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The Putnam News

A Home Town Paper For Home People

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"When The One Great Scorer Comes To Write Against Your Name He Writes Not If You Won Or Lost But How Yor Played The Game"

******** 85 H. D. Ladies At **Christmas Banquet** From The Editor's * In Baird Thursday Window

and Japan-is now in its second officers of the County Home Demonweek. No one knows what the out- stration Council and the Home Dean in the Pacific ocean and the battle of the Atlantic on east of us second. America now finds herself in a predicament such as has never before confronted the people of this hemis-

phere. Almost the entire world at present is engaged in ruthless destruction. Human life is no longer a and blue theme. matter of consideration by those engaged in this general onslaught and men, women and helpless, innocent little children alike are being mowed down and laid low by the merciless implements of death Mrs. Jim Barker, the visitors, and created by the hand of man. It the speaker of the evening, Mrs. seems that Satan, the prince of the Bob Norrell of Baird, was under air, is raining down from the skies the direction of 1941 council chairall the pent up fury at his command. No longer is he satisfied songs lead by Mrs. Paul Shanks with going up and down in the ear- of the Enterprise H. D. club with t' seeking whom he may devour, Mr. Johnnie Swenson of Baird as but has turned loose every known weapon of distruction upon God's and address of the evening, Mr. beautiful creation with the sole Donnie Lyles of Clyde gave two intent of destroying it.

Now that we are in this war it the group behooves every one of us to do all in our might to win. There is no fourteen of the fifteen home demontime for criticism or discussion of stration clubs of the county, were what might or might not have been, present for the three course Christbut it is the time for all of us to mas dinner, the food having been work together in unity and with prepared by the home demonstration a full determination to win the war.

Edgar C. Thrupp of British Columbia, who has predicted earthquakes and other calamities for many years and has had the audacity to dispute Mr. Newton's law of gravitation, has come forward to announce that in 1942 there will be three periods of danger of destructive earth tremors which will be from December 15, 1941 to January 18, 1942, February 22 to March 10, and from March 10 to April 5.

The basement of the Methodist Church in Baird was the scene of The war between our country and the Christmas banquet nonoring the the Axis powers-Germany, Italy outgoing officers and the incoming come will be. With war against Jap- monstration Clubs of Callahan County on Thursday evening, December

A combination Christmas and patriotic color scheme was carried out in that centerpieces for each table were formed of cedar sprays,

red tapers and flags, with the programs carrying out the red, white

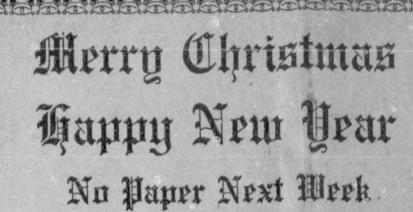
Program in the form of a singsong introducing the new agent, Miss Ellen Steffens, the 1941 officers and the 1942 officers, the vicepresident of district 7 of THDA man, Mrs. Jim Barker, with the well pianoist. In addition to the sengs readings for the entertainment of that they are allowed to market.

Eighty-five people, representing

club women and served by the Home Making classes of Baird high school under the supervision of their instructor, Miss Helen Willard.

Railroad Strike Settlement Will Cost \$300,000.000

President Roosevelt disclosed the first of the week details of the strike settlement which had averted the rail strike of 1,200,000 members of the brotherhoods and had resultlast five years he has correctly pre- ed in an estimated pay increase of The basic pay of 350,000 operating employees was raised 75 cents per be able to figure that out correctly day. The base pay of 850,000 nonalso. He makes all his predictions operating workers were raised 80 cents per day. Both were made retroactive to September 1st, on a partial bases of these raises. The extra wages to be paid out under the retroactive agreement will be approximately \$67,000,000 or about \$22,500,



Baptist Church Little And Others Have Casing Set And Call Rev. Baldaree As Their Pastor Ready To Drill In

The Putnam Baptist church met cinct. Red Little and others have the casing set on the lime in the Led- in conference. Sunday morning and better No. 2., in the Scranton field called Rev. HON. Baldaree of Cisco and ready to drill in about Sunday as pastor, The pulpit committee was kind as it is 22 miles to Cross Plains or Monday. This well is just one authorized to notify him of the call on the south, 14 miles to Baird on location south of the discovery well, at once. He was called for half the west, 14 miles to Cisco on the Many oil field operators think this time and it is not known at this east, 16 miles to Moran on the norwill be better the No. 1, or time whether he will accept the call th. the Cuinton either both of which or not, but it is though if he accepts had a flush production of about 135 he will move here and make this his do their trading in Putnam if they barrels when they were first drill- home. He is employed by the Humed in, and are still producing all ble Company and this will be nearer his work than Cisco.

WOMAN' SOCIETY OF CHRISTAIN SERVICE

The Woman's Society of the Christian Service met at the church | holds a meeting beginning at 9.30 Dec. 13th with Mrs. Melton Slayden A.M. at the court house in Baird leading.

Subject-A Christmas World Pro- the program to all persons applying gram.

Prelude-Silent Night. Hymn-Joy To The World. Theme-The Power of Christian Women around the world. Prayer-Mrs. W. N. Byrd Representatives of Units of world

Federation-Mrs. R. F. Brown, Representative of Africa-Mrs. Hugh Vernon Smith, Jr.

Representative of North America -Mrs. Roy Williams stative of Chi

SEE HOME SERVICE BODY IF YOUR BOY MUST RETURN HOME A General Merchan-**Dise Establishment** In the event of sickness or dis-

What Putnam Needs

What Putnam needs is a general merchandise establishment that has sufficient finances to carry a full line of goods of every kind that the people need. And there is no reason why we should not be able to interest people with money in a business of this kind in Putnam. We have one fourth of the county valuations which is more than any commissioners precinct in the county, with the exception of Baird. We have a good size income from the oil business with a good payroll, we

have a big income from the livestock interest, we have a good farm income, from farm industry of the community and one of the best schools in the county and the only school in the commissioners pre-

We have a trade territory large enough to support a business of this

> Bill West To Spud In 700 Foot Test There are many people who would **On The Boatright** could get what they want. But we

Bill West is back in the Putnam oil field again and has a contract Eight about four miles west of Putatingnam. He gave the location as 1700 feet west of the east line

territory now, than we had several D. D. S. Saryers 750 feet south of the Finley land. Mr. West has ery stores, one hardware store, two been operating in this field for a dry goods stores and a bank besides number of years and has possibly | drilled more shallow wells than any other one person. He has drilled one or two on the Boatright a year how do I know there are more peo- or so ago; but he thinks he will get

mentioned above. The poll tax payments are larger than they were any time prior to the oil boom which show that there are more peo- Committee To Be

Elected Friday and get together and take an inven-

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1941

tress in the family of any man

in the U.S. army, navy or mar-

ine corps, in which the service

man's presence is desired or

needed at home, the only means

of contact is through the Home

Service Department of the Red

Cross, the Review was 'old yes-

terday by the committee in

county.

chairman

charge of this work in Callahan

"In other words, if you must

have your boy come home, do

not write or wire yourself, but

contact any of the following",

says Fred Heyser, home service

Fred Heyser, Putnam

T. O. Dulaney, Clyde

H. B. Straley, Oplin

F. R. Anderson, Cross

Plains

B. H. Freeland, Baird

WTU Buys \$50,000 Worth Of Defense **Bonds** Past Week

The West Texas Utilities Company is buying \$50,000 of U.S. Defense Bonds in liou of a treasury department request that deductions be made from employees' pay checks on a "Pay Roll Allotment Plan", according to L. F. Foster, WTU local manager.

The announcement was made by Price Campbell, president of the company, earlier this week.

Instead of inaugurating the Pay Roll Allotment Plan, Mr. Campbell said, the company is responding further to the national emergency by buying the maximum block of bonds. Each of the nine districts served by the company is being credited with its pro rata portion of the \$50,000 and bonds purchased locally.

It was explained that the purchase of these bonds by the company is not presumed to relieve employees of the patriotic duty of buying bonds and stamps, but, on the other hand, is in accord with the company policy of making no pay roll deductions for any purpose other than group insurance and social security required by law.

Frank Cann Drilling to drill a 700 foot test on the Boat- A 6.500 Foot Well At Schirene

> Mary Guyton received a letter recently from Frank Cana in which he said he was drilling a 6,500 well North East of Chirene, Texas and is down 2,765 feet and is taking their first core at the bottom to the Wilcox Sand His well is being drilled by Captain Richard who will be remembered by Putnam people as having charge of Colonel Humpheries interest in Callahan Courty during the last oil boom. Lets us hope the next deep well Frank Cann drills will be uear Putnam. Mr. Cann opened up a shallow field about ten miles north of

Community election meetings will Putnam just before leaviny for

do not have the things people want outside of groceries. Naturally, if people have to go other places for dry goods and other things they NEW BORROWERS MUST may need they will purchase all ATTEND FSA MEETING other things they need while there.

We have more people in this trade Each Saturday morning the FSA years ago, when we had three grocthe purpose of which is to explain several smaller businesses. They for a FSA loan. It is necessary for all appeared to be doing a good all new applicants to attend one of business. But you want to know these meetings before their loans are submitted. All persons com-

ple than there were in the days a well this time.

SHACKELFORD COUNTY

Why not have a public meeting i tory of what we have to offer busi-

ng convention will meet Sunday ness if it would locate here? This be held on December 19th at 2:30 Chirene.

dicted the time of the quakes but \$200,000,000 to \$3,00,000,000. has not yet determined where they will come but thinks he will soon by means of a system of figures measuring the gravitational pull of the planets.

John-"I don't see why Senator Frost got sore because the newspaper announced he was retiring 000 per month. from politics."

Jim--"Well, the printer by mistake put the article under the heading, Public Improvements."

Captain--"Well, Private Smith, what did you have for dinner?" Private Smith-"Taters, sir."

spuds

Our aged pensioners, who number 161,302 for this month, will receive Christmas pensions averaging Nell Lane was in charge of the \$19,13, a high for Texas and thirteen cents more than in November | ial was in Oakwood cemetery at The number on the pension rolls for December is said to be the largest Texas has ever had.

According to recent reports two severo cases of diptheria have been under quarantine in Taylor county which makes a total of twenty cases this year. Dr. George A. Gray health unit director has stressed the importance of preventing the disease. Any physician anywhere is prepared to administer the toxoid at any time which render the child immune to this dreadful disease.

riage would be ineligible to succeed the rolls for the banquet. to the throne because their mother is not of royal blood.

tow, Florida recently filed suit for divorce on the grounds that her for a short while Friday, husband had twisted her nose, causing great pain and arguish, so fore constituted cruelty.

HENRY AGNEW WAS BURIED IN CISCO TUESDAY **AFTERNOON, DECEMBER 16**

Henry Agnew of the Dothan community age 58 died in a Rotan ance, Captain, He means to say, fall and was stricken while out home. there.

The funeral services were held at the Nazarine church, Cisco, with the Rev. Lewis Clegg pastor officiating. funeral arrangements and the bur- | Cisco.

BEST BREAD MAKERS GIVEN CASH PRIZES

Since one of the demonstration programs carried in the home demonstration clubs of Callahan County during the year 1941 was that of making yeast breads, and since \$5.00 had been set aside by the finance committee of the Home Demonstration Council to be used for three prizes in this work, the bread judging took place Thursday evening, December 11, preceeding the Christmas banquet which was held

King Leopold of Belgium has re- in the basement of the Methodist cently taken a wife for himself from | Church in Baird. with Mrs. Bill among the commoners of his coun- Banks, serving as judge, Places try. She is Lelia Boels the daugh- were awarded as follows: Mrs. Ray ter of a former Cabinet Minister, Young of Enterprise H. D. Club, according to the report. His first | first; Mrs. Lester Farmer of Eula wife, it will be remembered, was H. D., Club, second; and Mrs. J. H. Queen Astril who was killed in an Shrader of Zion Hill II. D. Club, automobile accident in 1935. Her third. Dinner rolls was the protwo sons and one daughter survive duct presented for scoring, althouand all lights to the threne will gh the demonstration program was belong to these children of royalty. 'on many variations. The bread de-Children of the King's second mar- | monstrators of the county furnished

Mrs. C. F. McMillan of Coleman. and young grandson, Groves McCok-It is said that a woman in Bar- er and Hazel (McMillan) McCoker visited Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Hull

Mr. and Mrs. John Hinkle visitmuch so that her nose was terribly e." with Mr. and Mrs. Pierce Shackswollen for many days and there- elford Tuesday night and Wednesday.

Far East-Mrs. Slayden. Representative of Central Europe Methodist church at two o'clock. -Rev. Milton Slayden. Burma-Mrs. W. P. Yarbrough.

Sole-"The Three Kings"- Rev. slayden. Display of the Naturity Scene. Representative of the Malaya and

Scematra-Mrs. Mark Shurwin. Representative of Mexico, Cuba and Puerto Rico-Mrs. Brown. Representative of Scandinaia -Mrs. Jim Heslep.

Poem-Youth of the World-Mrs. Euna Lovelady. Prayer-Mrs. Ida Rogers. Benediction-Rev. Milton Slayden

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Nelson visit-

month. fewer knockers. "Many noted singers are expected

templating a loan from this depart-

CONVENTION TO MEET AT

TWO SUNDAY AFTERNOON

The Cress, Plaias community sing-

ment are invited to attend.

CROSS PLAINS SINGING

to be present and the general public has a cordial invitation to attend," reported Willis Connelly, president

RED CROSS MEETING

Inasmuchas many urgent pro- December 23rd, to determine wheth- elected to represent each community blems will arise from time to time, er alcoholic oeverages can be sold in selecting the men to serve as which will require the attention in Shackeliord county. Shackelford county has been wet of every member of the Red Cross, for the duration of the war a meet- ever since the repeal of the eighing will be held on the first Friday | teenth amendment. There are two | ty, so that they may help to elect

f each month at 3:02 p.m. Such a large group of workers and Moran, while Fort Griffin has hospital Sunday night. It was re- ed in Clyde Saturday and brocght attended the last meeting, the a package house where they sell Captain (to sergeant)-"What ported that he died from ulcerated their grand-children home with the Chapter voted to hold all future hard liquor. The court was poedoes he mean by taters, sergeant?" stomach. He had gone to Fisher parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Taber meetings in the District Court Room sented with a petition with about Sergeant-"It's only his ignor- county to pick cotton early in the came over Sunday and took them All workers are urged to attend 180 signers before ordering the election. these meeting.

> ***************** ******************* This Is The BANK AS YOUR BANKING that HOUSE SERVICE Built The First National Bank Under-takes to be ************** thoroughly conversant with your particular business, and responsive to your needs; A friendly place to transact business, and alive to every opportunity for genuine service. ****************** Modern Safety Deposit Service ***************** FIRST NATIONAL BANK IN CISCO. -:- TEXAS Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation This Is the Bank That Service Is Building

afternoon, December 21, in the would not injure any business that p.m. in the following places; Putis here at present, since it would nam at the school building; Oplin The convention meets in Cross pull more of the people here to do at the school house and at Clyde Representative of India and Plains the third Sunday of each their trading. What we really need at the school house. in Putnam are more boosters and

In these meetings, members of the Callahan County ACA will elect their AAA community committee to represent them in their AAA act-LOCAL OPTION ELECTION ivities for the calendar year 1942.

Members Of A A A

The delegates to the county con-TUESDAY, DECEMEBER 23 Shackelford County Commissionvention will be elected at these ers court has called an election for meetings, also. These delegates are county committeemen for 1942.

All farmers are urged to attend numbers and drew the cakes. the meeting held in their communiserve their community.

Mrs. W. Clarence Lane Opens Up New Laundry In Putnam

Mrs. W. Clarence Lane and Miss Nila Jones have opened up a Helpy-U-Selfy Laundry in the old Ice building, just west of Loren Everett's filling station and are prepared to do all kind of work, including finishing such as drying and ironing. See their ad on another page of this issue.

PUTNAM DEMONSTRATION CLUB TO HAVE PARTY FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19

The home demonstration club met in the home of Mrs. Roy Williams in a call meeting Monday to complete plans for the Christmas party for club members and their husbands. The Christmas party will be held at the home of Mrs. W. W. Everett Friday, December 19th. All club members are requested to come and bring their husbands. After the party there will be gifts which will be drawn by numbers. When the drawing is

over there will be singing and readings by the members. Those present: Mrs. W. A. Bucharnan, Mrs. M. P. Clampett, Mrs. E. F. Sunderman, Mrs. Roy Williams and Mrs. E. N. Hull.

Mrs. Jim Heslep returned to her home last Thursday after visiting in Wichita Falls, Diramitt and other places.

votes for and one against in the

Dave Foster of the Atwell community Cas in town for a waile i'uesday afternoon.

Union Home Demon-Stration Club Met **On December 7th**

The Union Home Demonstration club met in the home of Mrs. H. G. White on December 7th, with 20 members present. The club had two cakes that they had been selling chances for to be given away. Mrs. Burette Ramsay and Mrs. G. W. Damon of Putnam had the luucky

Mrs. White had a lovely Christmas tree that was loaded down with places where beer is sold, Albany men who they think best fitted to presents and after Santa Claus came rushing in everyone was made happy with Christmas gifts. Refreshments of sandwiches and punch was served to all members by the

> hostess. The next meeting of the club will be held January 12th, A.D. 1942 at the home of Mrs. Hulan Smith.

IT'S YOUR LIFE OR SOME ONE ELSE

Christmas comes but once a year -and you'll have to pardon a traffic cop if he says "Thank heavens for that!"

Christmas is a headache to the traffic police of Texas. More auto and pedestrian traffic to handle, the shopping rush, the increase in weather hazards-those are some of the reasons.

And, of course, there are more parties and more drinking and many people expect a traffic cop to remember it's Christmas and look the other way at all these goings on. But on the other hand, 195 persons are expected to die in traffic accidents during December for these very reasons.

It isn't fun for that officer to give you a ticke'. No matter how lenient he woald like to be, a good policeman has to consider the public welfare. It's his duty to crack down on those who endanger the lives of others.

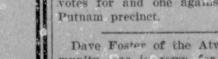
The Texas Highway Patre!, muniipal police departments and sheriff departments have issued orders to crack down on December traffic violators. It's become simply a matter of life or death. And those who won't cooperate for the public good must suffer the consequences. So think about onese things the

doing his duty.

After all, it's your life that he is trying to save.

Arthur Deasley o the Admiral community was in Putnam for a shot while Tuesday.

Cotton quotoes for 1942 went ov- next time you see a traffic officer er in a big way. There were 33



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Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reput- in the Cottonwood cemetery beside ation of any person, firm or the grave of his wife and four child, Black visited relatives in Fort corporation that may appear in the ren, who preceded him in death. columns of The Putnam News will be gladly and fully corrected upon 20, 1855. He came to Collins Counbeing brought to the attention of ty in 1872, then moved to the Cross the editor.

Respect, and any kind of enter- 1879, four months after his martainments where admission fee or riage, he moved to Callahan Counother monetary consideration is ty, and for fifty years had lived in ed at home first of week. charged, will be charged for at the house, in which he died. regular advertising rates.

Rev. H. C. Reddoch returned from

Medina Tuesday and is moving to Medina where he has accepted a only when the trumpet of God call from the Medina Baptist church for full time. He was former pastor of the Putnam Baptist industry. He was truly a pioneer, hurch here.

When in Baird Eat at the QUALITY CAFE Good Food, Courteous Service

L. L. BLACKBURN ATTORNEY AT LAW Office, First State Bank Bldg. Baird, -:- Texas

NOTICE

Renew Your Drivers Licenses before they expire. Drivers License No. 450,000 or less will expire December 31, 1941, and can not be renewed after they expire. Applications for renewals can be secured at Sheriff's Office at Baird and Mike Cook Insurance Office at Cross Plains.

Last Rites Friday For A. J. Arvin, 86 Early Day Settler *****

Funeral services for A. J. (Uncle Nuff) Arvin, 86, of Cottonwood, were held in the Church of Christ at Cottonwood, Friday afternoon, December 12, at four o'clock, with Claud Sykes, a friend of the Arvin family, officiating. The Masonic and visited with relatives. Lodge was in charge of the services. "Uncle Nuff" passed away at his home Thursday afternoon, at two-

thirty o'clock, after an illness of from Ralls, Texas. several days. Interment was made

Cut community, where he married tending NYA school at Bastrop is Cards of Thanks, Resolutions of Miss Mary Westerman. In August at home for a while.

He is survived by eleven children, eighteen grand-children and nine church here Sunday. great-grandchildren.

."Uncle Nuff" will be sadly missed by his many friends, but his in- Lawn visited relatives here Sunday night November 13th. This is the fluence for good, will be measured and Monday. sounds, and time is no more. He was a man of great courage and friend and neighbor. Active pall bearers were Joe Pierce, C. R. Nordyke, Rufus Bak-

er, Jack Benton, Bryan Bennett and Golden Bennett.

MISS ZELDA HARRIS AND M. P. WILCOXEN MARRIED ON FRIDAY

Wedding vows for Miss Zelda Pillans were Cross Plains visitors Harris, of Sabanno, and M. P. Wilcoxen, Jr., of Cottonwood, were solemnized Friday afternoon, December 12, shortly after four o'clock, in the home of Rev. and Mrs. W L. Bryan, with Rev. Bryan reading the single ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Harris, of the Sabanno community. She attended the old Ice Building. All kinds recently completed a nine months Cross Plains high school. The groom is the son of Mr. and cluding finishing. Bring us Mrs. M. P. Wilcoxen, of Cotton- your work. wood.

The ccuple will make their home near Cottonwood.

FOR . SALE: Medium Poland and Peanut Farm, west of Cisco. China Pigs, Springer Jersey Heifers | Call before December 23rd. pure bred hereford bull calves. A. B. Hutchison

Rev. J. C. Foster filled his regular appointment Saturday and Sunday at the Primitive church. Mr. and Mrs. Jess Cobb of Bur-

ATWELL

kett attended church bere Sunday * * * Tipton Wrinkle and Clyde and education.

C. H. Lovelady returned Sunday

* * S. A. Black, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Worth during the week end. Mrs. He was born in Kentucky, June Black returned home with them.

> Benja Pillans, who has been at-Jim Hutchins of San Angelo visit

Prof. Holder of Burkett attended

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Foster of rain up to 31.75 inches to Saturday garage.

I. W. Morgan and family of San Angelo visited in the S. G. Jones home last week.

Buster Foster returned from San Angelo Thursday.

Francis Westerman of Cross | many farmers were glad too see the Plains spent Tuesday night with the | rain they were complaining, that Riffe girls.

dry and many of them thought if Messers Jim Hutchins and Benja they did not get rain soon it would die.

Laundry Business **OPENED**

Mrs. W. Clarence Lane and Miss Nila Jones have opened Helpy-U-Selfy Laundry in

of Laundry Work Done, In-Prices reasonable.

FOR RENT: ... Well improved stock

A. J. Olson, Cisco, Texas

Public Schools To Receive \$3 Check On '41 Allotment'

THE PUTNAM NEWS,

The public schools over the state will have their Christmas budget raised by a \$3.00 per capita for each schoolastic from the \$4,642,062 per capita opportionment made available Thursday. This represents a payment of \$3.00 on the current \$22.50 apportioned by the board of

Superintendent L. A. Wood of the Department of Education stated that their would be anohter payment made in January. This will mean about \$9,000 to the county and about six hundred to the Put

E. G. Scott Reports

Saturday Night 13

The nearest to this was 29.26 inch-

es in 1939. This rain last week

thoroughly soaked the ground. It

was wetter than anytime this year

from the fact the rain was all night

falling. The ground was so wet

Thursday morning if you got off

the pavement it was very near im-

possible o get back on. However,

the wheat was not doing any good,

as the ground was getting pretty

2ND CLASS RADIO MAN IN U. S. NAVY

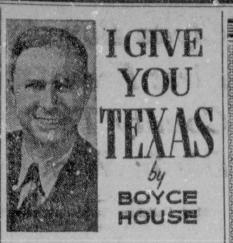
Benja Pillans, son of Mr. and

BENJA PILLANS IS

department.

31.75 Inches Rain

nam school.



PUTNAM, TEXAS

Remarkable remarks: P. T. Barnum-The American people like to be humbugged. Mark Twain-Everybody talks about the weather but nobody does anything about it.

Bob Fitzsimmons, the smallest man who was ever world's heavyweight champion prizefighter-The bigger they are, the harder they fall.

Vice President Tom Marshall -What this country needs is a good 5-cent cigar.

The rain of Wednesday night and Herbert Hoover - A chicken in Thursday of .95 inches brings the every pot and two cars in every

The Governor of North Carolina highest precipitation in many years. to the Governor of South Carolina --It's a h--of a long time between drinks.

> If you aren't wearied by personal reminiscences (which any seasoned news-gatherer can match or surpass from his stores of experiences), here's one more. The postmaster came into the Ranger Times office one day years ago when I was editor, and remarked, just incidentally, that there had been a bomb scare at the postoffice. One of the cierks had reported, "We've got an infernal machine." Sure enough, you could hear the ticking, like clock-work. The postmaster soaked the parcel in water (as he had read was the police procedure) and then removed the cord and paper, revealing a tin bucket with a lid of the kind that takes a knife-blade to pry off. The ticking was plainer now.

Mrs. B. P. Pillans, of Atwell, who The other members of the force stood back-after all, he was posttraining course in Radio, in Bastrop, master and was drawing the most Texas, left the latter part of this week for Los Angeles, California, money; besides, his life was not as valuable as a good Democrat's, where he will be stationed in the anyhow--; this was in the Herbert United States Navy, in the radio Hoover days).

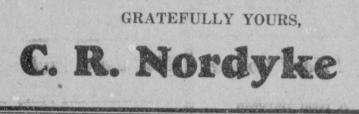
He pried the lid off-and the my-He successfully passed all requirstery was solved : The pail was aled physical examinations in Houston most full of Mexican jumping last week. Benja has already been appointed radio operator second beans, which were bouncing against class, in the U.S. Naval Base there. the sides and top of the bucket!

> That story went all over the country-and the postmaster got a bun-

SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE NOW DUE

TO THE CITIZENS OF CALLAHAN COUNTY:

At this time of the season, I would feel ungrateful did I not express to each and every one of you, my deepest appreciation for the wonderful cooperation you have shown me through the year of 1941. More especially since our country has been engaged in the present conflict. I have never seen a time when people were more cooperative, and this means victory. So allow me to wish you all the joys of a Merry Christmas and to us a victorious year for 1942.

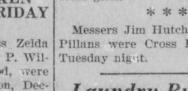


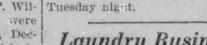




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AND BONDS





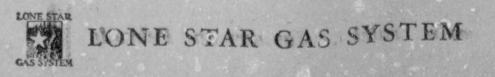
"Our sleeves are up, Uncle Sam!"

America is at war!

Whatever may be necessary, Lone Star Gas System stands ready to do its full part so that dependable gas service is available at all times for the Defense Program. This is our Number One Job. Whatever it takes-it shall be done. - State Barrison

In airplane factories, army camps, manufacturing plants, flying schools and many other defense projects dependable gas service continues to be vital. Likewise, dependable gas service is most necessary to the health and welfare of the homes of this community. Ours is a double task as we face these responsibilities.

Now more than ever the real significance of dependable gas service stands out in its full importance. Our interconnected pipe fine system facilities connected to more than 1,200 wells in sixty separate gas fields is geared to the emergency. Jur sleeves are rolled up, Uncle Sam. There is a job to be done, and it must be done well.



ch of orders from the East for jumping beans.

About people you know: Governor Coke Stevenson, recently "vetoing¹ the suggestion he make a long trip by plane, said he'd rather drive so he could stop along the way and visit at the filling stations.

R. T. Craig, veteral editor of the Athens Review, has retired, temporarily, it is to be hoped-in order to obtain a needed rest. Judge Ralph Yarborough of Austin earned his first dollar by turning a press by hand for Craig.

And modest, capable Garland A Smith, Caldwell editor and president of the South Texas Press Association, has been appointed chief clerk of the Texas treasury.

"Beneath this store, a lump of clay Lies Uncle Peter Daniels, Who too early in the month of

May. Took off his winter flaunels."

Different epechs in world history have been known as the stone age, the bronze age, the steel age and so on. This era may be known as the canned juice age. Just a few years ago, tomato juice was about the only kind that was canned. Now you can get pineapple juice, orange juice, grapefruit, kraut juice and carrot juice (heavens!)

By what process of reasoning does a man become an authority on world affairs and rate a nation-wide radio hookup just because, years ago, he flew across the Atlantic? Or, for that matter, does the fact that a man has made a lot of automobiles and a lot of money make his views of any special importance on any subjects except automobiles and money?

And though you can write me down as one-who, like Abou Ben Adam-loves his fellow man, I have difficulty in stretching that affection to include men who never served a day in their lives on a newspaper yet blossom forth as nationally--syndicated columnists.

There was an old lady of Wooster Who was often annoyed by a rooster, She cut off his head Until he was dead, And now he don't crow like he useter.

I've always liked the paradox, All generalizations are false -Including this one." And there was the fellow who exciaimed, 'I'm a perfect fool" but friend said, "Oh, no-hobody is



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