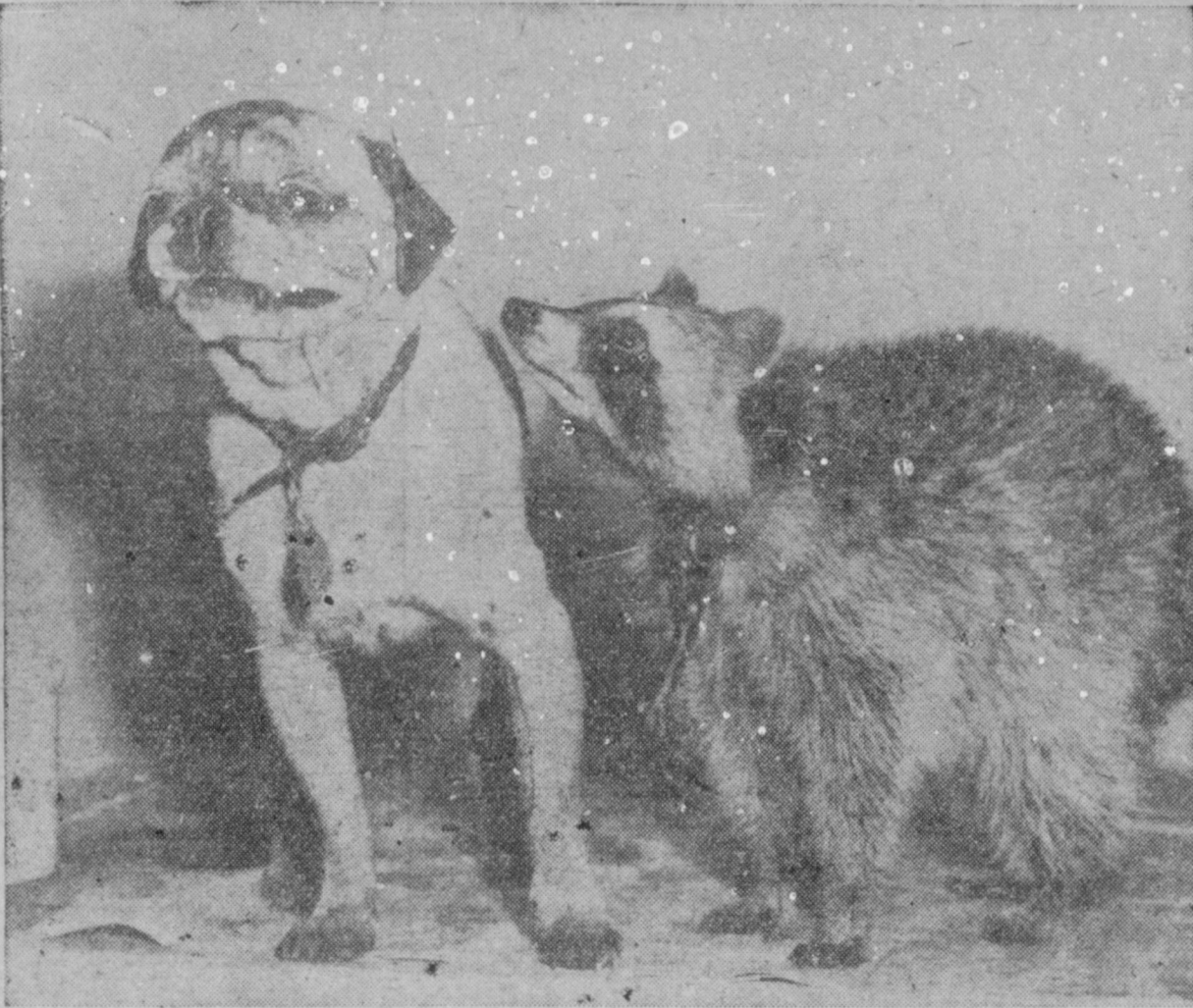
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## NEW CENSUS WILL OBTAIN DATA ON COUNTY FARMS AND FARMERS

Not only will the 1950 Census of Agriculture to be conducted during April in Eastland County obtain information about farms and farm production, but inquiries will be included about farmers.

The 1950 farm census will provide statistics about the age of the farm operators, the number of hours operators worked last week at farm work or chores, the years operators have farmed the same

place and other information necessary to provide detailed facts about farms and farm people.

The 1950 Census of Agriculture will be taken in April as part of the 17th decennial census of the United States. The information which farmers supply to the Census Bureau is confidential and cannot be used for taxation, investigation or regulation.

Every ten years since 1840 and every five years since 1920, the Bureau of the Census has taken a nation-wide census of agriculture. The 1950 census of agriculture will bring up to date the nation's farm inventory.

The 1945 census of agriculture reported 5,859,169 farm operators of which more than one-third had reached 55 years or older. Farm operators who owned their place had an average age of 52 years while tenants had an average age of 43 years.

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## GILES TELLS SOLONS VETERAN LAND FUND NEEDS MORE MONEY

Bascom Giles, Commissioner of the General Land Office and Chairman of the Veterans Land Board, has issued an "informal memorandum" to the 51st Legislature calling attention to the necessity of expanding the \$25,000,000 Veterans Land Program at the next regular session.

"Within a very short time," Commissioner Giles pointed out to the legislature, "we will have received a sufficient number of applications to obligate fully the constitutional amendment. But only approximately 5,000 veterans will have been taken care of, when many times that number desire to participate in the program."

"While we are processing an average of 10 applications a day," Giles added in his statement, "we are receiving new applications at the rate of 20 per day. Of the 4,700 applications received, most were signed for only a 90-day period. It was, therefore, to be expected that many options expire unless the sellers were willing to stand with the veteran and with us."

He described the personnel of the Land Program, of which Alvis Vandygriff is secretary, as consisting of "ten appraisers, two attorneys and 15 clerks, stenographers and typists."

"Our incoming mail is averaging approximately 200 letters per day," he stated, "and most of

these letters require personal attention."

Listing the program's progress to date, Giles said that 1,600 farms and ranches had been appraised with approximately 72 per cent approved for the contract price, 500 purchases had been completed at an average price of \$5,750, an average of \$52 per acre including improvements. "Due to the heavy back log of applications and our limited staff," Commissioner Giles pointed out, "the time necessary to process an application filed at this time is at least 200 days."

## Orchard Owners Have Field Day

"How to keep rabbits from chewing the bark off young peach trees" was the topic explained by J. E. Spencer to 95 interested orchard owners and farmers at the annual Eastland County Orchard field day recently at Spencer's Long Branch peach orchard.

Spencer said his formula was to take a bucket of fresh blood from a butcher shop and mix lime and water with it until the mixture is the consistency of paint.

The mixture then is brushed on the trunks of the young trees and the procedure is repeated the next year, he said. By the third year the bark is tough enough to withstand the rabbits' approach.

Fruit growers from Eastland, Stephens, Comanche, Erath, and Shackelford counties also heard about modern methods of planting, pruning, spraying, and fertilizing orchards at the field day, described by County Agent J. M. Cooper.

On one of the Mosquito Islands off the coast of Nicaragua, a missionary once released a parrot who had been taught to sing "Rock of Ages." Years later a "parrot choir" all over the island was heard singing that hymn repeatedly.

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## Marquis Childs Makes Plain Talk

Marquis Childs, a prominent columnist of liberal views who has often taken the side of labor in industrial controversies, recently discussed some important long term aspects of John L. Lewis, policies as they affect the soft coal industry, the miners and the public. In part, he said, "the demands that Lewis has been to enforce because of his monopolistic hold have created an extortion with serious implications for the whole country. It has contributed to price rises that have steadily pushed up the whole price level. As a result, many Americans, in agriculture and outside of the unionized industries, are being priced right out of the market."

"If enough people are priced out of the market, it will be quickly felt in a lessening demand for consumer goods. Even a mild depression would be likely to play havoc with the welfare system that Lewis has got out of the coal industry, a system that has little relation to actual soundness."

The foregoing is the point, regardless of what happens in any particular strike, shut down or dispute. The miners naturally, want the best contract possible, the highest wages, the shortest hours, the pension benefits and all the rest. But what good would these things do them if the market steadily dwindled, because the price to the consumer was too high and, consequently, there were fewer and fewer jobs?

Any group, whether it be labor union or an industry, which tries to force extreme demands, regardless of the effect on the rest of the nation, is riding towards destruction.

## Father Jim Will Take Irving Post

Rev. James W. McClain, well known as "Father Jim," announced last week that he was leaving the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Eastland to become rector of the St. Mark's Episcopal Church at Irving, near Dallas, effective March 1.

Arrival of Father McClain to set up the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church was widely publicized because of his remarkable

career, in which he had become the "Dr. I. Q." of radio fame, and then had turned his back on radio to don the robes of the Episcopal ministry.

His church served Cisco and Ranger parishioners, and he had a church at Breckenridge also.

McClain recently received much newspaper publicity when he publicly announced that he would not testify in a trial in Eastland.

## Prices Of Food Show Downward Trend In Month

Retail food prices in the Dallas area during January continued downward for the second consecutive month, influenced by lower prices for eggs, meats, poultry and fish, and fats and oils, according to Brunswick A. Bagdon, regional director of the U. S. Dept. of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics in the South.

The retail food price index declined 1.7% during January, to a level of 198.4 (1935-39 prices equal 100), 4.2% below prices in January 1949, but 39.3% above the level of June 1946, and 116.4 higher than in August 1939.

The range of declines in retail food prices in southern cities in this period varied from 0.3% in Little Rock to 2.7% in Winston-Salem.

## Joe Benson Elected President W. T. C. C.

ABILENE, Feb. 25 — At a meeting of the board of directors of the Abilene Chamber of Commerce today, Joe Benson was selected president of the organization for 1950. Gilbert Pechacek, retiring president, was elected vice president and Oliver Howard was selected as treasurer.

Benson, who is executive vice president of the Citizens National Bank, moved to Abilene in 1944 from Olney where he was also in the banking business. Having served the past two years as a director of the Chamber, and several terms as president of the Abilene Civic Music Ass'n, Benson has been one of the most active leaders in the city's civic affairs. He also headed the Abilene Community Chest in '46.

Benson will assume his new duties on Feb. 28 when he will be formally installed as president at the annual banquet of the C. of C. Between 800 and 1,000 people are expected to be on hand

for this annual affair which will be held in spacious Rose Field House on the campus of H-SU.

Difference in vocal chords and diaphragm are considered to be the only reason grillas cannot be taught human speech.

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Abilene, Texas

"WE POSITIVELY WILL NOT BE UNDERSOLD"

THE MAYTAG appliances have moved all of their stock back the old Loper Laundry. Also we have a complete stock of parts at all times. J. T. Loper, Baird.

"VISIT US for Pecan trees, fruit trees, shrubs, roses, ect. Free peach to every visitor. Decent size trees that live and bear. Also finer O. I. C. Pigs. Shanks Nurseries, Clyde, Texas. "Largest apple Orchard in Texas."

### — FOR SALE

FOR SALE — Late model Farmall B Tractor. A bargain. White Auto Store, Baird, Texas.

5 PIECE Chrome and Plastic dinette suits, \$59.95 up. Caldwell Furniture Co., Baird, Texas.

BABY CHICKS — and started chicks at low prices. AAA grade \$10, AAAA \$12. Heavy mixed and hybrids \$9. Started chicks slightly higher. Pullets and cockerels in Leghorns and Minorcas. Star Hatchery, Baird, Texas.

FLOWERS for all occasions, free delivery. Flowers wired anywhere. Kelton's Flower Shop, Baird, Tex.

## NOTICE

As in prior years, interest on consumer's deposits at the rate required by law has been accrued and set aside for payment.

Customers, who so desire, may secure payment of such interest upon presenting their deposit receipt at Abilene office, or if this is not convenient, by mailing their receipt to the Company. Receipt will be returned with remittance for the interest.

## LONE STAR GAS COMPANY

WE INVITE YOU  
To Visit Us At Our New Location

- Completely Modern
- Added Comfort
- The Latest Equipment

## ELITE BEAUTY SHOP

710 Ave. E.  
(Formerly At 711 Ave. D.)

Use Old Phone Number When Calling

## Little Men Grow Tall

The growth and development of a business enterprise may be likened to the growth of a child. One step at a time characterizes the progress of each and wise counsel in the early stages, determines the course of human conduct and the guiding principles of the business enterprise.

The small business unit of today, may, provided it receives courteous counsel and constructive credit, be a large and important enterprise a decade hence. Thus, as we review the hopes and plans of those who seek to establish a business, we shall be ever conscious of the fact that "little men grow tall."

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