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## FROM THE EDITOR'S WINDOW

### CHRISTMAS

"Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men." Christmas is the day celebrated in all Christian countries as the day of the birth of Christ, "the Prince of Peace," "The King of Kings." That day by common consent, December 25, is marked by special religious services in various churches, by charitable deed, the exchange of gifts, and by merry-making and rejoicing which we believe is pleasing to the Lord.

The giving of presents, the use of holly, mistletoe, yule logs, are things which set the day distinctly apart from all other holidays. Without the Christmas tree and Santa Claus for the little folks the day would be incomplete and lose much of its deeper meaning.

The Christmas spirit has been manifested in Putnam more heartily this year than we ever remember it. The following poem was contributed this week as being in keeping with the holiday spirit:

**The Vital Accompaniment**  
The wise admonition goes deeper, they say,  
If you smile when you give it.  
Your righteous life lures other feet to the Way—  
If you smile while you live it.  
The word of good cheer finds the heart you had meant,  
Sinks into the spirit to which it was sent—  
Lends all of the help it was meant to have lent,  
If you smile when you give it.

The money you handed that brother in need—  
Did you smile when you gave it?  
His pride may have hurt till it made his heart bleed—  
Nought but smiling could save it.  
Not an impudent smirk or a meaningless grin,  
Not a smile just as deep as your outermost skin—  
But a love-laden smile with sweet confidence in,  
That will help to brave it.

—Strickland Gillilan.  
Some of the best pecans and absolutely the largest and softest paper shells we have ever dealt with were brought to the News office Wednesday, which Mrs. W. M. Moore exchanged for a subscription to The Putnam News. Oh, my, but they were dandy! No one can know just how magnificent they are unless they sample them for themselves; understand however they are not at ABC at the News office. Mrs. Moore has one of the finest pecan farms of anyone in the state or elsewhere. It is absolutely worth anyone's time to visit her farm and view the beautiful trees. Pecans grown on this farm are unsurpassed anywhere.

It is believed that Dr. T. J. Inman of Baird is unusually prosperous during these hard times, as he purchased a brand new typewriter recently. Dr. Inman has a nice office at Baird which is handy for editors to use occasionally. We think it is nice for Dr. Inman to have the new typewriter.

Mrs. C. K. Peek of Putnam has the honor of being the largest subscriber to The Putnam News. Mrs. Peek is sending two subscriptions as Christmas gifts this year. She made a trade with the editor this week whereby she took six subscriptions for 1936. On the list were three children, Dr. Truman Peek of Dallas, L. J. Peek, and Mrs. Raymond Hale of Crane, a sister, a friend, and Mrs. Peek's home subscription. We appreciate this fact very much. Mrs. Peek is president of the P. T. A. and a prominent church and civic worker. She helps promote all worthwhile activities and in addition is one of Putnam's most talented women on the stage. We all appreciate Mrs. Peek.

Don't forget that Putnam is sponsoring Trades Day event January 11, 1936. All trade advertisements will be run free for that date.

Messrs. Everett, Webb, Pruet, Sharp, and Overtone report some interesting things about their trip to Bangs. They stated that one of the most interesting sights was a radio installed in the superintendent's office whereby a particular button could be pushed and those in the office could hear everything going on in the classrooms. Mr. Everett said the superintendent pushed one button and a confusion of voices was heard in one of the rooms, after which he remarked, "They are not doing much in there." He pushed another button and everything was quiet with the exception of the teacher's lecture which could be heard distinctly. Mr. Everett said he never saw anything like it. These men certainly praised the Bangs school building highly. It is reported that Putnam may have a similar building, including the radio in the office. If so some of the parents can hear their children recite, unawares to the child, who may not like it so well.

## MISSIONARY LADIES VISIT SHUT-INS

Ladies of the Methodist and Baptist Missionary Societies spent Wednesday afternoon spreading Christmas cheer, when they visited several homes of Putnam where there were shut-ins due to illness and rendered a program and presented little remembrances. The first home visited was the home of Mrs. Rosa Green. After singing a Christmas selection a devotional was held by Reverend Charles I. Rea who read from the 2nd chapter of Luke. Subject for the program was Ingathering of Home Missionaries. Mrs. C. K. Peek told two Christmas stories, John Novak Finds an Answer and Learning to Live. Mrs. John Cook led prayer. A box of fruits, candies, and other remembrances were presented Mrs. Green.

**J. T. Cook Home**  
At the home of Mrs. J. T. Cook, a Christmas song was sung and Mrs. Mark Shurwin led a devotional. Mrs. E. G. Scott led prayer. Little Stories of Our Work was the subject for the program. Mrs. J. E. Green had the part "My Second Home." A Story From Korea and A Village Girl's Christmas Tree was told by Mrs. E. G. Scott. Little Fredalyn Cook told the story of the birth of Jesus, and little Mary Ann Shurwin gave a Christmas reading. The closing prayer was led by Reverend Charles Rea. A basket of remembrances was presented Mrs. Cook.

**J. Y. Culwell Home**  
At the home of Mrs. J. Y. Culwell the basket of remembrances was presented to Mrs. H. Culwell. Mrs. John Cook led the devotional and Mrs. C. K. Peek led prayer. Mrs. Fred Cook gave a reading, The Christmas Carol. Mrs. I. C. Cook led the closing prayer.

**A. A. Brazil Home**  
At the home of Mrs. A. A. Brazil no program was rendered but a basket of remembrances was presented Mrs. Brazil. Mrs. A. A. Dodd presided at each meeting. Those present were Mmes. John Cook, J. E. Green, Mark Shurwin, I. E. Cook, Ida Rogers, Fred Cook, E. G. Scott, C. K. Peek, A. A. Dodd, Fredalyn Cook, Mary Ann Shurwin, Kenneth Gaskin, Reverend Charles I. Rea. Others sent remembrances.

## PUTNAM WILL HAVE TRADES DAY

Putnam will sponsor a Trades Day event Saturday, January 11, on the public square. Everyone is urged to bring all products to trade, and to advertise them through the medium of The Putnam News, free of charge for that date. This event was suggested to the News editor as a bringing people to town event and for the purpose of accommodating many farmers who desire to trade. Horses, mules, cattle, poultry, hogs, eggs, feed or anything the farmer happens to have a surplus of will be good products to trade. Also extra pieces of furniture, wagons, tractors, and many other things will be good to trade. Advertise early in The Putnam News and maybe your prospective trader will be on hand without delay.

Misses Myrlene McCool and Frances Armstrong were visitors in Cisco Tuesday.

## LETTER TO SANTA

Little Gladys Lucille Farmer, 6 years old, who has been confined to her bed several weeks as a result of burns, writes Santa Claus:

DEAR SANTA:  
I have tried to be a good little girl. Will you please bring me a doll, doll trunk full of clothes, dishes, and wrist watch.

Please remember the other little boys and girls, especially those who are needy.

Also remember Mother and Daddy. Your little friend,  
GLADYS LUCILLE FARMER.

MRS. JOHN COOK  
ELECTED PRESIDENT

At a meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the First Baptist church Tuesday afternoon at 3, Mrs. John Cook was elected president to succeed Mrs. G. P. Gaskin, who resigned as president due to health conditions. Mrs. Gaskin expects to be operated soon. Mrs. S. M. Eubank presided Tuesday. General subject for the program was Lifting the Banner of the Cross Through Our Christmas Offering. Mrs. Eubank led the devotional reading from the second chapter of Luke, verses 1-7. On the program were Mmes. Fred Cook, I. E. Cook, E. G. Scott, John Cook, S. M. Eubank. Mrs. E. G. Scott was elected secretary of the organization to succeed Mrs. John Cook, who resigned to take her duties as president. Those present were Mmes. S. M. Eubank, W. M. Crosby, John Cook, J. E. Green, Fred Cook, I. E. Cook, W. E. Pruet, E. G. Scott.

## SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION HERE

The West Texas fifth Sunday Sacred Harp Singing Convention will be held in Putnam, Texas, the fifth Sunday in this month. We want all Sacred Harp singers and all lovers of this music to come and help make this an enjoyable day. If you can't sing this music come and listen to them that can, for there will be singers here that will entertain you whether you can sing or not. We extend an invitation to everybody to come and spend one day in singing the old sacred songs that our fathers and mothers used to sing.

W. W. EVERETT, Pres.  
MRS. CORA FOSTER, Secy.

## NO NEWS NEXT WEEK

The News force will celebrate next week by missing an issue. This is a custom among weekly newspapers, and gives us a rest and time to get our year's business rounded out by the first of the year.

We hope our readers will not miss next week's issue too much, and we promise to be on the job January 3, 1936, with the first issue of the New Year.

## TO OUR READERS

We extend to our readers hearty greetings through Christmas and the coming year!

We extend heartfelt thanks for our patronage this year and wish to say that one of our greatest joys is the assurance that we live in the memory of our friends.

Sincerely,  
MILDRED YEAGER, Editor.

## MRS. BRITAIN HAD CAR ACCIDENT SATURDAY

Mrs. B. F. Brittain happened to the misfortune of having an automobile accident Saturday afternoon about 3:30 about 1 mile east of Cisco when a car driving in front of her stopped without warning and she ran into the car. Mrs. Brittain received two broken ribs and other injuries. Mrs. Claude Cunningham of San Angelo who was driving with her did not receive noticeable injuries. The car fender was smashed, and the radiator injured, and the front light and windshield harmed. Mrs. Brittain is confined at home at the present writing doing nicely.

## 1,160 BALES COTTON GINNED

The Putnam gin has turned out 1160 bales of cotton to date and a few bales to go yet. This is considerably above the first estimate early in the summer, which ranged from 500 to 800 bales. The average price has been about eleven cents per pound, and average price for seed has been about \$33 per ton. Taking the cotton at 11 cents it would be about \$66,000 for cotton and seed at \$33 would equal about \$12 per bale, which would make a total of \$14,400 for seed added to \$66,000 for cotton, which makes a total of about \$70,000 for the crop less taxes paid.

So far no one has accused prosperity of speeding while rounding that corner we have heard so much about the last six years.

## YULETIDE SPIRIT GOOD IN PUTNAM

The Christmas spirit has been more hearty in Putnam this year than ever before. Putnam has bright lights, many decorations, and a general spirit of good will during the entire month of December. The News extends congratulations to the city with the hope that it may always be so attractive at Yuletide.

Miss Helen Settle and small sister, Mary Lou, of Baird, were visitors in Putnam Friday a short time. Miss Christene Settle returned with them and spent the week-end in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Settle.

## OIL NEWS

Campbell & Pennington, Dr. H. H. Ramsey No. 1, fishing for four joints of tubing.

Ungren & Frazier, Dee Davis et al No. 1, drilling at 1017 feet.

Pueblo Oil Co., C. B. Snyder No. 5, drilling at 405 feet.

Pueblo Oil Co. I. N. Jackson, No. 2 supping.

Beams Drilling and Producing Co. I. N. Jackson No. 9, drilling at 208 ft.

Campbell & Pennington I. N. Jackson No. 1, 1 mile west of Clyde, drilling at 750 feet.

E. G. Johnson, A. G. Hobbs No. 1, drilling at 968 feet.

J. H. Vise Mrs. R. D. Williams, drilling at 987 feet.

Hornbeck & Murray, I. N. Jackson No. 1, drilling at 103 feet.

L. E. Lockhart Mrs. P. L. Sherill, closed down at 1011 feet.

Several wells have been contracted to be drilled in west part of Baird.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend thanks to the people of Putnam and especially to Mrs. W. M. Crosby who assisted us so wonderfully in our recent bereavement, the loss of our father and grandfather, J. C. Mayes.

MR. AND MRS. J. C. WHITAKER AND SON.

## PUTNAM MAY HAVE WAYSIDE PARK

The highway department of Texas has made an offer to the people of Putnam, whereby a wayside park may be secured east of Putnam, according to a representative of that department who called at the News office Monday. The provisions of the offer are if the land can be donated or bought cheap. Land on the G. A. Brown farm is being considered as a purchase. From three to five acres will be needed.

There are many ways in which money may be obtained for such purchase. The News hopes citizens will cooperate and promote this enterprise.

If the land is secured the highway department will set out shrubs (there are already enough trees), make tables, seats, barbecue pits, etc., and maintain the park. A bronze plate 9x12 inches with raised letters bearing the names of the promoters will be furnished by the department and erected.

Mrs. E. G. Scott was a visitor in Cisco Tuesday.

## CALLAHAN IN NEW RELIEF DISTRICT

Due to discontinuance of money grants by the Federal Emergency Relief Administration, it is necessary that the Texas Relief Commission discontinue relief to persons or families who are employable or who have employable persons either male or female, within the relief group. This action is taken by the Texas Relief Commission to conserve the funds now on hand for the use of those persons or families who are unemployable and who would suffer through the winter, which lies ahead of us. It is estimated that there are 50,000 such families in Texas.

For the purpose of administering relief, beginning January 1, 1936, the State will be divided into twenty-two districts. The district in which Callahan county will be known as District No. 14, with headquarters at Eastland. Counties comprising this district are Eastland, Shackelford, Callahan, Erath, Coleman, Brown, and Comanche. As a result of this retrenchment program, some 3,000 administrative employees now on Administrative payrolls of the Texas Relief Commission, will be dismissed as soon as the business of the present district organizations can be closed out. At any rate, not later than January 15, 1936, thereby affecting the saving of approximately \$200,000 per month. Only a skeleton force will be maintained in each county for the administering of relief to unemployables. This force will consist largely of persons now working in the Case Work Department. In this district, certified lists of unemployable persons and families will be submitted each month to the Chief Accountant at Austin, and checks will be mailed by him to the client semi-monthly. All unemployable clients in this district can expect their first check by mail on or about the 8th of January, and the second on or about the 24th of January.

While WPA will have absorbed a big majority of all employable families now on relief rolls by January, we know that there will be some, who for one reason or another, will not have employment on WPA projects, but they will not be granted any relief from Texas Relief Commission funds. Therefore, each city and county must become aware of and realize the seriousness of the situation that will exist in some of the families in their communities, and we earnestly beg you to begin immediately the formulation of plans for assisting those families and individuals whom the Texas Relief Commission will not be able to assist.

In Callahan county, there are now approximately 92 unemployable cases and it is estimated that the funds now on hand will provide in part only for these families until April 1. Some of the services that we have been in the past able to render, such as medical aid, hospitalization, dental care, etc., cannot be rendered in the future, beginning January 1. Therefore, it is important that each community and county be made aware of the responsibility that will fall on their shoulders January 1, in order that they can immediately start preparations for rendering those services that the Texas Relief Commission has formerly rendered, but will be unable to render after January 1.

We want you to know that we will be only too glad to work with you in planning for the future care of individuals in your county, and if you will call on your local relief office or the district office in Eastland, we will be glad to assist you in any way within our power and ability.

In the near future announcement will be made as to the personnel in your county who will carry on the relief program from January 1 to April 1, 1936.

F. A. WELLS,  
District Administrator.

## WILL CHRIST BE PRAISED WITH YOUR MEMORY OF HIS BIRTH?

(Matthew 2:12) Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the King, behold there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying, where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.

King Herod did not wish to submit to the Christ child. There are too many of us like King Herod. We would destroy Christ in our lives that we might live a life of sin in this world. Yet we want to pretend and make the world believe that we are glad when this season of the year is come that we might make merry and celebrate the birth of our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. May He have pity on us as a people made in His image, who seem to think that we can defile our bodies at this season and Christ will not remember it against us.

We do not stop to think what God has said about His Son (Luke 1:15). For He shall be great in the sight of the Lord and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink; and he shall be filled with the Holy Ghost even from His mother's womb.

You and I as human beings fail to give ourselves to the use of God which gave us our being here on earth. When God created you and me, He made us the highest of all animal life on this earth. Adam fell and brought suffering, sin, and sorrow into the world, which still seems to take its toll from among his vast numbers; because we fail to have the proper attitude toward this season of the year which is Christmas, the birthday of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

The writer often wonders what Christ thinks about the way the American people show gratitude to Him during the celebration of His birth. We sometimes think that it is no wonder He fails to remember us as a part of His vast universe.

May the people of Putnam not live this Christmas as many seem to think enjoyable and that is to drink a pint or quart of the so-called Christmas spirits (whiskey). Let us celebrate this season in honor and holy praise of Him, who was born of a virgin mother and died the most crucial death that man has ever had to suffer in passing from this world of sin, sorrow, selfishness and strife to that eternal reward in the sky.

Let us, the citizens of Putnam, remember the origin of this season in prayer and supplication before the Lord Jesus Christ and His father who gave Him that you and I might have eternal life through His death on a Roman cross.

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## DUBLIN WINS REGION FIVE CHAMPIONSHIP

Oliver Davis, Sports Editor  
The Dublin high school won the Region 5 championship last week from San Saba by a score of 6 to 6. The game went to Dublin on first downs as the penetrations were even. The San Saba Armadillos were the winners of District 17-B. They won the district title and went forward and won the bi-district title from Albany, winners of District 17-B. Dublin piled up one of their best records in high school football. Wink, the winner of the region last year, won the regional championship again, only it was Region 1. Wink defeated Roscoe 34 to 7 for the title.

The Putnam high school is hoping that the 18 year rule will not be enforced as it will very much affect Putnam. If it is enforced the Panthers will lose T. L. Maynard, Rollie Bayne Cunningham, Raymond Jobe and L. B. Robinson. This will hurt the team very much. It will also affect many high schools in this district as well as any district.

The Putnam high school will be represented this year with a girls' basketball team. The team is at the present being coached by Maurine Robinson. Maurine was a good player when she was in Putnam high and she will if possible make a good team this year.

About the boys' basketball team, it is still uncertain. We will know for sure next week. There is good material in Putnam high and also a good coach.

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## MIDNIGHT! ARE YOUR VALUABLES SAFE?

This Is the  
**BANK**  
that  
**SERVICE**  
Is Building

Modern  
Safety Deposit  
Service

During the still of the night—when all lights are out, are your valuables safely protected from unsuspected prying eyes?

They can be—by placing them in one of our modern Safe Deposit Boxes. And it will be a decidedly comfortable feeling to know that your valuables are protected from prying eyes and light fingers—and from fire, loss or misplacement.

Why take the slightest chance with your possessions when one of our Safe Deposit Boxes can be rented for such a small sum? Bring your valuables in today

**First National Bank**  
In Cisco, Texas  
Member Federal Reserve System

**BAIRD STAR HAS 48TH BIRTHDAY**

The Baird Star of Callahan county celebrated its 48th birthday last Friday under the management of its most capable editor, Miss Eliza Gilliland. The Star was founded by the late W. E. Gilliland, father of the present editor. Mr. Gilliland devoted 41 years to the service of Callahan county through the medium of this splendid publication.

Miss Gilliland has been connected with the paper since its establishment. Hayney Gilliland, only son of the founder, is associated with his sister, having charge of the job printing department and the mechanical department of the establishment.

We wish for The Star many more successful birthdays.

**COTTON REPORT**

Census report shows that there were 5,985 bales of cotton ginned in Callahan county from the crop of 1935 prior to December 1, as compared with 5,218 bales ginned to December 1, crop of 1934 according to John H. Shrader, special agent.

W. W. Everett, R. F. Webb, J. E. Pruet, J. A. Sharp, and J. G. Overton made a trip to Bangs, Rising Star and May this week where they inspected new school buildings. Putnam in planning the construction of a new high school.

**PARTY IN KELLY HOME**

A group of young people enjoyed a party in the home of Madlon Kelly Friday evening, with Misses Kelly and Edna Brazil as hostesses.

The house was decorated for Christmas in red and green with icicles hanging around the room. "Who you were with, What you were doing, and Where you were" was played after which dancing furnished the diversion. Ten cents gifts were distributed after guests had drawn names. Lonnie Huskey and J. C. Yeager played the guitar and sang. Refreshments of hot chocolate with marshmallows, cookies and candy were served.

Those present were Duran Cox, Lonnie Huskey, Leon Collier of Moran; John D. Isehower, Sterl Abernathy; William Moon, Wayne Northcutt of Baird; J. C. Yeager, Jack Crawford, Elsie Kelly Dorothy Robinson, Gladys McIntire of Moran; Hazel McMillan, Clara Roberson, Maupine Koberson, Lucile Shannon.

L. B. Harwell was a visitor in Putnam Friday.

Mrs. W. F. Short and Misses Hortense Rogers and Lera Fleming were visitors in Abilene Thursday.

Mrs. Pete King and Miss Mildred Yeager attended the Home Demonstration program at Baird Wednesday and also took part in Shrubbery Day.

**A. B. O. U. T. CLUB HAD CHRISTMAS PARTY**

The A. B. O. U. T. Club of Putnam enjoyed a lovely Christmas party in the home of Miss Thelma Everett Monday evening, with Miss Everett as hostess. The spacious living room and dining room were decorated in a very artistic manner with green and red strips of crepe paper hung diagonally and coming together in a large bow with streamers on the beautiful electric chandeliers. A Christmas tree of fair size was on one side of the living room decorated with icicles and bright decorations. Gifts for the members were hanging and placed on the cotton base of the tree which was covered with snow.

Forty-two was enjoyed until 10:00, at which time refreshments of chicken salad sandwiches, cocoa with marshmallows and fancy wafers were served. Table covers, plates and napkins were of Christmas design. Tiny Santa Claus were plate favors. Miss Everett called the names labeled on the gifts. Members previously had drawn names to exchange. Gifts did not exceed 25c in value. Many clever and useful gifts were distributed. Those present were Misses Betty Mobley, Dolores Brandon, Elsie Kelley, Hortense Rogers, Lois Kennedy, Bertha Buchanan, Vella Sandlin, Lera Fleming, Eva Moore, Mildred Yeager, Thelma Everett, Mesdames Tex Herring and Will Rogers.

Mrs. Odgar Matthews and children, Carlton and Terry, of Merkel, spent several days in the home of Mrs. Ruth Kostiris and family this week.

Mrs. Henry Freeman of Albany is visiting her mother, Mrs. Ruth Kostiris. Mr. Freeman spent Sunday in Putnam.

B. F. Speegie of Scranton spent several days in the home of his daughter, Mrs. Roy Williams and family this week.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all—when in Baird come to see the old reliable merchant—W. D. BOYDSTON.

Cleve Calloway of Cross Plains was in Putnam and spent a short time at the Putnam News office. Mr. Calloway is a former candidate for electoral representative of this district.

**JUNIOR STUDY CLUB**

The Junior Study Club of Putnam met in the home of Miss Dolores Brandon Thursday afternoon, December 12. Mrs. Loren Everett, president, presided. A business meeting was held at which time Mrs. John Cook was elected sponsor. It was decided to meet next Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Clarence Armstrong. A naming committee was appointed consisting of Mrs. Armstrong, Misses Dolores Brandon and Dolores Brandon, Mrs. Loren Everett, Mrs. Jack Brandon, Mrs. Clarence Armstrong, Vella Sandlin, Bertha Buchanan, Artie Cook.

**MRS. MILLER GIVEN SHOWER**

With the Methodist Missionary Society as sponsor, Mrs. Miller of the Putnam Hotel was honored with a shower of handkerchiefs, towels, fruit, etc. in the hotel Thursday afternoon. The shower was a surprise to Mrs. Miller. The ladies met in the home of Mrs. C. K. Peek and went in a group. They were greeted at the door of the hotel by Mrs. J. Y. Culwell. Reverend Charles Rea held a short devotional, reading from Corinthians in the Bible. Prayer was led by Mrs. A. A. Dodd, president of the society.

Those present were Mesdames C. K. Peek, C. A. Mercer, A. McIntosh, Roy Williams, A. A. Dodd, Virgil Brown, Reverend Charles I. Rea.

**TODAY'S OPPORTUNITY**

WE STILL LIVE, in the age when poor men become rich, when the obscure may become famous, and the lowly may become great. This is still the early a.m. in the great day of Opportunity.

OPPORTUNITY often presents itself as a seeming inconsequential or trivial circumstance. But in life, nothing is trivial or inconsequential.

IN EVERY WALK OF LIFE, in every task that confronts humanity, there is a possibility for achievement. Work well done develops character and opens the gate for something better.

NO PERSON can handshake and smile his way to success if that is all he has to offer.

HEALTH ABOVE ALL is the most important thing in the world. Without it, your life can scarcely be anything but unhappy and miserable. With it the world is yours!

DON'T LET ILL HEALTH prevent you from enjoying to the fullest extent the rich blessings of this life that are the rightful heritage of every man and woman.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY invited to this office for consultation and examination without cost or obligation to you.

BELIEVING THE CAUSE OF PAIN OR DISEASE to be inside your body; it is a pleasure to explain how this method locates and removes that cause and restores your health.

Sincerely TOM B. HADLEY, D.C. RHEUMATISM, NEURALGIA and NEURITIS is effectively treated by the CHIROPRACTIC METHOD.

**FARM NOTES**

(ROSS-B. JENKINS, County Agt.)

**Cotton Farms Eligible to be Covered by a Contract**

A farm with one acre or more may be covered in 1936 by a Cotton Adjustment Contract for the 1936-37 period if it will be planted in 1936 and provided cotton was so grown on such farm in:

(a) Both 1934 and 1935, or  
(b) Either 1934 or 1935 and in at least one other year previous to 1933 and since 1930, or

(c) 1934 but not in 1935 because in 1935 the entire base cotton acreage was rented to the Secretary under a 1934 and 1935 cotton acreage reduction contract, or

(d) 1935 but not in 1934 because in 1934 the entire base was rented to the Secretary under a 1934 and 1935 Cotton Acreage Contract, or

(e) Neither 1934 or 1935 because the entire farm base was, for each such year, rented to the Secretary under a 1934 and 1935 Cotton Acreage Contract, or  
(f) Only one or neither of the years 1934 and 1935 and such failure to plant thereon in such year or years was caused by drouth, flood, or excessive rains which, for the same period of time, prevented the commercial production of the other agricultural commodities on the land so affected and if cotton was planted on such farm in at least one year previous to 1936 and since 1930.

Note: Any farm of 5 acres base or less may rent any part or all to the Secretary but in no case less than 1 acre and receive adjustment payment on the total of such acreage held out of production.

For all practical purposes it may be readily seen that all farms in Callahan that are eligible to sign are those which have grown cotton in either 1934 or 1935 and one other year since 1930, since we have no farms that were unable to plant any kind of crop during these two years. We had but two farms in the county that had the entire base (5 acres or less) rented to the Secretary during 1934 or 1935.

Farms that have been idle since 1930 are not eligible or even if they have grown cotton one or more of those years if none was grown in 1934 or 1935. On the other hand the above rules will permit a grower to sign a contract who has had cotton in either 1934 or 1935 if one other year is shown since 1930.

**Forty-four Percent More Wheat Signers for 4-Year Plan than in 1933 for the 2 Year Plan**

There were 104 wheat applications for contracts signed in Callahan county and forwarded to the State Review Board at College Station this week. This compares with 72 contracts that were signed in 1933. This is an increase of about 44 per cent over the first program offered.

Farmers are realizing every day the importance in cooperation with one another in placing on the market just that amount of raw commodities that are needed. They are just beginning to adopt the same policies that industry has been practicing since the advent of the modern commercial world. Factories produce but little more than the actual orders on hand for a given period. They do not

worry whether it will put men out of employment or what other effect might finally result but take care of their own interest, however some of the same agencies would make farmers believe it to be a crime to limit crop production to normal demand while diverting a portion of their lands to other uses. Farmers are finding the value of growing more food and feed for their own consumption and probably less of the ordinarily accepted crops known as cash crops. These include wheat, cotton, corn, rice and tobacco.

Farmers are also interested in the longer time programs as it gives more time for constructive planning. Parity Payment—Largest Number of Cotton Checks Yet Received—

The largest number of checks ever received for one distribution at one time was received this week and distributed.

There were 1015 parity checks received up to Monday night and 213 second rentals, that were issued at Oplin Tuesday morning; Cross Plains Tuesday afternoon, Putnam Wednesday morning and at Clyde Wednesday afternoon.

The amount of parity checks is about two thirds of the total. In view of the approaching holidays the county agent felt it to be of special service to the producers to deliver the checks as quickly as possible in order that Santa Claus might be in a generous attitude.

The amount of money received up until Monday night, Dec. 16, was about \$20,000 and that writes him to the first of the AAA attempts to raise the price levels of cotton to parity.

The parity payment is calculated at one and one-fourth cents per pound for the Farm Allotment which is 40 per cent of the annual average production.

**Peanut Farmers Meet**

The peanut growers of the county met with the county agent in two meetings last week to discuss the best methods to pursue relative to the marketing of the crop of peanuts which will soon be threshed. These meetings were held at Cottonwood and at Clyde. It was decided by the farmers to offer no peanuts on the weak market now prevailing. Peanuts should bring at least \$1.00 per bushel and most farmers are going to hold for that much. Banks are assisting the farmers to hold their crop until it dries up and a fair price is offered.

The Traders Oil Company of Fort Worth has been accepted by the Secretary to buy a stipulated number of tons at not less than \$65 for No. 1 U. S. Grade (70 per cent meats). Such offers will greatly strengthen the market soon. Other competitors are reported to be entering the field also.

Miss Elsie Kelly and Mrs. Tex Herring were visitors in Abilene Wednesday.

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BAIRD, TEXAS

Mr. and Mrs. Cage Heslep and daughter, Mrs. Anthony and Mr. Anthony of Houston, are spending several days with relatives in and near Putnam.

County Agent Ross B. Jenkins, of Baird, was in town handing out checks to farmers Wednesday morning. Mr. Jenkins always has a welcome in Putnam especially when delivering checks. There were quite a number of farmers in Putnam to get their checks.

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Mrs. W. M. Moore was in town this week and while here extended her subscription for another year.

Mrs. Elsie Start and children of Cisco were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Teague Friday.

W. L. Yeager and Mrs. J. A. Yeager spent Sunday in the home of J. S. Yeager and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude King and Maxine were visitors in Cisco Wednesday.

A number of the Scranton farmers were in Putnam Wednesday transacting business. Among them were R. M. Brummett, S. R. Kellough, Truman Blalock and Ben Cozart.

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—W. D. BOYDSTON.

F. P. Shackelford is in the Graham Sanitarium at Cisco this week from infection of his hand. Several days ago he was attempting to start a fire at his residence with gasoline, and in some way burned his hand and infection set up.



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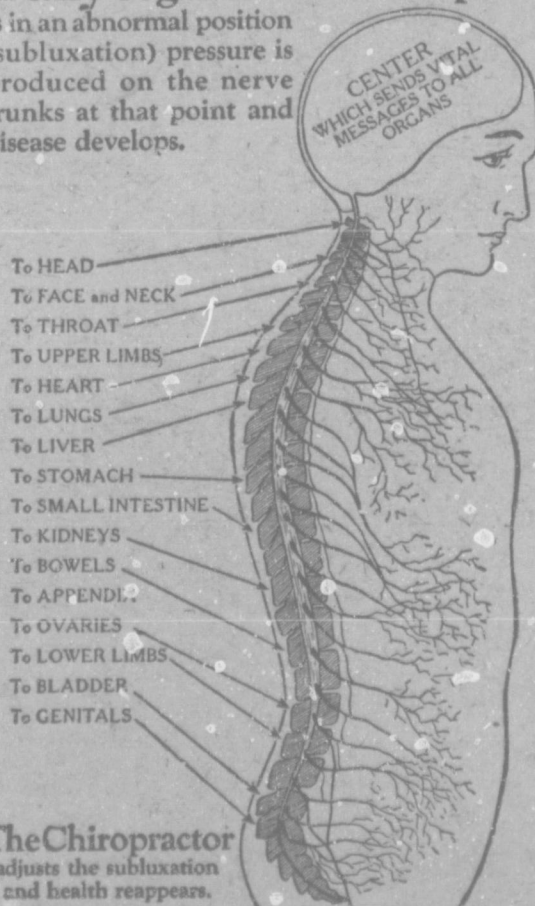
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**THINK ON THESE THINGS**

(C. C. Andrews, Baird, Texas)  
"Thanks unto God for His unspeakable gift." As the Christmas holidays approach we begin to think of our gifts to our friends and loved ones. I am wondering if we ever think of God's "unspeakable gift," when He gave His Son to be the Savior of the world over nineteen hundred years ago.  
The announcement of the birth in Bethlehem was made by an angel to the shepherds with these words: "Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord."  
Never before or since has there been such a gift bestowed upon the human family of such vital importance. For he became the one and only "Redeemer and Mediator between God and man."

The gifts we receive from others are appreciated because of their value, or the giver, or both the value and giver. The value of this gift is of such importance, that without it there would have been no salvation; "For there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved."

And then we appreciate the giver because he was moved by love to bestow the gift. John expresses God's love as follows: "In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him."

We would be very ungrateful if we neglected to express appreciation and thanks to those who bestow upon us gifts. Even so, God expects, and is pleased, when we from our hearts thank Him for the greatest of all gifts.

M. L. Nettles returned Thursday night from a trip to Dallas where he has been at the bedside of his grandchildren, Eugene Ingram and Lawrence Ingram, who have been seriously ill. Eugene, 3 years old, suffered from a fall from a loft where he was playing and drove a piece of steel into his skull. He has been in the hospital in a very serious condition. Lawrence Ingram, 10 years old, has been suffering for several weeks due to kidney trouble. He was released from the hospital a short time ago to return at intervals. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ingram, parents of the children, are former residents of Putnam.

**SCRANTON NOTES**

Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Cook of Putnam spent Saturday night and Sunday in the B. T. Leveridge home.

J. H. Shrader went to Corsicana last week to move his mother to Dallas.

Ray Battle bought a five room bungalow from an oil company on a lease near Nimrod and moved it on his farm west of town.

Leo Clinton bought a house from the same company and is moving it on his farm northwest of Scranton.

Miss Emma Sprawls of Lamea and Mrs. Susie Ray of Austin visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Sprawls Saturday and Sunday. Mrs. Ray was formerly sheriff of Dawson county and is now secretary of the Sheriff's Association of Texas.

Miss Mary Lee Black had for her guest Thursday night Miss Mary Ruth Sampson of Peshaw community.

H. B. Lane is summoned to Eastland Monday on a petit jury.

Our boys' and girls' basketball teams played Pioneer Friday morning, both teams winning by one point.

The boys' team won over Cross Cut Friday afternoon but the girls lost their game.

The boys won a trophy in their game Saturday.

The PTA is sponsoring a library. They have a hundred volumes from the state and there is to be a book social at the school building Tuesday evening. Each person attending is to take a book to be given the library, which will be established in the Jackson home in Scranton. Mrs. Jackson will act as librarian.

As this is the last news from Scranton to be published before the Christmas holidays, in behalf of our people of Scranton we want to wish the readers of Putnam News everywhere a Merry Christmas and that Santa will be extra good to you this year and for our brave little editor we hope old Santa will fill her stocking full of subscriptions for the Putnam News.

E. C. Warren of the Union community was in town Wednesday, and while here called at the News office and left his subscription for the Abilene Morning News and the Putnam News. Thanks.

Mesdames J. E. Heslep, A. A. Dodd, Clarence Armstrong and small son, Gene, attended the Home Demonstration and Shrubbery Day events at Baird Saturday.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Harris and son, Stanley, Guion, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Perry, Tom Frank Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bob Harris, May, Texas; Mrs. Jack Strocket, Brownwood, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harris, son Franklin, and daughter, Sybil of Abilene; Charlie Horn, Ibex; Mr. and Mrs. R. L. King and son, Howard, of Sweetwater; and Clyde Ping, Estelle and Weldon King of Putnam were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claude King Sunday.



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**STUDY CLUB HAD CHRISTMAS PARTY**

The Women's Study Club of Putnam had a Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Lynn L. Williams Monday afternoon. The home was beautifully decorated in cedar in the dining room and living room. Holly wreaths and lights of Christmas colors were cleverly arranged. A huge white Christmas bell hung between the doors of the dining room and living room. The tree of cedar on the dining table was most artistically decorated and gifts surrounded it. Members had drawn names for the exchange of gifts. Refreshments of open sandwiches, cut in the shape of a heart and a star and apple sauce cake and coffee were served. Mrs. R. D. Williams and Mrs. W. F. Short were assistant hostesses with Mrs. Williams. Roll call was answered Women Characters of the Bible, with Mrs. R. L. Clinton, president, presiding.

Song, Silent Night, was sung by the club. Mrs. Fred Short told about the origin of Christmas, Mrs. J. G. Overton The Other Wise Man, Mrs. John Cook The Search for the Holy Grail, and the club sang the Little Town of Bethlehem. Those present present were Meses. R. L. Clinton, Wiley, Fred Cook, Joann Cook, S. M. Eubank, J. G. Overton, H. A. Pruet, G. S. Pruet, W. F. Short, E. C. Waddell, Louis A. Williams, J. N. Williams, L. L. Williams, R. D. Williams, E. H. Williams.

Fred Heysler was reelected cottoon committeeman from this precinct at an election held here Wednesday morning.

**BRIDGE CLUB MET**

The Bridge Club met in the home of Mrs. E. C. Waddell Tuesday evening with Miss Rena Ball as hostess. A Christmas tree was glistening in the dining room and living room draperies were decorated in red and green rope and holly wreaths. Refreshments of fozen salad, fruit cake, and coffee were served. Small Santa Claus were plate favors. Those present were Meses. Wiley Clinton, Louis A. Williams, J. H. Bates, Claude Cunningham of San Angelo, L. B. Williams, E. C. Waddell, W. F. Short, Misses Pauline Roberds, Lois Kennedy, Willie Kennedy, Dolores Brandon and Rena Bull.

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**MISS ROBERDS HOSTESS**

Miss Pauline Roberds, teacher in the Putnam schools, was hostess to the members of the Glee Club with their guests at a lovely Christmas party between the hours of 5:30 and 7:00 at the Mission Hotel ball room. A magnificently decorated Christmas tree supported gifts which were numbered for the guests. Other decorations were red and green with bells and holly weaths. Volley ball was played with balloons, and cotton snow balls thrown through a wreath. Christmas carols were sung and each guest repeated a nursery rhyme before being presented with a small gift. Jack Everett distributed gifts from the tree. Miss Christene Settle and R. F. Webb were honor guests.

Refreshments of sandwiches, Christmas candies, and hot chocolate were served. Those present were Misses Louise Peek, Myrlene McCool, Frances Armstrong, Ardelia Gaskin, Betty Mercer, Mary Douglas Williams, Juanita Yeager, Martha Jean Rogers, Juanita McCullough, Dorothy Roberson, Zada Williams, Helen Maynard, Gathleen Green, Pauline Roberds, Christene Settle; Messrs. T. J. Maynard, Norris Park, Curtis Armstrong, Cathey McCool, Exal McMullan, Olivier Davis, Jack Everett, Eugene Brandon, Coly Maynard, Doyle Lee Brown, R. F. Webb.

J. R. Morgan, J. H. Johnston and Slim Taylor were in town Wednesday transacting business with the county agent. All reported cotton gathered and practically all sold.



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- Williams Holiday Set—Always a safe gift for the man who enjoys true shaving comfort ..... \$1.25
- Combination Cigarette Box—and Cigarette Lighter in black and silver; smart and practical ..... \$1.00
- Travel Kits—Men's fine leather travel kits in zipper case ..... \$5.95

**FOR FATHER**

- Amity Bill Fold—High grade leather in black or brown; sliding compartment ..... \$1.50
- Men's Travel Kit—a practical and long-lasting kit for the Dad that travels ..... \$3.69
- American Gentleman's Set—McKesson-high grade shaving requisite, \$1.35 value for ..... 89c
- Cocktail Shaker—of Satin-Ray Aluminum, with gay decorations ..... \$2.90
- Military Set—in chromium finish, packed in modern gift box ..... \$1.95
- Baby Set ..... 50c

**FOR HER**

- Coty Set—Gift sets that will delight any girl; from ..... \$1.50 to \$10
- Pyralin Dresser Sets—assorted colors and sizes, from \$2.00 to \$50
- Sutex Set—The newest in manicure sets in simulated cloisonne, for ..... \$1.00
- 5-Year Diaries—Leather bound, assorted colors, some with zipper per ..... \$1.00 to \$2.49

**CITY PHARMACY**  
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**ATWELL**

Rev. Ivey filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night.

Mrs. Harry Gilbert and daughter from San Angelo visited with Mrs. Gilbert's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Brashear, this past week.

The ones that attended the all-day club meeting at Baird Saturday were: Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Foster, daughters Vera and Mary, Miss Maggie Jones, Mrs. M. L. Moore, Mrs. B. P. Pillans, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Foster, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Brashear, Mrs. M. G. Tatom, Mrs. R. N. Brashear and Mrs. D. C. Foster.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Bradley, son Joe, and a Mr. Hudgens from Dallas were visitors here with friends, also visited with Mrs. Bradley's brother, Mr. O. A. Blackman during this weekend.

S. A. Black visited with his sick brother, Noel Black, at Scranton Sun-Mel House and Steve Foster made a business trip to Eneagy this week.

Miss Noigrass, teacher of the primary grades, entertained her little pupils and their parents with a party at the school house Friday night.

She served hot chocolate and cookies, played games, and all reported an enjoyable time.

After so long a time and plenty of difficulties, the farmers here are just about ready to begin a new crop with the New Year.

S. N. Foster is riding around this week in a brand new 1936 Chevrolet.

**SOPHOMORES SPEAK**  
Oliver Davis

Pruse, pause, here comes Santa Claus! Christmas is nearing the corner and will soon be upon us once more. The Putnam schools will be dismissed today and will return to school December 30, which will be a ten day vacation. Most Sophomores are planning on a good time Christmas, which I hope is fulfilled. Instead of giving fruit to the school this year, the Putnam high school, together will have a large Christmas tree.

The Sophomores made speeches last Thursday, Monday and Wednesday. Of course this all happens in English. Maybe some day we will be orators, yeh!

Everyone is studying in history trying to make a good grade. Is it because Santa Claus is coming or is it because of failures? Well you figure it out.

Our news is short this week, but we can afford to have a short report. Oh, look here, Eugene Brandon wants me to mail this letter to Santa Claus:

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**GRIGGS HOSPITAL NOTES**

Helen Burnett, 5 year old daughter of J. D. Burnett, was a patient Friday for repair of foot, which was cut in the instep. All muscles from tendon to bone were cut through. She is doing nicely.

J. S. Gamble left the hospital Sunday for his home in Denton.

Mrs. Bob Price who underwent major surgery Saturday is doing nicely. Infant son of J. E. Taylor of Opalin had minor surgery Saturday.

Joe Clark was an x-ray patient Sunday for dislocated finger.

Dock-Townsend of Loving, New Mexico, who has been a patient for sclerosis of the liver, is reported in an unchanged condition.

Mrs. Ross Respass of Cottonwood entered the hospital Tuesday for surgery. She is doing nicely.

John Asbury was released from the hospital Sunday.

Nell Bryant of Baird entered the hospital Monday afternoon suffering from double pneumonia. She is resting in the oxygen tent.

Mrs. D. S. McGee was able to return to her home east of Baird Sunday.

R. L. Griggs Jr. is reported to be slowly improving.

John McKinsey was a patient Friday for laceration of hand as a result of an accident received in the oil field.

**M. E. LEABUE HAD PARTY**

The Senior League of the Methodist church enjoyed a party at the parsonage Tuesday evening with the Methodist pastor, Reverend Charles I. Raa, as host. A Christmas tree was decorated by members. Christmas bells hung from the lights, and the windows were lighted in decorative arrangement. Christmas songs were sung by the girls, after which games were played. Reverend Raa was asked to distribute the gifts and responded. Names had previously been drawn for exchange of presents. Every member of the League was present with the exception of two. Sacks of fruit, nuts and candy were distributed. Those present were Christene Settle, Harley Dodd, Harlin Dodd, Louise Peck, Jean Rogers, Billy McMillan, Wayne Triplett, Betty Mercer, Myrlene McCool, Bennie Burns Williams, Roy Lee Williams, Juanita Yeager, Cecil Triplett, Frances Armstrong, Estelle King, T. L. Maynard, Eugene Brandon, Hortense

Rogers, and Superintendent R. F. Webb, who was the guest of honor.

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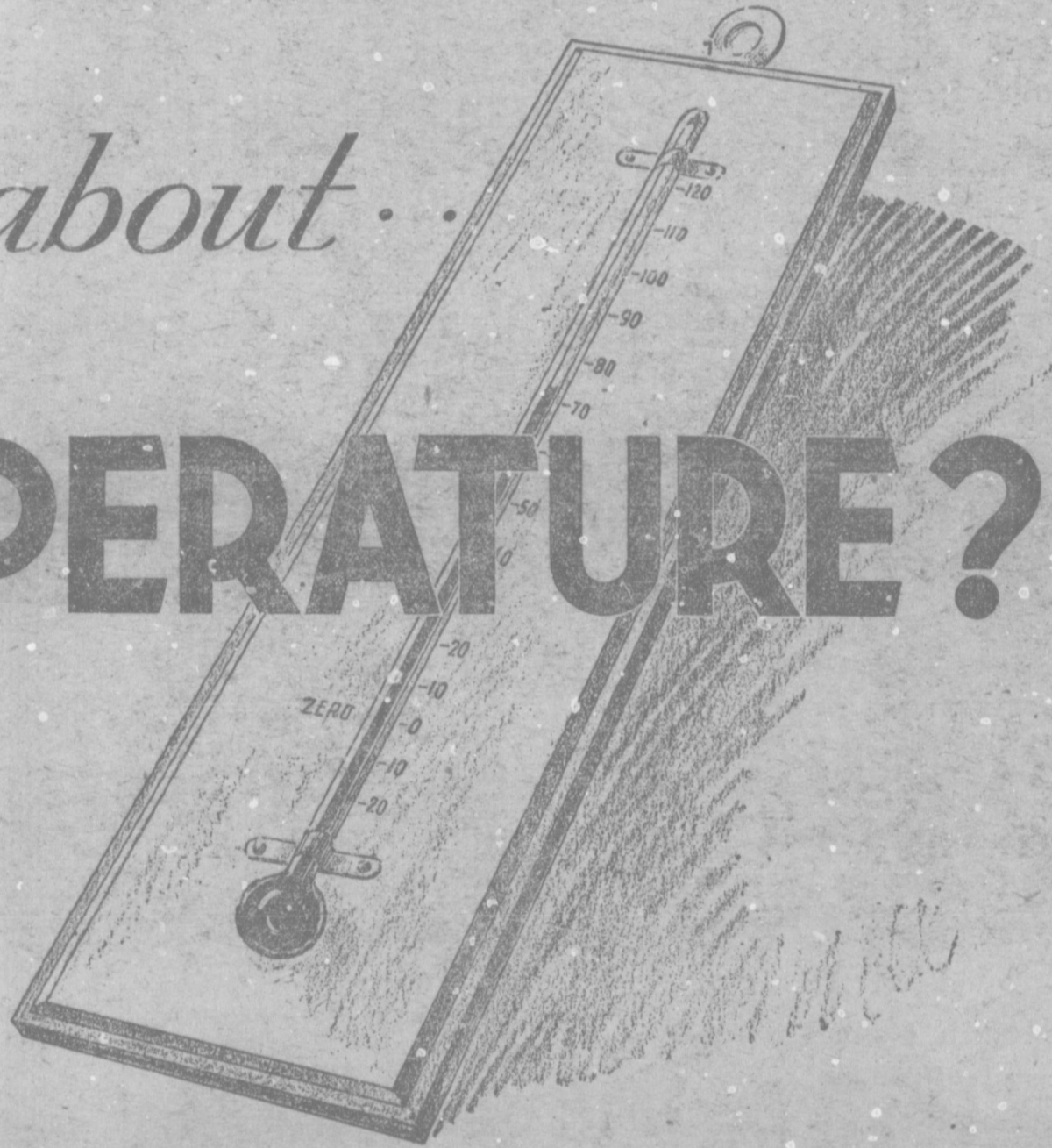
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Keep comfortable temperatures and adequate ventilation throughout your home. You will find that it will add to your happiness as well as assist you to protect your health and that of your loved ones.

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Don't gamble with a "cold"! Consult your family doctor before it has an opportunity to undermine your health. Tune in each Thursday night at 6:30, WFAA W.B.A.P. for helpful information from a leading physician that will assist you to guard against the common cold germ.