

From The Editor's Window

During the past week the Ford Motor Company lined-up with others asking for the freezing of present wages.

The request was made to the Government in anticipation of a one dollar a-day wage boost being considered by union officials.

President Roosevelt has cut short the prison term of communist Earl Browder by ordering his immediate release from prison where he has served fourteen months of a four year sentence for falsely obtaining a passport.

Browder is said to have sworn that no previous passport and had been issued to him when as a matter of fact he had been given three previous passports under fictitious names.

One of the reasons given by the President for releasing Browder was that it would have a tendency to promote national unity.

Charles Lindbergh has been making a tour of aviation plants over parts of the country the past week. Reports from Tulsa, Okla., said he arrived there piloting a four-motored plane on May 15, and was accompanied by four Ford Motor Company officials and four army officials.

Lindbergh refused to be quoted regarding his new activities.

The War Production Board has decreed that men's shirts be made at least one inch shorter, no pockets and with fewer buttons.

It is said the general appearance of the average shirt will not be changed materially but enough cloth will be saved to make several million more shirts.

The idea for fewer buttons must have been to save labor for the women. Many a woman has had to stop her work, thread a needle and sew a button on her man's shirt, but now with fewer buttons she probably will not have to stop so often unless the new shirts are too tight and the fewer buttons burst off repeatedly, in which case the women would be justified in rising up and demanding in one voice that the shirts be made at least one size larger.

A careful driver approached a railroad; he stopped, looked, and listened. All he heard was the car behind him crashing into his gas tank.

A general and a colonel were walking down the street. They met many privates, and each time the colonel would salute he would mutter, "The same to you."

The general's curiosity soon got the better of him, and he asked, "Why do you always say that?"

The colonel answered, "I was once a private and I know what they are thinking."

News from Ecuador says that country has recently had a very severe earthquake in which at least eighteen persons lost their lives. Included in the list was United States Vice-Consul, John M. Slaughter, and his wife who were in the city of Guayaquil at the time. Twenty-one others were injured. The quake extended over a large area and was followed by others of less intensity throughout the night and many citizens spent the entire night in the streets.

Simon Parker, son of the famous Indian chief, Quannah Parker, was recently found dead in a small creek on his farm in Oklahoma. He was 90 years old and was thought to have suffered a heart attack and fell face down in about two feet of water. Indian funeral rites were conducted at his home after which he was buried beside his father.

Mrs. J. M. Cribbs and daughter Helen Cleo visited with J. M. Cribbs at Artesia, New Mexico several days last week, and also with Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Triplett and Mrs. Geo. McCool.

Everett Hughes Sells 640 Acres At 22.50 Per Acre

From the Reporter-News, Jim Hooks of the Lydic Roofing company Friday completed a deal in which he is buying two sections of grazing land 12 miles northeast of Abilene in Taylor County, paying \$22.50 per acre.

From Everett Hughes of Baird, he brought one section and got the other from J. M. Morrissett, who lives in that section. The two places are adjoining and there is no farming land on either. Hughes has been operating his place and the Morrissett place has been under lease to Hub Martin. Hooks plans to improve the outfit adding a home and fencing it sheep proof. He will stock the place with cattle and sheep this fall.

Mr. Hughes was former sheriff of Callahan County and after retiring as sheriff he entered the ranching business.

James W. Brandon Reported Missing By War Department

James W. Brandon a son of Adolph Brandon of Putnam has been reported by the war department as missing.

Mr. Brandon had been on duty for the past three years at Fort Mills, Manila Bay. When the surrender came last direct word from James received by his father was a letter written February 4th, and delivered a month ago. He told his father in the letter the closest he had been to a falling bomb was about 18 feet. Mr. Brandon formerly lived in Abilene and owned a farm out northeast of town on the Albany highway.

This makes three that have been killed or missing from Putnam, the first one reported was that of Adrian Kirkpatrick, reported missing, and then the death of Wade Andrews killed in an airplane wreck, and the last reported was that of James W. Brandon, making a total of three.

Nice Crowd Attends Recital Presented By Mrs. E. C. Waddell

Mrs. E. C. Waddell presented her music pupils in recital at the High School auditorium on Friday evening, May 22.

The pupils each and all, did honor to his teaching and the program was a very enjoyable affair.

It was indeed a treat to sit in the audience and listen to our youngsters perform. We have some real talent among our young people and are not hesitant in saying we are proud of them.

Putnam is fortunate in having Mrs. Waddell with us and it is her untiring effort that a number of our young people have attracted outside attention, in the musical element of society.

GOV. STEVENSON TO SPEAK IN ABILENE AT HSU, JUNE 1ST

The Golden Jubilee commencement of Hardin-Simmons University will be held on Monday, June 1st, with 129 candidates for degrees in June and August and Gov. Coke Stevenson will deliver the graduating address.

The address will be first of two the governor will make to graduating classes that day. He will speak to the seniors at the 1942, Technological College in Lubbock, that night.

The college founded in 1891, and the current graduation is the 50th in Hardin-Simmons history. First classes were held in a newly completed main building of the then Simmons College in September 1892, with the first commencement the following June.

This year's graduating class, will include six candidates for Master of arts degrees, and 116 for bachelor of arts degrees, science and music will include several seniors to receive diplomas in absentia as members of the class have entered the armed forces since Pearl Harbor Day December 7th.

A. H. Nelson and family returned from Loraine Monday evening from where they had been attending a funeral of W. E. Dickerson who was reported in the News some time ago as being seriously ill. He was a brother-in-law of Mr. Nelson. His illness had been in an Austin, hospital until last week when he was transferred to Loraine, where he died Sunday evening about 4 o'clock.

The Nation's No. 1 Life Insurance Policy



Courtesy Detroit Free Press

60 Percent Of The South's Acreage Is Still In Forests

You often hear what is the leading crop of the South? What product of the soil occupies the greatest portion of the south's total area? Different farmers might give different answers to that question, but the correct answer is: Trees.

In the entire region south of the Mason-Dixon line the section usually referred to as "the South," the total land area is 380 million acres of this about 238 million acres, or 60 percent, is forested. In other words, a greater part of the whole area is growing more trees than combined acreage of all other crops. These are facts developed by the Forestry Survey recently completed by the United States Forest Service, the first tree census the country ever had. The prevailing idea is that the timber land of the country are almost completely in the hands of the large Lumber Companies. The fact is however, that 41 percent of all the South's timbered land is owned by farmers.

A generation or so ago the "woods lot" on the farm was generally looked upon as just so much wasted uncultivated land. It supplied fuel for the farm and a few fence posts or rails. If the owner decided to clear the land he sold the logs to a saw-mill if one was handy, or else he burned them.

The modern long-sighted farmer recognized his woods lot as one of the most valuable parts of the farm. He is learning to cash in on its value by treating his trees as a crop to be harvested regularly.

WILLIAMSON LAKE CISCO REPORTED TO HAVE 96 FEET WATER

According to a news story in the Cisco Daily, Cisco, has almost 17 inches of rain this year, which has given them the biggest water supply since the Williamson dam was completed registering 90 feet deep at the foot of the dam.

Further comment by the Press; The steady rise of Cisco's great lake brought suggestions from interested parties that the flood gates be lifted for a brief period and the water level reduced to a point where it would not imperil railroad trackage or inconvenience owners of adjacent ranch land. However, it is generally recognized that the flood gates can not be opened with safety, since the being "locked" by heavy timbers of obstructions and held open indefinitely too great to attempt 90 feet of water is lots of water, and some places have more water than Cisco, but none better. Brownwood tried opening the flood gates a few years ago and before they could get them closed the lake was practically dry and Cisco could have the same experience.

E. G. COOK ATTAINED RANK OF MAJOR IN AIR SAN FRANCISCO

Mr. and Mrs. John Cook have been informed that their son, E. G. Cook has attained the rank of Major in the army. Mr. Cook is stationed with the 4th air-force in San Francisco, California. Mr. Cook has been in the service for the past 18 months.

Miss Lois Kennedy who is employed at Camp Abilene is home for a few days.

Ben Dansby No. 1 Making About 125 Barrels Per Day

The Ben Dansby well No. 1, on the Ramsay about three miles northeast of Putnam, was brought in about seven o'clock Thursday night with an estimated production of about 125 barrels with some estimating 500 barrels. The well flows by heads and is of a very high grade oil which tested 42 gravity.

This well is a part of the John L. Woods estate, but is owned by W. A. Ramsay and is on section T.E. & L. Company land section 2277. The well flows by heads and is making approximately 125 barrels every 24 hours with considerable gas. The well is 3233 feet, striking the lime at 3216 feet and setting the casing at 3223 feet. It is the intention of W. T. Graham and others who assembled the acreage of land to drill to about 3400 feet, but since they have a commercial well they have decided to let it stop there for the present at least.

Several oil scouts have been in Putnam the past few days and probably three or four other deep test wells will be drilled in the Putnam, territory in the near future. It is reported by reliable parties that two other locations are already made, but are not ready for the news to be made public yet.

MRS. M. D. HEIST VISITS MR. AND MRS. FRANK BROWNING

Mrs. M. D. Heist was in Putnam, from the lease about ten miles north of Putnam Tuesday afternoon and while here she reported visiting our friends, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Browning living about four miles west of Baird on the Bankhead highway. She talking about what fine people the Brownings are and the nice home they have, besides, she said, finest apple orchard she ever saw, with peaches, berries and other fruit. She also stated she saw some of the finest wine and cider that she ever saw. The mystery to the writer is how she knew the wine and cider were fine as she never mentioned either drinking or even tasting it. However, she could have smelled it.

HIGHWAY 80 BEING RE-TOPPED FROM RANGER TO CISCO

A representative of the News was in Cisco Tuesday morning and wanting to cross the viaduct over the M.K. & T. Railway, noticed the viaduct was fenced off, and made some inquiry as to why they had a fence across the road and was informed that the Texas Highway department was putting an asphalt topping on the road from Eastland to Cisco, and was detouring the traffic over the Breckenridge road by Morton's Valley to Eastland. When this is completed the highway from Cisco to Ranger will have a new topping over the brick, which makes a much smoother road, and the road will be 24 feet wide from Cisco to Ranger.

Lee Ivey of Baird candidate for sheriff was in Putnam, Tuesday afternoon meeting a few of the voters.

Clarence Nordyke sheriff of Callahan County was in Putnam Monday afternoon shaking hands with old friends.

Private William Sublett Reported By Army Missing

Private Henry William Sublett, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Ellett Sublett of the Dothan community six miles east of Putnam, living on rural route 4 out of Cisco, who was awarded the "Purple Heart" after being wounded in a meritorious action against the enemy. He is now listed among the men missing since the Japanese capture of the American forts in Manila Bay.

Young Sublett, enlisted in the Marines in March 1941, and was stationed at the Cavite Naval Station on Manila Bay at the outbreak of the war. Before volunteering for service he was a carpenter employed by a Los Angeles construction company.

Information by his parents indicated he was wounded but not seriously on April 14th.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maher Return With 15 Pound Cat Fish

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maher and others returned Saturday from a fishing trip and they brought home the evidence they had been fishing. They were fishing in the Brownwood lake, and Mr. Maher reported they caught about 400 pounds while there. They brought one yellow cat home with them that weighed about fifteen pounds, besides several other smaller ones. They were fishing with a trout line and just quit and came home because they had all the fish they needed.

Mr. and Mrs. Maher have the thanks of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Yeager and Ruth for the nice mess of fish given them as they were fine and certainly enjoyed by all.

Navy Asks Skilled Men In Trades For Abilene Interview

Construction men who have been considering enlisting in the Navy's construction regiments should make application within the next few days at the Navy recruiting station at the post office building in Abilene to be eligible to be interviewed for ratings on June record, it was announced yesterday. Skilled men in various trades are being enlisted in the navy construction regiments to use the tools of their trade in over-seas work. Men receive ratings and pay according to their ability and experience as determined by Ensign A. T. Gaffney at the time of the interview.

Applicants must be between the ages of 17 and 50, have passed a preliminary physical examination and have letters of recommendation showing trade experience before being eligible to be interviewed. This is the first visit of Ensign Gaffney to this district. Navy recruiters did not know if he would return at a later date.

BAIRD WEDNESDAY CLUB ENDS YEARS STUDY WITH PARTY

The Baird Junior Wednesday club ended a year of study of conversational Spanish May 26, with a party in the home of Mrs. W. O. Wylie, Jr., with members of Los Primeras guests. Burma Warren presented corsages to Mrs. L. L. Blackburn, club counselor, Leota Alexander, president and Mrs. Archie Nichols teacher of Spanish for the club.

The program included a Spanish Skit by Heeln Willard and Burma Warren; song "El Clefite, Lindo" by Mrs. Viva Tucker, accompanied by Mrs. W. O. Wylie, Jr., Spanish games and contests; and pictures of Old Mexico in color taken by Mrs. Harold Ray. Pottery dishes were presented Mrs. Nichols.

103 RATTLE SNAKES KILLED IN ONE DEN IN HART COMMUNITY

Leo Wiloits living in the Hart community about four miles west of the Hart school house comes in with the biggest report on killing snakes of the season. He located a den about one half mile west of Deep Creek just north of the house on the Hart ranch. He decided he would kill them out, so he went to work and when he was through he had 103 stretched out on the ground dead. While this is more snakes killed than has been reported any time this year, there has been a number of times there has been around 100 killed. Mr. Wiloits thinks he has cleaned this den of snakes.

Y. A. Orr was able to be out in town again Friday afternoon.

\$50,000 BOND ISSUE ORDERED FOR JUNE THE 23RD

The Callahan County Commissioners Court met Saturday for a hearing on a petition for a \$50,000 bond issue in Road District No. 1. After the hearing the court ordered an election in road district No. 1, for a bond issue of \$50,000 to purchase right-of-way through Callahan County.

There has been a number of surveys made through the county and no one seems to know just where they expect to locate the road. One survey goes about one mile north of Putnam, and it is reported that one survey would locate the road north of the cemetery at Baird. However, this report has not been confirmed. It appears that voting for \$50,000 in bonds and no one knowing where the money will be spent is a long jump in the dark. This question figured large in the first building of the Bandhead, when no one with any authority promised to build the road on the old location but instead, told the people before the bonds were voted that the road would not be built on the old location, but with all of this many people voted for the issue thinking the money would be spent on the old location. So doubtless the taxpayers are going to want some definite understanding about where this money will be spent, before voting more bonds.

Grand Jury List Announced For June Term

List of persons selected to serve as grand jurors for the June term of 42nd district court, which convenes June eighth, was announced yesterday from the office of Sheriff C. R. Nordyke. The list follows:

- E. J. Baxton, Clyde; Joe H. Higgins, Baird route; Flem Johnson, Cross Plains; John Berry, Clyde; W. R. Wagner, Jr., Cross Plains; N. M. George, Baird; Fred Heyser, route four, Cisco; Hugh McDermott, Cross Plains; J. A. Yarbrough, Cisco route; N. H. Stephenson, Clyde route; Joel Griffin, Baird; Albert Betcher, Jr., Oplin; Ode Strahan, Cottonwood; Andrew Johnson, Oplin; Burse C. Miller, Baird; W. T. Payne, Baird.

MRS. STRALEY IS APPOINTED COMMISSIONER

Along with three other veterans of the last war, county commissioner H. B. Straley, of Oplin, Monday enlisted in the United States marines. It was reported from the Abilene recruiting station at Abilene that the quartet of veteran "leathernecks" would do guard duty in the continental United States. Straley was elected county commissioner two years ago and had offered himself as a candidate for reelection to a second term.

Mrs. H. B. Straley, wife of the County Commissioner who resigned his post this week and volunteered in the United States marines, was appointed Thursday morning to fill out her husband's unexpired term as Commissioner from precinct three. She assumed duties of the office immediately and sat with other Commissioners Thursday as a member of the county equalization board.

Although the law delegates power of appointment to the County Judge in filling vacancies in the county's official family, all members of the court were consulted and had a hand in the naming of Mrs. Straley.

WORK ON ROAD WEST OF CISCO HELD UP ON RIGHT OF WAY

The Cisco Chamber of Commerce and County Commissioner, Blint of the Cisco precinct held a short meeting Monday afternoon, on the question of securing right-of-way for highway 80 from Cisco, to the Callahan County line. It has been the policy of the highway department to build the roads or improve them provided the different counties would secure the right of way. The department wants to change the location West of the over-pass over the Texas Pacific Railroad about three miles west of Cisco, for a distance of about two thousand feet and widen it on to the county line. The estimated cost of right-of-way is something like \$3,000 and the county wants the department to secure the right of way. It appears that this is the only thing holding up the construction of this piece of road from the City limits of Cisco to the Callahan county line.

Water Users Must Pay Water Bills By 10th Of Month

The water users will notice an advertisement of the frozen credit rulings in this issue of the paper, that all water users, who fail to pay up their bills by the 10th of each month will be cut off from further service until satisfactory arrangements are made or the bill is paid. We don't want to work any hardship on anyone, but it takes money to operate a water system, and the city is forced to do things that no one likes to do. The water superintendent has been given orders to discontinue all water services, where the bill is not paid by the tenth of each month. So we hope each and everyone will cooperate in this matter, and save the city and the user further trouble. So take notice and act accordingly.

Putnam Territory Receives \$100,000 From Cattle Sales

The cattle market and trading has been very active this week with about 1400 head of cattle changing hands. Most of these cattle are going to grass scattered over two or three states. One man who was interested in the trading said the average price would be \$60 or more and figuring 1400 head at an average of \$60 it would equal an income of \$85,000 from the cattle industry in one week, besides this there was several hundred head changed hands about the 15th of May, which will make an income of more than \$100,000 income from the cattle industry in the past fifteen days.

Baptist Workers To Meet Here In Monthly Session

Regular monthly convention of the Callahan County Baptist Workers Association will be held in Cross Plains June 10, according to announcement received yesterday from Rev. A. A. Davis.

Theme: "Four Monuments That Jesus Left."

10:00 A.M.—Devotional—Song Service—Earl Pyle. Scripture—W. H. Bell.

10:20 A.M. (1)—"Salvation by Grace"—H. N. Baldersee.

10:40 A.M. (2)—"The Church"—Strauss Atkinson.

11:00 A.M. (3)—"Baptism"—A. A. Davis.

11:20 A.M.—(4)—"Memorial Supper"—Sidney Cox.

11:40 A.M.—Recognition of Visitors.

Sermon—H. D. Blair, (Cisco).

12:20 Noon—Lunch Served in Church Basement.

2:00 P.M.—Board Meeting.

2:30 P.M.—"The Need of A Brotherhood In Every Church"—Ray Jones.

2:45 P.M.—"The Need of a Training Union In Every Church"—Mrs. Donald Baird.

3:00 P.M.—Adjournment.

WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

The Woman's Society of Christian Service met at the Methodist church Tuesday, May 26th, with C. T. Davis leading.

Music: "Jesus Calls Us."

Hymn: "More Love to Thee".

Scriptures: "Mark 10-13-16, Mrs. Davis, Meditation."

Poem: Mrs. Milton Slayden.

Prayer by members.

Mrs. W. N. Byrd gave the second lesson in our Bible study; "Our Times and what does the Bible has say?"

Roll was called and minutes were read by Mrs. R. L. Clinton.

Benediction, Mrs. Clinton.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Sunderman, had business in Cisco, Friday.

James Kennedy is home from A and M. College. He has returned for summer school.

Mr. and Mrs. Pierce Shackelford had business in Abilene Monday afternoon.

Leslie Bryant County Clerk of Callahan County was in Putnam, posting notices for the \$50,000 bond issue on June 22nd.

A. E. Ellis' paper goes to Athens, Tennessee this week for the first time. Mrs. Jewel Ellis was in Putnam, Tuesday afternoon and announced that he had married before Christmas and had been in Tennessee, ever since. She said he left here and went back there and married a woman that he grew up with and had known her all of his life.

BABY CHICKS AAA QUALITY

Large type English White Leghorns, Brown Leghorns, Anconas, Golden Buff and Big Bone Black Minorcas, Rhode Island Reds, Barred and White Rocks, Silverlaced and White Wyandottes. New Hampshire straight-run \$8.00

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Leghorn, Minorca, Ancona, Cockerels \$3.50

AAAA QUALITY

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Large type Leghorns and Minorcas Pullets \$16.00

ALSO STARTED CHICKS
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BAIRD, TEXAS

County H. D. Club Members Meet In Baird Saturday

The Callahan County Council of Home Demonstration Club Women met in Baird Saturday, May 16, in the district court room. The Reporters Association, a group that forms a committee of the County Home Demonstration Council, met one hour preceding the council.

Chairman, Mrs. Norman Coffey, of Cottonwood, called the meeting to order. Regular reports were given by the standing committees. During the business meeting, Mrs. Carl Cook, of Baird, was elected Secretary, replacing Mrs. R. G. Edwards, who recently resigned, and Mrs. Hadden Payne was appointed Council Reporter, after Mrs. John Roberson resigned the position.

The following committees were appointed to plan a Summer outing: Arrangement Committee, which is composed of Mrs. Clyde Johnston, Mrs. Forrest Walker and Mrs. J. C. Johnston and an Entertainment Committee, Mrs. Jim Heslip, Mrs. Carl Cook and Mrs. Jim Barker.

Accomplishments of the Callahan County Home Demonstration Clubs were given in the quarterly report at the meeting, as follows: A total of 68 method demonstrations given to 1186 club women and girls, with 15 other meetings, such as council with an attendance of 56 women. There were 53 demonstrator and home visits made. Demonstrations given by agent to club women: Yard planning, cutting beds and the use of peanuts as food. One new club has been organized this year at Clyde, with 17 members.

All clubs have been sewing for the Red Cross. In January and February, 507 garments were made. Clubs are assisting in Victory Book Campaign, buying War Saving Stamps, collecting waste paper and giving publicity to the Scrap Iron Campaign.

Ninety visitors were present in Club meetings in January and February, and 18 new members were added to various clubs.

There were approximately thirty club members present for the Council meeting Saturday, with eight visitors. Out of the fifteen clubs in Callahan County, twelve clubs were represented. The clubs in this part of the county represented and the members present were: Dressy; Mrs. Jimmie Payne, Mrs. Forest Walker and Mrs. Hadden Payne; Atwell, Mrs. Ben Riffe; Cottonwood, Mrs. Bryan Bennett and Mrs. Norman Coffey; Putnam, Mrs. Weldon Park, Mrs. Jim Heslip, Mrs. W. A. Buchanan and Mrs. M. P. Clampitt.

Mrs. Lonnie Ray, of Baird visited Mrs. J. J. M. Cribbs Friday afternoon.

CARD OF THANKS

I thank the person who stole the buggy harness out of my crib in the old barn. They did not get quite all of it. This thievery about my place has been going on for some time.

Putting stock on me without permission making a cow lot and feed pen on my premises must stop. I also think its times to stop using my fence posts to tie stock to and tearing down the fence.

Mrs. Rosa Green
Putnam, Texas

Burt Rawlins of the firm of Rawlins & sons, Weatherford was in Putnam for a short while, looking out for business for his firm, he is in the monument business, having been in business for about sixty years on the same lot.

L. M. Dunaway and sister, Mrs. Cinda High of Dallas, were in Putnam one day last week getting up delayed birth certificates.

Leon Sikes of the Atwell community was in Putnam Saturday afternoon and reported very little planting done in his community.

Andy Roe left this week for Houston where he has accepted employment in the ship yards.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brandon are spending their vacation with Mr. Brandon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Brandon.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Triplett, Mrs. Peay Triplett and baby of Artesia, New Mexico were visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pete King over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Brandon of Crane, are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Brandon.

Mrs. L. B. Williams, is spending the week in San Marcos visiting her daughter, Miss Zada who is attending college at San Marcos.

NOTICE TO ALL SINGERS

Singing convention is to be held Sunday at Cisco. It is the regular 5th Sunday singing. Will be held Sunday evening 1:30 p.m. at the church of God. All singers from Callahan County are invited to attend and help in singing good gospel songs.

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ATWELL

S. A. Black left the first of last week for Donna, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Gardener of Abilene visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Foster Sunday.

Mrs. Bertran Roose is on an extended visit with relatives at Baird.

Mrs. Mary Jane Cook of Fort Worth is visiting her daughter, Mrs. D. Wrinkle this week.

Misses Roma Gene and Melba Reede of Scranton visited their grand-mother Brashear Monday.

C. H. Lovelady of Brownwood spent the week end with homefolks.

Pvt. Pose and a friend of Camp Barkley spent the week end in the home of his uncle Leon Sykes.

Myrl Foster who has been employed at Abilene returned home Sunday.

D. C. Foster Jr. and Bessie Joe Rose of Abilene visited in the D. C. Foster home Sunday.

Mrs. Owen Rouse and Statin Maddux of Baird visited in the Mendon McWilliams home Friday of last week.

Little Billy and E. W. Foster visited the past week with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Harlow of Cross Plains.

The second quarterly conference which was postponed will be held Sunday night May 31st. Rev. Roy A. Langston will preach. All members are urged to attend. The Vacation Bible School is in session at the Methodist church from 9 o'clock to 11 each day. All of the children are invited.

Milton Slayden, pastor

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"Whether or not you care about two movies for the price of one, there's another kind of double feature that you—every one—is enjoying."
"It's the electric service you use—a continuous bargain, right around the clock and the calendar. The West Texas home today gets about TWICE or THREE times as much electricity for its money as it did just fifteen years ago."
"In fact, electric service is about the only household item that isn't higher now than even a year or two ago."
"You may not realize that it costs you only about half what it used to—you've added a lot of useful new appliances over the years and you're using more and better lamps."
"The appliances are serving you well—and saving you work. The better light is making it easier on your eyes."
"All this has been made possible by careful business management of your electric company... the same good non-political management that now is serving our country in time of its greatest peril by providing electric power where it's needed, when it's needed!"
West Texas Utilities Company
INVEST IN AMERICA—Buy War Bonds and Stamps!

Natural Gas Rates **REDUCED!**

NEW RATE TO SAVE RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL
CUSTOMERS \$2,000,000 ANNUALLY

To Our Customers:

Through more than three decades of operating history it has been a fixed policy of the management of Lone Star Gas System to spare no effort to accomplish and maintain a dependable gas service for its customers at rates commensurate with the cost of rendering such service. The important reason for this basic policy springs from the very roots of a definite responsibility to our customers, most of whom depend exclusively upon natural gas service for their fuel requirements. The part that gas serves in protecting the health, comfort and welfare of more than a million men, women and children in homes served by Lone Star Gas System, is an assignment that we have accepted in its full seriousness.

To meet these requirements millions of dollars have been expended for materials, equipment, proven gas reserves, pipeline transportation and distribution facilities planned with careful foresight to safeguard a continuity of dependable service over a long period of years as well as for the present. In line with this policy of providing not only adequate but dependable gas service from our interconnected facilities, a substantial part of the System's earnings as well as considerable borrowed capital has been applied to this development program. At all times the System's thousands of stockholders have evidenced their cooperation in many ways in order that the utmost might be accomplished in this program of development. During this period, a large portion of which represented the depression years, neither the normal growth of individual towns served by Lone Star Gas System nor increases in residential, commercial and industrial customers kept pace with the expansion program which we were required to maintain in the interest of continued dependable service.

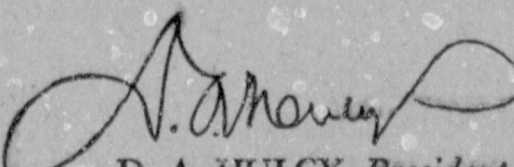
As the interests in good gas service of both Lone Star Gas System and its customers are interdependent, the rate charged for gas should be fair and reasonable for the customer and at the same time sufficiently adequate for the System to meet its responsibilities. In defense of this sound principle we have, on various occasions during our period of development, become engaged in rate controversies and litigation. In these instances we have had no choice except to diligently and firmly protect the mutual interests of the System and its customers against an ultimate downfall of service due to unwarranted and untimely rate reductions.

The area served by Lone Star Gas System has now reached an all-time high in industrial, commercial and residential expansion and this has resulted in an increase in the amount of gas normally used. Because of long preparation we are prepared to meet the requirements of these increased demands now being made upon our System. We are pleased that under present circumstances we are able to consent to a rate order which will give our customers a substantial reduction in the cost of their gas service and at the same time dispose of all pending rate controversies.

In announcing this rate reduction it is our earnest hope that, as we all adjust ourselves to the war effort, sufficient new peace-time uses for gas service can be developed for the future to justify this low rate indefinitely.



By agreement, the reduction of \$2,000,000.00 annually has become effective to customers served by Lone Star Gas System.


D. A. HULCY, President.

Lone Star Gas System

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A Steal at Only
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Overhauled and ready to
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Drive this one and see what
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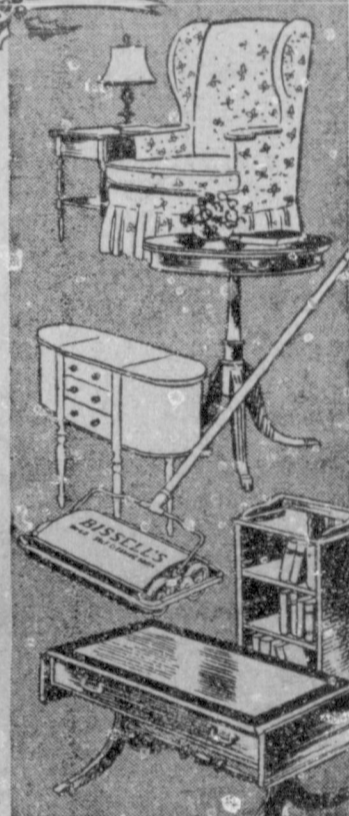
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METHODIST QUARTERLY
CONFERENCE TO BE AT
CHURCH SUNDAY NIGHT

The second quarterly conference of the Methodist church which has been postponed twice on account of the weather will be held at the Methodist church in Putnam, Sunday night, May 31st. Rev. Roy Langston will preach. All members are urged to attend.

The vacation Bible school is in session at the Methodist church from 9 o'clock until 1 teach day. All of the children are invited.

FARM & RANCH LOANS
4 PER CENT INTEREST
To refinance Short Term High Interest Rate Indebtedness and to Assist in Financing Purchase of a Farm or Ranch through the—
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Foreclosed farms and other real estate for sale; small down payments and easy terms on balance with cheap rate of interest. See M. H. PERKINS, Secy-Treas. Clyde, Texas, for full particulars Supplemental Second Lien Land Bank Commissioner Loans—5 per cent interest.

FOR SALE
One 1931 Model Two-Door Sedan in good condition, good tires. See Mrs. E. P. Whitaker Putnam, Texas

WARNING!
We have been advised that a large number of radio tubes will be taken off the list. If you need to replace your weak radio tubes you should do so before they are discontinued. Complete stock of tubes at
Schaefer's Radio Shop
Cisco, Texas

COTTONWOOD

Mrs. Pearl Rylee attended the grammar school graduation exercise at Baird Thursday night.

Mrs. W. O. Peavy spent Thursday night with her sister, Mrs. Will Ray of Baird.

Mrs. Floyd Coffey and sons spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Nordyke of Baird.

Mr. and Mrs. Alec Higdon and children of Crane are visiting her mother, Mrs. W. B. Shirley.

Mrs. Virginia Fulton and son, Ralph of McAllen are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Fulton this week.

Mrs. W. A. Brock and Miss Hazel Respass were Baird visitors Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. D. Van Pelt visited in Abilene last week.

Pvt. M. P. Wilcoxon of Ft. Bliss spent the week end with home folks.

Mrs. H. S. Varner spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Arvin of Baird.

Mrs. T. A. Coppinger has been visiting with Judge and Mrs. B. H. Froeland of Baird the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Turner Simpson and children of Anson spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Wilcoxon.

Fort Archer who is working at Brownwood spent week end with his mother Mrs. S. E. Archer.

Mrs. R. N. Whitehorn is on the sick list this week.

WHO PAYS THE BILL?

An incident took place in a small western town recently, that contains food for thought.

A farmer went into the local pool hall and found a number of shipyard workers playing pool on a week day holiday. The question arose as to why they were not working, and they told him it was because they could not get double-time pay. The farmer "blew-up" and told them what he thought of such demands in this emergency.

They seemed surprised and said: "What do you care? It doesn't cost you anything. The government pays the bill."

This brings up the question of who pays the factories and workers producing wartime equipment. No one but the hard-pressed taxpayers, including men and women in every walk of life — even the shipyard workers themselves.

Government has no money to pay anybody anything until it first collect it from the people. Government is merely an agent of the people. Every bit of waste by government, industry or labor, comes out of the pockets of the people.

It is a pity that any person thinks government pays for waste or exorbitant charges of any kind — the people pay — through the nose in higher and higher taxes.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wilcoxon of Tuscola spent week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Wilcoxon, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Clifton of Ft. Worth visited home-folks last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Harrison and children and Miss Beulah Respass were Abilene visitors Monday.

A Book For Every Service Man.

MRS. H. S. VARNER
IN CHARGE OF THE
COTTONWOOD W.M.S.

The Women's Missionary Society, of the Cottonwood Baptist Church, met Monday, May 25, at the home of Mrs. H. S. Varner to quilt for the Buckner's Orphans Home.

A covered dish lunch was served at noon. After finishing the quilt at two o'clock, the ladies went to the church, where a very interesting Royal Service program was given, with Mrs. H. S. Varner in charge.

Mrs. Pender Mitchell read the devotional.

Those present were: Mrs. R. C. Thompson, Mrs. J. D. Mitchell, Mrs. J. R. Ramey, Mrs. D. Van Pelt, Mrs. S. E. Archer, Mrs. W. O. Peavy, Mrs. N. G. Borden, Mrs. Pearl Rylee, Mrs. Pender Mitchell, Mrs. R. T. O'Neal, Mrs. W. R. Thompson, Mrs. S. A. Moore, Mrs. H. S. Varner, Mrs. J. F. Coffey and Miss Eunice Hembree.

ZINC DEFICIENCY IN DIET

Scientists at the recent Memphis session of the American Chemical Society called attention of the possible zinc deficiency in the human diet since practically all the zinc contained in a grain of wheat, for instance, goes into animal feed such as bran in making white flour. Similarly, no zinc is found in sugar, one of America's chief foods. Almost no zinc is found in butter, lard and vegetable oils, of which we consume large quantities. The only rich sources of zinc in human diet is meat, from which one half of all we ever obtain comes. Scientific workers have established that the human body needs .36 milligrams of zinc for each 100 calories, whereas the average diet provides less than required. Zinc deficiency is believed to lead to an excess of uric acid.

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Under New Federal Regulation
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You Who Pay Your
Bills Promptly May
Charge your Purchases as usual

The new Government charge account regulations will not affect the majority of charge customers of Putnam stores. These customers, who pay their bills in full during the following month after purchase, may continue to use their charge accounts exactly as they have in the past.

CHARGE ACCOUNTS NOT PAID BY THE 10TH OF THE SECOND MONTH AFTER PURCHASE ARE AUTOMATICALLY SUSPENDED BY GOVERNMENT REGULATION. ALL ACCOUNTS MADE PRIOR TO MAY 6, 1942 MUST BE PAID BY JULY 10.

Section 5 of Consumer Credit Regulation Was revised effective May 6, 1942, stipulates that a charge account shall be in default if not paid in full by the 10th of the second month after purchase. All Merchants are required to cease further extension of credit on such accounts. They may be re-opened for use, however, by payment of amount past due.

The following merchants are running this ad for the information of their customers who may not have acquainted themselves with the government credit regulations.

- Fred Cool's Garage
- Y. A. Orr's Drug Store
- Odoms Grocery
- Magnolia Filling Station
- Everetts Grocery
- John McGee Operator
- City of Putnam Water Wks.

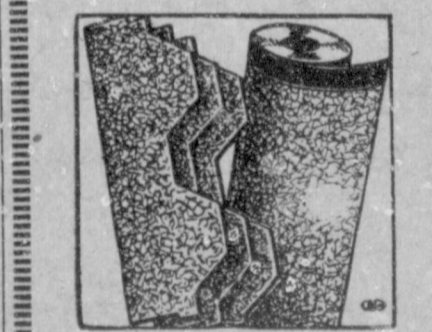
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Baird, Texas
Just opened up. Come in and see us. Baird New Smooth Floors. Prices are Reasonable.
Come in and Learn to Skate, and see how cheap you can have a little outing.

WRISTEN'S PRODUCE HOUSE

Baird, Texas
Bring us your Poultry, Eggs, Cream and Anything you have to sell. We will pay you more.
Sell to us and get the Difference. Remember the place WRISTEN'S PRODUCE HOUSE. Across the Street from Ray Motor Company.

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VAXINES, SERUMS ANTI-TOXINES and STOCK DIP
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