

From The Editor Window

The weather is very nice this morning, somewhat cool, but having emerged from a typical old-fashioned sand-storm of a day and nights duration, we are glad to see the sun risq in all its splendor and the air cleared again of the dust.

The war is still in progress with much fighting and blood shed as a result of course. It is reported that Hitler is moving troops farther down into south-eastern Europe and is planning strong force against the British along the Mediterranean coast.

The British, too, are being more and more victorious as time goes by and are making every preparation possible for any emergency that may present itself at any time. They have recently called more reserves to the colors.

Here are a few items we have picked here and there regarding the care of Nylon hosiery which is becoming more and more popular.

When putting on Nylon hosiery take time to roll the stocking down to the toe, then draw on over the foot, unrolling gently as you go.

When washing them remember soaking is unnecessary, since Nylon absorbs such little moisture, all that is needed is to squeeze gently a few times in lukewarm suds, rinse carefully in luke warm water, then hang-up to dry, which will take only thirty minutes or less time.

When mending Nylon use ordinary thread as the usual stop-run preparations.

The patient had just come out of a long delirium.

"Where am I," he asked feebly, as he felt loving hands making him comfortable, "Am I in Heaven?" "No," cooed his wife, "I'm still with you, dear."

According to Justice Department figures the female in the world of crime rates 7.6 per cent deadlier than the male. What a shame on womankind! Out of every 1,000 women and 1,000 men arrested in the first half of 1940, thirteen women were charged with murder, compared to ten men, and fifty-five women were charged with assault, compared to fifty-two men. But the men committed more minor crimes. Only 8.2 per cent of all those arrested were women.

According to an article in the Rotan Advance a few weeks back a highway patrolman checked the traffic passing the stop sign at the Stamford High School building.

Of forty-five cars passing in ten minutes, forty per cent of the drivers stopped. Sixty per cent totally disregarded it and if that number nine per cent ran the stop sign at excessive speed.

The patrolman said it was the parents, not the students, who were the offenders.

It is reported that Amos'n-Andy, famous radio stars, have decided to enter the oil business in East Texas. They are said to have purchased royalty in Wood county.

We are glad for our state to attract capital. East Texas has been very prosperous for the past several years on account of its immense oil fields. They big paper mills are adding wealth to East Texas also. The first thing we know an oil field or sulphur, or something else as good will be opened up in this part of the country. The eyes of the people all over the United States are now centered on Texas and we are expecting results.

James S. Kemper, president, chamber of commerce of the U. S., is quoted as saying, and we believe he is right, that "Dictatorships, more than anything else, are receiverships."

It is said the largest "trailer town" in the world is located at Sarasota, Florida. The people of this oddly named town have made a practise of catering to the trailer tourists for several years and now have 30 acre reservation, set aside by the city for "trailer town." The provide sewers, city water, light and power connections, and a large recreation hall.

We admire the spirit of Sarasota. The way to get business, we all know, is to go after it, and this is what the town in Florida has done.

R. B. TAYLOR, JR. DIED MONDAY AND BURIED AT BELL PLAIN TUESDAY

R. B. Taylor, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Taylor, died at their home Monday about six miles south of Putnam. R. B. had been afflicted all of his life with infantile paralysis. He was born January 20th, 1925, and died February 16th, 1941, being sixteen years old at the time of his death.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Taylor, three brothers; Bill, Erank B. and Homer one sister, Mary Lynn and his aged grandmother Mrs. J. G. Blackley and a number of other relatives, and an aunt Miss Evelyn, Blakley, who helped his mother take care of him through his many years of illness. Miss Evelyn was especially beloved by Buddy as he was called by his family and friend.

REV. J. J. RICHARDSON BURIED AT DENTON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Funeral services were held for Rev. J. J. Richardson Tuesday at Denton, aged 94. Rev. Richardson was a pioneer Presbyterian minister of Denton county, and a former citizen of Putnam, living here with his daughter Mrs. Peyton Wingo, from here a few years ago, going to Kent, where Mrs. Wingo is general agent for the Texas & Pacific Railroad. Rev. Richardson had made his home with his two daughter, Mrs. Peyton Wingo, at Kent and an other Mrs. R. W. Fenton at Tahoka. He was well known here having preached at a number of places in this territory during his residence here.

WOMANS SOCIETY OF CHRISTAIN SERVICE

The Womanis Society of Christain Service met at the Methodist church Wednesday, February 19th, with Mrs. A. H. Nelson as leader. Quiet Music, "Walk in the Light," Hymn, "Take the name of Jesus with you."

Hymn, "Close to Thee." Prayer, Rev. Milton Slayden Devotional, Matt, 6-1-9, Mrs. Wilson.

The Lords Prayer by members. Bible Study, second lesson "Through Jesus to our understanding of God and Man", and such a Gospel in such a World", by Rev. Milton Slayden.

Duett, "In the garden" Mesdames. O. H. Nelson and Milton Slayden. Bulletin News, Mrs. Roy Speegle. Efficiency aim was read by Mrs. Slayden.

Business session conducted by the president. Benediction by Mrs. Brown.

CHARLES ODOM ILL IN HENDRICKS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AT ABILENE

Charlie Odom was taken to the Hendricks Memorial hospital at Abilene, Friday evening for treatment. He was given aid to a calf Wednesday morning and in some way the calf hooked in the ribs on his right side; but he did not think it amounted too much and didn't pay it much attention, until Friday afternoon, when his temperature began rising. Late Friday evening he was taken to the hospital where his temperature had rose to 104, his side was exrayed and the wound was not of a serious nature; but he will likely have to stay in the hospital several days before returning home.

HIGH SCHOOL RECEIVES \$2.00 PAYMENT ON THE APPOINTMENT FOR '41.

State School Superintendent L.A. Woods announced Friday the payment of another installment of two dollars in the \$22.50 apportionment that was made by the board of education this year. The payment amounting \$3,073.308 and makes a total of twelve dollars paid on the apportionment to date. Callahan county should have received around \$7,000 out of this allotment.

THE ONE ACT PLAY "OLD MAIDS CONVENTION" TO BE FRIDAY NIGHT 7-21

The mothers football team of the Putnam high school are sponsoring a one act play, "Old Maids Convention," for the benefit of the Putnam football team and will be at the high school auditorium Friday night February 21st. The proceeds from the play will be divided one-half going to beautify the school ground and the other half to go to the Putnam football team. Admission ten and fifteen cents.

Cottonwood School Patrons To Discuss Hot Lunches Friday

A pruning demonstration will be given at Mrs. Norman Coffey's on Friday afternoon, February 21, at two o'clock. Following this demonstration the Cottonwood Home Demonstration club will hold its regular meeting at the school house. A program on hot school lunches has been arranged by the program chairman, Mrs. Floyd Coffey.

Mrs. Bill Banks, county supervisor of the hot lunch project, will be the main speaker for the afternoon. All school patrons are especially urged to be present as well as club members.

The meeting of the Cottonwood club previously scheduled for this date at Mrs. Bryan Bennett's, will be held Friday afternoon February 28, at 2 p.m. The proper kitchen storage will be demonstrated by Miss Clara Brown, home demonstration agent. Members are asked to bear this change of meetings in mind.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Jeter and Mrs. Burette Ramsay and daughter, Stella Mae visited Mr. and Mrs. Willie Jeter at Eastland Friday night returning Saturday and Mr. and Mrs. Jeter returned with them and spent Saturday night, returning to Eastland Sunday.

Mrs. E. E. Sunderman was in Putnam from the lease Wednesday evening with several, dozen eggs and when asked how many hens she had, she said, "I have only about thirty-five hens and get from 25 to 30 eggs per day," she has the white Leghorn chicken.

Mrs. G. P. Gaskins received a message Wednesday morning that her brother in law John Montgomery was seriously ill at Jayton. Mrs. Gaskin, together with her brother, Dr. Floyd Clark and wife of Cisco, left immediately for Jayton.

Mrs. Burette Ramsay was in Putnam Wednesday morning and walking up the side walk, she stopped and stated to a representative of the News that she was not particular looking for hot dogs, but had often heard of hot dogs for sale and she would know where to go, hereafter, when she wanted a hot dog since she had seen a dog lying in a show window in Putnam, which was a good advertisement.

Earl Jobe who has been employed in the oil fields near Hamlin spent a few days with home folks over the week end.

Miss Mildred Yeager who has been employed in Washington for more than a year is spending a few days with home folks. She will be here about two weeks before returning to her work.

Advertisement for First National Bank. Text includes: "This Is The BANK that SERVICE Built", "SERVING! The People Is This Bank Highest Aim", "The Service of the First National Bank is consistently courteous, friendly and helpful. It is never inattentive, listless nor half hearted, but always sincerely interested and cooperative.", "Modern Safety Deposit Service", "FIRST NATIONAL BANK IN CROOK COUNTY, TEXAS", "Member of Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation"

TYPICAL WEST TEXAS SCENE



Above is shown a scene typical in West Texas—an F.F.A. Fat Stock show. West Texas boys are learning through efforts of the organization how to breed the best beef cattle

\$56,000 ROAD PROJECT O.K.'D. BY PRESIDENT FOR PUTNAM TERRITORY

Mayor J. S. Yeager received a telegram from Senator Tom Connally at Washington, Monday afternoon, stating that President Roosevelt, had approved a W.P.A. road project for Putnam, amounting more than \$56,000, which will employ a large number of men for several months. The work includes grubbing right of way, setting fences back, resurfacing and reshaping all of the grades and reconditioning bridges and draining structures. The telegram stated that the actual construction will begin as soon as the Works Administration could get things ready and let the contract.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Farris of the Scranton community was in Putnam shopping Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. J. M. Shelton who was taken to the County hospital about three weeks ago returned last week to her home, was taken back to the hospital again where she has been seriously ill, however, she is said to be improving. Will possibly be able to bring back home in a few days, if she continues on the recovery.

Mrs. Carl Wallace of Tyler spent the week end visiting with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Yeager.

A. W. Johnson of the Hart community was in Putnam Wednesday and stated range conditions were fine this winter. Mr. Johnston a ranchman in that community.

Mrs. J. R. Burnett and Mrs. Kate Richardson visited their sister Mrs. J. S. Yeager Saturday afternoon.

Clyde White a representative of Steck and Company, San Antonio was through Putnam Tuesday afternoon and while here visited the News office for a short while.

Jim Cribbs visited home folks for a while this week. He is employed at Brownwood, and has been for several months.

Mr. and Mrs. Duran Cox and John Cox of Moran spent several days in San Beneta last week returning home Saturday.

UNGRIN AND FRAZIER SPUED IN WELL ON BURKS N. OF BAIRD

A location was staked Tuesday for a Callahan county wildcat north of Baird, the Ungrin & Frazier No. 1 Burks. It is scheduled to be drilled about 1500 feet, test and to be drilled with a spudder. It is 200 feet out of the south west lines of section 116 BBB and C. survey.

COMMUNITY SINGING AT BAPTIST CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23

The Putnam people organized a local singing class at the Baptist church about two weeks ago, to meet each second and fourth Sunday in each month. The next meeting will be Sunday afternoon, February 23rd. The singing will begin promptly at 2 o'clock p.m., and every body invited to attend.

GILES PROPOSES TIME EXTENSION IN LANDS

AUSTIN, — Stating that there is no investment on which school funds could get a higher return, Bascom Giles, commissioner of the general land office, recently recommended to the Governor and the members of the legislature that the time for payment of principal on all school land sales contracts which are due or will become due before November 1, 1951, should be extended to that date.

The extension would give the state the interest on \$12,410,939 principal on 17,904 accounts on purchases before 1911 for several more years. "Such an extension is good business for the state and its school fund," Commissioner Giles said, "and would also be of material assistance to many of the state's purchasers whose contracts will become due during this period. We are now in the midst of a national emergency which will make it difficult for landowners to meet their principal payments, and the school fund could not find a better source of revenue from its assets than interest on the sale of its lands," Commissioner Giles added.

The commissioner made his recommendation as a result of numerous land holders' asking for the extension and their assurance that they would avail themselves of it. Commissioner Giles explained the work that has been done in the general land office the last two years in compiling the 404,000 state abstracts into compact, single-line entries from the previous sixty-three volumes, and suggested that an appropriation be made to print and bind the revised abstract volumes. The existing abstract books were last published in 1878, and since then changed in status and new abstracts have appeared in annual supplementary volumes.

The most efficient procedure to publish these abstracts would be to divide the state into eight districts, averaging about 52 counties to the district. Such a revision would be of untold benefit to the comptroller of public accounts and to the tax-collecting agencies of the state, in addition to abstracting plants and attorneys who do little work throughout the state. Much formerly unrendered land will be added to the tax rolls of the various counties by virtue of the information disclosed by these books, Commissioner Giles said.

Poverty does not destroy virtue, nor does wealth restore it.—Spencer Perceval.

R. F. WEBB RE-ELECTED SUPERINTENDENT FOR 12TH SUCCESSIVE TIMES

The Putnam school board met last Tuesday night in regular session and re-elected R. F. Webb as superintendent for the 1941-42 term. This is the 12th successive time he has been elected as superintendent.

Mr. Webb came to Putnam in 1926, just after he had secured his Bachelor of Art's degree from Howard-Payne college, Brownwood. He was employed as a grade teacher and served in that capacity for 4 years, and in 1930, he was elected as superintendent and has been re-elected each year since.

There was sharp division among the members of the board, since the vote was a tie vote. The motion was made to elect Mr. Webb as superintendent for another year, and those voting for the motion were; G. P. Gaskins, H. E. Butler and W. W. Everett. Those voting against the motion were; I. G. Mobley, Orville Taylor and Ellison Pruet W. A. Everett, president of the board casting the deciding vote for the motion and Mr. Webb was declared elected.

FORMER RESIDENT OF PUTNAM DIED IN CLYDE WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

J. N. Pyeatt of Clyde about 81 years of age and a former resident of Putnam, died at the home of his son Russell Pyeatt at Clyde Wednesday afternoon after an illness of several weeks.

Mr. Pyeatt had a stroke of paralysis about one week ago from which he gradually grew worse until his death Wednesday.

Mr. Pyeatt moved from Putnam, about 1907 going to Clyde, where he has resided ever since until his death. Mr. Pyeatt was born May 14, 1859, in Arkansas. He was married to Nancy Rpley, in Mills county. After living in Putnam for about 20 years, they moved to Clyde. Mrs. Pyeatt died in the 20's.

They were parents of seven children. Three of whom died in infancy. The surviving are: Ollie Pyeatt, Russell Pyeatt and Mrs. W. E. McCollum of Clyde, and Mrs. Cella Marshall of Bennett, New Mexico.

Funeral services were held at the Clyde Church of Christ at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon, by J. G. Malphurs, Haskel, former Clyde minister and Andrew Murriss present minister of the Church of Christ, Clyde. Burial in Clyde cemetery after the funeral services.

MAGNETIC NAIL PICKER COVERS 5,770 MILES

AUSTIN, — When Mr. Motorist fumbles for the jack and tackles the dirty problem of changing a tire, he probably is thinking that Lizzie is trying to pick up all the nails on the highway.

What he doesn't know is that Lizzie has run over, on a Fort Worth to San Antonio trip, enough metal to cause him 486,093 punctures. The State Highway Department is picking this up. "A Little Item of Service," by John Porter Byram in the January issue of Texas Parade tells about it.

"On John's next trip his luck is due to be brighter," reads the article "for by that time the State Highway Departments magnetic nail picker will have covered the entire stretch and the "take" will include some ton and a half of nails, tobacco cans, bolts, spikes, wire, nuts, even horseshoes."

"For several years the department has been operating two magnetic nail picking machines. These machines consist of a truck on which is mounted a magnetized bar, charged by an auxiliary motor. The bar is suspended from the rear of the truck a few inches above the ground. As the truck moves slowly over the road, nails and other metal are pulled up by the magnet. When the bar is covered, the truck operator, spreads a canvas under the bar, cuts off the current, drops the accumulation of metal on the canvas. The metal is poured into the truck and the operation renewed.

"During the 12 months ending August 31, 1940, the two machines worked 5770 miles of state highways. They picked up a total of 80,755 pounds of metal, an average of 14 pounds per mile.

"The average cost of clearing a pound of metal from the roads is about 10 cents, cheap when you consider what that pound of metal could do to a tire and consequently to an automobile and life.

"The metal itself is used by the Highway Department to fill in wash holes along highway rights-of-way and to prevent erosion."

ATWELL

A correction; the names in the Atwell club news last week should have read, Mrs. George Purvis, Mrs. J. C. Brashear and Miss Linnie Brashear.

J. T. Maddux of Fort Worth returned to Fort Worth Tuesday accompanied by his father, uncle Edd Maddux who will stay indefinitely with his children there.

Jim Hewes who has been ill the past several weeks is reported better.

Louis Purvis of Brownwood spent the week end with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Abernathy of Union spent Saturday night in her parents home Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Clint Brashear and Reba Joe visited with Mr. and Mrs. Orville Isee at Scranton Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Perry Purvis and children viewed Camp Bowie Sunday and visited their relatives at Brownwood Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Pillans and children of Austin visited with their son, private Lawrence Pillans at camp Bowie Saturday and spent the remainder of the week end visiting relatives here and at Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brashear and baby of Mineral Wells spent the week end in the home of his mother Mrs. Annie Brashear.

Messrs Erwin Purvis and W. M. Stanburg were Cisco visitors Tuesday.

Miss Theda Purvis of Baird is visiting with home folks this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Tatom and Mr. and Mrs. Otis Purvis were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Rouse at Baird Wednesday of last week.

Miss Gentry spent the week end with home folks at Harpersville.

Mrs. Buster Foster and son of Cisco visited relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ned Moore and baby of Albany were Sunday guests in the home of Mrs. Moore's parents. Rev. J. O. Folks of Edna Hill will preach at the Missionary Baptist church a series of sermons beginning Friday night and lasting three Sunday nights.

Inflation does not begin until production capacity, through a shortage of machines, raw materials, or workers, cannot meet increased demand.—Col. Philip B. Fleming, Wage-Hour Administrator.

This government has brought more happiness to those who live under it than has any other kind of government on earth.—Daniel Willard, B. & O. president.



Man is what woman marries, Men have two feet, two hands and sometimes two wives, but never more than one collar button or one idea at a time. Like Turkish cigarettes, men are all made of the same material, the only difference is that some are better disguised than others. Generally speaking, they may be divided into three classes—husbands, bachelors and widowers. An eligible bachelor is a man of obstinacy surrounded with suspicion. Husbands are of three varieties—prize, surprise and consolation prize. Making a husband out of a man is one of the highest plastic arts known to civilization. It requires science, sculpture and common sense, faith, hope and charity—mostly charity.—Swiped by the Kemp News—and re-swiped by this column.

In noting the powerful posts in our national government that are occupied by Texans—(Sam Rayburn, Speaker of the House; Jesse Jones, head of the RFC and Secretary of the Interior, and the numerous House chairmanships)—it should be remembered that one of the important positions is that held by United States Senator Morris Sheppard, dean of the Senate and chairman of the Military Affairs Committee. Senator Sheppard has served in the Senate 28 years and, including his service in the House, he has been a member of Congress 39 years. Gillett of Massachusetts and Morrill of Vermont, neither of whom is now living, are the only men in history to serve as national lawmakers longer and one more term for the Texan would give him the greatest length of service of any man since the United States was founded.

The Value of a Smile
The thing that goes the farthest toward making life worthwhile, that costs the least and does the most is just a pleasant smile. The smile that bubbles from a heart that loves its fellow men will drive away the clouds of gloom and coax the sun again. It's full of worth and goodness, too, with many kindnesses blended. It's worth a million dollars, and it doesn't cost a cent. (Author unknown, quoted in W. R. Scott's Quittage Post)

Drilling Mayazine comes forward with these two:
At a dance a gentleman lost a wallet containing \$600. He got on a chair and announced: "I've lost my pocketbook with \$600 in it. To the man who finds it, I will give \$50."

Voice from the floor: "I'll give \$75."

Willie had returned from his first day of school. "What did you learn at school today?" asked his father. "I learned to say 'Yes, sir' and 'No, sir,' and 'No, ma'am' and 'Yes, ma'am'." "You did?" "Yeah."

With Texas newspaper: Clay Puckett's Devil's River News points out that, because of Sonora's strategic location on two main highways, 232 travelers from 28 States and Alaska spent a night there during two recent weeks—A home for Santa Claus in the hills covered with cedars (year-round Christmas trees) should be established near Glen Rose, says Editor F. D. Hicks of the Reporter—Joe T. Cook's Mission Times has scored again—with the eighth annual Texas Citrus Fiesta edition, 68 pages of pictures and special articles—portraying the scenic, historic and industrial appeal of the Lower Rio Grande Valley—

Six trucks are needed to haul a load across Texas that can be loaded onto a single truck at the Oklahoma line, a situation which prompts the Weatherford Democrat to declare editorially: "A condition of that kind is bound to interfere greatly with interstate commerce. Texas has a particular stake in the truck limit because there are so many perishable products here that are largely moved by truck. In our own county in 1940, we moved our peaches and other crops largely because the load limit was ignored. A new load limit law should be passed in keeping with conditions."

AMERICAN LEGION TO REGISTER VETERANS IN CALLAHAN COUNTY

The Eugene Bell Post of the American Legion will undertake to register all World War Veterans of Callahan county on Saturday, February 22. Voluntary registrations will be received at Clyde, Baird, and Cross Plains on that date.

This is a summons for possible important service for "God and Country" whom we served as young men in 1917-18. World War Veterans generally will welcome this opportunity of perhaps doing a bit for their country. We do not expect to be called for military service. Most of us are beyond that age. But there may be home defense duties to be performed. This voluntary registration of veterans is sponsored by the National Executive Committee of the American Legion and is merely for the purpose of cataloging the qualifications and special talents of all World War veterans for national defense. From questionnaires to be filled out by veterans, state and national headquarters of the Legion will prepare indexes which will list the experience, education, training and other qualifications of the registrants. The information contained in these indexes will be made available to Federal State and local authorities whenever the need rises," declares W. Clyde White.

RABEL UP-TO-DATE

The languages of the American Indians abound in ten- and twelve-syllable words. For instance, the Aztecs say amatlacuilotlquitlaxlahuilli for postage stamp. Literally, this incredible word means, "payment-received for carrying a paper on which something is writing."

There are seventy-six letters in the Slamese alphabet, and words are written right to left, with no spaces between them.

A famous philologist once maintained that, in the Garden of Eden, God spoke to Adam in Swedish, Adam answered in Danish and the serpent spoke in French!

In all the Celtic dialects (spoken by native Irishmen, Scots and Welsh) there is no trace or sound of the letter P.

Our British cousins don't eat candy; they call it sweets. They don't play checkers, but draughts. Their counterfelters are colners, elevators are lifts and peanuts are monkey nuts. American men may wear undershirts but Englishmen wear vests. We shine our shoes; Britons polish their boots. Garters are sock-suspenders—and suspenders are braces.

There are thousands of such everyday articles that are called one thing in America and something quite different in England.

Those who really mean all aid to England short of war should specifically say: "No convoying. No American ships in war zone.—Ann M. Landon, former G.O.P. presidential candidate.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Allen of the Pueblo community visited in the home of their daughter, Mrs. J. R. Gunn Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Allen made the News office a short social call while here.

Grand Jurors Named For Approaching Court Term

List of persons selected by the jury commission of the district court of Callahan county to serve as grand jurors for the March term of 42nd district court was announced yesterday from the office of Sheriff C. R. Nordyke.

The jurors named hereunder are to report at the courthouse in Baird, Monday morning, March third.

Floyd Coffey, Cottonwood; R. S. Peavy, Cottonwood; O. D. Strahan, Cottonwood; Edwin Baum, Cross Plains; J. T. Foster Cross Plains; S. O. Montgomery, Cross Plains; Mark Burnan, Cisco, route one; T. B. Little, Putnam; L. G. Mobley, Putnam; B. M. Baum, Clyde route two; Fred Ellis, Baird route one; F. A. Bouchette, Clyde; Roy Armor, Oplin; John T. Bailey, Clyde, R. F. Jones, Baird; Earl Johnson, Baird.

Court House News

Marriage License Issued
J. D. Harris and Juanita Anderson.
Clyde Keltner and Ruth Careway.

Warrantee Deeds
February 5, A. J. Arvin Et Al to H. L. Harris, 50 acres Juan Delgado Survey 702. Consideration \$850.00.

February 5, Mrs. Winona Boston to J. H. Lindle 40 acres C.R.B. Co., survey 63. Consideration \$1500.

2-4 Corley to D. P. Hollis lot 9 block 1 in the town of Clyde, consideration ten dollars and other securities.

2-8 Fred Cutbirth to F. V. Tunnell, lots 6-7, block 3 in the town of Cross Plains. Consideration \$2000.00.

2-5, H. L. Harris et al A. J. Arvin and others 50 acres from Juan Delgado survey 702. Consideration \$450.

24-0, E. Kendrick to D. P. Hollis lot 10 block 1 town of Clyde. Consideration \$30.00.

Methodist church of Clyde et al to A. E. Young, lots 7-8, block 38 town of Clyde. Consideration \$50.00.

28, Fred L. Covert to E. C. Appleton et al 3 acres of BBB & CRR Co., Survey 66. Consideration \$410. Oil and Gas Leases

Cross Breeding of Dairy Cattle Cuts Number Milch Cows

Reliable sources report 60 percent of Texas dairy cows are being bred to beef bulls. But, cautions W. V. Maddox, Extension Service dairy manufacturing specialist for Texas A. and M. College, "This practice not only is breeding the state out of the dairy business but is hurting the beef industry as well."

Most producers who have adopted this course, he says, failed to figure where tomorrow's dairy replacements are coming from. Statistics for 1939 show a decline in dairy heifers of seven percent over the previous year, and it is estimated that 1940 will show a 15 percent decline. This will mean approximately 60,000 less dairy heifers in Texas at present.

The replacement of cotton acreage by feed has encouraged more livestock on the farm, but the price of beef has caused not only farmers to go into the beef cattle business, but has induced many milk producers to breed out of the dairy business.

The 60 counties east of a line formed by Cooke, Tarrant, McLennan, Travis and Harris counties, which has been considered a large dairy cow section, has increased 119 percent in beef cattle in the last few years. A large percentage of this increase has been achieved by cross breeding dairy cows with beef bulls.

The specialist concludes that should cotton prices come back a swing from livestock to cotton production might be expected. Again, today's encouraging level of beef prices may not stay, and today's milk prices may advance. It should be remembered that it is impossible to grow milk cows as rapidly as beef or cotton. Transforming a herd of heifers into profitable dairy cows takes years of proper management, culling, feeding and breeding, and all this work can be erased in a short time by improper breeding methods.

HE'S A 'HOT PAPA' LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—"Hot papa is right! That's what the Missus thinks of yours truly," said Laud Payne in his "Picked Up Here and There" column in the Piggott (Ark.) Banner issue of January 10. The Banner's inotype has a short circuit and when the weather is rainy you don't dare touch the machine unless you stand on paper or have rubber soled shoes on; otherwise you get a jolt similar to sticking your finger in a light socket. One rainy night recently Mr. Payne was operating the machine and his wife came by. When she left, she started to kiss him good-by (which he says is a rare event), but anyway, their noses touched first, and then sparks flew. It developed her shoes were not rubber soled, and Mr. Payne was holding to the machine. Mr. Payne said, "No damage done other than two extremely red noses."

233 LOCAL PEOPLE PAID POLLS PRIOR TO FEBRUARY FIRST

Baird Leads With 475, Cross Plains Second, Clyde 3rd Putnam 4th, Oplin 5th

Poll tax payments in Callahan county have soared to a new all time high for an "off election year". 2,079 people in the county paid their polls this year, a figure equal to a number of the "even" years when county and statewide balloting are always scheduled.

The following list, although it has not yet been certified by Mrs. T. W. Briscoe, tax assessor and collector, shows the poll tax payments and exemptions at the 18 Callahan county voting boxes, according to their respective sizes.

Table with 3 columns: Box, Poll, Exempt. Rows include Baird (475), Cross Plains (376), Putnam (233), Clyde (275), Oplin (154), Denton (75), Cottonwood (74), Eula (82), Dressy (60), Rowen (54), Admiral (39), Belle Plain (38), Atwell (35), Dudley (28), Lanham (28), Erath (19), Hart (18), Caddo Peak (16).

TOTALS 2,079 38

Advalorem tax payments in the county too, have been better than normal this year. From all sections the various tax gathering agencies: the cities, school districts, etc., have reported tax payments better than a year ago, depicting the fact that property owners are in somewhat better financial condition than in recent previous years.

'Vanishing Race' No Longer Applies To Tribal Groups

The Indians have ceased to become a "vanishing race." Statistics recently compiled show that the ascendancy of the Indian birth rate over the death rate makes the Indian population gain the largest of any group in the country. This upward trend, according to the Indian Service, is largely due to improved health conditions, better economic conditions, and generally higher morale among the

More Land Added

Indian lands also have ceased to dwindle and the Service also reports that Indian natural resources have ceased to disappear through wasteful overuse and asserts that they are coming back toward primal efficiency and adequacy.

The Indians are rapidly developing amazing capacities as business men and an example of that may be seen at the Isleta Pueblo just south of Albuquerque. Here, but four years ago, the Pueblo's range was largely leased to white men. Drouth relief cattle were supplied to the Isletans. A cattle trusteeship, all Indian, was set up, and in three years the Pueblo had liquidated all of its debt to the government and was the owner of a herd and of cash derived from sales to the amount of \$55,000.

Extend Trusteeship

The cattle trusteeship has been extended and now the management of the entire Isleta range is being vested in the trustees of the Pueblo. At Jicarilla, another example is seen. Here the tribe conducts a store. The economic life of the Jicarillas centers around sheep. The store supplies credit to carry the members through the year and then aids them in marketing the wool and lambs.

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Clara Brown's Column

The right food builds and repairs your body, keeps you in good running order, gives you energy for work and play, helps prolong your prime of life and is a basis for good health.

Save vitamins and minerals in all vegetables by not cooking any longer or in more water than necessary.

Lean meat, poultry, fish—1 or more servings. Occasionally use liver, kidney, and such salt-water fish as salmon, herring, and mackerel.

In economical diets, use dried beans and peas as the main dish several times per week.

Cereals and bread—at least 2 servings of whole products, include plenty of whole grain bread or cereals, such as dark rye or whole-wheat bread, rolled oats, wheat, cracked wheat, whole-ground cornmeal.

Fats: Country salt pork and bacon as fats, not as meat. Use butter or vitamin-rich fat every day.

Sweets: Use sweets in moderation to make the diet palatable, but not enough to spoil the appetite for other foods.

Water: 6 or more glasses. Form a regular water-drinking habit and drink plenty of water.

A pebbled vegetable pays royalties—cabbage and its use as a raw vegetable was studied. The cabbage slaw is an old dish, but never a tiresome one.

Select a hard head of cabbage, cut in quarters, and wash thoroughly in cold water.

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as long as three years. No And Frank Harrison's Corpus Christi Press tells of a man who entered a book store and asked, "Do you have a book called 'man, the Master of Woman?'"

Honeycombs six feet in length are not uncommon on the Malay peninsula.

ESTRAY NOTICE NOTICE is hereby given that Oliver D. Allen, County Commissioner of Precinct No. 3, of Callahan County, Texas, has this day legally estrayed the following animal:

One Hereford steer calf about 18 months old—under bit in left ear, brand on left hip, but unable to make out brand; weight about 500 pounds.

Said estray has been running at large on the C. M. Gay farm about 10 miles North of Putnam, Texas, since March 1940.

Said estray will be sold for cash to the highest bidder at the C. M. Gay farm about 10 miles north of Putnam, Texas, on the second Monday in February, A.D., 1941, being 10th day of February A.D., 1941, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock p.m.

Given under my hand and seal of office, at office in Baird, Texas, this 20th day of January, A.D., 1941.

LESLIE BRYANT, Clerk County Court, Callahan County, Texas

H. D. COUNCIL HAS MEETING SATURDAY

Callahan County Home Demonstration Council met Saturday afternoon at 2:30.

Mrs. Banks, supervisor of the Federal Surplus Commodities Hot Lunch Program, spoke to delegates from 13 of the 15 clubs of the county.

Chairman Mrs. Jim Barker presided over business meeting. Delegates for the District Home Demonstration Association from each club were presented. Four will be selected to represent Callahan County at the district meeting in April.

A sweeper will be purchased to use in the processing of feather comforts.

Mrs. Ray Young led the group in a game at the close of the meeting.

Admiral, Atwell, Clyde, Cottonwood, Denton, Enla, Enterprise, Midway, Oplin, Putnam, Tecumseh, Union and Zion Hill Home Demonstration clubs were represented by 40 women.

An amendment has been made in the regulations as to the number of mattresses that an eligible family may receive. The amendment reads:

"Provided, however, that a family of three persons shall be eligible to receive two mattresses and a family of five persons shall be eligible to receive three mattresses."

Applications blanks for the extra mattresses will be mailed to mattress center chairmen in the next few days.

The rule regarding a mattress that has been received by an ineligible family is:

"In any case, where it is definitely determined that an ineligible family received a mattress or comforter under the cotton Mattress Program, a letter will be sent to the applicant advising to return the mattress if not used, or to pay the Government the estimated cost of the material. It has been determined that the average cost to the Government of cotton and ticking material included in a full-size mattress under the Cotton Mattress Program is \$6.55, and the estimated average cost for a comforter is \$1.35. These are the amounts that each such family that is ineligible will be required to pay. The payment is made in the form of a cashier's check or postal money order drawn payable to the Treasurer of the United States."

***** COTTONWOOD *****

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Hembree were Abilene visitors Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Everett of Putnam spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Coffey.

Misses Ann and Kathrine Shirley of Fort Worth and Miss Avanel Shirley of Crane came in last week to visit their mother, Mrs. W. B. Shirley.

Leonard Baum of Bayou community attended church here Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Roe Thompson and family of Paducah, visited his father and mother Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Thompson last week end.

Texas Produced Oil Averages Over Nine Cents Barrel Taxes

DALLAS. — More than half of all the oil produced in Texas already pays a tax over 10 cents a barrel, a survey just completed by Texas Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association statisticians shows.

The survey, based on tabulation of tax records of all 254 counties and of independent taxing subdivisions, shows that more than half of the State's oil bears taxes of 10.26 cents a barrel. All of the oil produced in Texas pays an average tax of 9.23 cents a barrel, while in some counties the taxes amount to 15 and 20 cents per barrel.

"Texas oil producers now pay 22 separate taxes, or 21 in addition to the State gross production tax," a statement today from the association points out. "In fact, analysis of the various tax levies borne by oil produced in 33 leading Texas oil counties (which produce over half of the State's total crude output) shows that the State gross production tax of 2 3/4 per cent makes up less than 29 cents of each dollar collected in State and local taxes on oil production and producing properties. The fact that so much of this oil already pays over 10 cents a barrel is noteworthy in view of statements sometimes heard that Texas oil should pay 10 cents a barrel tax."

These 22 taxes do not include any paid on refining, pipe lines or any branch of the industry except production. Nor do they include the gasoline taxes paid by the individual motorist.

"The oil tax situation is different from that of any other State," the association statement explains. "There are more than 9,000 separate local taxing subdivisions in our State, each of which is empowered under the Texas constitution to levy and collect taxes. Many of these are independent taxing agencies such as cities, independent school districts, water districts, road districts, etc. Every oil field within the jurisdiction of any of these taxing agencies is subject to property assessments and tax levies deemed necessary by the respective taxing officials. And all of these taxes must be paid by the Texas oil producer from the money he receives for his petroleum his sole source of income."

Upkeep For Senators They are paid only \$10 per day but it's not the original cost; it's the upkeep.

The additional expense for the state this year is a private telephone for each senator. Last session, the innovation of an office for every senator was installed, but

their telephones were connected to a general switchboard. This year, private lines were run into each office.

Three secretaries, paid \$5 each per day, one of whom serves as committee clerk.

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Workmen began Tuesday re-roofing the Presbyterian church here. The building, one of the nicest in Cross Plains, will be given composition roofing, which is being laid directly over the present roof.

Mr. and Mrs. John Alken are parents to a baby boy born at the Over-all hospital in Coleman Saturday morning, January 18.

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The State of Texas, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Callahan County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon P. L. Babb by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest County where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Callahan County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in Baird, Texas, on the 1st Monday in March A.D., 1941, the same being the 3rd day of March, A.D. 1941, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 28th day of January A. D. 1941, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court as No. 10,140, wherein Lucille Babb is Plaintiff, and P. L. Babb is Defendant, and said petition alleging, that Plaintiff and Defendant were married on May 5, 1935, and that, without cause or provocation, defendant left and deserted the plaintiff on or about the 18th day of December, A.D. 1935, being more than three years prior to the institution of this suit, and, on grounds of desertion for a period of more than three years, Plaintiff sues for divorce.

Herein fail not, and have you before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Baird this 28th day of January A. D. 1941.

RAYMOND YOUNG,
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W. J. Shirley was in town Wednesday afternoon after being kept at home for past three weeks, with a case of the flu.

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Uncle Sam Digs Deeper Into Ore Pocket Since War

"Potash" was a big worry word for our defense experts in the World War. Potash was needed to make explosives. We bought it chiefly from Chili, but there was constant danger the supply would be cut off.

Today, potash isn't even on the list of strategic materials which are the concern of the defense commission.

Why? Because the government and American mining companies decided to lick the potash problem.

It was known there were potash deposits in our Southwest. The deposits were opened up. By 1938 we were producing 287,532 tons a year, about two-thirds of what we used. This year American mines are about meeting the home demand.

Molybdenum has nearly the same history. It's used in a steel alloy. We bought it from Quebec in the last war. Since then we have found the biggest deposit in the world—in Colorado.

But this country still must worry about stocks of tin, antimony, manganese, mercury, nickel, tungsten and aluminum.

Congress saw the handwriting on the wall two summers back. In August, 1939, it voted \$350,000 annually for four years to dig around our mountains and back lots to find just what we have.

The Bureau of Mines and the Geological Survey were asked to carry the hod. They report now that there is prospect of solving some of our difficulties.

Here's the situation, mineral by mineral:

Manganese, used in steel—5 to 6 per cent of our needs produced at home; present sources, Russia, Cuba, Africa, Brazil.

Chromium, used in steel—1 per cent produced at home; sources, Africa, Philippines, Turkey, New Caledonia.

Mercury, used in explosives—40 per cent produced at home; source, Canada.

Tungsten, used in steel—50 per cent produced at home; source, China.

Nickel, used in steel—0.5 per cent produced at home; sources, Canada, New Caledonia.

Tin, used for cans and solders—0.2 per cent produced at home; source, Dutch East Indies.

Antimony, used for bullets—10 per cent produced at home; sources, China and Mexico.

Obviously we have a long way to go before we can build a fence around our borders and tell the rest of the world where to get off.

Here's where the Bureau of Mines is working, or shortly starting to work: Antimony—California; manganese—Washington, Arizona, South Dakota, Montana, California, Nevada, Arkansas, New Mexico, Virginia and Utah; mercury—California, Nevada, and Arkansas; nickel, Montana; tungsten—Nevada, and California.

They have uncovered such good deposits of antimony in Idaho that the mines are already producing. The rest of the picture? Well, it looks rosier than was supposed.

Tin, which has an indirect defense value, is the big worry. It doesn't go into bullets, but it does package the army's food. We are accustomed to buying our tin from the Malay states, the Dutch East Indies, and recently from Bolivia. We use 40 per cent of the world's tin, and produce less than one per cent of what we use.

What's more, we don't smelt tin. It's done in England. In World War we had to dicker with the international tin cartel (English and Dutch money) to build a smelter here, with a gentlemen's agreement to dismantle it after the war we did. Now we've made another such dicker.

Eight American companies are stirring around to get government contracts for smelting. We're planning to buy direct from the Bolivian mines and smelter here. Two small experimental "pilot plants" are already working in the Long Island vicinity.

Tungsten is another worry. It is used to turn out high speed tools. It's so tough it stays hard at red hot. It also goes into plane engines, car springs, rails and drills, guns and shells.

Most of our tungsten comes from California, Colorado and Nevada. New mines are being sought. In the meantime the government is piling up a reserve.

Stock piles are being built up for all the strategic materials. We are spending \$170,000,000 for a two-year supply. If you add rubber, we're spending \$319,500,000. It's only a start. Defense experts are now talking about a three year supply.

The purpose of ranching is not to produce beef for the ultimate consumer but to make a living for the rancher and his family, a speaker said at the recent regional grass-land conference in Amarillo.

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TEXANS NOW HOLD LAND BANK CAPITAL

The annual financial statement of the Federal Land Bank of Houston revealed Thursday that the institution's entire capital of \$11,502,250 now is owned by farm loan associations and individual borrowers who are Texas land owners.

The statement showed that during 1940 the bank completed repayment of all government funds invested in it.

Organized in April, 1917, the bank was originally capitalized at \$750,000, of which \$741,235 was subscribed and paid in by the federal government, the remainder by individuals. By 1923 this government investment had been repaid. Later, in 1932 the government subscribed to capital and surplus of \$22,900,993.69. Last year the bank completed repayment of this sum to the government.

As of December 31, 1940, the bank had outstanding loans of \$189,289,544.56. Reserve and undivided profits amounted to \$31,089,918.62.

Referring to the institution's repayment of federal government investments and the bank's current financial position, Sterling C. Evans, president, said: "The financial condition of the bank is a credit to the willingness and capacity of Texas farmers and ranchmen to meet their obligations."

The Citizens National Farm Loan Association of Clyde, Texas, has done its part in bringing this good financial statement as it has on its books now 448 Federal Land Bank loans totaling \$1,245,985.00, and in addition 293 Land Bank Commissioner loans totaling \$48,450.00.

Thru the last twelve year years it has proven a boon to farms and ranchmen in helping them refinance their loans on long term notes drawing cheap rates of interest. The rate of interest now on Federal Land Bank loans are 4%, but all borrowers who have Federal Land Bank and Land Bank Commissioner loans, pay only 3 1/2% on their loan until July 1, 1942.

This Citizens N.F.L.A. was chartered at Clyde in December 1917 and has always been in Class I, which is the highest rating given National Farm Loan Association.

The stock now owned by borrowers of the Citizens N.F.L.A. is \$62,295.00.

At the present time M. H. Perkins who is secretary-treasurer, said that upwards of \$60,000.00 in new loans had been approved in the last two months.

Changes Made In Filing Returns For Income Tax

W. A. Thomas, collector of internal revenue, Dallas office, is notifying the public of important changes made in the basis for filing individual federal income tax return blanks.

For instance, the amount of gross income—net income—hence will determine liability by individuals and businesses in filing their returns. The changes were made in the revenue act of 1940.

Individuals under the following circumstances are required to file returns covering the calendar year 1940: single individuals, or married individuals not living with husband or wife, having a gross income of \$700 or more; married individuals living together having a combined gross income of \$2,000 or more.

The net income is no longer to be used in determining the liability for the filing of a Federal income tax return. The liability of a citizen or resident of the United States to file a return is dependent upon his status as a married or single person, and the amount of his gross income. Therefore, every citizen or resident of the United States will be required to file a return for the taxable year 1940 if his gross income in 1940, regardless of the amount of his net income comes within the amount specified above for his particular status. A return must be filed even though, by reason of allowable deductions from gross income and of allowable credits against net income, it develops that no tax is due.

Form 1040A should be used for gross income of not more than \$5,000 derived from salaries, wages, interest, dividends, and annuities. Form 1040 should be used for gross income from salaries, wages, interest, dividends, and annuities of more than \$5,000; or if any part of your income is derived from other than salaries, wages, interest, dividends, or annuities. Form 1040 should be used regardless of the amount of your income. While returns must be filed on or before March 15, 1941, with the collector of internal revenue from the district in which you reside, it is urged that they be filed as soon as possible after January 1.

Texas Has Most Service Stations; New York Second

WASHINGTON — Texas has more service stations than any other state, 15,738 against 15,652 for New York, the second ranking state, the complete preliminary tabulations of the 1939 Census of Distribution reveal. Other states with more than 10,000 stations each are California, 15,218; Pennsylvania, 14,031; Illinois, 12,096; and Michigan, 10,941.

Although the total number of service in 1939 increased to 241,856, double the 1929 count of 121,513, actually there was no tremendous increase in the total number of outlets for motor fuel. Service stations, by census definition, include only those retail businesses in which the sale of gasoline and oil amounts to 50 per cent or more of total dollar sales. Garages, accessory dealers, country stores, and many other types of outlets sell gasoline and oil as a secondary line, but are not counted as service stations.

In 1929 these secondary outlets totaled 195,719, total much greater than the 121,513 strictly service stations. During the decade between 1929 and 1939, it is believed, large numbers of these secondary outlets, particularly the country garages and stores, have lost so much of their original business or have gained enough motor fuel business, that they now are classed as service stations. This, of course, swells the number of service stations, even though no new outlets are involved. 1939 data on these

Improper Use Of Gasoline Is Cause Of Many Deaths

Improper use and care of gasoline in the home has caused an average annual death toll of approximately 50 men, women and children in Texas during the five-year period of 1935-39, inclusive, and the improper use and care of kerosene in the home has caused an average death toll of approximately 55 men, women and children during the same period.

The improper use and care of gasoline and kerosene have caused an average annual fire loss in Texas of approximately \$316,000 during the five-year period of 1935-39. The use of gasoline in the home for any purpose is extremely dangerous.

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ous. In fact, it is suicidal for any person to attempt to use gasoline in the home for such purposes as: starting or quickening a fire; cleaning clothes, woodwork and floors, or other purposes, since gasoline vaporizes at ordinary temperature and the inflammability of gasoline fumes and its explosive power is nineteen times greater than dynamite.

The mere opening of a door between the room where gasoline was being used to clean gloves and a room in which there was a lighted hot water heater caused a destructive explosion. A home with dynamite in it is much safer than one with gasoline in it, especially where there are small children who do not know the properties and danger of gasoline, because we have learned to fear dynamite and know how dangerous it is.

The use of kerosene in the home as a fuel is also very dangerous and it was never intended that kerosene should be used to start or quicken a fire, and any person who attempts to use it for that purpose is almost certain to be seriously injured or burned to death. If there are some home owners who will not heed the warning against the danger of using kerosene to start or quicken a fire and they just must do so it is suggested that they place some small pieces of kindling in a metal container and pour a very small quantity of kerosene on the kindling and then take the kindling and place it in the stove or fireplace and apply a lighted match to it, but to never bring kerosene in contact with a lighted candle, open flame, or slumbering coals in the stove or fireplace.

2,800 Pennies for Air Ride

Warren C. Smith, of Brownsville, paid 2,800 pennies for an airplane ride ticket from Brownsville to Dallas. The pennies weighed 19 pounds.


Hog Prices Up

Hog prices on the Fort Worth livestock market today advanced to highest peak since October, 1938. Top butchers brought \$8.45, 30 cents higher than yesterday's close.

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reet, San Antonio, celebrated her 100th birthday recently. She sees without glasses, takes long walks, goes fishing and does her share of the house-work. Her recipe for old age is, "Marry a man that will take good care of you." Mrs. Draper is the mother of 10 children, has 25 grandchildren and 19-great-grandchildren. Mrs. M. Draper, 125 Thirteenth street, on the banks of the Colorado river, 10 miles from Austin, children.

The Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show at Fort Worth next March 7-16 will offer livestock prizes of \$31,700.



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