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FORTY BALES COTTON GINNED TO THURSDAY

Cotton is coming in slow, Charley Davis reported Thursday night that he had ginned only 40 bales. The wet damp weather is partly the cause and again not many farmers have commenced to pick, besides there is a small acreage. Mr. Davis thinks they will gin possibly 400 to 500 bales. He states the acreage to cotton was small and the grasshoppers destroyed a great deal of that, and then the dry weather cut what was left short. It is bringing 9.25 cents and seed is selling for \$21.

PENSION CHECKS TO BE ON TIME

The Old Age Assistance Commission commenced mailing out the checks on Tuesday and they should have reached their destination before this time. The checks went out to 114,455 pensioners and equaled the amount of \$1,570,832 or an average of \$13.73 per person. There were 114,431 who received checks in August, and the total amount was \$1,602,490. The list was reduced by 1976 from the list that was paid in August.

CALIFORNIANS HERE

Dr. and Mrs. W. G. Durnin and baby, Janet of Bell, California, arrived Tuesday for a few days visit with Mrs. Durnin's mother, Mrs. Mary Guyton of the Mission Hotel. Mrs. Durnin is the former Miss Mary Guyton of Putnam. Janet is pronounced as a most beautiful baby, with a heavy suit of lovely light curls. The Durnins are planning a trip to North Dakota this week.

METHODIST CHURCH NOTICE LEFT OUT

A notice of the Methodist church last week was left out through an error in the News office, pertaining to the pastor, Reverend G. C. Williams, pastor of Putnam and Scranton who authorized the News to state that services had been resumed at both churches on regular schedule. The services were discontinued on account of the disease of infantile paralysis.

CONTRACT AWARDED AT CISCO

Cisco received news from Austin Friday that the contract had been let for the overpass across the M. K. & T. railroad on east eighth street. This viaduct will be the second unit in the construction of the change on the Bankhead highway going through Cisco. Elimination of several dangerous turns is coming through town. The contract east of the viaduct is yet to be contracted but it is thought it will be let at an early date.

Mrs. Dr. Rumph and Miss Polly were in Putnam for awhile Friday morning making some arrangements before the beginning of school which will be September 13. Miss Polly has been employed in the faculty for the 1937-38 term. Mrs. Rumph paid the News office a pleasant call while here.

WHEN IS A TOWN DEAD?

Says the Eastland Record: "One of the quickest ways to size up the life and enterprise, and resources of a town is to start out to get a group of working people to put an enterprise over. If they are easy to get, and pitch in and work their heads off until the job is put over it is a live town. If they are hard to get, and neter out before the job is half done the town is dead."

AIR CONDITIONING

The Comanche Chief has the following to say: "On the heels of air-conditioned buildings, air-conditioned clothes are now being introduced. Such clothes are nothing new to the newspaper fraternity, especially to country editors whose threadbare trousers will attest to the fact."

Mrs. Cary Cook and daughter, Mrs. A. E. Shores, of Mertens, Texas, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Scott. They returned to their home Thursday. Mrs. Cook is a sister of Mr. Scott and Mrs. Shores is a granddaughter.

ABERNATHY - ROBERSON

Saturday night at the home of Mrs. Lora Roberson of Putnam, her daughter, Miss Maurine, was married to Sterling Abernathy, a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Abernathy, a prominent farmer living about eight miles north of Putnam. Rev. F. A. Hollis performed the ceremony before relatives and friends who had gathered for the occasion.

The bride is very popular among the younger set, and received her education from the Putnam high school, graduating with the class of 1937.

Mr. Abernathy is a young man, having been reared in the Hart community and is well known and has many friends in and around Putnam. He has been employed on the lease owned by Dick Ames for some two or three years. After a few days vacation they will be at home in the Hart community where he will remain in the employment of Mr. Ames.

SAM MANYARD IN HOSPITAL

Sam Manyard, constable of this precinct is seriously ill in the Sealy Hospital at Santa Anna. Mr. Manyard was taken over several days ago where he underwent an operation for prostate trouble last week and they thought he was getting along fine. He was to come home Tuesday but when his folks went after him his condition had taken a turn for the worse and they would not let him leave the hospital on account of the seriousness of his illness.

SHERWIN'S RETURN FROM VACATION

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Sherwin and daughter, Mary Ann, returned home Sunday from a motor trip to the east. They visited friends and relatives in Kentucky, Pennsylvania and New York. Mrs. Sherwin was in town Monday morning and while here called at the News office. She reported a wonderful trip and said that everything looked much better, and it was not so hot and dry any place they visited as it is here.

Fred Heyer and Dick Morgan, who live in the Zion Lili community, were in Saturday afternoon and while here called at the News office for a short visit. They reported they had considerable rain, but it was getting pretty dry and range conditions were poor, being no grass at the present time. They thought, however, that if they could get a good rain there is plenty of time yet to make lots of grass and feed.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Lotief of Eastland visited Miss Mildred Yeager last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Strong of Comanche visited in the home of Mrs. J. H. Surles this week.

MRS. CORA GAITHER LACY IN PUTNAM

Mrs. Cora Gaither Lacy of New York, a former resident of Putnam, was in town Tuesday morning. Mrs. Lacy formerly lived in Putnam, leaving here in 1888, thirty-nine years ago. Mrs. Gaither had been up in Colorado and New Mexico, and spent several months in Yellowstone Park. En route home she said she thought she would stop off for awhile and meet a few old acquaintances and friends. She stated that Putnam had changed considerably since she left as all business houses at that time were built along the front street on each side of the railroad and have been moved back around the square since that time. Mrs. Lacy met several of the old timers while here, including Y. A. Orr, L. J. Cook and several others that have been in this community for fifty years or more. Mrs. Lacy called at the News office while here and gave her subscription to us and said she wanted to keep up with what is going on here.

MONDAY'S ELECTION

The election on the six amendments Monday was one of the quietest in many years, there being only 46 votes cast, out of a possible vote of 300 on full vote of the precinct. Three carried and three lost, the vote being cast as follows:
No. 1: 19 for; 21 against.
No. 2: 26 for; 17 against.
No. 3: 12 for; 32 against.
No. 4: 27 for; 17 against.
No. 5: 15 for; 25 against.
No. 6: 29 for; 15 against.

ANDREW W. MELLON DIES

Andrew W. Mellon, former secretary of the United States treasury under three presidents, and in our opinion one of the greatest financiers in the United States, died last week.

When he was appointed the public debt was more than \$27,000,000 and during his administration the debt was reduced to about \$16,000,000,000, and the tax rate was reduced each year. Since his retirement in the place of reducing the debt it has been raised to an all-time high. Passing the \$37,000,000,000 mark last week. It looks like the debt will reach \$40,000,000,000 by the end of this year, taking the amount of the appropriation of more than nine billion dollars, unless the receipts increase considerably over what they were last year.

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION TO MEET AT OPIIN

The Callahan county Missionary Baptist annual convention will convene in Oplin in the southwest part of Callahan county on the 7th and 8th of September and will be in session two days. The Putnam church will elect delegates to the association next Sunday at the 11 o'clock service.

BROWNWOOD BONDS DEFEATED TUESDAY

The election in the city of Brownwood Tuesday for the purpose of voting \$30,000 municipal bonds for the purpose of enlarging their municipal gas plant was defeated by a good majority. The vote was light with 282 for the bonds and 346 against.

The municipal gas system was established about two years ago, the citizens of Brownwood thinking they were paying too much for gas. The city's system was purchased from several private owners for consideration of about \$15,000 and was financed from the city general fund and the city's investment has been increased until the investment amounts to about \$50,000.

MRS. EUBANK DOING FINE

Mrs. S. M. Eubank, who was taken to the Graham Sanitarium last week where she underwent a major operation, is doing fine and she thinks she will be able to come home in about ten days.

WILLIE GETER GOES TO STRAWN

Willie Geter has been elected as coach for the Strawn school for the 1937-38 term. The announcement was made by Superintendent Colley of the Strawn high school. Willie is a graduate of Hardin-Simmons University, just completing his four year course this last term.

Mr. Colley said the opening game would be played with Ranger on September 17. Strawn is in district 11-B with Baird, Caddo, Clyde, Moran, Olden, Putnam, and Woodson.

ROGERS - KILE

On last Saturday night a week ago Vernon Kile slipped into Putnam and got Miss Hortense Rogers, unbeknowning to their friends, and drove over to Baird and were married. Rev. Joe R. Mayes, pastor of the First Baptist church at Baird, officiated.

Miss Rogers is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rogers of Morton and was reared in and around Putnam. Miss Rogers is highly esteemed and has many friends in Putnam. She received her education from the Putnam high school, having graduated in 1935. She has been working in the Sharp Cafe ever since she graduated.

Mr. Kile is a son of a prominent farmer of Winters, who was reared in and around Putnam also. He left here about one year ago, going to Big Spring and there entering the filling service business where he has been since. They will make their home in Big Spring.

ZION HILL H. D. CLUB

The Zion Hill H. D. Club met in the Zion Hill clubhouse Monday, August 23, with 11 club members and 2 new club members, Mrs. J. D. Sprawls, Sr., and Mrs. J. H. Shrader.

A shower was planned for the clubhouse. Things that were needed were written down on slips of paper. Each club member drew a slip of paper.

BAPTIST MEETING AT SCRANTON

Will Jobe was in town Tuesday morning and stopped at the News office to authorize the News to state that the protracted meeting that was to have commenced last Saturday night was postponed until Sunday, September 5th. Rev. C. E. Dick, pastor, will be in charge and it has not been announced who he will have to assist him in this meeting.

CCC CALL FOR OCTOBER

A call for approximately 11,000 and 1,200 colored boys to be enrolled into the Civilian Conservation Corps during the October enrollment, has been issued by Adam R. Johnson, Texas Relief Commission, to the various county welfare boards.

This number far exceeds any former enrollment and will give almost all boys in the state an opportunity to enroll if they are unemployed, 17 to 23 years of age, in need, and whose parents or themselves, due to financial limitations, are not in a position to secure or provide comparable training. Full strength of the Texas quota is 16,000 white and 1,700 colored, and due to discharge of enrollees reaching the age of 24 and completion of the maximum enrollment of two years, replacements will be necessary.

Heretofore, rules did not allow boys from other groups receiving or eligible to receive public assistance be accepted, but these have now been modified. Such boys who have no dependents may allow two thirds of their pay to remain on deposit, and upon discharge, or completion of their enrollment, receive the full accrued amount. Where there are dependents, an allotment will be made each month direct.

Over \$500,000 each month is brought to Texas through these allotment checks to dependents, which materially relieves the burden that would otherwise be carried by the communities.

SAM GILLILAND WINS TRIP TO INDIANA

Sam H. Gilliland, electrolux dealer for Callahan county together with Cahal Clinton, one of his salesmen, won a trip to Evansville, Indiana. The special train will leave Ft. Worth some time after September 1. This trip is made possible by the Servil Company, manufacturers of the electrolux refrigerators, a box for either gas or kerosene. These boxes are steadily becoming more attractive to the public, giving the same service as any electric box, with much less operative cost.

Mr. Gilliland and his salesman have easily sold their quota for this county to secure this nice trip. Mr. Gilliland stated that he had one straight car to come to Baird at one time this year.

REV. REYNOLDS TO PREACH AT PRIMITIVE BAPTIST

Rev. J. W. Reynolds was in the News Office Saturday and requested that we announce that he will preach at the Primitive Baptist church Friday night, Saturday night and Sunday at 11:00 o'clock. Everybody invited to attend these services.

THE DEFICIT LARGER THAN 1936

The United States Treasurer reported the deficit for the first two months of this year \$357,923,000 or \$31,000,000 more than it was for the first two months of last year. The July spending topped revenue by \$249,000,000, or \$126,000,000 more than the July expenditures last year.

KNOW TEXAS

Chopsticks Needed. DENTON. — Using chopsticks could easily become a Texas fad, considering the amount of rice produced in this state annually. One tabulation shows that enough is grown to furnish cereal every day for every breakfast table in the state over a two-year period. In other words a little matter of 3,245,447 bushels were harvested in 1934, with the majority of this crop coming from the southeastern counties of Wharton, Matagorda, Chambers, Colorado and Liberty.

Even with the amount of territory to be covered, the transportation problem in Texas should not be a difficult one. Not only does this state rank first in railroad mileage with 17,000 miles of main line tracks, but a 1930 census shows that there is an automobile for approximately every three families. Texans believe in going places.

Industrial Inspiration. Armadillos may be objects of laughter to some people, but to a farmer in South Texas they are means of a livelihood. An accident was responsible for his discovery. He killed and skinned one of the queer-looking animals one day, put it in the sun, and the heat caused the shell to curl up in the form of a basket. Struck with the idea, he fastened the tail around to make a handle, lined the basket with colored silk, and offered it for sale. Tourists liked them, and the idea has grown into a large and remunerative business.

Ellan Earl Elzay is visiting in the home of Mrs. L. R. Burnside of Eastland this week.

Miss Myrlene McCool returned Thursday from Stephenville where she has been attending John Tarleton College the latter part of the summer.

Miss Velma Eubank and Ova Lee Farmer left Tuesday to resume their duties in the school teaching profession. Miss Eubank will teach in San Antonio and Miss Farmer at Big Wells. Miss Farmer taught in the Sonora schools last year.

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to express our sincere thanks to our many friends for their thoughtfulness and sympathy and for the many acts of kindness administered to us during the extended illness of Mrs. Heslop. May God's richest blessings abide with each of you.

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THE WRONG IDEA

Quoting from one of our ex-
changes on the subject of the cost
of distribution, they have the fol-
lowing to say:

"It used to cost a dollar to get
a dollar's worth of goods into the
hands of the consumer. Now, ac-
cording to some recent studies by
economists, it costs nearly a dol-
lar and a half. If that is so, it
would seem to have bearing on
the perpetual bugaboo of the high
cost of living.

"It certainly seems logical to
believe that the producer could get
just as much, and sell more goods
if people did not have to pay that
toll of \$1.50 on every dollar's
worth the producer sells. The pro-
ducer might even be able to sell
cheaper if more people bought his
goods.

"Of course the people and ag-
encies who carry goods to market
have to be paid for their services;
but do we need so many of them
especially when it comes to the
necessities of life? It seems reason-
able that if a lot of the whole-
salers, jobbers, commission men,
and others who stand between the
producer and retailer could be cut
out, there would be considerable
saving which the retailer could
pass on to the consumer."

As we see it the idea expressed
above is unsound and illogical. Of
course if all of the middlemen
were cut out as suggested above
the farmer could make more money
and sell his produce cheaper or
it would raise the price of farm
products and the goods could be
sold the consumer cheaper; but in
doing that we raise a greater
question, and we think most serious
question of them all, as the
number of people employed in
handling of these goods would be
thrown out of employment, which
would be added to what we al-
ready have and would only aggra-
vate the present situation as what
ever gain the farmer would make
would be taken from other classes
and a scheme of taking from one
class and giving to another is
what brought on the present con-
dition. Every well informed per-
son knows that the tariff that was
placed on manufactured goods
coming into this country was for
the purpose of raising the prices
of industrial goods and labor, and
this additional cost was paid to
certain classes and taken from the
great masses of consumers
throughout the United States. We
do not think the farmer is getting
a square deal in selling his pro-
duce on the open market and then
forced to buy back what he has to
buy in a protected market and
that is what has been doing for
years; but at that time the sys-
tem is no worse for the farmer
than millions of other citizens.

Why shouldn't the farm orga-
nization join with millions of other
citizens and demand of Congress
that they lower the tariff walls as
this will permit foreign manufac-
turers to sell their goods on the
American market thereby bring-
ing the price of industrial goods
down and increasing the farmer's
purchasing power by the reduc-
tion of the price of what he has
to buy. Don't you think raising
the purchasing power of the far-
mer this way, bringing the prices
down and consuming more goods,
would be much better in the long
run than pinching down produc-
tion and raising the prices and
creating more unemployment as
has been done the past four years?
The trouble with all the legislation
that has been passed in the past
several years has been class legis-
lation of the worse kind and no
one will dispute this fact if he has
given the matter any considera-
tion. While it has possibly aided
a few classes, it has been detri-
mental to the great masses of
people.

THE NINE CENT LOAN

The production control program
for next year was announced
Monday by Secretary Wallace.
There will be a loan made on cot-
ton if it should go below nine
cents, but there are lots of "ifs"
in the loan before you get it. In
the first place the farmer that gets
a loan and a subsidy and they both
go together, will have to sign a

Holiday Bound, The Prologue! — by A. B. J. J. J.



DON'T YOU DO SOME OF THE PACKING?
YOU ALWAYS LEAVE EVERYTHING FOR ME TO DO,
AN' THEN AT THE LAST MINUTE YOU'RE CRABBING BECAUSE
WE'RE NOT READY TO HOP IN THE CAR AT SUN UP !!!
JANE, I SAID NO, YOU CAN'T TAKE THE CAT ALONG, AND,
JIMMY, IF YOU DON'T STOP FUSSIN' BECAUSE I WON'T LET
YOU GO ON THAT WILD WEEK-END PARTY WITH THAT BUNCH
OF SAPPY KIDS, I'LL STOP YOUR ALLOWANCE FOR A MONTH !!
HEAVENS, GETTING READY FOR A THREE DAY PLEASURE TRIP
GIVES ME THE JITTERS !!!
A HOLIDAY FOR THIS FAMILY IS
LABOR DAY FOR ME
ALLRIGHT! ALLRIGHT!!

AW, JEEBERG!
DON'T WANTA GO
VISITIN' NO OL'
UNCLES AN'
AUNTS
CRIPES!!

done with domestic consumption
this year, we would have had a
world's consumption of 18,000,000
bales which would have been two
million bales more than produc-
tion, and the control can be charg-
ed to the loss of 5,000,000 which
could and would have been sold
to foreign countries.

**NEW STARS ADDED
TO FIESTA SHOWS**

FORT WORTH.—With attend-
ance at the Fort Worth Frontier
Fiesta continuing above last year,
Billy Rose, director-general, has
announced several new acts for
Casa Manana, Pioneer Palace and
the Firefly Garden as a means of
adding the spice of variety to the
solid entertainment fare.

Joe Jackson, who for more
than forty years has been hailed
by audiences here and abroad as
one of the foremost comic panto-
mimists has been added to the
cast of the Casa Manana revue.
He is presenting his cleverly tim-
ed, laughable tramp bicycle act.
Also new in the roster of the
Casa Manana talent are the Hu-

bents, Fritz and Jean, who are of-
fering their amusing version of
two inebrates escorting each other
home.

The Thee Swits, comic jugg-
lers who have recently starred in
New York at the French Casino,
will be added to Casa Manana on
August 21.

In Pioneer Palace, Rose is in-
troducing this week Art Frank
and Chester Frederick, stellar
dancers. Frank is an amusing rube
dancer and Frederick does a
thoroughly modern hot jazz dance
routine.

The addition of the new acts
is expected to increase the enthu-
siasm of the public for the Fiesta
shows which, box office figures
reveal, is even now at a high pitch.

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**contract pledging himself to en-
operate and do anything suggest-
ed by the agricultural department
including the cutting of the next
year's crop by at least 35 percent.
The farmer may be able to get
the loan but he will not get any
subsidy unless he takes a pig in
a bag and agrees to do anything
they suggest, and in case of the
subsidy he will not get it until
next summer. The farmer is not
to be trusted but must have
shown by actual planting that he
has actually reduced his crop by
as much as 35 percent. This subsidy
will not be on the entire crop but
on only 65 percent of your crop.
If the farmer should grow 10
bales in 1937, he would be entit-
led to not exceeding 3 cents per
pound on 6 bales of his crop. The
nine cent loan will be on 7-8 mid-
dling or better. Eight cents will
be loaned on 13-16 staple and
middling or better. The loans are
to draw 4 per cent interest from
the time the loan is made.**

THE COTTON CONTROL PLAN

The plan calls for a drastic
control plan next year. The loan
will be nine cents with a subsidy
of the difference between the price
of the cotton is sold for and the price
at the ten designated markets. If
the farmer should sell a bale of
cotton for nine and a half cents
he will be entitled to 2 1-2 cents
subsidy which would make the
cotton bring 12 cents. The program
is the same as two years ago.
The farmer is being asked to
sign a contract if he gets the sub-
sidy telling the politicians that
we do not know how to run our
business and we are going to sign
a contract to do just as you please
and we will attempt whatever you
give us. (In other words they are
asking you to buy a pig in a sack
without ever seeing the pig.)

Of all the wild programs that
was ever pulled this has them all
skinned. Who would have thought
ten years ago the government
would have gone in with the big
farmer as has been done in the
last few years. It means the end
to the tenant farmer within a
very short time as the big land
owner will buy tractors to work
his land or he will sow it down
and then the government comes
along and tells him "I will allow
you so much if you will plant su-
dan or some other soil building
crop and pasture or turn it under,
or we will allow you so much to
kill the prickly pears off your
land, or so much to build a tank,"
and many other things under the
guise of soil building. The soil
building is good for the land, but
every land owner should do his
own soil building at his own ex-
pense, and the government has no
legal right to tax everybody and
pay it out to individuals as they
are doing. The man that owns a
house in town has just as much
right to demand that the govern-
ment put a new roof on his build-
ing or make any other improve-
ment as a farmer or ranchman
has to receive bounties without
rendering services. The whole
scheme is for political purposes
and I do not know how they are
going to pass any control law that
will control the farmer, as the
court was unanimous in their
opinion when they threw out the
AAA, and there has only been one
new member placed in the court,
besides the court in its late deci-
sions held that Congress had no
jurisdiction over intrastate busi-
ness, and the farmers business
certainly is not intrastate. They
may attempt to pass some law
that will keep produce from one
state to another, but if we under-
stand the constitution this will be
unconstitutional, as it reads as
follows: "Article 1, Section 9 and
Verse 5: No tax or duty shall be
laid on articles exported from any
state. No preference shall be giv-
en by any regulation of commerce

or revenue to the ports of one
state over another. No small ves-
sels bound to or from one state,
shall be obliged to enter clear or
pay duties in another."

No doubt they expect to control
the farm production by the same
method they are attempting to
control the flow of goods from one
state to another under the wage
and hour legislation that is being
proposed by not allowing it to
pass from one state to another un-
less it is produced by labor paid
the minimum price fixed by the
wage and hour legislation that is
being proposed. Legislation of
this kind would be a tax or a tar-
iff for the purpose of prohibiting
the free passage of goods produc-
ed in one state passing across the
line in another state unless the
producer complies with the wage
set up by the CIO board to be set
up at Washington. All this farm
control has accomplished has been
to lose the market the farmer had
where he could sell his stuff he
produced and now attempting to
subsidize him for the market he
has fooled away. They argue that
the farmer can't raise cotton at
four cents, which every sensible
person is willing to accept; but if
the control program is such a
good thing we would like for some
one to tell us why it is that after
about four years of control and
spending 20 billion dollars try-
ing to pull ourselves out of the
depression by our own boot straps
that the price of cotton is far
more than four hundred points be-
low the average for the past 38
years. The low price of farm pro-
ducts was caused from the people
over-buying, and the same thing
will happen again and no legisla-
tion will prevent it. Mr. Babson
states last week in an article that
the automobile business was 66
per cent on the installment plan,
which is tying up their purchas-
ing power for the next three
years and many other things are
being purchased the same way
and this will stop or use all of the
credit we have and then your buy-
ing stops and we will have another
panic and very likely the one
we have just gone through will
look good compared with the next
one.

**IT LOOKS LIKE THE COTTON
REPORT WILL BE LARGER**

The government cotton report
showed an indicated yield of 18-
593,000 bales in their September
report, while the average for the
private reports was 15,208,000,
making the government report a-
bout three hundred thousand over
the private reports. However, this
does not indicate that the govern-
ment will be over this time as it
is under as much as it is over. The
average of private reports at the
present time is about 16,200,000
bales, but if we had exported ten
million bales as we should have

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Local Happenings

Curtis Armstrong is visiting his friend, John Foley of South Bend, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Clinton returned from a several days visit in Knox county Sunday.

G. E. Jones of the Jones Dry Goods stores of West Texas, was a Putnam caller Tuesday.

Mrs. H. L. Moore of Goree spent several days in the home of her mother, Mrs. Ella Kennedy this week.

Miss Frances Armstrong of Abilene spent Wednesday in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Armstrong.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Brandon returned Sunday from a several days visit with his son who lives at Crane.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Williams and boys visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Rogers. Mrs. Rogers is a sister of Mr. Williams.

Carl Kile and Jess Hudson were fishing on the Clear Fork of the Brazos Saturday and Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Williams and boys were visiting in Breckenridge Sunday at the home of Mr. Williams' sister, Mrs. Lee Rogers.

Mr. and Mrs. Lem Harper and son spent Sunday in Abilene, the guests of Mrs. Harper's mother, Mrs. L. D. Harwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Ascue Dodd and little niece, Rosa Lee Ryan, spent Sunday in Abilene, guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Grisham and family.

Eugene Sunderman left this week for Estaline where he will be coach in the high school. Mr. Sunderman graduated from Howard Payne college this year.

Osborne Little has started his work of coaching in the high school at Scranton. Mr. Little will reside at his home in Putnam and teach in the Scranton schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Moore, Mrs. Janie Moore, Miss Eva Moore, Mrs. Beauford Allen, and W. P. Everett have returned from a vacation trip spent in California. All report a wonderful time.

John Hammond of Plainview, Peggy Sprawls of Tulia were in the Putnam territory last week gathering up a lot of sheep that Mr. Hammond had around the Scranton community.

Miss Willie Kennedy is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. L. Moore of Goree this week. The school of business administration taught by Miss Kennedy has closed for a month due to the prevalence of infantile paralysis.

Frank Maynard of Eastland was in Putnam Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Maynard formerly lived in Putnam before going to Eastland. They moved from here to Baird and from there to Eastland several months ago.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Culwell, Mrs. J. Y. Culwell, Mrs. Willie Culwell and children, Thomas, Annie and Charles of San Antonio, and Blodie Phillips enjoyed a picnic at Lake Cisco in honor of Mrs. Willie Culwell and children. After the picnic all enjoyed a theatre party.

Mary Bess Elzay is visiting in the home of Reverend John W. Reynolds of Stephenville this week.

Billy McMillan of Coleman visited Doyle Lee Brown, Dolpha Hull and Roy Lee Williams during the week-end. He returned to Coleman Tuesday.

Frank Maynard of Eastland was in Putnam Tuesday. Mr. Maynard and family lived in Putnam a few months but are living in Eastland now, taking care of Mr. Maynard's father and mother.

Mrs. Sally Mayes is moving to Putnam this week, locating in the southeast part of the city. Mrs. Mayes formerly lived in Putnam and has many friends here and in the surrounding territory.

"NEOLECTRESS" NEW NAME FOR "HOUSEWIFE"

ABILENE.—What is believed to be the first concerted effort in the nation to eliminate from popular usage a name the majority of women resent, "housewife," today had resulted in the substitute word, "Neoelectress."

It was defined as meaning "a modern home maker alert to this new electric age" and had the approval of Dr. Charles E. Funk, noted lexicographer of New York, who selected it from more than a thousand substitute names submitted in a campaign conducted by the West Texas Utilities Company over its 40,000 square-mile territory.

Mrs. Ben D. Parker, Abilene woman and a dog fancier, submitted the name, "Neo," she pointed out, means "new." "Lectress," she said, suggests feminine usage of electricity.

The campaign was based on the theory that the word "housewife" has become obsolete due to the improved status of women.

"It is true," Dr. Funk said in announcing his selection of neoelectress, "that the facilities for the effective management of the home have, within the past few years, become so notable as to remove—let us hope, forever—much of the ceaseless drudgery formerly a concomitant of that necessary field."

"My search for the winning name (neoelectress) led me to seek a term that was not only new in every respect, but that would be formed with due regard to etymology and with a recognition of the fact that the chief agency in the relief of household drudgery is electricity."

Winner of second prize in the contest was Mrs. F. B. Probandt, of San Angelo, who entered the word "domestician." Third place was awarded Mrs. W. B. Bourland of Oklahoma, with the entry, "hcmecologist." Decisions of Dr. Funk were also based on letters explaining usage of words.

Mrs. Parker's reward for her first place entry will be a super-duty Frigidaire; Mrs. Probandt receives her choice of a Hotpoint electric dishwasher or a Thor washing machine; and Mrs. Bourland will be presented with a Sunbeam Mixmaster.

Honorable mention and choice of smaller electric appliances will go to ten women: Mrs. Lee White Dalhart; Mrs. O. R. Bodeen, Childress; Jane Yeager, Rochelle; Mrs. R. C. Roberts, Vernon; Mrs. W. N. Pipkin, Matador; Mrs. S. G. Jones, Abilene; Mrs. J. Dexter Eoff, Ballinger; Anna Mick, Mason; Mrs. R. H. Bounds, Stamford; and Mrs. R. R. Trimble, San Angelo.

GRIGGS HOSPITAL

Jewel Conlee left the hospital Friday after an appendix operation.

Mrs. Eddie Bullock left the hospital with a baby boy last Friday night.

Mrs. V. A. Lambert and baby girl left the hospital Friday.

W. J. Ray of Baird is still in a serious condition.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Bell a six pound girl named Billie Bethel.

C. Fortune of Cross Plains left the hospital Friday following appendix operation.

Tom Poindexter of Oplin underwent an appendix operation Monday.

J. C. Grantham of Oplin left hospital Sunday.

Walter Miller entered the hospital Wednesday for medical treatment.

W. P. Barr of Eula is slowly improving after a bone operation.

Walter Phillips, son of R. C. Phillips of Rising Star, entered the hospital Sunday for medical treatment.

Grandma Griggs is feeling better this week.

Mrs. R. F. Mayfield of Baird left the hospital last week following surgery.

Cubella Lopez of Faird was a tonsillectomy Monday.

Mrs. J. M. Poindexter of Oplin had minor surgery operation Tuesday.

Randell Aiken of Cross Plains underwent tonsillectomy operation Wednesday.

Billy Ruth Aiken of Cross Plains was a tonsillectomy patient Monday.

The nightwatchman at Baird underwent an appendix operation Wednesday morning.

TO GET GOOD PRICES FOR UNIVERSITY LAND

AUSTIN.—Unusually good prices are expected for the oil and gas rights to 93 tracts of land embracing 15,076 acres owned by the University of Texas and situated in Crane, Ector and Andrews counties, which will be offered for lease at public auction October 22. The fact that most of these tracts are in or adjacent to areas where lease and drilling activities are receiving much attention on the part of independent operators is regarded as placing the University lands in an unusual favorable position at this time.

Another factor that promises to stimulate the demand for leases of oil and gas rights on land owned by the University in Andrews county is that marked success has recently been had in opening up big production in Gaines county located just north of Andrews. Only a few days ago the Continental Oil Company completed a well in Gaines county which had a reported initial flow of nearly 1,400 barrel daily.

The block which the University owns in Andrews county is regarded by petroleum geologists as unusually well situated as far as oil possibilities are concerned. This land lies on the southern edge of the south Plains, an altitudinal and comparatively level region covering eastern New Mexico and a group of about fourteen counties in Texas. It is part of the 2,000,000 acres of land endowment owned by the University of Texas in West Texas, and upon which there are already several oil fields.

Not a great many years ago the theory that oil and gas in commercial quantities were to be found in that area, which has an elevation ranging from 3,000 to 3,400 feet, found little, if any, support of geologists. Outside of the Hobbs and one or two other fields in New Mexico which are situated on the South Plains, comparatively little exploration for oil has been made in that region. On the Texas side of the South Plains oil and gas production has been obtained in Andrews, Yeakum, Gaines, Cochran and Dawson counties. A number of the major companies during the past year have purchased extensive leases in all of the southern and western group of counties of the plains territory.

Attention was turned recently to Lynn county by the fact that one company has blocked 12,000 acres on which it will drill several tests. Considerable wildcat drilling is also being done at this time in Terry county. With oil production on all sides of the 294,000 acres of University lands in Andrews county, the situation is regarded as very favorable for production on that acreage.

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THE REST OF THE RECORD

BY JAMES Y. ALLRED
Governor of Texas

Several months ago, when the industrial North and East were paralyzed with sit-down strikes, I issued a statement that we were not going to have any confiscation of property in that fashion down here in Texas. I said I was convinced that the sit-down strike method did not represent the desires of an overwhelming majority of organized labor in our state; and that while I was and had always been friendly to organized labor, it was "un-American and unlawful" to sit down on somebody's property and try to remain there. If a man wants to quit a job, or strike, he has a perfect right peaceably to do so; but after quitting he has no more right to sit down on property or premises without permission than he would have to sit down in a private home uninvited.

The people of Texas approved of my statement because it represented the sentiments of an overwhelming majority of them. We haven't had any sit-down strikes in Texas and had very little labor troubles as compared to other states.

Now another unfortunate situation has developed. Recently in Dallas a man who was trying to show a pro-labor picture in a public park was kidnapped and taken out into the country by a bunch of hoodlums who tarred and feathered him. Another labor organizer was kidnapped and beaten so brutally that he was laid up in the hospital for over a week. Other outrages of a lesser nature were perpetrated and threats were freely being made as to what was going to be done with labor organizers.

Everyone concedes that labor has a right to organize and to select organizers and leaders of their own choosing. The freedom of speech and the right to assemble peaceably are guaranteed by both state and federal constitutions. The brutal treatment accorded these men in Dallas is indefensible. I recall a few years ago when the unfortunate Ku Klux epidemic broke out and many men were taken from their homes at night and flogged because they had violated the laws. The people of Texas rose up in their might and took the position that even if a man had violated the law he was entitled to a trial in a courthouse and not in a creek bottom. Today it isn't even claimed that the men who were kidnapped or tarred and feathered were violating any law. All that was said by those who perpetrated the outrages was that the men belonged to the CIO. It isn't a violation of the laws of our country for these men to belong to the CIO, regardless of what we may think of that organization.

In my opinion, it is just as important to protect people from outrages of this kind as to prevent the taking of property from the rightful owners by the sit-down strike or other unlawful

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method. Because I didn't want to see the thing get started again in Texas I immediately sent twenty-five members of the state police to Dallas with instructions to protect men in their right to speak freely and to assemble lawfully. These officers are instructed not to take sides in any controversy but simply to prevent violence on either side.

I was surprised to get a bunch of inspired telegrams apparently approving the treatment given these organizers because, the telegrams said, they were members of the CIO. I don't care to what organization they belong. If they violate any law they ought to be prosecuted for it; but no set of men has the right to take the law into their own hands and kidnap, or beat, or tar and feather, these men. I think the people of Texas are backing me up in this stand.

Since the state police went to Dallas these troubles have practically ceased. I am very hopeful that the situation will adjust itself without any further trouble.

I really wish the general public could know in detail the many fine things that have been accomplished in the Public Safety Department. I am particularly proud of the intelligence branch. In this division we have fingerprint, handwriting and ballistic experts. This has been a great help to local officers everywhere and, of course, has materially assisted the state in dealing with more hardened type of criminal.

Just as illustrative of what has been done in the one field of ballistic work: As perhaps most of you know men from this department can take a bullet that has been fired and trace it to the gun that fired it by markings on the bullet. They have done this in many instances and solved cases that might otherwise have gone down as "perfect" crimes.

For instance, recently in one Texas town a man was murdered at night as he slept. He was not robbed, and officers were at a loss for a motive. They did, however, find shotgun shells of a certain type. They picked up every gun of this caliber in the little town and fired some test shells together with the ones found on the ground in to Austin. The fired shells from each gun had been numbered and the experts in the Public Safety department shortly advised that the shell with a certain number on it was from the same gun as that which fired the shells found at the scene of the crime. It was no trouble to trace the ownership of this shotgun and its use to a negro in the community who promptly confessed the crime. This is just one of a number of similar cases that illustrate how quickly the department can assist your local officers.

Some time ago I had occasion to use the handwriting experts. The State of Illinois had asked for extradition papers on a prominent citizen of this state on a charge of forgery alleged to have been committed in Illinois. The notary public who took the acknowledgment in Illinois identified this citizen and in an affidavit asserted that he had seen him sign the

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instrument in question. While I was hearing the case I had the handwriting expert from the Public Safety Department to go over the alleged forged deed and compare it with samples of the defendant's handwriting; and before I could close the hearing these experts reported to me that without any question the defendant had not forged the deed. You can imagine how grateful these people were to our Department of Public Safety for the service, which cleared the name of a good citizen of Texas.

From time to time I shall try to tell you more of the work of this department and other departments of the state government in which I think you may be interested.

R. F. Webb of Miles, superintendent of the Putnam public schools, was in Putnam looking after his duties pertaining to the opening of the school September 13, this week.

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Miss Mary Yeager left Tuesday for Tyler where she will resume her duties as rural school supervisor of Smith county. Miss Yeager attended Texas University the latter part of the summer.

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FARM NOTES

ROSS B. JENKINS, County Agt.

Winter Legumes and Inoculation

In previous articles the value of vetch has been stressed. Now, following this article is a letter right to the point from Mr. E. A. Miller, Extension Agronomist, in which he says, quote: "My experience with the crop in Texas on the poorest sandy soil as well as on the richest black land has convinced me that vetch will be our most important soil building crop in the future, and it fits so well in the cropping season whereby the land can be kept at work during the winter and summer. Furthermore, I want to urge you to read the splendid article on vetch by Eugene Butler in the September issue of the Progressive Farmer and my article in the Farm and Ranch, which will be published in September. Both articles give the latest methods of growing this crop successfully and the one in the Progressive Farmer gives the results of demonstrations in various parts of Texas."

Mr. Miller points out also that inoculation is very important in the growing of vetch. He says: Quote, "It is almost useless to plant vetch without inoculation as there are very few bacteria in the soil for this crop. Failures with vetch in the past have been due largely to lack of inoculation and not using phosphate." Superphosphate should be applied to the land at the rate of one to two hundred pounds 20 per cent purity on sandy land and eroded black land. It will greatly increase the growth of the vetch and when the crop is off the ground the succeeding crop will use the phosphate.

Planting: There are two successful methods of planting vetch. First, broadcast 100 to 200 pounds of superphosphate and 15 to 20 pounds of vetch seed mixed with an equal amount of rye, barley,

or wheat to serve as a nurse crop. Then flat break the land so the seed will be covered two to four inches deep. Second, broadcast the phosphate and seed as stated above, then use a middle-buster or sweep to cover the seed and phosphate two or three inches deep. This method will put the plants all on beds. A third method is to drill the vetch and grain with a common grain drill or row planter and if the fertilizer is used it may be broadcast ahead of the planting. The inoculation should be applied to the seed before they are planted.

Seed Costs: Hairy vetch seed costs about \$12.00 per hundred lb. O. B. Dallas. The inoculation costs about 65 cents to treat a hundred pounds. This is a real soil builder. It will also fulfill the requirements of the A. A. A. program in planting idle lands to make compliance in the 1937 program. This office has already ordered several batches of vetch and hopes that many other farmers will have a demonstration of this winter legume to report next spring.

Orchard Planting—Last week the county agent accompanied by J. Frank Browning, apple grower of Baird, and Cecil B. Harris, pecan grower and orchardist of the Clyde district, attended a field orchard day held at the nursery of Ross R. Wolfe at Stephenville. Some four hundred people were in attendance at that meeting which included orchard enthusiasts from four states. All were impressed with the heavy yield of peaches soon growing on the Frank trees in the Wolfe orchards. It has not failed to bear in the last five years since reaching maturity in the Wolfe orchard and this variety has not been known to fail in the past thirty-four years.

Mr. Alexander of Weatherford exhibited a new apple which he calls the Holland, named for Frank Holland of the Farm and Ranch, which ripens at this time of year and has a very delicious flavor. Mr. Browning exhibited some Golden Delicious, the Starking, and King David apples from his orchard. Mr. Browning emphasized the value of the King David apple for this district.

The county agent is releasing this week an orchard letter and inquiry to a number of farmers in this section and if this letter should fail to reach any prospective orchardist it would be appreciated if he would drop into the office and discuss his needs and work out an orchard plan for his farm.

This quantity of fruit trees should supply one person with fresh fruit for one year: 6 peach, 4 apples, 2 plum, 6 grapes, and 16 berries. If your orchard does not contain this number of plants for each person it is very likely that you do not produce year by year enough fruit to supply your home needs. Most land in Callahan county will grow an orchard if it is properly prepared. All orchards should be terraced before the trees are set and these terraces should be run at narrow intervals so that trees may be placed between each terrace. High, well-drained land should be used and land that is fertile. Worn out hillsides with nothing more than clay left is not a suitable soil for an orchard of any kind. Such land should be sodded to grasses and turned out. Less than one-sixth of the rural families of Callahan county show to have a sufficient supply of home grown fruit, yet Callahan county is in the region that will make 100 per cent peach crops each year if the correct var-

eties are planted and cultivated. Peaches for this county should be those that require a low number of cold hours to set their fruit which include the Frank, Dr. Burton, Farris Beauty, the Rochester, Success, Early Rose, and the Carman. Most of these peaches will get enough cold weather to make every year, whereas as has been stated before Elberta, Early Wheeler, and various other popularly known peaches require more cold weather than this section normally receives. Callahan is destined to become one of the top yielding peach and apple sections of the United States. The question is do you plan to be on the band wagon?

A. A. A. Ranch Inspection Complete—Range Inspectors Everett H. Williams and Hugh H. McDermott report that they have made all inspections of the ranches in Callahan county and that the practices requested by the ranchers have now been placed on their work sheets and will be forwarded soon to the state office for a final tabulation and the allowance for grazing capacity for Callahan. It is hoped that by the 1st of October that compliance may be checked on these ranches and those who have completed building tanks, spreader dams, eradicating prickly pear and mesquite shall have finished their work, however, those ranchers who have not completed their work by that time will have until November 1st and in some cases even later than that to finish compliance.

The inspectors report that the grass is the poorest in Callahan for many, many years since practically no rains of any importance have fallen since March. They report also that probably the best winter range that has been in Callahan since 1932 was grown this past winter but after the winter weeds and grasses had died no summer rains fell to bring out the summer grasses. They state that if rains should start now that probably the buffalo and mesquite would make sufficient growth to help the ranches for late autumn grazing. Although ranges are much poorer than in 1934, the year in which the government was forced to buy many thousands of cattle, tanks and streams held a sufficient water reserve to enable ranchers to hold their cattle without sacrificing them before a fair growth had been attained.

THINK ON THESE THINGS

By C. C. Andrews

"For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them." Eph. 2:10.

God has prepared and expects every one who has been "saved by grace" "to maintain good works."

If any one fails, they are neglecting the purpose of their creation.

Faith that saves is personal, and alone, and affects only the individual believing.

But faith alone does not profit others. "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." Mat. 5:16.

The only way one can show his faith is by good works.

James said: "A man may say, Thou hast faith and I have works; shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works."

Unless there is good works manifested in some manner in our life the reality of our faith is questioned, nor will we receive any rewards when Jesus comes to bestow them.

So then, we are "justified by faith" and we are also "justified by works."

The one for salvation, when we believe, the other when we please God by obeying Him, and render service for others.

Let these words of Paul to Titus be our motto:

"This is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be CAREFUL to maintain good works."

"These things are good and profitable unto men."

Dear Old Grandma

Boss—"It's tough on you, Billy, with baseball season under way and your grandfather dead. Let's see, I believe he died four times last summer."

Billy—"Yes, sir, I know, but grandma has married again."

Correct

Girl (to jeweler)—"I want you to settle an argument. I say you pronounce the name of this stone as 'turkwos' and my friend says it is 'turkwos.' Who is right?"

Jeweler—"I afraid you are both wrong. The correct pronunciation is 'glass'."

ZION HILL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Ingram and Harold Morgan returned Saturday from Mississippi where they made a two weeks' visit. They report a nice trip. Mr. Ingram says they sure have some fine crops 'back there.

Mrs. J. A. Heyser, Fred Heyser and Miss Luvada Standridge spent Thursday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Taylor.

Mr. S. F. Ingram was a Baird visitor Monday.

Jack Ramsey, R. B. Taylor, and Mrs. S. F. Ingram were in Cisco Tuesday.

S.F. Ingram was a business visitor in Cisco Monday.

SCRANTON

Would make apologies for not sending and Scranton news in last week but maybe the few who read these items didn't miss it. Anyway, I think that last week was the second time that I let my work interfere with the news for this column. But honest, I was getting a little repair work on my home and I was so busy that I just didn't take out for anything.

We have two weddings to report. John Hammond Shrader and Miss Bibbie Allen were married first week. Also Miss Rennie Reynolds and a young man from Oklahoma, Bobbie, John, and Rennie were all born and reared here and are graduates from Schanton high school and have a host of friends who wish them every happiness.

Mrs. Knox Wallis of Houston is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Reese. She and Mr. and Mrs. Reese are visiting their son and brother, O. H. Reese of McCombs.

W. J. Bush and family are visiting in Nacadoches.

Mrs. M. E. Blackmar and son, Wayne, are visiting Mrs. Blackmar's brother, W. E. Turner.

The election Monday was a quiet affair, only 10 votes being cast.

Preparations are going forward toward the drilling for oil on the B. P. Cozart tract about 1 1/2 miles northwest of town. Gallagher & Lawson having the contract. Mr. Gallagher says he has never drilled where he was so anxious to bring in a well.

The county health officer says it's alright to attend regular church services and I have been asked to announce that the Baptist church will have their annual conference for the election of all church and S. S. officers Saturday night and pastor Dick will preach Saturday night and Sunday morning, and Sunday evening. We are grateful indeed that there has been no cases of infantile paralysis.

ATWELL

Bro. Frank Maddux from New Mexico, preached at the Baptist church Sunday and Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Jones, Gusie Jones and Sam Jones attended the Sacred Harp singing in Abilene Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Bradley and sons, Leslie and Joe Bradley, from Dallas spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Brashear.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Maddux had the pleasure of having all their children home on a visit through this week-end. The children present were: Mrs. S. N. Foster, Mrs. Sam Jones of Atwell; Mrs. Henry Cook, Fort Worth; J. T. Maddux, Fort Worth; and Frank Maddux, New Mexico.

Those attending the singing in Cisco Sunday afternoon were Ebb Rouse, Ben Pillans, Alton Tatom, and Opal Pillans.

TODAY AND TOMORROW

Frank Parker Stockbridge

REVOLUTION

Human rights I have not been able to scare myself, as so many of my friends do, with the fear that the United States of America is heading for a revolution. We are not going to have another Revolution in America unless and until some man or group with power to enforce their will upon the rest of us undertakes to deprive us of our liberties as human beings and free citizens. If that ever happens, then there will be a revolution. So far I have been unable to see any signs of anything seriously pointing in that direction. There have been utterances and gestures, some of them from high places, which indicate annoyance because we still, as a people, refuse to take orders to do things about which we have not been consulted, but nothing which I can take seriously as a threat to our fundamental liberties.

Let those be actually menaced, and we will see a revolution—at least a revolt against whoever tries it—and it will be short, sharp and decisive, with the people of the United States reasserting their rights.

LIBERTIES protection What are the rights which so many fear are in danger? They

are set down in the first ten amendments to the Constitution. That "Bill of Rights" is worth rereading. If I were a schoolmaster I would have my pupils read it aloud every morning, so they would grow up knowing that they are free American citizens whom no authority, least of all one which they themselves or their forebears has created, can push around with impunity.

Read it. Read that no one has power to interfere with the churches or the practice by every one of the religion which pleases him. No power can forbid you to speak your mind on any subject, by voice or in print. Our rights are secure to assemble peacefully, to petition the government for redress of grievances, to bear arms, to be secure against search and seizure of our persons—read the whole list. That is only part of it.

I think that whenever any authority tries to deprive us of those liberties there will be a revolution in America, but not till then.

DICTATORS Washington Many of my timorous friends who do not fear a popular uprising—a revolution—have a bad case of the jitters over their conviction that the nation is heading for a dictatorship, in the European fashion. I do not share that fear, either.

We had a dictator once. His name was George Washington. In 1777, when the American Revolution against King George III was going badly, the Continental Congress voted to give the Commander of the army complete control of the whole country, to conscript citizens for soldiers, to commandeer food and soldiers, to confiscate property and to give orders which had the force of law, and use any means he desired to carry them out.

Washington, armed with those powers, such as no other American ever had, before or since, won for the people the liberties which the British King had denied them. He could have kept those powers and made himself an absolute ruler. Instead, he presided over the convention of 1787 which framed the Constitution, carefully planned to prevent the concentration of power in any one man or in the Federal government, but making the people as a whole the supreme authority.

GOVERNMENT

balanced The system of government set up under the American Constitution has outlasted any other system which was in existence in the world in 1787. It was the first government ever set up in which the people as a whole held all the power. Under the Constitution a few strictly limited powers are delegated to the legislative, executive and judiciary branches of the Federal Government, and all other powers are reserved explicitly to the states or to the people.

Our system works because of the checks and balances provided by the division of powers. The Constitution is the supreme law of the land. All laws passed by Congress must conform to its restriction. The Supreme Court has sole power to measure laws by the Constitution yardstick and decide whether Congress has exceeded its powers. And the sole duty of the executive is to see that the Constitutional laws of Congress are enforced. None of the three branches may delegate its powers or infringe on the powers of either of the others.

ALLEGIANCE Constitution Every public official, civil or military, in the United States, has to declare his loyalty to our institutions, usually under oath. So do the officials and soldiers of every other nation have to swear fealty to their respective rulers.

In the British Empire they must pledge themselves to be loyal to King George. The Japanese swear to be faithful subjects of the Son of Heaven, the Mikado. In Germany loyalty is pledged to the Third Reich, which is the National Socialist party, the present government. Italian officers give their oaths to the King, who has delegated most of his authority to Premier Mussolini, whose word is the King's law.

In America we do not swear loyalty to any man, any party or any government. No man is required to take an oath that he will obey the President, support whatever government happens to be in power, or be faithful to any particular political party. Instead, every person in office, every legislator, every judge, every executive, every officer of the Army or Navy, takes the same oath of fealty that the President himself takes, pledging loyalty to the Constitution and to the nation of which it is the supreme law.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By Charles E. Dunn

GOD REQUIRES SOCIAL JUSTICE

Lesson for September 5th. Leviticus 19:1-18.

Golden Text: Luke 6:31.

In several significant areas of American life the cry for justice has recently been sounded as a clarion call, and its echoes haven't died away in vain. In the automobile field the workers staged a strike in protest against the speed up, the sinister espionage racket, a low annual wage, and insecurity of employment. But most important of all was the demand that employees be granted the right to bargain collectively with the employers through representatives of their own choosing. The settlement was a compromise, but it amounted to a substantial victory for the workers.

Turn next to our steel mills where over half a million men are now employed smelting and shaping iron ore. In this basic industry are invested five billion dollars. The few who comprise the management are well organized to protect their interests. But the employees and stockholders have not been able to mobilize their forces with equal success. Consequently stockholders hold speculative investments with variable, irregular, and uncertain returns, employees have insecure jobs and uneven incomes, and consumers must pay high and inflexible prices. But a new era is dawning. More than fifty steel companies have signed agreements endorsing the principle of collective bargaining. This sudden change in labor policy marks a significant step toward the goal of democracy.

Finally, consider the desperately needy communities in rural America. In the spring of 1935 more than two-thirds of South Dakota's counties reported that approximately one-third of their population was on relief. But here again a more hopeful day is dawning. The government, the grange, and the church realize that the Golden Rule, chosen for our Gol-

den Text, must apply to the country as much as to the city, to the farmer as well as to the factory worker.

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